#### California Public Employees' Retirement System

P.O. Box 942714 Sacramento, CA 94229-2714 (888) CalPERS (or 888-225-7377) TTY: (877) 249-7442 www.calpers.ca.gov

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### **Circular Letter**

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TO: STATE CONTROLLER'S OFFICE, CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FOOD

& AGRICULTURE (CDFA), CDFA AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATION DISTRICTS, CALIFORNIA EXPOSITION & STATE FAIR, CALIFORNIA STATE TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM (CALSTRS), MILITARY DEPARTMENT, ASSEMBLY RULES COMMITTEE, SENATE RULES COMMITTEE, JOINT LEGISLATIVE AUDIT COMMITTEE & JOINT

LEGISLATIVE BUDGET COMMITTEE

SUBJECT: 2013 PAY ENTITY HEALTH PREMIUM INSTRUCTIONS

**Purpose** 

The purpose of this letter is to provide you with health premium payment instructions for your active employee and retiree warrants, and for paying premiums to contracting health plans.

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2013 Health Program Changes Please refer to Circular Letter <u>600-031-12</u> on CalPERS On-Line at <u>www.calpers.gov</u> for information about the 2013 Health Program changes. Or contact the CalPERS Customer Contact Center at **888 CalPERS** (or **888**-225-7377).

Third Party Administrator

Anthem Blue Cross will continue to administer the CalPERS Self-Funded Health Plans (PERS Select, PERS Choice, and PERSCare).

# Payroll Deduction Plan Codes

Below are the payroll deduction plan codes:

Plan	Basic	Medicare Supplement
PERS Select	045	046
PERS Choice	222	223
PERSCare	278	279

#### Premium Submission Deadline and Requirements

PERS Select, PERS Choice and PERSCare health premiums are due to CalPERS no later than the 10<sup>th</sup> of each month.

Please submit the following items below:

Items Mailed	Contact
System tapes	Anthem Blue Cross
Payroll deduction	Attention: Connie Aranda &
reports/listings	Phylannie Valencia
On-line data information	CalPERS Enrollment & Billing
	P.O. Box 629
	Woodland Hills, CA 91365
Payroll premium	CalPERS
Remittance information	Fiscal Services
Supporting documentation	Fund Accounting Health Care
Supplies and a suppli	Fund
	P.O. Box 942703
	Sacramento, CA 94229-2703

Self-reporting agencies and direct billing agencies need to submit the following information:

Items Mailed	Contact Information
Checks: PERS Select, PERS Choice	CalPERS – HCF 0822
& PERSCare	P.O. Box 4032
Original billing statement/agency reports	Sacramento, CA 95812-4032
A copy of:	Anthem Blue Cross
Remittance check	Attention: Phylannie Valencia
Billing statement/agency reports	CalPERS Enrollment & Billing
	P.O. Box 629
	Woodland Hills, CA 91365

#### Self-Funded Contact Information

Please contact CalPERS at the following for financial reporting requirements for the CalPERS Self-Funded Health Plans (PERS Select, PERS Choice, or PERSCare):

#### CalPERS – Self-Funded Health Plans

Health Plan Operations P.O. Box 1953 Sacramento, CA 95812-1953 888 CalPERS (or 888-225-7377)

#### Direct Pay Premium & Payments

Direct Pay/Leave of Absence (LOA), Federal COBRA, and Cal-COBRA payments are **due on the first day of each month** and you must include a copy of the bill to the lock box address indicated on the billing statement:

#### **Anthem Blue Cross**

File 29698 Los Angeles, CA 90074-9698

- The subscriber is responsible for making the payment whether or not they receive a bill.
- Checks must be made payable to Anthem Blue Cross. Checks not made payable to Anthem Blue Cross will be returned to the subscriber with a letter indicating they need to send a corrected check.

Anthem Blue Cross will verify that all money received has been applied properly and produce a new bill for the following month.

Health Plan Contacts for Direct Pay/LOA, Federal COBRA, & Cal-COBRA

#### **PPO Plans**

All your payroll entity questions and concerns for Direct Pay/LOA, Federal COBRA, and Cal-COBRA should be directed to:

## Anthem Blue Cross Attention: Enrollment and Billing – CAAC02-02B

P.O. Box 629 Woodland Hills, CA 91365 Telephone (877) 737-7776

#### **HMO & Association Plans**

For information on Direct Pay/LOA, Federal COBRA, and Cal-COBRA for CalPERS' HMO and Association plans, you may contact the health plans directly.

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