

January 27<sup>th</sup>, 2020

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CALGARY AB [REDACTED]

**Re: Changes to the Coverage for Seniors Program**

Dear [REDACTED]

*This is a second notice; please note that the deadline to apply for Non-Group Coverage without a waiting period is March 1, 2020.*

You are receiving this letter because you are registered as a dependant of an Alberta senior who is enrolled in the Coverage for Seniors program. We wish to inform you of an upcoming change to Alberta's Coverage for Seniors program.

To ensure the government can continue to provide this program to our province's seniors and to keep Alberta's health system sustainable, the Government is changing the eligibility criteria for the program. Effective March 1, 2020, seniors' family members (such as spouses and dependants) who are younger than 65 will no longer be eligible to receive benefits through the Coverage for Seniors program.

If you or your dependant(s) require ongoing health benefits coverage on March 1, 2020, you may consider seeking private coverage, for example through your employer or a private insurer.

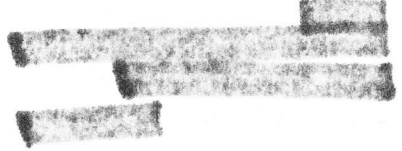
Alternatively, the Government of Alberta has drug and health benefit programs available to ensure that all Albertans have access to economical health benefits. For more information about these benefits, please visit the Alberta Health website at <https://www.alberta.ca/drug-coverage-health-benefits.aspx>.

One of the government-sponsored health benefit plan options is the Non-Group Coverage program, administered by Alberta Blue Cross. Enrollees in the program must pay monthly premiums and copayments on prescriptions. To receive health benefit coverage through the Non-Group Coverage program starting on March 1, 2020, we must receive the enclosed form as soon as possible before March 1, 2020. You can choose to apply at a later date but you will be required to wait the standard wait period (up to four months) before your coverage becomes effective.

If you have further questions, you can contact us by dialing 780-427-1432 in the Edmonton area. From the rest of Alberta, dial toll-free 310-0000, then 780-427-1432.

Sincerely,

Health Insurance Programs  
Alberta Health



Enclosures:

- Non-Group Coverage fact sheet
- Non-Group Coverage application form



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