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**EMPLOYEE  
BENEFITS  
GUIDE**

Silver Lake Hospital strives to offer a competitive benefits package that allows you to take charge of how you would like to handle your healthcare needs.



**SILVER LAKE  
HOSPITAL**

# Welcome

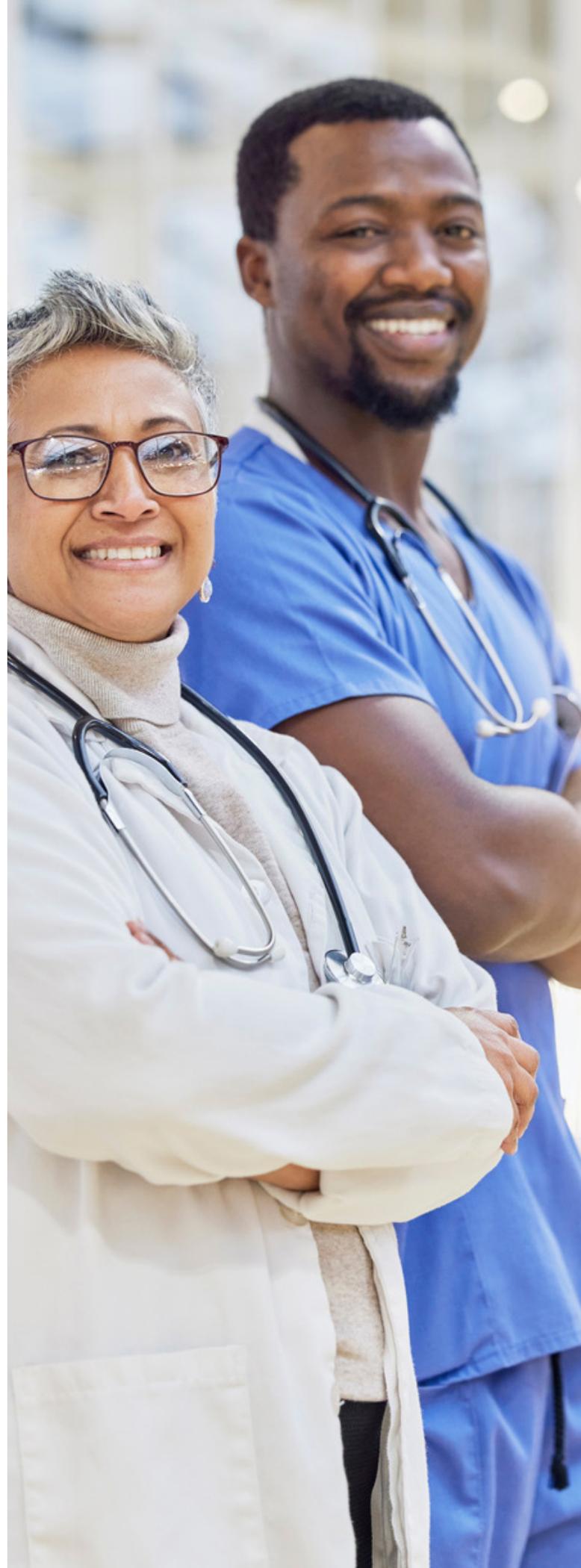
## TO SILVER LAKE HOSPITAL!

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### Questions?

If you have questions about your benefits, please contact the Benefits Member Advocacy Center (“Benefits MAC”) at **800.563.9929** (Mon through Fri, 8:30am to 5:00pm EST) or visit [www.connerstrong.com/memberadvocacy](http://www.connerstrong.com/memberadvocacy)



# Open Enrollment Highlights & How to Enroll

## Open Enrollment is Here!

As you should do every year, please review this guide closely to understand the benefits that are offered to you and your family. The benefits you elect during Open Enrollment will be effective from January 1, 2026.

**The Open Enrollment period runs until December 31, 2025.**

## How Do I Enroll?

A Silver Lake Hospital Universal Enrollment Form must be completed by all eligible employees who want to make a change, add or delete dependents, or enroll. Please email Jessica Madonia at [Jessica.Madonia@silverlakehospital.org](mailto:Jessica.Madonia@silverlakehospital.org) for a form. **Forms are due no later than December 31, 2025.**

## Qualifying Life Events

IRS Section 125 prohibits you from changing your enrollment during the plan year unless you experience a qualifying life event, such as: marriage, divorce, death of a spouse, civil union partner or a dependent, birth or adoption of a child, termination or commencement of employment for your spouse/civil union partner, a change in employment status (full-time to part-time or part-time to full-time) for you or your spouse/civil union partner that affects benefits eligibility, or taking an unpaid, medical leave of absence by either you or your spouse/civil union partner.

**If you do have a qualified life event, you must notify Human Resources within 30 days of experiencing a qualified status change.**

**Don't Forget! Once you have made your elections, you will not be able to change until the next Open Enrollment period, unless you experience a qualified life event.**



# Medical/Prescription Drug Benefits

## Horizon

Eligible employees have the option of enrolling in the OMNIA 12 HSA plan effective January 1, 2026. If you seek care at an OMNIA Tier 1 provider, you will pay a lower cost. You can utilize Tier 2 providers, however, it will have a higher cost.

**Don't Forget! Preventive Care Services are covered 100% in-network, no copay, deductible, or coinsurance! Don't guess when it comes to your health - make the most of your healthcare investment and take advantage of the covered preventive care screenings.**

### OMNIA 12 HSA

MEDICAL BENEFITS	TIER 1	TIER 2
<b>Deductible</b> (Employee/Family)	\$2,000 / \$4,000	\$2,500 / \$5,000
<b>Out-of-Pocket Maximum</b> (Employee/Family)	\$4,500 / \$9,000	\$6,650 / \$13,300
<b>Preventive Care Services</b>	Covered 100% no deductible	Covered 100% no deductible
<b>Primary Care Physician Designation Required?</b>	No	No
<b>PCP Office Visit</b>	\$20 copay after deductible	\$40 copay after deductible
<b>Specialist Office Visit</b>	\$40 copay after deductible	\$50 copay after deductible
<b>Diagnostic Laboratory</b>	LabCorp/Quest: Plan pays 100% after deductible Facility: Plan pays 80% after deductible	LabCorp/Quest: Plan pays 100% after deductible Facility: Plan pays 50% after deductible
<b>Diagnostic X-Ray/Imaging</b> (MRI, CT-Scan)	Office Setting: Plan pays 100% after deductible Facility: Plan pays 80% after deductible	Office Setting: Plan pays 100% after deductible Facility: Plan pays 50% after deductible
<b>Emergency Room</b>	\$100 copay after deductible, then Plan pays 80%	\$100 copay after deductible, then Plan pays 80%
<b>Inpatient Hospital</b>	Plan pays 80% after deductible	Plan pays 50% after deductible
<b>Outpatient Surgery</b>	Plan pays 80% after deductible	Plan pays 50% after deductible
<b>Urgent Care Center</b>	\$40 copay after deductible	\$50 copay after deductible
PRESCRIPTION DRUG BENEFITS		
<b>Retail (up to a 30-day supply) &amp; Mail Order (up to a 90-day supply)</b>		
Generic		Plan pays 60% after OMNIA Tier 1 deductible
Formulary Brand		Plan pays 60% after OMNIA Tier 1 deductible
Non-Formulary Brand		Plan pays 60% after OMNIA Tier 1 deductible
Specialty Medications		Plan pays 60% after OMNIA Tier 1 deductible

Learn more about your OMNIA Health Plan at [HorizonBlue.com/OMNIAeducation](https://HorizonBlue.com/OMNIAeducation).



# Find In-Network Providers

## Horizon

To find an in-network doctor, hospital, or other health care professionals, visit [HorizonBlue.com/doctorfinder](https://HorizonBlue.com/doctorfinder).

### To Find OMNIA Tier-1 Designated Doctors

- Select **“Doctors”** from the **“What are you looking for”** dropdown list
- Then select your **OMNIA Health Plan** from the **“Choose a Plan to Start”** dropdown list

### To Find OMNIA Tier 1 Specialists

- Select up to five (5) specialties from the **“Specialty”** dropdown list, or enter a specialty in the **“Search”** box
- Select your **OMNIA Health Plan** from the **“Choose a Plan to Start”** dropdown list

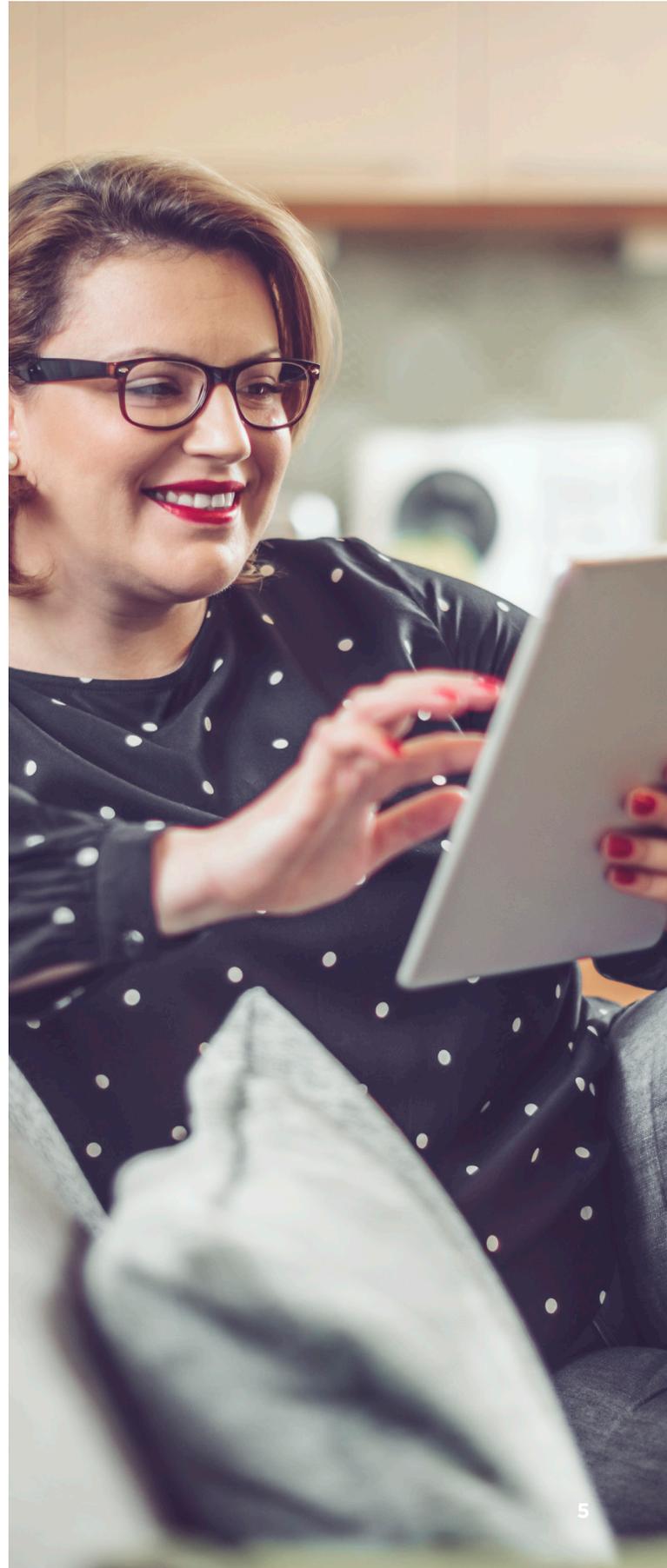
### To Find OMNIA Tier 1 Hospitals

- Select **“Hospitals”** from the **“What are you looking for”** dropdown list
- Select your **OMNIA Health Plan** from the **“Choose a Plan to Start”** dropdown list

You can refine your search by entering a Zip code or other criteria.

Visit [HorizonBlue.com](https://HorizonBlue.com) or download the Horizon Blue Mobile App to:

- Get virtual care
- Get your member ID card
- Chat with or email a Member Services Representative
- And more!



# Dental Benefits

## Delta Dental



Below is a summary of the dental plans available to you effective January 1, 2026. More detailed plan information can be found on the BenePortal by visiting [www.silverlakehospitalbenefits.com](http://www.silverlakehospitalbenefits.com).

To find an in-network provider, visit [www.deltadentalnj.com/fad/search](http://www.deltadentalnj.com/fad/search).

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	IN-NETWORK	OUT-OF-NETWORK	IN-NETWORK
<b>Calendar Year Deductible</b> Employee/Family	\$50 / \$150	\$50 / \$150	N/A
<b>Calendar Year Maximum</b> (per patient)	\$1,250*	\$1,250*	N/A
<b>Preventive &amp; Diagnostic</b> Oral Exams, Routine Cleanings, Full-Mouth X-rays, Bitewing X-rays, Panoramic X-ray, Periapical X-rays, Fluoride Application, Sealants, Space Maintainers, Emergency Care to Relieve Pain	Plan pays 100% NO deductible	Plan pays 100% NO deductible	Plan pays 100% NO deductible
<b>Basic Restorative Care</b> Fillings, Oral Surgery - Simple Extractions, Surgical Extraction of Impacted Teeth, Anesthetics, Minor Periodontics, Major Periodontics, Root Canal Therapy/Endodontics, Relines, Rebases, and Adjustments, Repairs - Bridges, Crowns, and Inlays, Repairs - Dentures, Brush Biopsy	Plan pays 80% after deductible	Plan pays 80% after deductible	Refer to Schedule of Benefits
<b>Major Restorative Care</b> Crowns, Inlays/Onlays Replacement Every 5 Years, Stainless Steel/Resin Crowns, Dentures, Bridges	Plan pays 50% after deductible	Plan pays 50% after deductible	Refer to Schedule of Benefits
<b>Orthodontia Benefits</b> (Coverage for Eligible Children Only to age 19)	Plan pays 50% No Orthodontia Deductible	Plan pays 50% No Orthodontia Deductible	Refer to Schedule of Benefits
<b>Orthodontia Lifetime Maximum</b>	\$1,000	\$1,000	Refer to Schedule of Benefits
<b>Dental Plan Reimbursement Levels</b>	Based on Contracted Fees	MAC	N/A
<b>Additional Member Responsibility in Excess of Coinsurance</b>	None	Yes, the difference between Billed Charges and the plan reimbursement	N/A

\* Some of the unused portion of your annual maximum may roll over into future periods.

# Vision Benefits

## VSP

Silver Lake Hospital employees have the option to participate in the VSP vision plan. The vision plan is on a voluntary basis, so the employee is responsible for 100% of the cost. Additional details can be found on the BenePortal by visiting [www.silverlakehospitalbenefits.com](http://www.silverlakehospitalbenefits.com).

### VSP Vision Plan

BENEFITS	IN-NETWORK
<b>Well Vision Exam</b>	\$10 copay
<b>Lenses</b>	
Single Vision	\$25 copay
Bifocal	\$25 copay
Trifocal	\$25 copay
Polycarbonate (for dependent children)	\$40 copay
<b>Frames</b>	\$130 allowance for a wide selection of frames; 20% off the amount over your allowance
<b>Frequency</b>	
Exam	Once every 12 months
Lenses	Once every 12 months
Frames	Once every 24 months



# Basic Life & Disability Benefits

The Hartford

## Basic Life and AD&D

All active full-time employees are provided with basic life and accidental death and dismemberment (AD&D) insurance in the amount of one times their salary up to a maximum of \$150,000. **Silver Lake Hospital pays the full cost of this benefit.**

It is a good idea to update your beneficiary information on an annual basis - you can update this information on the Universal Enrollment Form.

**Important Note:** Employees cannot designate themselves as beneficiary. Please be sure to list an appropriate beneficiary.

## Long-Term Disability (LTD)

All active full-time employees are provided Long-Term Disability (LTD) benefits. **Silver Lake Hospital pays the full cost of this benefit.** In the event you become disabled from a non-work related injury or sickness, disability income benefits are provided as a source of income.

LONG-TERM DISABILITY BENEFITS	
Elimination Period	180 days (to coincide with the NJ State Disability Plan)
LTD Benefits	60% of monthly salary
Maximum Benefit	\$6,000 per month



# Employee Assistance Program (EAP)

Ability Assist (Administered by The Hartford)

Life can be unpredictable, and it's not always easy. So it's a big deal to know there's help available when you need it. Provided by The Hartford, your Ability Assist Employee Assistance Program (EAP) provides you and your household members with free, confidential, in-the-moment support to help with personal or professional problems that may interfere with work or family responsibilities.

## What Happens When You Contact the EAP?

A Care Coordinator (master's level clinician) will confidentially assess the problem, assist with any emergencies and connect you to the appropriate resources.

The Care Coordinator may resolve your need within the initial call; assess your need as a short-term issue, which can be resolved by an EAP counselor within the available sessions; assess your need as requiring long-term care and assist with connecting you to a community resource or treatment provider available through your health insurance plan.

### PROGRAM FEATURES:

- **Program Cost:** This is a FREE benefit provided and paid for by your employer at no cost to you.
- **Confidentiality:** The Hartford allows all federal and state privacy laws. When you speak with them, you can trust that your conversations and information will be kept completely confidential. Information about your problem cannot be released without your written permission.
- **Available 24/7:** Services are available 24-hours a day, 7-days a week via a toll-free number.

## When Should I Contact the EAP?

The Ability Assist EAP can help you through uncertain times, by acting as your advocate whenever you or your dependents need treatment of the following:

- Emotional Difficulties/Depression
- Work/Life Balance
- Family/Relationship Issues
- Stress/Anxiety Issues
- Grief and Loss Issues
- Alcohol/Drug Abuse or Addiction
- Anger/Rage Issues
- Eating Disorders
- Life Transition Problems
- Other Behavioral Addictions

## Get Started Today!

You can access the EAP by:

- Calling or texting: **800.964.3577**
- Visiting: **[www.guidanceresources.com](http://www.guidanceresources.com)**
  - \* Company Code: **HLF902**
  - \* Company Name: **ABILI**



# Benefits MAC

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Employee benefits can be complex making it difficult to fully understand your coverage and use it properly. Benefits MAC allows you to speak to a specially trained and experienced Member Advocate who can answer your questions and help you get the most out of your benefits.

## You Can Contact Benefits MAC for Assistance if You:

- Believe your claim was not paid properly
- Need clarification on information from the insurance company
- Have a question regarding a bill from a doctor, lab or hospital
- Are unclear on how your benefits work
- Need information about adding or deleting a dependent
- Need help to resolve a problem you've been working on

The Benefits MAC Team is available Monday through Friday, 8:30am to 5:00pm (Eastern Time). After hours, you will be able to leave a message with a live representative and receive a response by phone or email during business hours within 24 to 48 hours of your inquiry.



## How to Contact Benefits MAC?

You may contact the Benefits MAC Team in any of the following ways:

- Via phone: **800.563.9929**, Monday through Friday, 8:30 am to 5:00 pm (Eastern Time)
- Via the web:  
**[www.connerstrong.com/memberadvocacy](http://www.connerstrong.com/memberadvocacy)**
- Via fax: **856.685.2253**
- Via email: **[cssteam@connerstrong.com](mailto:cssteam@connerstrong.com)**

# Additional Benefits

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## BenePortal

### ONLINE BENEFITS INFORMATION

At Silver Lake Hospital, you have access to a full-range of valuable employee benefit programs. With BenePortal, you are able to review your current employee benefit plan options online, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week!

By using BenePortal, our online tool that houses our benefit program information, you can:

- Review your plan options
- Explore additional voluntary employee benefit programs available to you
- Find links to insurance carrier websites
- Download plan documents, affidavits, etc.

Simply go to [www.silverlakehospitalbenefits.com](http://www.silverlakehospitalbenefits.com) to access your benefits information today!

## GOODRX

Compare prescription drug prices at local and mail-order pharmacies and discover free coupons and savings tips. Learn more about GoodRx and start saving today by visiting [connerstrong.goodrx.com](http://connerstrong.goodrx.com).

## HUSK Marketplace

Husk members can access exclusive savings and flexible memberships options to a variety of gyms and fitness center facilities. To learn more about Husk and their services visit

<https://marketplace.huskwellness.com>.

## HealthyLearn

This resource covers over a thousand health and wellness topics in a simple, straightforward manner. The HealthyLearn On-Demand Library features all the health information you need to be well and stay well. Visit <https://healthylearn.com/connerstrong>.

## BenefitPerks

This feature provides a broad array of services, discounts and special deals on consumer services, travel services, recreational services and much more. Simply access the site and register to start saving!

Visit <https://connerstrong.corestream.com>.



# Legal Notices

## Notice Regarding Special Enrollment

**Loss of other Coverage (excluding Medicaid or a State Children's Health Insurance Program)** If you decline enrollment for yourself or for an eligible dependent (including your spouse) while other health insurance or group health plan coverage is in effect, you may be able to enroll yourself and your dependents in this plan if you or your dependents lose eligibility for that other coverage (or if the Company stops contributing toward your or your dependents' other coverage). However, you must request enrollment within 30 days after your or your dependents' other coverage ends (or after the employer stops contributing toward the other coverage).

## Loss of coverage for Medicaid or a State Children's Health Insurance Program

If you decline enrollment for yourself or for an eligible dependent (including your spouse) while Medicaid coverage or coverage under a state children's health insurance program is in effect, you may be able to enroll yourself and your dependents in this plan if you or your dependents lose eligibility for that other coverage. However, you must request enrollment within 60 days after your or your dependents' coverage ends under Medicaid or a state children's health insurance program (CHIP).

## New dependent by marriage, birth, adoption, or placement for adoption

If you have a new dependent as a result of marriage, birth, adoption, or placement for adoption, you may be able to enroll yourself and your new dependents. However, you must request enrollment within 30 days after the marriage, birth, adoption, or placement for adoption. If you request a change due to a special enrollment event within the applicable timeframe, coverage will be effective the date of birth, adoption or placement for adoption. For all other events, coverage will be effective the first of the month following your request for enrollment.

## Eligibility for Medicaid or a State Children's Health Insurance Program

If you or your dependents (including your spouse) become eligible for a state premium assistance subsidy from Medicaid or through a state children's health insurance program (CHIP) with respect to coverage under this plan, you may be able to enroll yourself and your dependents in this plan. However, you must request enrollment within 60 days after your or your dependents' determination of eligibility for such assistance. If you request a change within the applicable timeframe, coverage will be effective the first of the month following your request for enrollment.

To request special enrollment or obtain more information, contact your HR Department.

## Newborns' and Mothers' Health Protection Act

Under federal law, group health plans and health insurance issuers offering group health insurance generally may not restrict benefits for any hospital length of stay in connection with childbirth for the mother or the newborn child to less than 48 hours following a vaginal delivery, or less than 96 hours following a cesarean section. However, the plan or issuer

may pay for a shorter stay if the attending physician (e.g., your physician, nurse, [or midwife], or a physician assistant), after consultation with the mother, discharges the mother or newborn earlier.

Also, under federal law, plans and insurers may not set the level of benefits or out-of-pocket costs so that any later portion of the 48-hour (or 96-hour) stay is treated in a manner less favorable to the mother or newborn than any earlier portion of the stay.

In addition, a plan or issuer may not, under federal law, require that a physician or other health care provider obtain authorization for prescribing a length of stay of up to 48 hours (or 96 hours). However, to use certain providers or facilities, or to reduce your out-of-pocket costs, you may be required to obtain precertification. For information on precertification, contact your plan administrator.

## Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act

If you have had or are going to have a mastectomy, you may be entitled to certain benefits under the Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act of 1998 (WHCRA). For individuals receiving mastectomy-related benefits, coverage will be provided in a manner determined in consultation with the attending physician and the patient, for:

- all stages of reconstruction of the breast on which the mastectomy was performed;
- surgery and reconstruction of the other breast to produce a symmetrical appearance; prostheses; and
- treatment of physical complications of the mastectomy, including lymphedema.

These benefits will be provided subject to the same deductibles and coinsurance applicable to other benefits. If you have any questions, please speak with Human Resources.

## Availability of Summary Health Information

As an employee, the health benefits available to you represent a significant component of your compensation package. They also provide important protection for you and your family in the case of illness or injury.

Your plan offers a series of health coverage options. Choosing a health coverage option is an important decision. To help you make an informed choice, your plan makes available a Summary of Benefits and Coverage (SBC), which summarizes important information about any health coverage option in a standard format, to help you compare across options. The SBC is available on the BenePortal.

## Premium Assistance Under Medicaid and the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP)

If you or your children are eligible for Medicaid or CHIP and you're eligible for health coverage from your employer, your state may have a premium assistance program that can help pay for coverage, using funds from their Medicaid or CHIP programs. If you or your children aren't eligible for Medicaid or CHIP, you won't be eligible for these premium assistance programs but you may be able to buy individual insurance coverage through the Health Insurance Marketplace. For more information, visit [www.healthcare.gov](http://www.healthcare.gov).

If you or your dependents are already enrolled in Medicaid or CHIP and you live in a State listed below, contact your State Medicaid or CHIP office to find out if premium assistance is available.

If you or your dependents are NOT currently enrolled in Medicaid or CHIP, and you think you or any of your dependents might be eligible for either of these programs, contact your State Medicaid or CHIP office or dial 1-877-KIDS NOW or [www.insurekidsnow.gov](http://www.insurekidsnow.gov) to find out how to apply. If you qualify, ask your state if it has a program that might help you pay the premiums for an employer-sponsored plan.

If you or your dependents are eligible for premium assistance under Medicaid or CHIP, as well as eligible under your employer plan, your employer must allow you to enroll in your employer plan if you aren't already enrolled. This is called a "special enrollment" opportunity, and you must request coverage within 60 days of being determined eligible for premium assistance. If you have questions about enrolling in your employer plan, contact the Department of Labor at [www.askebsa.dol.gov](http://www.askebsa.dol.gov) or call 1-866-444-EBSA (3272).

If you live in one of the following states, you may be eligible for assistance paying your employer health plan premiums. The following list of states is current as of July 31, 2025. Contact your State for more information on eligibility -

ALABAMA - Medicaid  
Website: <http://myalhipp.com/>  
Phone: 1-855-692-5447

ALASKA - Medicaid  
The AK Health Insurance Premium Payment Program  
Website: <http://myakhipp.com/>  
Phone: 1-866-251-4861  
Email: [CustomerService@MyAKHIPP.com](mailto:CustomerService@MyAKHIPP.com)  
Medicaid Eligibility: <https://health.alaska.gov/dpa/Pages/default.aspx>

ARKANSAS - Medicaid  
Website: <http://myarhipp.com/>  
Phone: 1-855-MyARHIPP (855-692-7447)

CALIFORNIA - Medicaid  
Health Insurance Premium Payment (HIPP) Program Website:  
<http://dhcs.ca.gov/hipp>  
Phone: 916-445-8322  
Fax: 916-440-5676  
Email: [hipp@dhcs.ca.gov](mailto:hipp@dhcs.ca.gov)

# Legal Notices

**COLORADO** – Health First Colorado (Colorado's Medicaid Program) & Child Health Plan Plus (CHP+)  
Health First Colorado Website: <https://www.healthfirstcolorado.com/>  
Health First Colorado Member Contact Center:  
1-800-221-3943/State Relay 711  
CHP+: <https://hcpf.colorado.gov/child-health-plan-plus>  
CHP+ Customer Service: 1-800-359-1991/State Relay 711  
Health Insurance Buy-In Program (HIBI): <https://www.mycohibi.com/>  
HIBI Customer Service: 1-855-692-6442

**FLORIDA** – Medicaid  
Website: <https://www.flmedicaidprecovery.com/flmedicaidprecovery.com/hipp/index.html>  
Phone: 1-877-357-3268

**GEORGIA** – Medicaid  
GA HIPP Website: <https://medicaid.georgia.gov/health-insurance-premium-payment-program-hipp>  
Phone: 678-564-1162, Press 1  
GA CHIPRA Website: <https://medicaid.georgia.gov/programs/third-party-liability/childrens-health-insurance-program-reauthorization-act-2009-chipra>  
Phone: 678-564-1162, Press 2

**INDIANA** – Medicaid  
Health Insurance Premium Payment Program  
All other Medicaid  
Website: <https://www.in.gov/medicaid/http://www.in.gov/fssa/dfr/>  
Family and Social Services Administration  
Phone: 1-800-403-0864  
Member Services Phone: 1-800-457-4584

**IOWA** – Medicaid and CHIP (Hawki)  
Medicaid Website:  
Iowa Medicaid | Health & Human Services  
Medicaid Phone: 1-800-338-8366  
Hawki Website:  
Hawki - Healthy and Well Kids in Iowa | Health & Human Services  
Hawki Phone: 1-800-257-8563  
HIPP Website: Health Insurance Premium Payment (HIPP) | Health & Human Services (iowa.gov)  
HIPP Phone: 1-888-346-9562

**KANSAS** – Medicaid  
Website: <https://www.kancare.ks.gov/>  
Phone: 1-800-792-4884  
HIPP Phone: 1-800-967-4660

**KENTUCKY** – Medicaid  
Kentucky Integrated Health Insurance Premium Payment Program (KI-HIPP) Website:  
<https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dms/member/Pages/kihipp.aspx>  
Phone: 1-855-459-6328  
Email: [KIHIPPPROGRAM@ky.gov](mailto:KIHIPPPROGRAM@ky.gov)  
KCHIP Website: <https://kynect.ky.gov>  
Phone: 1-877-524-4718  
Kentucky Medicaid Website: <https://chfs.ky.gov/agencies/dms>

**LOUISIANA** – Medicaid  
Website: [www.medicaid.la.gov](http://www.medicaid.la.gov) or [www.ldh.la.gov/lahipp](http://www.ldh.la.gov/lahipp)  
Phone: 1-888-342-6207 (Medicaid hotline) or 1-855-618-5488 (LaHIPP)

**MAINE** – Medicaid  
Enrollment Website: [https://www.mymaineconnection.gov/benefits/s/?language=en\\_US](https://www.mymaineconnection.gov/benefits/s/?language=en_US)  
Phone: 1-800-442-6003  
TTY: Maine relay 711  
Private Health Insurance Premium Webpage:  
<https://www.maine.gov/dhhs/ofi/applications-forms>  
Phone: 1-800-977-6740  
TTY: Maine relay 711

**MASSACHUSETTS** – Medicaid and CHIP  
Website: <https://www.mass.gov/masshealth/pa>  
Phone: 1-800-862-4840  
TTY: 711  
Email: [masspremassistance@accenture.com](mailto:masspremassistance@accenture.com)

**MINNESOTA** – Medicaid  
Website:  
<https://mn.gov/dhs/health-care-coverage/>  
Phone: 1-800-657-3672

**MISSOURI** – Medicaid  
Website: <http://www.dss.mo.gov/mhd/participants/pages/hipp.htm>  
Phone: 573-751-2005  
**MONTANA** – Medicaid  
Website: <http://dphhs.mt.gov/MontanaHealthcarePrograms/HIPP>  
Phone: 1-800-694-3084  
Email: [HHSHIPPProgram@mt.gov](mailto:HHSHIPPProgram@mt.gov)

**NEBRASKA** – Medicaid  
Website: <http://www.ACCESSNebraska.ne.gov>  
Phone: 1-855-632-7633  
Lincoln: 402-473-7000  
Omaha: 402-595-1178

**NEVADA** – Medicaid  
Medicaid Website: <http://dhcnp.nv.gov>  
Medicaid Phone: 1-800-992-0900

**NEW HAMPSHIRE** – Medicaid  
Website: <https://www.dhhs.nh.gov/programs-services/medicaid/health-insurance-premium-program>  
Phone: 603-271-5218  
Toll free number for the HIPP program: 1-800-852-3345, ext. 15218  
Email: [DHHS.ThirdPartyLiabi@dhhs.nh.gov](mailto:DHHS.ThirdPartyLiabi@dhhs.nh.gov)

**NEW JERSEY** – Medicaid and CHIP  
Medicaid Website:  
<http://www.state.nj.us/humanservices/dmahs/clients/medicaid/>  
Phone: 1-800-356-1561  
CHIP Premium Assistance Phone: 609-631-2392  
CHIP Website: <http://www.njfamilycare.org/index.html>  
CHIP Phone: 1-800-701-0710 (TTY: 711)

**NEW YORK** – Medicaid  
Website: [https://www.health.ny.gov/health\\_care/medicaid/](https://www.health.ny.gov/health_care/medicaid/)  
Phone: 1-800-541-2831

**NORTH CAROLINA** – Medicaid  
Website: <https://medicaid.ncdhhs.gov/>  
Phone: 919-855-4100

**NORTH DAKOTA** – Medicaid  
Website: <https://www.hhs.nd.gov/healthcare>  
Phone: 1-844-854-4825

**OKLAHOMA** – Medicaid and CHIP  
Website: <http://www.insureoklahoma.org>  
Phone: 1-888-365-3742

**OREGON** – Medicaid and CHIP  
Website: <http://healthcare.oregon.gov/Pages/index.aspx>  
Phone: 1-800-699-9075

**PENNSYLVANIA** – Medicaid and CHIP  
Website: <https://www.pa.gov/en/services/dhs/apply-for-medicaid-health-insurance-premium-payment-program-hipp.html>  
Phone: 1-800-692-7462  
CHIP Website: Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) (pa.gov)  
CHIP Phone: 1-800-986-KIDS (5437)

**RHODE ISLAND** – Medicaid and CHIP  
Website: <http://www.eohhs.ri.gov/>  
Phone: 1-855-697-4347, or 401-462-0311 (Direct Rlte Share Line)

**SOUTH CAROLINA** – Medicaid  
Website: <https://www.scdhhs.gov>  
Phone: 1-888-549-0820

**SOUTH DAKOTA** – Medicaid  
Website: <http://dss.sd.gov>  
Phone: 1-888-828-0059

**TEXAS** – Medicaid  
Website: <https://www.hhs.texas.gov/services/financial/health-insurance-premium-payment-hipp-program>  
Phone: 1-800-440-0493

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## UTAH – Medicaid and CHIP

Utah's Premium Partnership for Health Insurance (UPP)

Website: <https://medicaid.utah.gov/upp/>

Email: [upp@utah.gov](mailto:upp@utah.gov)

Phone: 1-888-222-2542

Adult Expansion Website: <https://medicaid.utah.gov/expansion/>

Utah Medicaid Buyout Program Website: <https://medicaid.utah.gov/buyout-program/>

CHIP Website: <https://chip.utah.gov/>

## VERMONT – Medicaid

Website: <https://dvha.vermont.gov/members/medicaid/hipp-program>

Phone: 1-800-250-8427

## VIRGINIA – Medicaid and CHIP

Website: <https://coverva.dmas.virginia.gov/learn/premium-assistance/famis-select>

<https://coverva.dmas.virginia.gov/learn/premium-assistance/health-insurance-premium-payment-hipp-programs>

Medicaid/CHIP Phone: 1-800-432-5924

## WASHINGTON – Medicaid

Website: <https://www.hca.wa.gov/>

Phone: 1-800-562-3022

## West Virginia – Medicaid and CHIP

Website: <https://dhhr.wv.gov/bms/>

<http://mywvhipp.com/>

Medicaid Phone: 304-558-1700

CHIP Toll-free phone: 1-855-MyWVHIPP (1-855-699-8447)

## WISCONSIN – Medicaid and CHIP

Website:

<https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/badgercareplus/p-10095.htm>

Phone: 1-800-362-3002

## WYOMING – Medicaid

Website: <https://health.wyo.gov/healthcarefin/medicaid/programs-and-eligibility/>

Phone: 1-800-251-1269

To see if any other states have added a premium assistance program since July 31, 2025, or for more information on special enrollment rights, contact either:

### U.S. Department of Labor

Employee Benefits Security Administration

[www.dol.gov/agencies/ebsa](http://www.dol.gov/agencies/ebsa)

1-866-444-EBSA (3272)

### U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services

[www.cms.hhs.gov](http://www.cms.hhs.gov)

1-877-267-2323, Menu Option 4, Ext. 61565

## Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act of 1994 (USERRA)

USERRA protects the job rights of individuals who voluntarily or involuntarily leave employment positions to undertake military service or certain types of service in the National Disaster Medical System. USERRA also prohibits employers from discriminating against past and present members of the uniformed services, and applicants to the uniformed services. If you leave your job to perform military service, you have the right to elect to continue your existing employer based health plan coverage for you and your dependents for up to 24 months while in the military. Even if you don't elect to continue coverage during your military service, you have the right to be reinstated in your employer's health plan when you are reemployed, generally without any waiting periods or exclusions (e.g., pre-existing condition exclusions) except for service-connected illnesses or injuries. For assistance in filing a complaint, or for any other information on USERRA, contact VETS at 1-866-4-USA-DOL or visit its website at <http://www.dol.gov/vets>.

## Patient Protection Notice

When applicable, it is important that individuals enrolled in a plan or health insurance coverage know of their rights to (1) choose a primary care provider or a pediatrician when a plan or issuer requires designation of a primary care physician (N/A); or (2) obtain obstetrical or gynecological care without prior authorization. Accordingly, the interim final regulations regarding patient protections under section 2719A of the Affordable Care Act require plans and issuers to provide notice to participants of these rights when applicable. The notice must be provided whenever the plan or issuer provides a participant with a summary plan description or other similar description of benefits under the plan or health insurance coverage. This notice must be provided no later than the first day of the first plan year beginning on or after September 23, 2010. You do not need prior authorization from Highmark Blue Shield or from any other person (including a primary care provider) in order to obtain access to obstetrical or gynecological care from a health care professional in our network who specializes in obstetrics or gynecology. The health care professional, however, may be required to comply with certain procedures, including obtaining prior authorization for certain services, following a preapproved treatment plan, or procedures for making referrals. For a list of participating health care professionals who specialize in obstetrics or gynecology, contact the Highmark Blue Shield at 1-800-345-3806.

## Eligibility

An eligible employee with respect to the programs described in this Guide is any individual who is designated as eligible to participate in and receive benefits under one or more of the component benefit programs described herein. The eligibility and participation requirements may vary depending on the particular component program. You must satisfy the eligibility requirements under a particular component benefit program in order to receive benefits under that program. Certain individuals related to you, such as a spouse or your dependents, may be eligible for coverage under certain component benefit programs. To determine whether you or

your family members are eligible to participate in a component benefit program, please read the eligibility information contained in the Plan Document for the applicable component benefit programs.

## Disclaimer Notice

**This Guide is intended to provide you with the information you need to choose your 2025 benefits, including details about your benefits options the actions you need to take during this [year's Annual] Enrollment period. It also outlines additional sources of information to help you make your enrollment choices. If you have questions about your 2025 benefits or the enrollment process, contact Human Resources. The information presented in this Guide is not intended to be construed to create a contract between Silver Lake Hospital and any one of Silver Lake Hospital's employees or former employees. In the event that the content of this Guide or any oral representations made by any person regarding the plan conflict with or are inconsistent with the provisions of the plan document, the provisions of the plan document are controlling. Silver Lake Hospital reserves the right to amend, modify, suspend, replace or terminate any of its plans, policies or programs, in whole or in part, including any level or form of coverage by appropriate company action, without your consent or concurrence.**

## Notice of Privacy Practices

**THIS NOTICE OF PRIVACY PRACTICES DESCRIBES HOW MEDICAL INFORMATION ABOUT YOU MAY BE USED AND DISCLOSED AND HOW YOU CAN GET ACCESS TO THIS INFORMATION. PLEASE REVIEW IT CAREFULLY.**

This Notice of Privacy Practices (the "Notice") describes the legal obligations of Silver Lake Hospital group health plan (the "Plan") and your legal rights regarding your protected health information held by the Plan under the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 ("HIPAA"). Among other things, this Notice describes how your protected health information may be used or disclosed to carry out treatment, payment, or health care operations, or for any other purposes that are permitted or required by law. We are required to provide this Notice of Privacy Practices to you pursuant to HIPAA. The HIPAA Privacy Rule protects only certain medical information known as "protected health information." Generally, protected health information is individually identifiable health information, including demographic information, collected from you or created or received by a health care provider, a health care clearinghouse, a health plan, or your employer on behalf of a group health plan that relates to:

1. Your past, present or future physical or mental health or condition;
2. The provision of health care to you; or
3. The past, present or future payment for the provision of health care to you."

If you have any questions about this Notice or about our privacy practices, please contact Human Resources.

Effective Date.

This Notice is effective January 1, 2026

Our Responsibilities. We are required by law to:

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- maintain the privacy of your protected health information;
- provide you with certain rights with respect to your protected health information;
- provide you with a copy of this Notice of our legal duties and privacy practices with respect to your protected health information; and
- follow the terms of the Notice that is currently in effect

We reserve the right to change the terms of this Notice and to make new provisions regarding your protected health information that we maintain, as allowed or required by law. If we make any material change to this Notice, we will provide you with a copy of our revised Notice of Privacy Practices by mail.

## How We May Use and Disclose Your Protected Health Information.

Under the law, we may use or disclose your protected health information under certain circumstances without your permission. The amount of health information used, disclosed or requested will be limited and, when needed, restricted to the minimum necessary to accomplish the intended purposes, as defined under the HIPAA rules. The following categories describe the different ways that we may use and disclose your protected health information. For each category of uses or disclosures we will explain what we mean and present some examples. Not every use or disclosure in a category will be listed. However, all of the ways we are permitted to use and disclose information will fall within one of the categories.

**For Treatment.** We may use or disclose your protected health information to facilitate medical treatment or services by providers. We may disclose medical information about you to providers, including doctors, nurses, technicians, medical students, or other hospital personnel who are involved in taking care of you. For example, we might disclose information about your prior prescriptions to a pharmacist to determine if prior prescriptions contraindicate a pending prescription.

**For Payment.** We may use or disclose your protected health information to determine your eligibility for Plan benefits, to facilitate payment for the treatment and services you receive from health care providers, to determine benefit responsibility under the Plan, or to coordinate Plan coverage. For example, we may tell your health care provider about your medical history to determine whether a particular treatment is experimental, investigational, or medically necessary, or to determine whether the Plan will cover the treatment. We may also share your protected health information with a utilization review or precertification service provider. Likewise, we may share your protected health information with another entity to assist with the adjudication or subrogation of health claims or to another health plan to coordinate benefit payments.

**For Health Care Operations.** We may use and disclose your protected health information for other Plan operations. These uses and disclosures are necessary to run the Plan. For example, we may use medical information in connection with conducting quality assessment and improvement activities; underwriting, premium rating, and other activities relating to Plan coverage; submitting claims for stop-loss (or excess-loss) coverage; conducting or arranging for medical review,

legal services, audit services, and fraud & abuse detection programs; business planning and development such as cost management; and business management and general Plan administrative activities. If the Plan uses or discloses protected health information for underwriting purposes, including determining eligibility for benefits or premium, the Plan will not use or disclose protected health information that is genetic information for such purposes, as prohibited by the Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act of 2008 (GINA) and any regulations thereunder.

**To Business Associates.** We may contract with individuals or entities known as Business Associates to perform various functions on our behalf or to provide certain types of services. In order to perform these functions or to provide these services, Business Associates will receive, create, maintain, use and/or disclose your protected health information, but only after they agree in writing with us to implement appropriate safeguards regarding your protected health information. For example, we may disclose your protected health information to a Business Associate to administer claims or to provide support services, such as utilization management, pharmacy benefit management or subrogation, but only after the Business Associate enters into a Business Associate contract with us.

**As Required by Law.** We will disclose your protected health information when required to do so by federal, state or local law. For example, we may disclose your protected health information when required by national security laws or public health disclosure laws.

**To Avert a Serious Threat to Health or Safety.** We may use and disclose your protected health information when necessary to prevent a serious threat to your health and safety, or the health and safety of the public or another person. Any disclosure, however, would only be to someone able to help prevent the threat. For example, we may disclose your protected health information in a proceeding regarding the licensure of a physician.

**To Plan Sponsors.** For the purpose of administering the plan, we may disclose to certain employees of the Employer protected health information. However, those employees will only use or disclose that information as necessary to perform plan administration functions or as otherwise required by HIPAA, unless you have authorized further disclosures. Your protected health information cannot be used for employment purposes without your specific authorization.

**Special Situations.** In addition to the above, the following categories describe other possible ways that we may use and disclose your protected health information. For each category of uses or disclosures, we will explain what we mean and present some examples. Not every use or disclosure in a category will be listed. However, all of the ways we are permitted to use and disclose information will fall within one of the categories.

**Organ and Tissue Donation.** If you are an organ donor, we may release your protected health information to organizations that handle organ procurement or organ, eye, or tissue transplantation or to an organ donation bank, as necessary to facilitate organ or tissue donation and transplantation.

**Military and Veterans.** If you are a member of the armed forces, we may release your protected health information as required by military command authorities. We may also release protected health information about foreign military personnel to the appropriate foreign military authority.

**Workers' Compensation.** We may release your protected health information for workers' compensation or similar programs. These programs provide benefits for work-related injuries or illness.

**Public Health Risks.** We may disclose your protected health information for public health actions. These actions generally include the following:

- to prevent or control disease, injury, or disability;
- to report births and deaths;
- to report child abuse or neglect;
- to report reactions to medications or problems with products;
- to notify people of recalls of products they may be using;
- to notify a person who may have been exposed to a disease or may be at risk for contracting or spreading a disease or condition;

to notify the appropriate government authority if we believe that a patient has been the victim of abuse, neglect, or domestic violence. We will only make this disclosure if you agree, or when required or authorized by law.

**Health Oversight Activities.** We may disclose your protected health information to a health oversight agency for activities authorized by law. These oversight activities include, for example, audits, investigations, inspections, and licensure. These activities are necessary for the government to monitor the health care system, government programs, and compliance with civil rights laws.

**Lawsuits and Disputes.** If you are involved in a lawsuit or a dispute, we may disclose your protected health information in response to a court or administrative order. We may also disclose your protected health information in response to a subpoena, discovery request, or other lawful process by someone else involved in the dispute, but only if efforts have been made to tell you about the request or to obtain an order protecting the information requested.

- Law Enforcement.** We may disclose your protected health information if asked to do so by a law enforcement official—
- in response to a court order, subpoena, warrant, summons or similar process;
  - to identify or locate a suspect, fugitive, material witness, or missing person;
  - about the victim of a crime if, under certain limited circumstances, we are unable to obtain the victim's agreement;
  - about a death that we believe may be the result of criminal conduct; and
  - about criminal conduct.

**Coroners, Medical Examiners and Funeral Directors.** We may release protected health information to a coroner or medical

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examiner. This may be necessary, for example, to identify a deceased person or determine the cause of death. We may also release medical information about patients to funeral directors, as necessary to carry out their duties.

**National Security and Intelligence Activities.** We may release your protected health information to authorized federal officials for intelligence, counterintelligence, and other national security activities authorized by law.

**Inmates.** If you are an inmate of a correctional institution or are in the custody of a law enforcement official, we may disclose your protected health information to the correctional institution or law enforcement official if necessary (1) for the institution to provide you with health care; (2) to protect your health and safety or the health and safety of others; or (3) for the safety and security of the correctional institution.

**Research.** We may disclose your protected health information to researchers when:

- the individual identifiers have been removed; or
- when an institutional review board or privacy board has reviewed the research proposal and established protocols to ensure the privacy of the requested information and approves the research.

**Required Disclosures.** The following is a description of disclosures of your protected health information we are required to make.

**Government Audits.** We are required to disclose your protected health information to the Secretary of the United States Department of Health and Human Services when the Secretary is investigating or determining our compliance with the HIPAA privacy rule.

**Disclosures to You.** When you request, we are required to disclose to you the portion of your protected health information that contains medical records, billing records, and any other records used to make decisions regarding your health care benefits. We are also required, when requested, to provide you with an accounting of most disclosures of your protected health information if the disclosure was for reasons other than for payment, treatment, or health care operations, and if the protected health information was not disclosed pursuant to your individual authorization.

## **Other Disclosures of Your Medical Information Require Your Authorization**

**Written Authorization.** Your medical information will not be used or disclosed for any purpose not mentioned above in the "How We May Use and Disclose Your Protected Health Information" section except as permitted by law or as authorized by you. This includes disclosures to personal representatives and spouses and other family members as described below. In the event that the Plan needs to use or disclose medical information about you for a reason other than what is listed in this notice or required by law, we will request your permission to use your medical information and the medical information will only be used as specified in your authorization. You may complete an Authorization form if you want the Plan to disclose medical information about you to someone else.

Any authorization you provide will be limited to the specific information identified by you and you will be required to

specify the intended use or disclosure and name the person or organization that is permitted to use or receive the information specified in the authorization form. You have the right to revoke a previous authorization. Requests to revoke an authorization must be in writing. The Plan will honor your request of revocation for the prospective period of time after the Plan has received your request. It will not be effective for any information that may have been used or disclosed in reliance upon the written authorization and prior to receiving your written revocation. In addition, the Plan will not sell your medical information or use it for marketing purposes (that are not considered as part of treatment or healthcare operations) without a signed authorization from you. Also, if applicable, the Plan will not disclose psychotherapy notes without a signed authorization from you.

**Personal Representatives.** We will disclose your protected health information to individuals authorized by you, or to an individual designated as your personal representative, attorney-in-fact, etc., so long as you provide us with a written notice/authorization and any supporting documents (i.e., power of attorney). Note: Under the HIPAA privacy rule, we do not have to disclose information to a personal representative if we have a reasonable belief that:

- you have been, or may be, subjected to domestic violence, abuse or neglect by such person; or
- treating such person as your personal representative could endanger you; and
- in the exercise of professional judgment, it is not in your best interest to treat the person as your personal representative.

**Spouses and Other Family Members.** With only limited exceptions, we will send all mail to the employee. This includes mail relating to the employee's spouse and other family members who are covered under the Plan, and includes mail with information on the use of Plan benefits by the employee's spouse and other family members and information on the denial of any Plan benefits to the employee's spouse and other family members. If a person covered under the Plan has requested Restrictions or Confidential Communications (see below under "Your Rights"), and if we have agreed to the request, we will send mail as provided by the request for Restrictions or Confidential Communications.

**Your Rights.** You have the following rights with respect to your protected health information:

**Right to Inspect and Copy.** You have the right to inspect and copy certain protected health information maintained in any form (paper or electronic) that may be used to make decisions about your health care benefits. To inspect and copy your protected health information, you must submit your request in writing to Human Resources. If you request a copy of the information, we may charge a reasonable fee for the costs of copying, mailing, or other supplies associated with your request. We may deny your request to inspect and copy in certain very limited circumstances. If you are denied access to your medical information, you may request that the denial be reviewed by submitting a written request to Human Resources.

**Right to Amend.** If you feel that the protected health information we have about you is incorrect or incomplete, you

may ask us to amend the information. You have the right to request an amendment for as long as the information is kept by or for the Plan. To request an amendment, your request must be made in writing and submitted to Human Resources. In addition, you must provide a reason that supports your request.

We may deny your request for an amendment if it is not in writing or does not include a reason to support the request. In addition, we may deny your request if you ask us to amend information that:

- is not part of the medical information kept by or for the Plan;
- was not created by us, unless the person or entity that created the information is no longer available to make the amendment;
- is not part of the information that you would be permitted to inspect and copy; or
- is already accurate and complete.

If we deny your request, you have the right to file a statement of disagreement with us and any future disclosures of the disputed information will include your statement.

**Right to an Accounting of Disclosures.** You have the right to request an "accounting" of certain disclosures of your protected health information. The accounting will not include (1) disclosures for purposes of treatment, payment, or health care operations; (2) disclosures made to you; (3) disclosures made pursuant to your authorization; (4) disclosures made to friends or family in your presence or because of an emergency; (5) disclosures for national security purposes; and (6) disclosures incidental to otherwise permissible disclosures.

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**Right to Request Restrictions.** You have the right to request a restriction or limitation on your protected health information that we use or disclose for treatment, payment, or health care operations. You also have the right to request a limit on your protected health information that we disclose to someone who is involved in your care or the payment for your care, such as a family member or friend. For example, you could ask that we not use or disclose information about a surgery that you had. Except as provided in the next paragraph, we are not required to agree to your request. However, if we do agree to the request, we will honor the restriction until you revoke it or we notify you.

We will comply with any restriction request if: (1) except as otherwise required by law, the disclosure is to the health plan for purposes of carrying out payment or health care operations (and is not for purposes of carrying out treatment); and (2) the protected health information pertains solely to a health care item or service for which the health care provider involved has

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been paid out-of-pocket in full.

To request restrictions, you must make your request in writing to Human Resources. In your request, you must tell us (1) what information you want to limit; (2) whether you want to limit our use, disclosure, or both; and (3) to whom you want the limits to apply—for example, disclosures to your spouse.

**Right to Request Confidential Communications.** You have the right to request that we communicate with you about medical matters in a certain way or at a certain location. For example, you can ask that we only contact you at work or by mail. To request confidential communications, you must make your request in writing to Human Resources. We will not ask you the reason for your request. Your request must specify how or where you wish to be contacted. We will accommodate all reasonable requests if you clearly provide information that the disclosure of all or part of your protected information could endanger you.

**Right to be Notified of a Breach.** You have the right to be notified in the event that we (or a Business Associate) discover a breach of unsecured protected health information. You will receive a notification to your last known address within 60 days of the discovery. The notification will include:

- specific information about the breach including a brief description of what happened
- a description of the types of unsecured medical information involved in the breach
- any steps you should take to protect yourself from potential harm resulting from the breach
- a brief description of the investigation the Plan is performing to mitigate the harm to you and protect you from future breaches
- a contact information where you may direct additional questions or get more information about the breach.

**Right to a Paper Copy of This Notice.** You have the right to a paper copy of this notice. You may ask us to give you a copy of this notice at any time. Even if you have agreed to receive this notice electronically, you are still entitled to a paper copy of this notice. To obtain a paper copy of this notice, contact Human Resources.

**Complaints.** If you believe that your privacy rights have been violated, you may file a complaint with the Plan or with the Office for Civil Rights of the United States Department of Health and Human Services. To file a complaint with the Plan, contact Human Resources. All complaints must be submitted in writing.

You will not be penalized, or in any other way retaliated against, for filing a complaint with the Office for Civil Rights or with us.

## Medicare Part D Creditable Coverage Notice

### Important Notice from Silver Lake Hospital About Your Prescription Drug Coverage and Medicare

Please read this notice carefully and keep it where you can find it. This notice has information about your current prescription drug coverage with Silver Lake Hospital and about your options under Medicare's prescription drug coverage. This information can help you decide whether or not you want to join a Medicare

drug plan. If you are considering joining, you should compare your current coverage, including which drugs are covered at what cost, with the coverage and costs of the plans offering Medicare prescription drug coverage in your area. Information about where you can get help to make decisions about your prescription drug coverage is at the end of this notice.

There are two important things you need to know about your current coverage and Medicare's prescription drug coverage:

- Medicare prescription drug coverage became available in 2006 to everyone with Medicare. You can get this coverage if you join a Medicare Prescription Drug Plan or join a Medicare Advantage Plan (like an HMO or PPO) that offers prescription drug coverage. All Medicare drug plans provide at least a standard level of coverage set by Medicare. Some plans may also offer more coverage for a higher monthly premium.
- Silver Lake Hospital has determined that the prescription drug coverage offered by the [Insert Name of Plan] is, on average for all plan participants, expected to pay out as much as standard Medicare prescription drug coverage pays and is therefore considered Creditable Coverage. Because your existing coverage is Creditable Coverage, you can keep this coverage and not pay a higher premium (a penalty) if you later decide to join a Medicare drug plan.

### When Can You Join A Medicare Drug Plan?

You can join a Medicare drug plan when you first become eligible for Medicare and each year from October 15th to December 7th. However, if you lose your current creditable prescription drug coverage, through no fault of your own, you will also be eligible for a two (2) month Special Enrollment Period (SEP) to join a Medicare drug plan.

### What Happens To Your Current Coverage If You Decide to Join A Medicare Drug Plan?

If you decide to join a Medicare drug plan, your current Silver Lake Hospital coverage will not be affected. If you elect Medicare Part D coverage, the Silver Lake Hospital coverage will coordinate with Part D coverage.

If you do decide to join a Medicare drug plan and drop your current Silver Lake Hospital coverage, be aware that you and your dependents will not be able to get this coverage back during the year without a qualifying life event.

### When Will You Pay A Higher Premium (Penalty) To Join A Medicare Drug Plan?

You should also know that if you drop or lose your current coverage with Silver Lake Hospital and don't join a Medicare drug plan within 63 continuous days after your current coverage ends, you may pay a higher premium (a penalty) to join a Medicare drug plan later.

If you go 63 continuous days or longer without creditable prescription drug coverage, your monthly premium may go up by at least 1% of the Medicare base beneficiary premium per month for every month that you did not have that coverage. For example, if you go nineteen months without creditable coverage, your premium may consistently be at least 19% higher than the Medicare base beneficiary premium. You may have to pay this higher premium (a penalty) as long as you have Medicare prescription drug coverage. In addition, you may have to wait until the following October to join.

**For More Information About This Notice Or Your Current Prescription Drug Coverage...** Contact the person listed

below for further information. Note: You'll get this notice each year. You will also get it before the next period you can join a Medicare drug plan, and if this coverage through Silver Lake Hospital changes. You also may request a copy of this notice at any time.

### For More Information About Your Options Under Medicare Prescription Drug Coverage...

More detailed information about Medicare plans that offer prescription drug coverage is in the "Medicare & You" handbook. You'll get a copy of the handbook in the mail every year from Medicare. You may also be contacted directly by Medicare drug plans.

For more information about Medicare prescription drug coverage:

- Visit [www.medicare.gov](http://www.medicare.gov)
- Call your State Health Insurance Assistance Program (see the inside back cover of your copy of the "Medicare & You" handbook for their telephone number) for personalized help
- Call 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227). TTY users should call 1-877-486-2048.

If you have limited income and resources, extra help paying for Medicare prescription drug coverage is available. For information about this extra help, visit Social Security on the web at [www.socialsecurity.gov](http://www.socialsecurity.gov), or call them at 1-800-772-1213 (TTY 1-800-325-0778).

### Continuation of Coverage Rights Under COBRA Introduction

**You're getting this notice because you recently gained coverage under a group health plan (the Plan).** This notice has important information about your right to COBRA continuation coverage, which is a temporary extension of coverage under the Plan. **This notice explains COBRA continuation coverage, when it may become available to you and your family, and what you need to do to protect your right to get it.** When you become eligible for COBRA, you may also become eligible for other coverage options that may cost less than COBRA continuation coverage.

The right to COBRA continuation coverage was created by a federal law, the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985 (COBRA). COBRA continuation coverage can become available to you and other members of your family when group health coverage would otherwise end. For more information about your rights and obligations under the Plan and under federal law, you should review the Plan's Summary Plan Description or contact the Plan Administrator.

You may have other options available to you when you lose group health coverage. For example, you may be eligible to buy an individual plan through the Health Insurance Marketplace. By enrolling in coverage through the Marketplace, you may qualify for lower costs on your monthly premiums and lower out-of-pocket costs. Additionally, you may qualify for a 30-day special enrollment period for another group health plan for which you are eligible (such as a spouse's plan), even if that plan generally doesn't accept late enrollees.

**What is COBRA continuation coverage?** COBRA continuation coverage is a continuation of Plan coverage when it would otherwise end because of a life event. This is also called a "qualifying event." Specific qualifying events are listed later

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in this notice. After a qualifying event, COBRA continuation coverage must be offered to each person who is a “qualified beneficiary.” You, your spouse, and your dependent children could become qualified beneficiaries if coverage under the Plan is lost because of the qualifying event. Under the Plan, qualified beneficiaries who elect COBRA continuation coverage must pay for COBRA continuation coverage.

If you’re an employee, you’ll become a qualified beneficiary if you lose your coverage under the Plan because of the following qualifying events:

- Your hours of employment are reduced, or
- Your employment ends for any reason other than your gross misconduct.
- If you’re the spouse of an employee, you’ll become a qualified beneficiary if you lose your coverage under the Plan because of the following qualifying events:
  - The parent-employee dies;
  - The parent-employee’s hours of employment are reduced;
  - The parent-employee’s employment ends for any reason other than his or her gross misconduct;
  - The parent-employee becomes entitled to Medicare benefits (Part A, Part B, or both);
  - The parents become divorced or legally separated; or
  - The child stops being eligible for coverage under the Plan as a “dependent child.”

## When is COBRA continuation coverage available?

The Plan will offer COBRA continuation coverage to qualified beneficiaries only after the Plan Administrator has been notified that a qualifying event has occurred. The employer must notify the Plan Administrator of the following qualifying events:

- The death of the employee;
- The end of employment or reduction of hours of employment; or
- The employee’s becoming entitled to Medicare benefits (under Part A, Part B, or both).

For all other qualifying events (divorce or legal separation of the employee and spouse or a dependent child’s losing eligibility for coverage as a dependent child), you must notify the Plan Administrator within 60 days after the qualifying event occurs. You must provide this notice to: Silver Lake Hospital Human Resources

## How is COBRA continuation coverage provided?

Once the Plan Administrator receives notice that a qualifying event has occurred, COBRA continuation coverage will be offered to each of the qualified beneficiaries. Each qualified beneficiary will have an independent right to elect COBRA continuation coverage. Covered employees may elect COBRA continuation coverage on behalf of their spouses, and parents may elect COBRA continuation coverage on behalf of their children.

COBRA continuation coverage is a temporary continuation of coverage that generally lasts for 18 months due to employment termination or reduction of hours of work. Certain qualifying events, or a second qualifying event during the initial period of

coverage, may permit a beneficiary to receive a maximum of 36 months of coverage.

There are also ways in which this 18-month period of COBRA continuation coverage can be extended

## Disability extension of 18-month period of COBRA continuation coverage

If you or anyone in your family covered under the Plan is determined by Social Security to be disabled and you notify the Plan Administrator in a timely fashion, you and your entire family may be entitled to get up to an additional 11 months of COBRA continuation coverage, for a maximum of 29 months. The disability would have to have started at some time before the 60th day of COBRA continuation coverage and must last at least until the end of the 18-month period of COBRA continuation coverage.

## Second qualifying event extension of 18-month period of continuation coverage

If your family experiences another qualifying event during the 18 months of COBRA continuation coverage, the spouse and dependent children in your family can get up to 18 additional months of COBRA continuation coverage, for a maximum of 36 months, if the Plan is properly notified about the second qualifying event. This extension may be available to the spouse and any dependent children getting COBRA continuation coverage if the employee or former employee dies; becomes entitled to Medicare benefits (under Part A, Part B, or both); gets divorced or legally separated; or if the dependent child stops being eligible under the Plan as a dependent child. This extension is only available if the second qualifying event would have caused the spouse or dependent child to lose coverage under the Plan had the first qualifying event not occurred.

## Are there other coverage options besides COBRA

**Continuation Coverage?** Yes. Instead of enrolling in COBRA continuation coverage, there may be other coverage options for you and your family through the Health Insurance Marketplace, Medicaid, or other group health plan coverage options (such as a spouse’s plan) through what is called a “special enrollment period.” Some of these options may cost less than COBRA continuation coverage. You can learn more about many of these options at [www.healthcare.gov](http://www.healthcare.gov).

## Can I enroll in Medicare instead of COBRA continuation coverage after my group health plan coverage ends?

In general, if you don’t enroll in Medicare Part A or B when you are first eligible because you are still employed, after the Medicare initial enrollment period, you have an 8-month special enrollment period to sign up for Medicare Part A or B, beginning on the earlier of

- The month after your employment ends; or
- The month after group health plan coverage based on current employment ends.

If you don’t enroll in Medicare and elect COBRA continuation coverage instead, you may have to pay a Part B late enrollment penalty and you may have a gap in coverage if you decide you want Part B later. If you elect COBRA continuation coverage and later enroll in Medicare Part A or B before the COBRA continuation coverage ends, the Plan may terminate your continuation coverage. However, if Medicare Part A or B is effective on or before the date of the COBRA election, COBRA

coverage may not be discontinued on account of Medicare entitlement, even if you enroll in the other part of Medicare after the date of the election of COBRA coverage.

If you are enrolled in both COBRA continuation coverage and Medicare, Medicare will generally pay first (primary payer) and COBRA continuation coverage will pay second. Certain plans may pay as if secondary to Medicare, even if you are not enrolled in Medicare.

For more information visit <https://www.medicare.gov/medicare-and-you>.

## If you have questions

Questions concerning your Plan or your COBRA continuation coverage rights should be addressed to the contact or contacts identified below. For more information about your rights under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA), including COBRA, the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, and other laws affecting group health plans, contact the nearest Regional or District Office of the U.S. Department of Labor’s Employee Benefits Security Administration (EBSA) in your area or visit [www.dol.gov/ebsa](http://www.dol.gov/ebsa). (Addresses and phone numbers of Regional and District EBSA Offices are available through EBSA’s website.) For more information about the Marketplace, visit [www.HealthCare.gov](http://www.HealthCare.gov).

## Keep your Plan informed of address changes

To protect your family’s rights, let the Plan Administrator know about any changes in the addresses of family members. You should also keep a copy, for your records, of any notices you send to the Plan Administrator.

## Plan contact information

Silver Lake Hospital  
Human Resources  
495 N. 13th Street  
Newark, NJ 07107  
973-587-7777

# Marketplace Notice

## PART A: GENERAL INFORMATION

Even if you are offered health coverage through your employment, you may have other coverage options through the Health Insurance Marketplace (“Marketplace”). To assist you as you evaluate options for you and your family, this notice provides some basic information about the Health Insurance Marketplace and health coverage offered through your employment.

### What is the Health Insurance Marketplace?

The Marketplace is designed to help you find health insurance that meets your needs and fits your budget. The Marketplace offers “one-stop shopping” to find and compare private health insurance options in your geographic area.

### Can I Save Money on my Health Insurance Premiums in the Marketplace?

You may qualify to save money and lower your monthly premium and other out-of-pocket costs, but only if your employer does not offer coverage, or offers coverage that is not considered affordable for you and doesn't meet certain minimum value standards (discussed below). The savings that you're eligible for depends on your household income. You may also be eligible for a tax credit that lowers your costs.

### Does Employment-Based Health Coverage Affect Eligibility for Premium Savings through the Marketplace?

Yes. If you have an offer of health coverage from your employer that is considered affordable for you and meets certain minimum value standards, you will not be eligible for a tax credit, or advance payment of the tax credit, for your Marketplace coverage and may wish to enroll in your employment-based health plan. However, you may be eligible for a tax credit, and advance payments of the credit that lowers your monthly premium, or a reduction in certain cost-sharing, if your employer does not offer coverage to you at all or does not offer coverage that is considered affordable for you or meet minimum value standards. If your share of the premium cost of all plans offered to you through your employment is more than 9.12% of your annual household income, or if the coverage through your employment does not meet the “minimum value” standard set by the Affordable Care Act, you may be eligible for a tax credit, and advance payment of the credit, if you do not enroll in the employment-based health coverage. For family members of the employee, coverage is considered affordable if the employee's cost of premiums for the lowest-cost plan that would cover all family members does not exceed 9.12% of the employee's household income.

**Note:** If you purchase a health plan through the Marketplace instead of accepting health coverage offered through your employment, then you may lose access to whatever the employer contributes to the employment-based coverage. Also, this employer contribution – as well as your employee contribution to employment-based coverage – is generally excluded from income for federal and state income tax purposes. Your payments for coverage through the Marketplace are made on an after-tax basis. In addition, note that if the health coverage offered through your employment does not meet the affordability or minimum value standards, but you accept that coverage anyway, you will not be eligible for a tax credit. You should consider all of these factors in determining whether to purchase a health plan through the Marketplace.

### When Can I Enroll in Health Insurance Coverage through the Marketplace?

You can enroll in a Marketplace health insurance plan during the annual Marketplace Open Enrollment Period. Open Enrollment varies by state but generally starts November 1 and continues through at least December 15.

Outside the annual Open Enrollment Period, you can sign up for health insurance if you qualify for a Special Enrollment Period. In general, you qualify for a Special Enrollment Period if you've had certain qualifying life events, such as getting married, having a baby, adopting a child, or losing eligibility for other health coverage. Depending on your Special Enrollment Period type, you may have 60 days before or 60 days following the qualifying life event to enroll in a Marketplace plan.

There is also a Marketplace Special Enrollment Period for individuals and their families who lose eligibility for Medicaid or Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) coverage on or after March 31, 2023, through July 31, 2024. Since the onset of the nationwide COVID-19 public health emergency, state Medicaid and CHIP agencies generally have not terminated the enrollment of any Medicaid or CHIP beneficiary who was enrolled on or after March 18, 2020, through March 31, 2023. As state Medicaid and CHIP agencies resume regular eligibility and enrollment practices, many individuals may no longer be eligible for Medicaid or CHIP coverage starting as early as March 31, 2023. The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services is offering a temporary Marketplace Special Enrollment period to allow these individuals to enroll in Marketplace coverage.

Marketplace-eligible individuals who live in states served by HealthCare.gov and either submit a new application or update an existing application on HealthCare.gov between March 31, 2023 and July 31, 2024, and attest to a termination date of Medicaid or CHIP coverage within the same time period, are eligible for a 60-day Special Enrollment Period. That means that if you lose Medicaid or CHIP coverage between March 31, 2023, and July 31, 2024, you may be able to enroll in Marketplace coverage within 60 days of when you lost Medicaid or CHIP coverage. In addition, if you or your family members are enrolled in Medicaid or CHIP coverage, it is important to make sure that your contact information is up to date to make sure you get any information about changes to your eligibility. To learn more, visit HealthCare.gov or call the Marketplace Call Center at 1-800-318-2596. TTY users can call 1-855-889-4325.

### What about Alternatives to Marketplace Health Insurance Coverage?

If you or your family are eligible for coverage in an employment-based health plan (such as an employer-sponsored health plan), you or your family may also be eligible for a Special Enrollment Period to enroll in that health plan in certain circumstances, including if you or your dependents were enrolled in Medicaid or CHIP coverage and lost that coverage. Generally, you have 60 days after the loss of Medicaid or CHIP coverage to enroll in an employment-based health plan, but if you and your family lost eligibility for Medicaid or CHIP coverage between March 31, 2023 and July 10, 2023, you can request this special enrollment in the employment-based health plan through September 8, 2023. Confirm the deadline with your employer or your employment-based health plan.

Alternatively, you can enroll in Medicaid or CHIP coverage at any time by filling out an application through the Marketplace or applying directly through your state Medicaid agency. Visit <https://www.healthcare.gov/medicaid-chip/getting-medicaid-chip/> for more details.

### How Can I Get More Information?

For more information about your coverage offered through your employment, please check your health plan's summary plan description or contact Human Resources. The Marketplace can help you evaluate your coverage options, including your eligibility for coverage through the Marketplace and its cost. Please visit HealthCare.gov for more information, including an online application for health insurance coverage and contact information for a Health Insurance Marketplace in your area.

# Marketplace Notice

## PART B: INFORMATION ABOUT HEALTH COVERAGE OFFERED BY YOUR EMPLOYER

This section contains information about any health coverage offered by your employer. If you decide to complete an application for coverage in the Marketplace, you will be asked to provide this information. This information is numbered to correspond to the Marketplace application.

<b>3. Employer Name</b> Silver Lake Hospital		<b>4. Employer Identification Number (EIN)</b> 27-2315199	
<b>5. Employer Address</b> 495 N.13th Street		<b>6. Employer phone number</b> 973-587-7777	
<b>7. City</b> Newark		<b>8. State</b> NJ	<b>9. Zip Code</b> 07107
<b>10. Who can we contact about employee health coverage at this job?</b> Rachael Modafferi	<b>11. Phone Number</b> 973-587-7779	<b>12. Email Address</b> Rachael.Modafferi@silverlakehospital.org	



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