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Dear Member,

The Board of Trustees is pleased to announce an important enhancement to your dental coverage. Effective January 1, 2027, the Suffolk County Municipal Employees Benefit Fund will provide members with access to the full Anthem dental network with no copayments, expanding your choice of providers from approximately 5,000 participating dentists to more than 50,000 dentists nationwide. This enhancement significantly increases access to care while preserving the strong dental benefits members have come to rely upon.

Over the past months, the Trustees conducted a comprehensive review of multiple dental provider and administrative proposals to evaluate opportunities to strengthen the Fund's dental program. Following careful consideration, the Trustees determined that adopting the full Anthem network represents the best overall value for the Fund and its members. This approach expands provider access, preserves the Fund's strong benefit structure, and supports the long-term financial sustainability of the dental plan.

What This Means for You

Retiree Basic Level Benefits Remain in Place

- $500 individual/ $750 family maximum per calendar year
- A larger in network provider base
- No out-of-pocket cost up to your annual maximum if you stay in network
- Dental ID Cards - ***will be issued in a separate mailing***

No Member Cost for Most Covered In-Network Services

Covered services received from participating in-network providers will continue to be available with no member out-of-pocket cost, including no deductibles or copays for most covered services.

Building on a Strong Foundation

The Trustees remain committed to providing high-quality, affordable benefits while safeguarding the long-term strength of the Fund. By leveraging the extensive Anthem network while retaining our ASO partnership for administration, we are able to expand access to care, maintain valuable benefits, and position the dental plan for continued success well into the future.

We appreciate the opportunity to continue providing quality dental benefits to you and your family.

Sincerely,



Scott Mirabella
Administrator

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Welcome to Your New Dental Plan!



The Suffolk County Municipal Employees Benefit Fund is pleased to announce important enhancements to your dental plan.

Our network increased from 5,000 to over 50,000 in-network providers!

$0 OUT-OF-POCKET FOR IN-NETWORK CARE

Over 50,000 dentists nationally

There will be **no member out-of-pocket costs** for all covered in-Network services at over 50,000 participating dentists nationwide.

You can receive the care you need from participating dentists with no copays or deductibles for covered services.

KEEP YOUR CURRENT DENTIST

- Keeping the SCMEBF/ASO Network, your local, dedicated network
- Retaining the Anthem Network for all members
- Over 85% of members are already seeing In-Network Dentists

Find your dentist across all Networks using one single, seamless search tool.

www.asonet.com/FindYourDentist.aspx

RETIREE BASIC LEVEL BENEFITS

$500 individual / $750 family maximum

A larger provider base

No out-of-pocket cost up to your maximum if you stay in network

A STRONGER, MORE SUSTAINABLE PLAN

By remaining self-insured, the Fund maintains control over costs, can invest savings into benefits, and protect the value of your dental plan for the long term.

BUILDING ON SUCCESS

Thanks to the Fund's sound decisions and our partnership, we have stabilized the plan and are now reinvesting in your benefits.

Questions?

Our Member Services team is here to help.

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