

INSURANCE

NEW JERSEY SMALL EMPLOYER HEALTH BENEFITS PROGRAM BOARD

Small Employer Health Benefits Program

Crediting Medicaid and NJ FamilyCare in Determining Percentage of Employee Participation; Federal Health Coverage Portability Amendments

Adopted Amendments: N.J.A.C. 11:21-1.2, 7.2 and 7.5 and 11:21 Appendix Exhibits A, F, G, V, W, Y, HH and II.

Proposed: December 19, 2005 at 37 N.J.R. 4869

Adopted: March 22, 2006 by the New Jersey Small Employer Health Benefits Program Board, Ellen DeRosa, Deputy Executive Director.

Filed: March 22, 2006 as R. 2006 d. _____, **without change.**

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Effective Date: April 17, 2006.

Operative Date: June 1, 2006

Expiration Date: February 19, 2009

Summary of Hearing Officer Recommendations and Agency Responses:

The New Jersey Small Employer Health Benefits (SEH) Program Board held a hearing on Wednesday, January 18, 2006 at 9:00 A.M. at the Department of Banking and Insurance, Room 218, 20 West State Street, Trenton, New Jersey to receive testimony with respect to the proposed amendments to the standard health benefits plan set forth in N.J.A.C. 11:21 as Appendix Exhibits A, F, G, V, W, Y, HH and II. Ellen DeRosa served as hearing officer. No testimony was provided during the hearing. The hearing officer made no recommendations regarding the proposed amendments, to the standard health benefits plan set forth in N.J.A.C. 11:21 as Appendix Exhibits A, F, G, V, W, Y, HH and II. The hearing record may be reviewed by contacting Ellen DeRosa, Deputy Executive Director, New Jersey Small Employer Health Benefits Program Board, P.O. Box 325, Trenton, NJ 08625-0325.

Summary of Public Comments and Agency Responses:

No comments were received.

Federal Standards Statement

The proposed amendments comply with 29 CFR 2590. The rules do not expand upon the requirements set forth in these Federal laws. There are no other Federal laws that apply to these amendments.