

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES GUIDE

LOCAL GOV HEALTH + WELLNESS





Local Gov Health and Wellness is pleased to offer your employees health insurance coverage under the Local Government Health Insurance Plan (LGHIP). Our mission is to provide a best-in-class, affordable health care program that is effectively communicated and offers excellent benefits, financial soundness, and innovative approaches to improve the health and well-being of our members. We take this mission seriously and it is embedded in everything we do.

For years, Local Gov has provided a robust suite of benefits at a cost significantly lower than the average premiums found in Alabama, the Southeast, and nationwide. A key contributor to this success is our proactive wellness program which identifies members at-risk for serious health conditions and connects them with targeted support. Programs like Virta, Hinge Health, Dr+ on Demand, and other virtual wellness programs have made a measurable difference in our members' health outcomes and have helped keep premiums affordable.

We are committed to staying at the forefront of healthcare innovation. Our team continually evaluates new programs that can positively impact members' well-being and reinforce our leadership in providing health insurance for local government entities.

Exceptional service is a cornerstone of our approach. Each month, we recognize team members who go above and beyond to deliver 'white glove' service to our benefit administrators and members. It is our goal for each of our employees to embody this standard, ensuring that every interaction feels like a white glove experience-thoughtful, attentive, and exceptional from start to finish.

This guide provides a comprehensive overview of eligibility and enrollments, the wellness program, premium details, and the billing procedures. If you have any questions or if we can be of further service, please visit the 'Contact Us' section of our website, www.lghip.org, or contact a member of our staff at (334) 851-6802 or 1-866-836-9137.

We thank you for trusting Local Gov to provide the health insurance benefits for your employees.

Sincerely,

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Summary of Changes

The information below is a summary of changes to the 2026 Administrative Guide. This may not contain all revisions to the Administrative Guide. We recommend you review the entire Administrative Guide each year for a full and complete understanding of all updates.

• To request a change or cancellation for Southland Voluntary coverage for the subscriber and their covered dependents, please complete form LG08, which can be found in the Southland section of this guide.

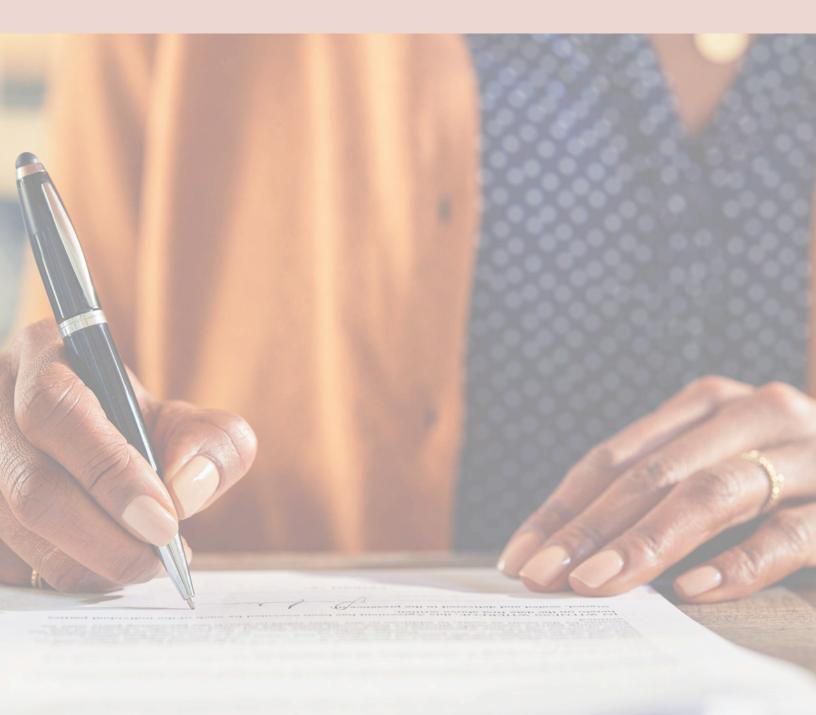
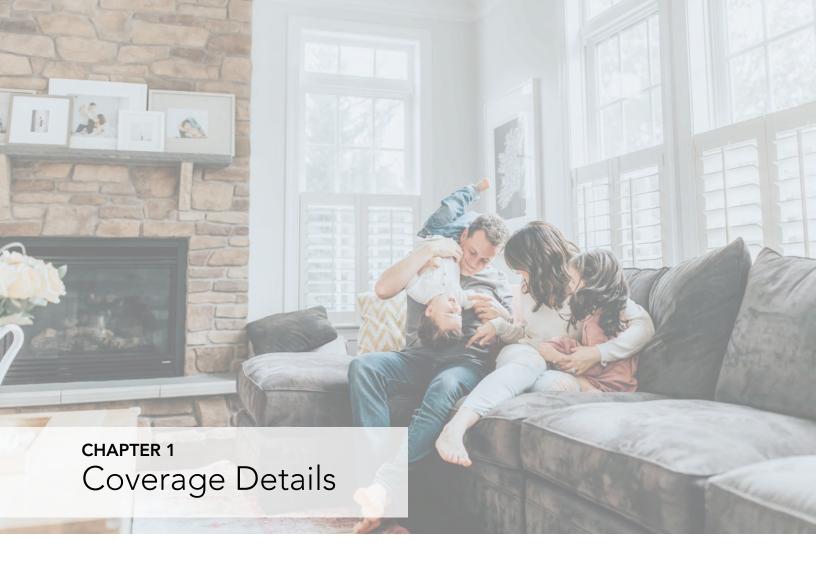


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Coverage for Active Employees and Non-Medicare Retirees

Local Gov offers medical benefits through Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Alabama (BCBSAL) and prescription drug benefits through Prime Therapeutics for active employees and non-Medicare retirees. A unit may also choose to offer dental coverage administered by BCBSAL in addition to medical coverage.

Coverage for Medicare Retirees

Local Gov offers a Medicare Advantage plan through UnitedHealthcare for units that elect to provide coverage for their Medicare retirees.

Voluntary Plans

Local Gov also offers voluntary dental, vision, and cancer plans administered by Southland Benefit Solutions. These plans may be elected individually by eligible employees. (See the Southland Voluntary Insurance Plan section later in this Guide for more information).

More Information

You can find more information about these plans by visiting Local Gov's website, www.lghip.org. The website has relevant information on our health insurance plan, including plan books, the wellness program, rates, forms, and other information related to the administration of the Plan.

CHAPTER 2

Employee Participation Requirement

Within 30 days of employment, all new eligible employees must enroll in the LGHIP or decline coverage by submitting a Declination of Coverage form (LG04) with proof of acceptable other coverage. This other acceptable coverage must comply with the Affordable Care Act (ACA) providing minimum value or otherwise provide minimum essential coverage as defined in the ACA. Acceptable plans include, but are not limited to, qualified group and individual plans, Marketplace, Medicare, Medicaid, and Tricare.

If an eligible employee has declined coverage and later loses their other coverage, the unit must immediately enroll the employee in the LGHIP. Coverage will be effective the date the other coverage ended.

Upon initial hire or loss of other coverage, if a unit fails to enroll an eligible employee or provide a Declination form with proof of other acceptable coverage, the unit will be subject to monetary penalties. Local Gov will also enroll the employee in coverage for the following month or allow the employee to decline coverage going forward by providing proof of other acceptable coverage. If the monetary penalties are not paid, the unit will be in violation of the LGHIP's rules and may be terminated from participation in the LGHIP. If Local Gov discovers that a unit failed to enroll an eligible employee or provide a Declination form with proof of other acceptable coverage, the unit will be subject to monetary penalties. Local Gov will also enroll the employee in coverage for the following month or allow the employee to decline coverage by providing proof of other acceptable coverage.

Elected officials, if covered by the unit, must either enroll or decline coverage by providing proof of acceptable other coverage, or opt out of the LGHIP.

A unit cannot offer any other health insurance coverage for eligible employees in competition to the LGHIP.



CHAPTER 3

Who is Eligible?

The definitions in this section apply to all units regardless of whether the unit is subject to the ACA employer shared responsibility provisions.

PARTICIPANTS

Eligible Employee*

An employee who receives a W-2, is in an employee/employer relationship and regularly works 30 hours or more per week.

Note: Under the LGHIP rules, temporary, seasonal, intermittent and emergency employees are not eligible; however, for units with 50 or more employees, any employee in these categories may be eligible if they work, on average, 30 hours per week or 130 hours per month. For more information, see the ACA Exception Section under Ineligible Participants.

Elected Official*

An elected official is an individual elected to public office by the vote of the people at the state, county, or municipal level of government. The unit decides when it joins the LGHIP whether it will cover its elected officials. This decision may only be changed during open enrollment.

Retiree*

The unit also decides when it joins the LGHIP whether it will allow eligible retirees to continue coverage with the LGHIP and whether it will provide coverage for Medicare retirees. These decisions may only be changed during open enrollment. If the unit decides to provide coverage for its retirees, the coverage must be offered uniformly to all retirees. For more information on retiree coverage rules, please see the Retiree Coverage section later in this Guide

ELIGIBLE DEPENDENTS

The term "dependent" includes the following individuals:

- The participant's spouse (excludes a divorced spouse)
- A child under age 26, only if the child is:
 - The participant's biological son or daughter
 - A child legally adopted by the participant, or
 - The participant's stepchild
- A dependent, under age 19, for whom the participant, or his or her spouse, has legal and physical custody granted by a court of competent jurisdiction. Proof of custodial relationship must be verified every two years by Local Gov.
- An incapacitated child* over age 25 provided the child is:
 - unmarried.
 - permanently mentally or physically disabled or incapacitated,
 - incapable of self-sustaining employment,
 - dependent upon the participant for 50% or more financial support,
 - otherwise eligible for coverage as a dependent child except for age,
 - had the condition prior to the child's 26th birthday, and
 - not eligible for any other group insurance benefits.

Dependents who are eligible under multiple eligible employees can only be enrolled in one Local Gov contract. For example, if a dependent is eligible under a parent's coverage and is also eligible under a spouse's coverage, the dependent must choose one to enroll in and cannot be enrolled in both.

- *The term "employee" and "participant" as used throughout the remainder of this Guide may refer to eligible employees, elected officials and retirees. Any differences will be specifically mentioned in this Guide.
- ** The above requirements must be met to be eligible for coverage as an incapacitated child. Local Gov will decide whether an application for incapacitated status will be accepted and final approval of incapacitation will be determined by medical review conducted by BCBSAL. Local Gov reserves the right to periodically re-certify incapacitation. Neither a reduction in work capacity nor inability to find employment is, of itself, evidence of eligibility. If a mentally or physically incapacitated child is employed, the extent of their earning capacity will be evaluated.

See the "Enrolling an Incapacitated Child" section for critical enrollment deadlines. If deadlines are not met, coverage may be denied.

DEPENDENT DEFINITIONS AND DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS

TYPE OF DEPENDENT	DEFINITION	REQUIRED DOCUMENT(S) FOR VERIFICATION
Spouse	A person to whom the participant is legally married	Government issued marriage certificate or other government issued document evidencing the marriage; or Court documents recognizing marriage; or Naturalization papers indicating marital status Common Law Marriage Only for common-law marriage that began before January 1, 2017. Alabama law requires clear and convincing evidence of the following basic requirements: Both parties must have the present legal capacity to marry; The parties must have entered into a mutual agreement to enter a permanent marriage; and There must be public recognition of the marital relationship and public assumption of marital duties and cohabitation. A member requesting to add a common law spouse will receive a letter from the Local Gov detailing necessary documentation.
Biological Child	A biological child under age 26	 Birth certificate; or Certificate of Report of Birth (DS-1350); or Consular Report of Birth Abroad of a Citizen of the United States of America (FS-240); or Certificate of Birth Abroad; or Any legal document that establishes relationship between the child and the participant; or A National Medical Support Notice
Adopted Child	A child under age 26 the participant has adopted or is in the process of legally adopting	 Court documents filed with the court petitioning to adopt; or Court documents signed by a judge showing that the participant has adopted the child; or International adoption papers from country of adoption; or Papers from the adoption agency showing intent to adopt. Birth certificate
Legal and Physical Custody of a Dependent	A dependent, under age 19, for whom the participant, or his or her spouse, has been granted legal and physical custody by a court of competent jurisdiction	Court Order granting legal and physical custody.
Stepchild	The biological or adopted child under age 26 of the participant's spouse	 Verification of marriage between participant and spouse (as outlined above) and birth certificate, or documents outlined in the natural (biological) child section, showing the relationship to the spouse; or Any legal document that establishes relationship between the stepchild and the participant's spouse.
Incapacitated Child	An unmarried child over the age of 25 and due to a mental or physical disability, is unable to earn a living. The child's disability must have begun before age 26. The child must rely on the participant for 50% or more financial support and must not be eligible for other group insurance.	 Completed Incapacitated Child Certification form to be evaluated by Medical Review; and Birth certificate, or other documents outlined in the biological child section, showing the relationship to the participant or spouse.

INELIGIBLE PARTICIPANTS

An employee of a unit who: (a) does not receive a W-2, is not in an employee/employer relationship, or does not regularly work 30 or more hours per week; or (b) is a temporary, part-time, seasonal, intermittent, emergency, or contract employee.

Affordable Care Act (ACA) Exception

Under the ACA, a temporary, part-time, seasonal, intermittent or emergency employee otherwise ineligible for coverage under the LGHIP's enrollment rules must be offered coverage if the unit is subject to the ACA with 50 or more full-time employees (or full-time equivalents) in the prior calendar year and the employee averages working more than 30 hours a week, or 130 hours in a month, during the unit's measurement period. Units with fewer than 50 full-time employees (including full-time equivalents) are not subject to the ACA employer shared responsibility provisions. All units subject to the ACA will be responsible for complying with all ACA employer shared responsibility provisions. Local Gov cannot provide guidance regarding a unit's compliance with the ACA.

If your unit is subject to the ACA and you believe that you must offer coverage to one of your temporary, part-time, seasonal, intermittent, or emergency employees, you must submit an ACA Verification Form (LG23) verifying that your unit is subject to the ACA, and the employee averages working more than 30 hours a week, or 130 hours a month, during the unit's measurement period. The form must include the following information:

- start and end date of the measurement period, administrative, and stability periods; and
- the number of hours the employee averaged during the measurement period.

An employee eligible pursuant to the ACA provisions must enroll in the LGHIP or submit a Declination of Coverage form with proof of acceptable other coverage.

Ineligible Elected Officials

An individual that does not meet the elected official definition in this Guide. For example, a board member elected by a governmental entity or an association.

Ineligible Retirees

An individual that does not meet the retiree eligibility criteria outlined in this Guide, such as an individual who is involuntarily terminated.

INELIGIBLE DEPENDENTS

An individual who does not meet the definition of an eligible dependent under the LGHIP rules. Examples include, but are not limited to:

- A participant's spouse that is independently eligible for coverage as an employee of a participating unit
- An ex-spouse or ex-stepchildren, regardless of what the divorce decree may state
- Children aged 26 and older
- · Foster children
- Incapacitated children aged 26 and older who do not meet the Incapacitated Child eligibility requirements
- A child of a dependent child
- A participant's child, if the participant has been relieved of parental rights and responsibilities
- A daughter-in-law or son-in-law
- Grandchildren or other individuals related to the participant by blood or marriage for which the participant does not have legal and physical custody
- Grandchildren, nieces, or nephews aged 19 and older regardless of whether the participant has legal custody
- Grandparents
- Parents
- A fiancé or live-in girlfriend or boyfriend

NATIONAL MEDICAL SUPPORT NOTICES

A National Medical Support Notice (Notice) is an order from a child support enforcement agency directing the LGHIP to cover the eligible employee's child regardless of whether the employee has enrolled the child for coverage. If Local Gov receives a Notice from a child support enforcement agency directing the child be enrolled in the LGHIP, Local Gov will determine whether the Notice is qualified. Local Gov has adopted procedures for determining whether a Notice is qualified, and a copy of the procedures may be obtained free of charge by contacting us.

The LGHIP will cover an employee's child if required to do so by a Qualified Notice and the child will be enrolled for coverage effective as of a date specified by Local Gov, but not earlier than the first day of the month following Local Gov's determination the Notice is qualified. If a unit is not able to withhold the necessary contribution from the employee's paycheck, Local Gov is not required to extend coverage to the child.

Coverage may continue for the period specified in the Notice until the child ceases to qualify as an eligible dependent. If the employee is required to pay extra to cover the child, Local Gov will charge the unit for that coverage. During the period the child is covered due to a Qualified Notice, all LGHIP provisions and limits remain in effect except as otherwise required by federal law.

While the Qualified Notice is in effect, the LGHIP will make benefit payments – other than payments to providers – to the parent or legal guardian who has been awarded custody of the child. Claims reports will be sent directly to the child's custodial parent or legal guardian.

RETIRED PARTICIPANTS RETURNING TO WORK

Retired participants that return to work averaging 30 or more hours per week will be considered an eligible employee for insurance purposes and will have to either enroll as an active employee or decline coverage and provide proof of other acceptable coverage. For purposes of this section, acceptable coverage may include LGHIP retiree coverage through another unit. For example, John Smith is enrolled in LGHIP retiree coverage under Unit A, and is now employed 35 hours per week at Unit B. John must either enroll as an active employee under Unit B and cancel his retiree coverage under Unit A, or decline coverage through Unit B and remain enrolled in LGHIP retiree coverage through Unit A.

Please note that retirees must transition from active employee coverage to retiree coverage with the same unit. If a retiree cancels retiree coverage with a participating unit and enrolls as an active employee with a new unit, the retiree will not be able to return to retiree coverage with the previous unit. The retiree will be able to continue retiree coverage with the new unit if the new unit provides retiree coverage.

In the example above, if John cancels coverage through Unit A to enroll as an active employee through Unit B, he will not be able to re-enroll in retiree coverage through Unit A; however, he will be able to enroll in retiree coverage through Unit B if Unit B covers retirees.

One-Time Enrollment Policy:

Eligible retirees must enroll at the time of retirement. If coverage is declined, enrollment will not be allowed after the retirement date. Retirees who elect coverage and are canceled for any reason thereafter will not be allowed to enroll later, unless permitted under the Retired Participants Returning to Work section.

MEDICARE AND PARTICIPANTS

Enrolled employees entitled to Medicare, and their dependents, are provided benefits through the LGHIP under the same conditions as other eligible employees and their dependents not entitled to Medicare. Local Gov will not provide benefits that supplement Medicare. The employee has the right to elect coverage under the LGHIP on the same basis as any other eligible employee.

The LGHIP will be the primary payer for those items and services covered by Medicare. (Note that Medicare Part A covers hospitalization, post-hospital nursing home care, home health services.) This means the LGHIP will pay the covered claims first, up to the limits contained in the LGHIP, and Medicare may pay all or a portion of the unpaid balance of the claims, if any, subject to Medicare limitations. If a dependent is not entitled to Medicare, the LGHIP will be the sole source of payment of the dependent's claims.

Since the LGHIP also covers certain items and services not covered by Medicare, the LGHIP will be the sole source of payment for these services.

For participants entitled to Medicare because of End Stage Renal Disease (ESRD), the LGHIP will be primary for the 30-month coordination period, which begins on the date the participant is first eligible to enroll in Medicare due to ESRD. After the 30-month coordination period ends, Medicare becomes primary if the participant retains eligibility based on ESRD.





NEW ELIGIBLE EMPLOYEES

All new eligible employees must either enroll in the LGHIP or decline coverage by submitting a Declination of Coverage form (LG04) with proof of acceptable other coverage. Acceptable proof is current documentation from an employer/insurance carrier verifying current coverage.

ACCEPTABLE PROOF

- Proof of Coverage letter/certificate from the insurance carrier with a current date (may be printed from the carrier's website or on letterhead)
- Medicare Card
- Letter from employer stating employee is currently covered under the employer's plan
- · Front and back copy of current Military ID

NOT ACCEPTABLE PROOF

- Insurance card
- Explanation of Benefits Documentation (EOB)
- Paystub
- Form 1095

EFFECTIVE DATE OF COVERAGE

Units have two options regarding the effective date of coverage for new employees:

- Date of Hire: The effective date of coverage will be the date of employment. A prorated premium will be billed for new employees on the next billing cycle.
- First Day of the Second Month After Date of Hire: The effective date of coverage will be the first day of the second full month following the employee's date of hire. For example, if an employee is hired in January, the effective date of coverage will be March 1.

Units may change their selection for the effective date of coverage by submitting a Unit Change form (LG11) during the annual open enrollment period in November. Upon approval by Local Gov, the new effective date of coverage will begin January 1.

Probationary Periods

As of January 1, 2022, the LGHIB will no longer allow probationary periods impacting the effective date of LGHIP coverage; however, existing units with an LGHIB approved probationary period as of January 1, 2022, will be grandfathered and allowed to continue utilizing the approved probationary period.

ELECTED OFFICIALS

If a unit chooses to cover elected officials, all elected officials have the following enrollment options:

- Enroll in the LGHIP within 30 days of assuming office.
 Elected officials will be treated as eligible employees for coverage purposes.
- Decline coverage in the LGHIP by submitting a declination form with proof of acceptable other coverage.
- An elected official who declines coverage may enroll in the LGHIP upon loss of other coverage or at open enrollment.
- Opt-out of the LGHIP If the elected official opts not to enroll at the time the elected official assumes office and does not submit a declination form with proof of acceptable other coverage, the elected official may only be allowed to enroll in the LGHIP upon election to a new term of office.
- An elected official who is covered as a dependent in the LGHIP may continue coverage as a dependent.

Elected officials who fail to elect one of the above options will be treated as if they chose to opt out of the LGHIP.

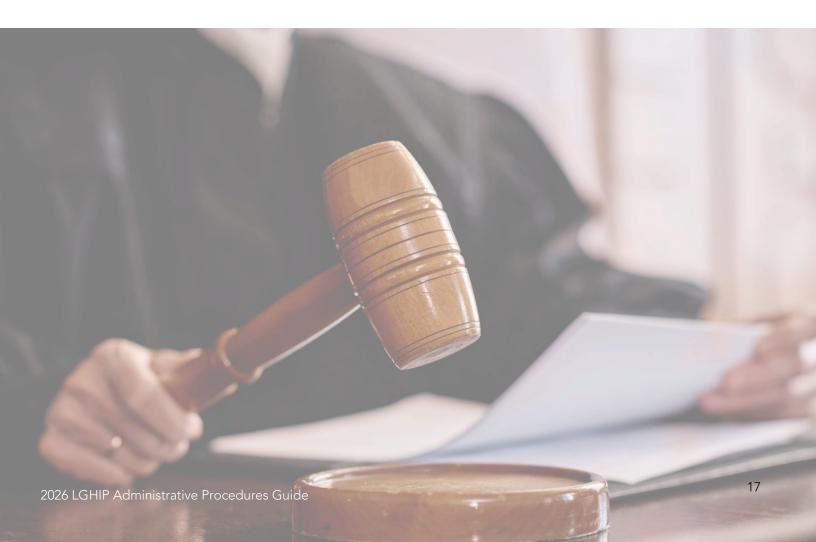
To comply with this policy, each unit will be required to submit an updated list of all elected officials by November 30 of each year.

ENROLLMENT OF ELIGIBLE DEPENDENTS

A participant may apply for family coverage at their initial enrollment by submitting an Enrollment form (LG01). A participant may also apply for family coverage during open enrollment or due to a special enrollment event by submitting a New Dependent form (LG05) within 60 days of the qualifying event. See open enrollment and Special Enrollment sections for more information.

Appropriate documentation (Social Security number, marriage certificate, birth certificate, court decree, etc.) must be submitted to Local Gov.

Note: To ensure that enrollment deadlines are met, forms should be submitted to Local Gov even if all the required documentation is not available.



ENROLLING AN INCAPACITATED CHILD

To apply for coverage for an incapacitated child, contact Local Gov to obtain an Incapacitated Child Certification form. A completed Incapacitated Child Certification form and proof of incapacity must be provided to Local Gov no later than 60 days after the dependent's 26th birthday. If the form and proof of incapacity is not submitted within the required time, the child is not eligible for future enrollment except in the following two situations:

- When a new participant requests coverage for an incapacitated child within 60 days of employment; or
- When a participant's incapacitated child is covered under a spouse's employer group health insurance for at least 18 consecutive months and:
 - the spouse loses the other coverage because:
 - the employer ceases operations, or
 - of termination of employment or reduction of hours of employment, or
 - the employer stopped contributing to coverage,
 - a New Dependent form is submitted to Local Gov within 60 days of the incapacitated child's loss of other coverage.

In these two situations, the child must meet all the Incapacitated Child eligibility requirements, including medical review approved by BCBSAL.

OPEN ENROLLMENT

An annual open enrollment period is held in November for eligible employees, participants, and units to make certain changes. Any changes submitted due to open enrollment will be effective January 1. Forms must be completed and submitted to Local Gov by November 30, with an effective date of January 1 indicated on the form.

During open enrollment, eligible employees may enroll by submitting an Enrollment form (LG01) and participants may add dependents or family coverage by submitting a New Dependent form (LG05).

If a participant does not want to change plans or add/drop family coverage during open enrollment, no paperwork is necessary.

During open enrollment, units may make the following changes by submitting a revised Unit Change form (LG11):

- change the effective date of coverage for new hires (date of hire or first day of second month after date of hire)
- add/drop non-Medicare/Medicare retiree coverage for the unit
- add/drop elected official's coverage for the unit
- add/drop BCBSAL dental coverage

Submission of a participant's enrollment or change form will not be accepted as a request to add/drop retiree, Medicare, elected official or dental coverage.

If a unit chooses to add retiree coverage during open enrollment, only those eligible employees who retire after January 1 may continue coverage as a retiree. If a unit discontinues retiree coverage during open enrollment, all currently enrolled retirees, including supernumeraries, will lose their LGHIP coverage effective January 1. COBRA coverage will be available to those affected for a period of 18 months.

SPECIAL ENROLLMENT DUE TO THE LOSS OF OTHER COVERAGE

Eligible employees and dependents who decline coverage due to other acceptable coverage have special enrollment rights to enroll in the LGHIP when they lose their other coverage. Examples of qualifying events include:

- COBRA coverage (if elected) is exhausted;
- Loss of eligibility (including termination, divorce, death, reduction of hours of employment);
- Employer stopped contributing to coverage;
- A substantial change in their other acceptable coverage; or
- A substantial change in cost of the acceptable other coverage; or
- Loss of coverage under Medicaid or the state Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP).

To request special enrollment, a participant must submit an Enrollment form (LG01) or a New Dependent Form (LG05) if adding a dependent within 60 days of losing other coverage. The request must also include documentation listing the name, reason, and date of loss for everyone affected by the loss of coverage (e.g., employment termination on company letterhead).

SPECIAL ENROLLMENT TO ADD FAMILY COVERAGE OR ADD A NEW DEPENDENT

Participants are also permitted to enroll a new dependent due to marriage, birth, adoption, placement for adoption, or legal custody. In addition, these qualifying events also allow the eligible employee to enroll in the LGHIP.

To add family coverage or add a new dependent, a participant must submit a New Dependent form (LG05) within 60 days of the qualifying event, along with proof of gaining a new dependent (e.g., marriage certificate, birth certificate, adoption papers).

Tag-Along Rule

When a new dependent becomes eligible for special enrollment, all eligible dependents can be added to LGHIP coverage at that time.

In the event the eligible employee declined coverage and now wants to enroll due to gaining a new dependent, the employee should submit an Enrollment form (LG01) along with the proper documentation.

The effective date of coverage will be:

- the date of birth;
- the date of marriage;
- the date the child was placed for adoption;
- the date of the court's order granting custody.

CANCELLATION OF DEPENDENT/FAMILY COVERAGE

A participant may only drop dependent/family coverage upon the occurrence of a qualifying event or during annual open enrollment. Proof of the qualifying event must be provided. The effective date of cancellation will be the last day of the month after the qualifying event, or January 1 if submitted during open enrollment. Qualifying events to cancel a dependent's coverage include, but are not limited to:

- · Divorce:
- · Loss of Custody;
- · Commencement of dependent enrollment;
- Dependent's employer has a different open enrollment than LGHIP;
- · Medicare/Medicaid entitlement;
- · Dependent change of residence; or
- Dependent no longer qualifies for LGHIP coverage.

TRANSFERS

Participants who terminate employment from one unit and begin employment with another unit during the same calendar month will have coverage through their former employer to the end of the month. Coverage with the new unit will be based on that unit's effective date of coverage, with the exception of units that begin coverage on the date of hire. In that situation, coverage with the new unit will be effective the first day of the month following the date of hire.

Example for units with a date of hire effective date:

John is covered under Unit A and terminates his employment on August 14 to begin a new job with Unit B on August 15. Unit B offers coverage on the date of hire. In this scenario, John will have coverage through the end of August under Unit A and his new coverage through Unit B will begin on September 1.

Example for units with an effective date of the first day of the second month:

John is covered under Unit A and terminates his employment on August 14 to begin a new job with Unit B on August 15. Unit B offers coverage on the first day of the second month. In this scenario, John will have coverage through the end of August under Unit A and his new coverage through Unit B will begin on October 1. John may elect COBRA coverage under Unit A to have coverage during the month of September.

REHIRES

If an eligible employee is rehired by the same unit within 13 weeks and was enrolled in the LGHIP before their employment ended, the employee may re-enroll with coverage effective on the date of their rehire. If the unit is subject to the ACA provisions with 50 or more full-time employees (or full-time equivalents) in the prior calendar year, the employee must be offered coverage on the date of their rehire.

If an eligible employee is rehired by the same unit after 13 weeks from the termination of employment or the employee was not enrolled in the LGHIP before their employment ended, the employee will be treated as a new employee and coverage will be effective based on the unit's effective date for new employees.

MILITARY LEAVE

Under the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (USERRA) and Alabama law, an employee on qualified military leave longer than 30 days has the right to elect continued health insurance coverage during periods of military service. Alabama Code § 36-12-6 provides the following regarding compensation for employees of local government entities:

"The governing body of any local governmental entity in this state may provide for any public employee of the entity who is called into active service in the Armed Forces of the United States during the war on terrorism which commenced in September 2001, to receive from his or her employer compensation in an amount which is equal to the difference between the lower active duty military pay and the higher public employment salary which he or she would have received if not called to active service. The amount of compensation which may be paid under this section to a local public employee called into active service may be paid for a period as determined by the local governing body under rules and regulations for processing claims for and payments of the compensation promulgated and implemented by the local governing body."

Regarding health insurance coverage for public employees on military leave longer than 30 days, Alabama Code § 36-12-7(a) states:

"Any public employee who receives compensation from a public employer as provided by this act, while he or she is serving on active duty in the armed forces of the United States, may elect to continue with his or her individual or dependent coverage under the health insurance plan of the public employer for the duration of the time he or she receives the compensation. Premiums for dependent coverage shall be deducted from the compensation in the amount in effect at the time for an active employee with dependent coverage."

When a participant receives compensation while on military leave, the participant may elect to continue individual or dependent coverage. The premiums will remain the same and will remain on the unit's billing.

If a participant does not receive compensation while on military leave longer than 30 days, the participant will be offered USERRA continuation coverage for up to 24 months. The premiums will be based on the applicable COBRA rate and billed to the participant.

In addition, COBRA continuation coverage will be offered to a participant and their dependents individually for up to 18 months. COBRA coverage may be extended to 36 months for a second qualifying event. The COBRA coverage period runs concurrently with the USERRA 24 months. The premium will be based on the applicable COBRA rate and will be billed to the participant.

If a participant on military leave does not return to work at the end of the military leave period, COBRA continuation coverage may be offered for up to 18 months for the employee and dependents.

PARTICIPANT TERMINATION OF COVERAGE

A participant's coverage will terminate on the last day of the month after the following events:

- · Death;
- Termination;
- · Leave without pay;
- Retirement:
- Elected official's term of office ends;
- When the participants cancel coverage (i.e., to enroll in other acceptable coverage);
- When premium payments cease;

- In the case of an ACA eligible participant, after the end of the applicable stability period if the participant does not average 30/130 or more hours per week/month during a subsequent measurement period; or
- When the unit withdraws from the LGHIP.

In the case of a participant changing from full-time to part-time, coverage will end on the last day of the month after the unit notifies Local Gov of the change.

If the participant performs an act or omission that constitutes fraud, or makes an intentional misrepresentation or material fact, coverage may be terminated retroactively to the date of the act or omission. Local Gov may recover the amount of any claims paid in error due to the act or omission.

In addition to the above, coverage terminates for a dependent on the last day of the month in which such person ceases to be an eligible dependent.

In many cases, the participant and/or their dependent(s) will have the option to choose COBRA continuation coverage. (See COBRA Section for more information)

LEAVE WITHOUT PAY (LWOP)

Participants on leave without pay (LWOP) or who receive proceeds or pay through a workers' compensation policy may continue coverage for a maximum of 12 months. The participant will remain on the unit's billing. Once a participant has been on LWOP for 12 months or has received workers' compensation proceeds or pay for 12 months, the unit must notify Local Gov. The participant may be eligible for COBRA at that time.

If the unit requires the participant to make the premium payment and the participant is canceled for nonpayment of premiums, the unit must submit a Cancellation form to Local Gov indicating the reason for cancellation. The cancellation will be effective on the last day of the month following notification to Local Gov.

If the participant returns to work and elected not to continue their coverage while on LWOP, the participant

will be treated as a new hire. If the participant returns to work and elected to continue coverage under COBRA, the participant will not have a gap in coverage, as long as the COBRA period has not expired.

FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE ACT

Local Gov will adhere to the provisions of the Family and Medical Leave Act.

ELECTRONIC SIGNATURE POLICY

In accordance with the Alabama Uniform Electronic Transaction Act (Ala. Code § 8-1A-1et seq.), Local Gov will accept electronic signatures for coverage requests provided the unit certifies that its electronic signature process complies with the Alabama Uniform Electronic Transaction Act and the following security requirements:

- Provides an identical copy of the original signed and executed document to the signer;
- Ensures non-repudiation; that the signer cannot deny the fact that he or she electronically signed the document.
- Captures information about the process used to capture signatures (i.e., create an audit trail), including but not limited to:
 - IP address;
 - Date and time stamp of all events;
 - All web pages, documents, disclosures, and other information presented;
 - What each party acknowledged, agreed to, and signed.
- Encrypts, end-to-end, all communication within the signature process. Encryption technologies shall comply with state encryption standards, including the requirements that cryptographic modules be validated to the current Federal Information Processing Standards (FIPS).

By signing and submitting a form with an electronic signature, the unit acknowledges and certifies its electronic signature process complies with the Alabama Electronic Transactions Act and the security requirements outlined in this section. These requirements constitute the minimum required for an acceptable electronic signature.



MY.LGHIP.ORG

Local Gov's website, www.lghip.org, includes a secure portal for units and participants to access important information about their LGHIP coverage located at my.lghip.org.

Unit Administrators

Unit administrators must create an online unit administrator account to enroll eligible employees and dependents, terminate an employee's coverage, view their unit's wellness participation, and pay invoices.

Each unit must have an account on my.lghip.org.

LGHIP Participants

Participants may create an account to view their individual wellness screenings, view dependents listed on their coverage and update their email address and email preferences.

ONLINE ENROLLMENT

Unit administrators should utilize Local Gov's online enrollment program through my.lghip.org to enroll an eligible employee and dependents in LGHIP coverage or submit a Declination of Coverage form for the eligible employee.

When a unit enrolls an employee through the online enrollment system, Local Gov will send the unit emails on the status of the enrollment including whether it was submitted, not submitted, rejected, or completed. Training opportunities for online enrollment are available on the Local Gov's YouTube channel. The direct link to this channel can be found by visiting www.lghip.org and clicking on the YouTube icon.

ONLINE CANCELLATION

Unit administrators can efficiently cancel a participant's coverage through the unit's my.lghip account. Cancellations can be effective for a past, current, or future date.

COBRA (Continuation of Group Health Coverage)

Federal law requires Local Gov to offer participants and their covered dependents who lose their LGHIP coverage the opportunity for a temporary extension of coverage. All participants have the right to choose continuation of coverage upon the loss of group health coverage due to a reduction in hours of employment or termination of employment (for reasons other than gross misconduct on the part of the participant).

UNIT NOTIFICATION RESPONSIBILITY

The unit is responsible for notifying Local Gov within 30 days of the following qualifying events:

- · End of employment,
- · Reduction of hours of employment, or
- Death of an employee.

COBRA ELECTION NOTIFICATION

It is the participant or dependent's responsibility to elect COBRA within 60 days from the date the notice was mailed or loss of coverage date, whichever is later.

TERMINATION FOR GROSS MISCONDUCT

If a unit terminates a participant for gross misconduct, the participant is not eligible for COBRA continuation coverage. However, the unit must indicate the termination was due to gross misconduct on the Cancellation form. If the unit only selects "involuntary termination" on the Cancellation form, a COBRA notice will be sent to the participant.

FMLA

If the participant is on a leave of absence covered by the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993 (FMLA), and does not return to work, the participant, and all covered dependents, will be given the opportunity to elect COBRA coverage. The period of COBRA coverage will begin when the participant fails to return to work following the expiration of FMLA leave or when the unit informs Local Gov the participant does not intend to return to work, whichever occurs first.

PARTICIPANTS ON COBRA WHO RETURN TO WORK

When a former employee enrolled in COBRA continuation coverage returns to work for a unit, the individual must provide a letter requesting cancellation of COBRA coverage and an Enrollment form.

PROVISION FOR MEDICARE FOR COBRA BENEFICIARIES

COBRA beneficiaries with Medicare Parts A and B will be enrolled in the Medicare Advantage plan.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

For additional information on COBRA continuation coverage, including specific deadlines and lengths of coverage, please see the LGHIP Planbook.

IF AN EMPLOYEE HAS ANY QUESTIONS

Questions concerning COBRA continuation coverage rights may be addressed by calling Local Gov at 1-866-836-9137 or (334) 851-6802 or by mail at the contact listed below. For more information about your COBRA rights, visit the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) website at //www.cms.gov/CCIIO/Programs-and-Initiatives/Other-Insurance-Protections/COBRA.html. For more information about health insurance options available through a Health Insurance Marketplace, visit www.healthcare.gov.

LOCAL GOV CONTACT INFORMATION

All notices and requests for information should be sent to the following address:

Local Gov Health and Wellness

Attn: COBRA

Post Office Box 304901 Montgomery, AL 36130



CHAPTER 7

Employee Eligibility Audit

Local Gov will periodically audit all units to ensure all participants enrolled in the LGHIP are eligible employees and that all eligible employees have either enrolled or declined in the LGHIP. The Local Gov Audit department will review payroll records and other necessary documentation, via secure email, to verify compliance with the LGHIP's eligibility and enrollment rules. Onsite visits to a unit will only be necessary if any discrepancies in the records cannot be resolved.

AUDIT PROCEDURES

- Local Gov will notify each unit of its scheduled audit date.
- Once a unit receives an audit notice, the unit will have 10 business days to provide the requested documentation.
- If deemed necessary, Local Gov will conduct an onsite visit.
- At the conclusion of the audit, Local Gov will provide the unit with the findings from the audit.

TREATMENT OF AUDIT RESULTS

Local Gov may impose one or more of the following actions for enrollment violations:

- move the unit to the standard premium category for at least two years;
- require full or partial payment of back premiums;
- require full or partial payment of non-recallable claims.

Units that refuse to cooperate with the audit may be subject to group termination.

Wellness Program

The Local Gov wellness program supports members in managing their health. This free, voluntary program is available to active employees, non-Medicare retirees, and their spouses covered by LGHIP (Group 30000).

The main feature is a voluntary wellness screening, which includes:

- Blood pressure check
- · Height and weight measurement
- Testing for cholesterol (HDL, LDL, total), triglycerides, and glucose levels via a finger-stick blood sample

Participants will also be asked about their history of high cholesterol, high blood pressure, or diabetes, and any medications they take for these conditions. The screening is designed to help identify risk factors at an early stage where treatment can lead to better outcomes. If the results deem the member at risk, they are encouraged to discuss the results with their medical provider and they will receive a referral to their primary care physician with the office visit copay waived. Early detection can reduce the risk of hypertension, prediabetes, diabetes, heart disease, and obesity. Information on programs like Virta, which helps manage type 2 diabetes and pre-diabetes, may also be provided during the screening. Eligible members can enroll in Virta at no cost.

Screenings can be performed at the worksite, by a provider (copays may apply), at a BCBSAL participating pharmacy, or a county health department. If performed by a provider, the Provider Screening form from the Local

Gov website must be used. The Wellness Program will only accept screenings completed by an approved method. For a list of screening sites and pharmacies, visit www.lghip.org.

Screening results are confidential and will not be disclosed publicly or to the unit. Participants cannot be discriminated against based on their medical information or for choosing not to participate.

Units with 80% or higher participation by active employees from August 1 to July 31 may qualify for the preferred premium category if other conditions are met. Only active employees who participated by July 31 are counted towards the unit's participation percentage. Screenings must be completed by July 31 and submitted by August 15.

Units can view their wellness participation and a listing of active employees who have been screened by logging into your unit's my.lghip.org account and selecting 'Wellness Participation' from the menu.

Should you have any questions or need further information regarding Local Gov's Wellness Program, please contact our wellness department at (334) 851-6802 (option 4).

chapter 9 Premiums

Each unit is classified into either the "standard" or "preferred" category for calculating employee premiums. Retiree premiums are calculated based on the claims experience and do not use standard or preferred premium categories.

PREMIUM CATEGORY CRITERIA FOR UNITS THAT DO NOT OFFER LGHIP RETIREE COVERAGE

Standard

Units meeting one or more of the following criteria are classified in the standard premium category:

- Less than three months of participation in the LGHIP.
- Less than 80% wellness participation* by their active employees during the wellness qualifying period.
- Has failed to pay its premium payment within 30 days from the due date on two or more occasions within the last two years. Local Gov may allow units to pay their premium payments via automatic bank draft and remain in the preferred premium category.

Preferred

Units who meet all the criteria below are classified in the preferred premium category:

- More than three months of participation in the LGHIP.
- 80% or more wellness participation* by their active employees during the wellness qualifying period.
- Has not been delinquent on two premium payments within the last two years.

**Units can view their wellness participation and a listing of active employees who have been screened by logging into your unit's my.lghip.org account.

ADDITIONAL PREFERRED PREMIUM CRITERIA FOR UNITS OFFERING RETIREE COVERAGE

Units that offer retiree coverage must also meet these additional requirements to be classified in the preferred premium category:

- 5% or more of unit's total enrollment are retirees, or
 - If Local Gov approves a unit offering a non-LGHIP retiree health plan for its eligible retirees in addition to LGHIP retiree coverage, the unit's retirees covered under its non-LGHIP retiree health plan will count toward the 5% requirement above.

 Unit has certified that all retired employees eligible for coverage under the LGHIP's retiree rules were offered LGHIP retiree coverage by either submitting a Retiree Enrollment form (LG22) to enroll the retiree in coverage, or by submitting a Cancellation form (LG03) indicating the retiree was offered but declined retiree coverage.

The following forms must be provided for each participant leaving service who is eligible to continue coverage under the LGHIP's retiree rules:

- For those electing retiree coverage: an LGHIP Retiree Coverage Enrollment Form (LG22) signed by the retiree at least 30 days prior to retirement date.
- For those declining retiree coverage: a Cancellation Form (LG03) signed by the retiree at least 10 days prior to the date of cancellation.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF PREMIUM CATEGORY

Changes in premium category, as well as any Board approved rate changes, are typically effective the beginning of the next plan year (January 1). However, units moving to the standard premium category due to late payments could have a premium category change take effect during the plan year. A unit may also have a rate increase and a change in rate category in the same year. Following the wellness qualifying period, Local Gov will begin the premium category assignment process. Wellness screening forms will not be accepted after August 15. Units will be notified of their premium category that will be effective January 1, no later than August 31.

The premium category assignment is subject to change if Local Gov determines that the unit no longer meets the criteria for the preferred premium category.

Appeal of Premium Category Assignment

Units may appeal to Local Gov to change their premium category. An appeal must be received by Local Gov within seven calendar days following the date of the unit's category notice. An appeal must be in writing and include all supporting documentation necessary to justify the basis of the appeal.

PAYMENT OF PREMIUM

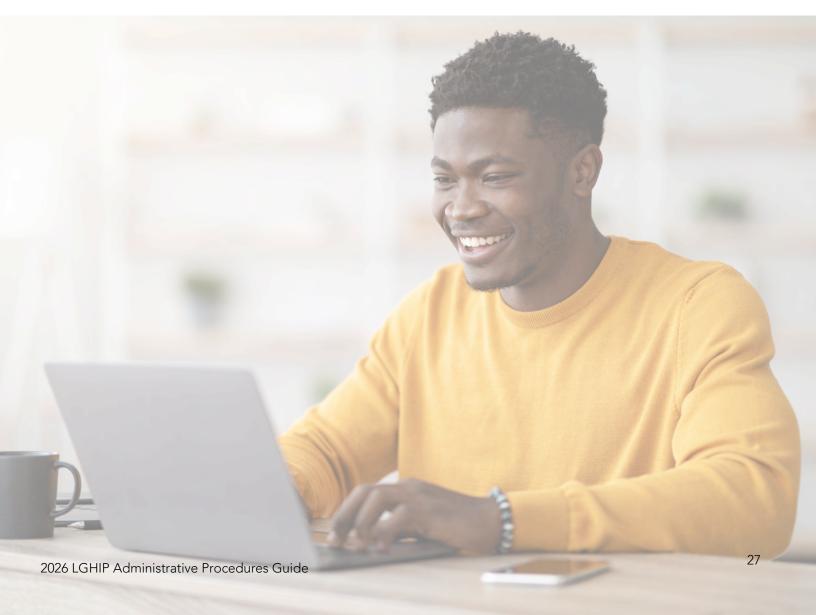
Each unit determines the portion of the premium it will charge its employees, and retirees, for both single and family coverage. Local Gov will only accept payment from the unit, not from the unit's employees or retirees. COBRA premiums are the only exception to this rule and may be paid by the unit's former employee.

Each unit must pay the invoice as written. Partial payments will not be accepted and changes to the invoice are not allowed. Additions, deletions and changes will be reflected on the next invoice provided the proper forms (cancellation, change or enrollment) are received and approved by Local Gov. Failure to remit your payment for the full invoice amount before the due date may result in cancellation of coverage.

(See the Billing Procedures Chapter for more information).

PREMIUMS

The following premium schedules specify the monthly premiums each unit will be billed. COBRA subscribers will be billed directly.



MONTHLY PREMIUMS

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2026

Premiums reflect single or family coverage per month.

EMPLOYEE PREMIUMS

SIANDAND NAID	
Single	\$730
Family	\$1,844
PREFERRED RATE	ES WITH DENTAL
Single	\$667

STANDARD RATES WITH DENTAL

STANDARD RATES NO DENTAL	
\$701	
\$1,771	

PREFERRED RATES NO DENTAL		
Single	\$638	
Family	\$1,553	

COBRA PREMIUMS

STANDARD COBRA RATES WITH DENTAL		
Single	\$745	
Family	\$1,881	

STANDARD COBRA RATES WITHOUT DENTAL		
Single	\$715	
Family	\$1,806	

PREFERRED COBRA RATES WITH DENTAL	
Single	\$680
Family	\$1,658

PREFERRED COBRA RATES WITHOUT DENTAL		
Single	\$651	
Family	\$1,584	

COBRA DISABLED PREMIUMS

STANDARD COBRA SUBSCRIBER DISABLED RATES WITH DENTAL		
Single	\$1,095	
Family	\$2,231	

STANDARD COBRA SUBSCRIBER DISABLED RATES WITHOUT DENTAL				
Single	\$1,052			
Family	\$2,143			

PREFERRED COBRA SUBSCRIBER DISABLED RATES WITH DENTAL				
Single	\$1,001			
Family	\$1,979			

DISABLED RATES WITHOUT DENTAL				
Single	\$957			
Family	\$1,890			

PREFERRED COBRA SUBSCRIBER

CHAPTER 10 Billing Procedures

INVOICE

Local Gov will generate an invoice for each unit in advance of the following month's coverage with a listing of participants and their coverage election. The invoice is a summary of the total single and family participants covered, the previous balance owed, if any, the current month's amount, and the total balance due. Units will receive an email notification each month when their invoices are available to view and download from the unit's myLGHIP account. Units will not be mailed invoices or billing details.

The invoices also show which participants have completed a wellness screening. The unit's myLGHIP account will also show the unit's wellness percentage for the current screening period.

The unit must pay the balance shown on the invoice. Units are not allowed to make any corrections or adjustments to this balance.

INVOICE CHANGES

All corrections and adjustments approved by Local Gov will be reflected on the next month's invoice after additions, cancellations and changes in the current billing period are processed. Premium credits will be issued subject to timely notifications of cancellations.

PAYMENT OPTIONS

Units have the following payments options:

- Automatic Draft Payment This service is offered at no charge to the unit. The monthly invoice will indicate the amount withdrawn from the unit's bank account on or after the first day of the following month. For example, a bill issued October 18 will provide the amount that will be drafted from the unit's account on November 1. Automatic drafts may be canceled at any time. However, draft cancellations must be made at least five business days prior to the last business day of the month.
- Electronic Check (e-check) Service Payment by e-check is available by logging in to the unit's my.lghip.org account, or by calling Local Gov's Accounting Department at 1-866-836-9137.
- Mail Please remember payment must be received prior to the due date to avoid coverage cancellation.
 Payments by mail may be sent to:

Local Gov Health and Wellness Accounting Department PO Box 304901 Montgomery, AL 36130

CHAPTER 11

Local Government Unit Withdrawal and Termination

UNIT WITHDRAWAL

A unit may withdraw from the LGHIP by providing written notice to Local Gov at least six months prior to the effective date of withdrawal via certified mail to the following address:

Local Gov Health and Wellness Post Office Box 304901 Montgomery, AL 36130

The notice of withdrawal must include a resolution from the unit's governing body signifying its intent to withdraw from the LGHIP. Any unit that withdraws shall be responsible for paying its claims incurred prior to the date of withdrawal, but not reported and paid until after the date of withdrawal. Any unit that withdraws shall serve a three-year waiting period from the effective date of the unit's withdrawal before the unit may apply for reenrollment into the LGHIP. The unit must have been in good standing with Local Gov prior to withdrawal to be reinstated.

Pursuant to Alabama Code § 11-91A-2(f), any organization that provides or administers health insurance benefits through the LGHIP shall not provide or administer health insurance benefits to any entity that withdraws from the LGHIP for a period of two years from the effective date of withdrawal.

UNIT TERMINATION

Local Gov may terminate a unit's participation in the LGHIP when Local Gov deems it to be in the best interest of the LGHIP or for any reason including, but not limited to:

- Failure to comply with Local Gov's policies and procedures;
- Purposely submitting incorrect or fraudulent information; or
- Delinquent payment of premiums.

If Local Gov terminates a unit's participation, the unit shall be responsible for paying its claims incurred prior to the date of the local unit's termination, but not reported and paid until after the date of termination. Any unit terminated shall serve a three-year waiting period from the effective date of the unit's termination before the unit may apply for re-enrollment into the LGHIP.

Pursuant to Alabama Code § 11-91A-2(f), any organization that provides or administers health insurance benefits through the LGHIP shall not provide or administer health insurance benefits to any unit that is terminated from the LGHIP by Local Gov for a period of two years from the effective date of termination.

CHAPTER 12 Unit Forms

FORM #	FORM NAME	FORM USES
LG11	Unit Change Form	Unit completes to change information regarding type of participation, coverage election and effective date of coverage.
LG13	Preauthorized Payment Service Agreement	Unit completes to enroll in automated payment for monthly billing.
LG23	Affordable Care Act Full-Time Employee Verification Form	Unit completes to enroll an employee who may be eligible for coverage based on the Affordable Care Act.
LG28	Listing of Elected Officials for a City or Town	Municipalities complete form regardless of whether unit offers coverage for elected officials.
LG29	Listing of Elected Officials for a County Commission	County Commissions complete form regardless of whether unit offers coverage for elected officials.
	Blue Cross and Blue Shield Supply Request Form	Unit completes form to order BCBSAL plan books, Local Gov's benefit guides, summary of benefits and more.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM Unit Changes Form

Local Government Unit			Unit #		
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Mailing Address	Ci	ty	Sta	te	ZIP Code
Physical Address	Ci	ty	Sta	te	ZIP Code
Unit Contacts					
Health Insurance Administrator		Title			
Phone Number		Email Address			
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Additional Contact (If Different)		Title			
Phone Number		Email Address			
Check this box if the Additional Contact requires a separate login for the unit's my.lghip account. If selected, the Additional Contact will receive an email with login details from the Local Gov team.					
Additional Contact (If Different)		Title			
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Phone Number		Email Address			
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and the LGHIB rules outlined in the Administrative Guide.					
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Revision Date: 1/25

Local Government Health Insurance Board Pre-Authorized Payment Service Authorization Agreement

I authorize the Local Government Health Insurance Board (LGHIB) and the financial institution listed below to electronically debit or credit my account as specified:

Checking or Savings Account Number
Name of Financial Institution
Enter Routing Number

PAY	1001
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ORDER OF	\$
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This authority is to remain in full force and effect until the LGHIB and my financial institution have received written notification from me of its termination. This should be done in such time and manner as to afford the LGHIB and the financial institution a reasonable opportunity to act on it.

LGHIB Unit Name (please print)		LGHIB Unit Number		
Account Holder Name (If different from unit)				
If signed electronically, I acknowledge and certify the electronic signature process complies with the Alabama Uniform Electronic Transaction Act and the LGHIB rules outlined in the Administrative Guide.				
Account Holder Authorized Signature	Date			
Printed Name	Title			

Please include a voided check with this form to verify account information for withdrawals from your checking account or a deposit slip for withdrawals from a savings account.

Return this form to: Local Government Health Insurance Board

Accounting Department PO Box 304901 Montgomery, AL 36130 accounting@lghip.org Form LG23 Reviewed 9/24

Local Gov Health and Wellness Affordable Care Act Employee Verification Form

If your unit is subject to the ACA with 50 or more full-time employees (or full-time equivalents) and you believe that you must offer coverage to one of your temporary, part-time, seasonal, intermittent, or emergency employees, you must complete this form verifying that your unit is subject to the ACA, and the employee averages working more than 30 hours a week, or 130 hours a month, during the unit's measurement period.

<u>Units with fewer than 50 full-time employees (including full-time equivalents) are not subject to the ACA employer shared responsibility provisions.</u> All units subject to the ACA will be responsible for complying with all ACA employer shared responsibility provisions. Local Gov cannot provide guidance regarding a unit's compliance with the ACA.

An employee eligible pursuant to the ACA provisions must enroll in the LGHIP or submit a Declination of Coverage form with proof of acceptable other coverage.

Name (First, Middle Initial, Last)		Social Security Number
Average number of hours emp	loyee worked per week or per month du	ring Measurement Period:
must have averaged 30+ hours p between 3-12 months in duration • An employee is due • Each hour the end • Each hour the end	per week or 130+ hours per month during the credit for an hour of service for: mployee is paid, or entitled to payment, for mployee is paid, or entitled to payment for a mployee is paid, or entitled to payment for a mployee is paid, or entitled to payment for a mployee is paid, or entitled to payment for a management.	d as an ACA full-time employee, the employee ne measurement period. The period can be the performance of duties for the unit, and a period of time during which no duties are off, jury duty, military duty, or leave of absence
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	TO BE COMPLETED BY EMPL	OYER
I affirm the information on this form is to Employer Shared Responsibility rules an		it's sole responsibility to comply with the Affordable Care Act
Unit Name:		Unit Number:
If signed electronically, I acknowledge ar Local Gov rules outlined in the Administr		th the Alabama Uniform Electronic Transaction Act and the
Signature of Benefit Administrator:		Date:

Local Gov Health and Wellness Listing of Elected Officials for a City or Town

City or Town of:			Unit Number:	
Unit A	llows for Covera	ge of Elected Offic	ials Yes No	
			unit offers coverage to its elected official's information.	cted officials.
Mayor				
Elected Official Legal Name	Term Starts	Term Ends	Last 4 of SSN/Contract	Enroll Decline Opt-Out
Council				
Elected Official Legal Name	Term Starts	Term Ends	Last 4 of SSN/Contract	Enroll Decline Opt-Out
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Local Gov Health and Wellness Listing of Elected Officials for a County Commission

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Unit All	ows for Coverage o	f Elected Offic	cials Yes No	
A list of elected officials is required, reg with the elected official's information. If				ase complete the fields below
Probate Judge	more space is needed	, piease complet	e an additional form.	
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Elected Official Legal Name	Term Starts	Term Ends	Last 4 of SSN/Contract	Enroll Decline Opt-Out
Tax Assessor				
Elected Official Legal Name	Term Starts	Term Ends	Last 4 of SSN/Contract	Enroll Decline Opt-Out
Tax Collector				
Elected Official Legal Name	Term Starts	Term Ends	Last 4 of SSN/Contract	Enroll Decline Opt-Out
Revenue Commissioner				
Elected Official Legal Name	Term Starts	Term Ends	Last 4 of SSN/Contract	Enroll Decline Opt-Out
Coroner				
Elected Official Legal Name	Term Starts	Term Ends	Last 4 of SSN/Contract	Enroll Decline Opt-Out
Chairman				
Elected Official Legal Name	Term Starts	Term Ends	Last 4 of SSN/Contract	Enroll Decline Opt-Out
Commissioner 1				
Elected Official Legal Name	Term Starts	Term Ends	Last 4 of SSN/Contract	Enroll Decline Opt-Out
Commissioner 2				
Elected Official Legal Name	Term Starts	Term Ends	Last 4 of SSN/Contract	Enroll Decline Opt-Out
Commissioner 3				·
Elected Official Legal Name	Term Starts	Term Ends	Last 4 of SSN/Contract	Enroll Decline Opt-Out
Commissioner 4				
Elected Official Legal Name	Term Starts	Term Ends	Last 4 of SSN/Contract	Enroll Decline Opt-Out
Commissioner 5				
Elected Official Legal Name	Term Starts	Term Ends	Last 4 of SSN/Contract	Enroll Decline Opt-Out
Commissioner 6				
Elected Official Legal Name	Term Starts	Term Ends	Last 4 of SSN/Contract	Enroll Decline Opt-Out
Name:			Title:	
If signed electronically, I acknowledge and c Local Gov rules outlined in the Administrativ	certify the electronic signat			
Signature		1	Date:	
Signature:			Date:	



Local Gov Health and Wellness Supply Order Form

Date:			
То:	Blue Cross Blue Sl Rodney Hill	ield	
Email Address:	rhill@bcbsal.org		
From:			
Quantity	Group 30000 Supp	<u>ies</u>	
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For your conveni	ience, the above listed	l items may be downloaded at www.lghip.org.	
The following dire	Preferred Provider I Preferred Dental Di	• •	Blue.com):
Ship To:			
Name of Local Go	overnment Unit		
Contact Person			
Street Address (N	o P.O. Boxes)		
City			
State		Zip	
Telephone Numbe	er ()	

Please email the completed order form to rhill@bcbsal.org of Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Alabama.

CHAPTER 13 Member Forms

FORM #	FORM NAME	FORM USES
LG01	Employee Enrollment	Enroll eligible employee into the LGHIP
LG04	Declination of Coverage	New eligible employee completes if they are currently enrolled in other acceptable health insurance coverage and desires to decline LGHIP coverage. Must submit proof of other coverage when submitting this form.
LG02	Member Information Changes Form	Change participant's or dependent's name, address, date of birth, telephone number and email address.
LG05	New Dependent Form	 Change participant's coverage from single to family, adding dependents. Add new dependents to current family coverage.
LG06	Dependent Cancellation Form	 Change participant's coverage from family to single coverage. Cancel health insurance coverage for dependents from participant's coverage.
LG03	Cancellation Form	Must be completed if the participant is no longer employed; loses eligibility for LGHIP coverage; participant wishes to decline and enroll in acceptable coverage; retires and is not enrolling in retiree coverage; goes on military leave or leave without pay; or dies.
LG12	Provider Screening Form	Participant or spouse uses this form if annual wellness screening is performed by their health care provider.
LG17	HIPAA Authorization Form	Member completes this form to request LGHIP release protected health information to authorized individual.
LG14	COBRA Automatic Payment Authorization	COBRA subscribers may complete to enroll in automatic payments.

Note: All forms must be verified and signed by the designated payroll/personnel officer with the exception of the Provider Screening Form (LG12) HIPAA Authorization Form (LG17), and COBRA Automatic Payment Authorization Form (LG14).

LOCAL GOVERNMENT HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM ENROLLMENT FORM

EMPLOYEE INFORMAT	TON (PI	ease print o	r type)									
Name (First, Middle Init			7. /	Socia	l Secur	ity Number			Date of	Birth	1	Gender
Mailing Address				City			Cou	nty		5	State	ZIP Code
Physical Address *Must	be comple	ted by Medicare	Retiree Enrollee	City			Cou	nty		5	State	ZIP Code
Primary Phone Numbe	r	Work Phon	e Number	Email	Addres	SS:						
			Employmen	t Statu	ıs (Che	ck One)						
Full-time Employee		ACA Eligible	Elected Office	cial	R	etired (Not Med	licare P	articipa	int)	Retii	red (Medi	care Participant)
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Dependent Inform								ed to	coveraç	ge. S	ee bac	k of form.
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			Spouse Date	Married:			М	F				
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			Biological Ad	dopted	Step	Custodial	М	F				
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Eı	mployee	Signature							D	ate		
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Full-Time Date of Hire: _		Local G	overnment Unit Na	me:					l	Unit N	Number	:
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Signature of Benefit Adr	ninistrat	or:						Da	ate:			

Local Gov Health and Wellness (334) 851-6802 • 1-866-836-9137 Enrollments@lghip.org

GENERAL INFORMATION

Eligible Dependent

(Appropriate documentation must be attached.)

The term "dependent" includes the following individuals, subject to appropriate documentation (Social Security number, marriage certificate, birth certificate, court decree, etc.).

- The participant's spouse (excludes a divorced spouse)
- A child under age 26, only if the child is:
 - o The participant's son or daughter
 - A child legally adopted by the participant or their spouse
 - The participant's stepchild
- A dependent, under age 19, for whom the participant, or his or her spouse, has legal and physical custody granted by a court of competent jurisdiction
- An incapacitated child* over age 25 provided the dependent child is:
 - o unmarried,
 - o permanently mentally or physically disabled or incapacitated,
 - o incapable of self-sustaining employment,
 - o dependent upon the participant for 50% or more financial support,
 - o otherwise eligible for coverage as a dependent child except for age,
 - o had the condition prior to the child's 26th birthday, and
 - o not eligible for any other group insurance benefits.
- The above requirements must be met to be eligible for coverage as an incapacitated child. The LGHIB will decide whether an application for incapacitated status will be accepted and final approval of incapacitation will be determined by medical review conducted by Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Alabama. The LGHIB reserves the right to periodically recertify incapacitation. Neither a reduction in work capacity nor inability to find employment is, of itself, evidence of eligibility. If a mentally or physically incapacitated child is employed, the extent of their earning capacity will be evaluated.

See the "Enrolling an Incapacitated Child" section for critical enrollment deadlines. If deadlines are not met, coverage may be denied.

Ineligible Dependents

An individual who does not meet the definition of an eligible dependent under the LGHIP rules. Examples include, but are not limited to:

- A participant's spouse if they are independently eligible for coverage as an employee of a participating unit
- An ex-spouse, or ex-stepchildren, regardless of what the divorce decree may state
- Children age 26 and older
- Foster children
- Incapacitated children aged 26 and older who do not meet the Incapacitated Child eligibility requirements
- A child of a dependent child
- A participant's child, if the child has been adopted by someone other than their spouse and the participant has been relieved
 of their parental rights and responsibilities
- A daughter-in-law or son-in-law
- Grandchildren or other individuals related to the participant by blood or marriage for which the participant does not have legal and physical custody
- Grandchildren, nieces, or nephews aged 19 and older regardless of whether the participant has legal and physical custody
- Grandparents
- Parents
- A fiancé or live-in girlfriend or boyfriend

Enrolling an Incapacitated Child

To apply, contact the LGHIB to obtain an Incapacitated Child Certification form. A completed Incapacitated Child Certification form and proof of incapacity must be provided to the LGHIB no more than 60 days after the dependent's 26th birthday*. If the form and proof of incapacity is not submitted within the required time, the child is not eligible for future enrollment except in the following two situations:

- When a new participant requests coverage for an incapacitated child within 60 days of employment; or
- When a participant's incapacitated child is covered under a spouse's employer group health insurance for at least <u>18</u> consecutive months and:
 - o the spouse loses the other coverage because:
 - the employer ceases operations, or
 - of termination of employment or reduction of hours of employment, or
 - the employer stopped contributing to coverage
 - a New Dependent form is submitted to the LGHIB within 60 days of the incapacitated child's loss of other coverage,
 and
 - Medical review approved incapacitation status.

In these two situations, the child must meet all the Incapacitated Child eligibility requirements.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM NEW EMPLOYEE DECLINATION OF COVERAGE FORM

Name (First, Middle Initial, Last					Gender	Date of	of Birth	
Social Security Number	Contract Number	Primary Phone Number	W	Vork Pl	hone Nu	mber		
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Mailing Address	1	City	5	State		۷	ip Code	е
Employee Status:	Full-time Employee [ACA Eligible – (M	lust submit fo	orm LC	323)			Elected Official
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Form LG02 Reviewed 7/25

LOCAL GOVERNMENT HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM MEMBER INFORMATION CHANGES FORM

PARTICIPANT INFORMATION (Please print or type.)	
Name (First, Middle Initial, Last)	Social Security Number
Select the change that needs to be made from the options below:	
MAILING ADDRESSStreet Address of	r Post Office Box
City	ate Zip
☐ PARTICIPANT'S / ☐ DEPENDENT'S NAME* From:	To:
*Documentation Required	
☐ PARTICIPANT'S / ☐ DEPENDENT'S DATE OF BIRTH From:	То:
*Documentation Required	
☐ PARTICIPANT'S / ☐ DEPENDENT'S SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER:	
*Documentation Required	
☐ TELEPHONE NUMBER: Primary () W	ork: ()
☐ E-MAIL ADDRESS	
Other Group Health In	surance Information
Do you have additional insurance coverage o If yes, you must complete Other Gr	
AFFIRMATION AND	•
I hereby affirm that I have completely read and fully understand the terms and conditions are true and correct. I understand that any misrepresentation may result in the forfeiture of misrepresentation. I further understand that there is mandatory utilization review and I do administer, and process claims for benefits to any person, entity or representative acting	of coverage and that I will be personally liable for all claims related to such hereby give permission to release any information necessary to evaluate,
Participant Signature	Date
TO BE COMPLETED BY	
Requested Effective Date of Change:Unit Name:*LGHIP may revise this date without notifying the unit if the requested date is incorrect	Unit Number:
If signed electronically, I acknowledge and certify the electronic signature process complies with outlined in the Administrative Guide.	n the Alabama Uniform Electronic Transaction Act and the Local Gov's rules
Signature of Benefit Administrator:	Date:

LOCAL GOV HEALTH AND WELLNESS (334) 851-6802 • 1-866-836-9137 enrollments@lghip.org

LOCAL GOVERNMENT HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM NEW DEPENDENT FORM

PARTICIPANT INFORMATION (Please print	or type.)					
Name (First, Middle Initial, Last)					Da	ate of Birth
Social Security Number	Primary Telephone Nu	umber		Work Tele	phone Num	ber
	()			()		Ext.
ADDITIONS – PROVIDE DOCUMENTATION (Must select Change from Single to Family Coverage. Add	Ī	_	ation on the bandent(s) listed		mily Cover	age **
Change from Single to Family Coverage. Add	Reason for Addi		. ,	T Delow to 1 a		
Documentation is required be		•		e. See bac	k of form	for details.
MONT	H/DAY/YEAR					MONTH/DAY/YEAR
Marriage		Open E	nrollment			01/01/2026
Birth of Child		Cresial	Envalue ont d	us to loss of		
Adoption of Child		coveraç	Enrollment d ge	ue to loss of	_	
Legal and Physical Custody		Other				
		Explain:				
Name of Dependent First, Middle Initial, Last	Relationshi	p to Participaı	nt	Gender	Date of Birth	Social Security Number
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	Biological Ado	pted Step	Custodial	M F		
	Biological Adop	oted Step	Custodial	M F		
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	Biological Adop	oted Step	Custodial	M F		
	Biological Adop	oted Step	Custodial	M F		
	Biological Ado _l	·	Custodial	M F		
For additional dependent	s, please list the inforn AFFIRMATIO			ind attach to	this form.	
I understand and acknowledge that only eligible depend the eligibility of a covered dependent changes. If it is failing to remove a person no longer eligible for covera responsible for all such overpayments and may be sub I hereby affirm that I have completely read and fully un are true and correct. I understand that any misrepreser	dents may be added to n determined that an act ge) results in or contrib ject to disqualification f derstand the terms and	ny coverage. I ur on my part (subutes to the payr rom coverage up conditions of the	nderstand it is th as adding a nent of claims nder the plan. nis form. I atte	an ineligible p for persons i st that all the	person to co neligible for representati	verage) or omission (such as coverage, I will be personally ons made by me on this form
misrepresentation. I further understand that there is ma administer, and process claims for benefits to any pers	andatory utilization revi	ew and I do here	by give permi	ssion to relea		
Employee Signature	TO BE COMPLE	TED BY E	ADL OVED		Date	
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If signed electronically, I acknowledge and certify the elect outlined in the Administrative Guide.	ronic signature process co	omplies with the A	Alabama Unifor	m Electronic T	ransaction Ad	ct and the Local Gov rules
Signature of Benefit Administrator:				Date:		

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 - The participant's stepchild
- A dependent, under age 19, for whom the participant, or his or her spouse, has legal and physical custody granted by a court of competent jurisdiction
- An incapacitated child* over age 25 provided the dependent child is:
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 - incapable of self-sustaining employment,
 - o dependent upon the participant for 50% or more financial support,
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 - o had the condition prior to the child's 26th birthday, and
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- A daughter-in-law or son-in-law
- Grandchildren or other individuals related to the participant by blood or marriage for which the participant does not have legal and physical custody
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- Grandparents
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- A fiancé or live-in girlfriend or boyfriend

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- When a new participant requests coverage for an incapacitated child within 60 days of employment; or
- When a participant's incapacitated child is covered under a spouse's employer group health insurance for at least 18 consecutive months and:
 - \circ the spouse loses the other coverage because:
 - the employer ceases operations, or
 - of termination of employment or reduction of hours of employment, or
 - the employer stopped contributing to coverage
 - o a New Dependent form is submitted to the LGHIB within 60 days of the incapacitated child's loss of other coverage, and
 - Medical review approved incapacitation status.

In these two situations, the child must meet all the Incapacitated Child eligibility requirements.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM DEPENDENT CANCELATION FORM

Name (First, Middle Initial, Last)	Social	I Security Number	
		,	
DROP DEPENDENT COVERAGE (Must select one)			
Change from Family to Single Coverage	Cancel dependent(s) lis	sted below from Family Cov	erage
REASON FOR CANCEL- Must select If requesting to drop a dependent outside of Open Death is the on		e qualifying event must be	submitted.
MONTH/DAY/YEAR	, oncopiion to time pend		MONTH/DAY/YEAR
Death		nger resides in household/	
Divorce Attach divorce decree		a change of address	
Loss of custody Attach court documents	Dependent obtain	nea employment	
Medicare/Medicaid	Open Enrollment	ţ <u>!</u>	Effective January 1, 2026
entitlement Retirement of Participant	Spouse employed	ed by a unit in the LGHIP	
Significant change of premiums /	Name of Unit:		
benefits	Other Qualifying I	Event	
	Explain		
Name of Dependent First, Middle Initial, Last		Date o	of Birth
First, Middle Hittal, East			
AFFIRMATI	ON AND RELEASE	E	
I hereby affirm that I have completely read and fully understand the terms form are true and correct. I understand that any misrepresentation may related to such misrepresentation. I further understand and acknowledge Insurance Plan and I will be personally responsible for all claims for ineliging	esult in the forfeiture of cov that only eligible depender	verage and that I will be perso	nally liable for all claims
Participant Signature		Da	ate
TO BE COMPL	ETED BY EMPLO	YER	
Requested Effective Date of Change:Unit Nan *LGHIP may revise this date without notifying the unit if the requested date is	ne:		Unit Number:
If signed electronically, I acknowledge and certify the electronic signature procoutlined in the Administrative Guide.		ma Uniform Electronic Transact	ion Act and the LGHIB rules
Signature of Benefit Administrator:		Date:	

LOCAL GOVERNMENT HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM CANCELLATION FORM

PARTICIPANT INFO	ORMATION (Please print or t	ype)	
Name (First, Middl		. ,	Social Security Number
	SURANCE COVERAGE For the formula to	OR THE FOLLOWING REASONS: ollowing cancel reasons:	
	Termination Last Day	in Pay Status Voluntary	Involuntary Terminated due to gross misconduct
	Reduction of hours to less	than 30 hours per week	COBRA will not be offered if terminated due to gross misconduct
	Declination of Coverage Must provide proof of other acceptable coverage. Cannot submit copy of insurance card as proof.	Name of Insurance Company Name of Employer (if applicable)	
		Attach military pa	pers.
	DeathDate of Death		
	Retirement Date	Unit does not allow retiree coverage	
	Date Retiree became elig	ble for Medicare Unit does no	ot allow Medicare Coverage
	Retiree Non-Payment	COBRA will not be off	ered.
	☐ For Medicare retiree	s, the Unit affirms it has provided the retiree with C	MS 21–day notice of disenrollment
	Other	Date	
Participant's sign	nature is required to cand	el coverage for the following reasons:	
	Retiree Requested Cancel	lation	
	Other	Date	
For units that	provide retiree coverage, t	he following must be completed:	
F	Retirement Date		
		for and was offered LGHIP retiree health inst	urance coverage but declined
I hereby affirm that I me on this form are o	have completely read and ful correct and I understand by รเ	AFFIRMATION ly understand the terms and conditions of this form ibmitting this form my coverage will be cancelled.	n. I attest that all the representations made by
	Participant Signature		Date
		TO BE COMPLETED BY EMPLOYER	
	Date of Cancellation*: c date without notifying the unit if the	Unit Name:e requested date is incorrect	Unit Number:
If signed electronically, rules outlined in the Adr		tronic signature process complies with the Alabama Unifo	rm Electronic Transaction Act and the Local Gov
Signature of Benefit A	dministrator:	Date:	

Local Gov Health and Wellness Provider Screening Form



Phone: 1-866-836-9137, option 4

Fax: (334) 851-6808

Prior Authorization (Must complete before the Screening)

I have read the Notice Regarding Wellness Program, understand the policies and procedures set out in the Notice to protect the privacy and confidentiality of my personally identifiable health information, and agree that my personally identifiable health information contained on this Screening Form may be disclosed and/or used in the manner described in the Notice. I further acknowledge that I am participating in this Wellness Program voluntarily in order to identify whether I am at increased risk for certain medical conditions resulting from high blood pressure, obesity, high cholesterol, or diabetes.

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ECTION 1 (To Be Compl	eted by the Screenin	g Participant <u>)</u>			
OTE: The screening must be c	ompleted by July 31 and s	Date of Screening	later than August 15	<u> </u>	e Spouse
rtaino (i lodos print)			Female \Box		
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LOCAL GOV HEALTH AND WELLNESS WELLNESS PROGRAM PRIVACY NOTICE

The Wellness Program of Local Gov Health and Wellness is a voluntary wellness program available to all active employees, non-Medicare retirees, and spouses, who are covered under the Local Government Health Insurance Plan (LGHIP), Group 30000. The program is administered according to federal rules permitting employer-sponsored wellness programs that seek to improve employee health or prevent disease, including the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, the Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act of 2008, and the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act, as applicable, among others.

All active employees, non-Medicare retirees, and spouses, who are covered in group 30000, are eligible to participate in one worksite wellness screening during the wellness qualifying period.* You can also have your wellness screening performed by your primary care physician; however; all applicable copayments will apply. Participating pharmacies will provide screenings at no charge. For a list of those pharmacies, go to www.lghip.org.

If you choose to participate in the wellness program, you will be asked to complete a biometric screening, which will include checking your blood pressure and measuring your height and weight. Also, a blood sample will be taken to check your cholesterol, triglycerides, and glucose. You will also be asked whether you have or have had high cholesterol, high blood pressure, or diabetes and whether you take medicine for those conditions. The screening is intended to let you know whether you are at risk for certain medical conditions resulting from high blood pressure, obesity, high cholesterol, or diabetes. You are not required to participate in the wellness program and/or participate in the blood test or any other components of the biometric screening.

The results from your biometric screening will be used to provide you with information to help you understand your current health and potential risks and may also be used by Local Gov and our business associates to offer you services, such as wellness coaching and/or disease management coaching. You also are encouraged to share your results or concerns with your own doctor.

Local Gov provides incentives to your employer if your employer meets certain wellness program participation percentages. Your employer may then choose to offer individual incentives for you to participate in the wellness program. However, your employer cannot deny access to health insurance or any package of health insurance benefits or retaliate against you due to your refusal to participate in the wellness program.

If you are unable to participate in any of the health-related activities, you may be entitled to a reasonable accommodation or an alternative standard. You may request a reasonable accommodation or an alternative standard by contacting Local Gov's Wellness Division at 1-866-838-9137, option 4.

*Wellness qualifying period information is located within the Wellness Program section of www.lghip.org.

Protections from Disclosure of Medical Information

Local Gov Health and Wellness and its business associates are required by law to maintain the privacy and security of your personally identifiable health information. Although the wellness program and Local Gov may use aggregate information Local Gov collects to design a program based on identified health risks in the workplace, Local Gov's Wellness Program will not disclose your screening results either publicly or to your employer, except as necessary to respond to a request from you for a reasonable accommodation needed to participate in the wellness program or as expressly permitted by law. Medical information that personally identifies you, that is provided in connection with the wellness program, will not be provided to your supervisors or managers and may never be used to make decisions regarding your employment.

Your health information will not be sold, exchanged, transferred, or otherwise disclosed except to the extent permitted by law to carry out specific activities related to the wellness program, and you will not be asked or required to waive the confidentiality of your health information as a condition of participating in the wellness program. Anyone who receives your information for purposes of providing you services as part of the wellness program will abide by the same confidentiality requirements. The only individuals who will receive your personally identifiable health information are nurses, doctors, health coaches and staff from Local Gov and our business associates in order to provide you with services under the wellness program.

In addition, all medical information obtained through the wellness program will be maintained by Local Gov, separate from your employer's personnel records, and no information you provide as part of the wellness program may be used by your employer in making any employment decision. Appropriate precautions will be taken to avoid any data breach, and in the event a data breach occurs involving information you provide in connection with the wellness program, we will notify you immediately.

You cannot be discriminated against in employment because of the medical information you provide as part of participating in the wellness program, nor will you be subjected to retaliation if you choose not to participate.

If you have questions or concerns regarding this notice, or about protections against discrimination and retaliation, please contact the Local Gov's Wellness Division at 1-866-836-9137, option 4.

Please return completed forms to:

Phone: 1-866-836-9137, option 4

Fax: (334) 851-6808



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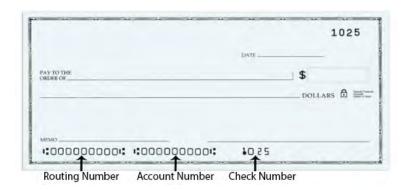
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Local Government Health Insurance Plan Pre-Authorized Payment Service Authorization Agreement

I authorize Local Gov Health and Wellness and the financial institution, listed below, to electronically debit or credit my account as specified:

lame of Financial Institution	
Routing Transit Number	
Checking/Savings Account Number	



This authority is to remain in full force and effect until Local Gov and my financial institution have received written notification from me of its termination. This should be done in such time and manner as to afford Local Gov and the financial institution a reasonable opportunity to act on it.

SUBSCRIBER INFORMATION ACCOUNT HOLDER INFORMATION

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Contract Number	
Subscriber's Name (please print)	Account Holder Name (please print)
Subscriber's Signature	Account Holder Signature
Date	Date

Please include your voided check with this form to verify account information for withdrawals from your checking account or a deposit slip for withdrawals from a savings account. Form may be returned with your payment.

Return this form to: Local Gov Health and Wellness

Accounting Department

PO Box 304901

Montgomery, AL 36130 accounting@lghip.org

CHAPTER 14 Retiree Coverage

This chapter only applies to units offering retiree coverage.

Units that provide retiree coverage must offer it uniformly to all future eligible retirees. To enroll in LGHIP retiree coverage, a completed Retiree Coverage Enrollment form (LG22) must be submitted to Local Gov 30 days prior to the retirement date.

RETIREE ELIGIBILITY RULES

Participants may elect to continue their coverage as a retiree if, at the time of retirement, the participant has at least 10 years of coverage in the LGHIP (coverage not required to be continuous) and:

- a combination of 25 years, or more, of service with a participating unit or other service as approved by Local Gov, regardless of age, or
- the participant is 60 years old or older, or
- is determined to be disabled by the Social Security Administration.

If a participant is retiring from a unit that has been participating in the LGHIP less than 10 years, the participant must have been enrolled in the LGHIP continuously from the date the unit joined the LGHIP.

Only retirees who retire from active status are eligible to continue LGHIP coverage as a retiree. Employees who are involuntarily terminated are not eligible for retiree coverage.

Any participant who does not meet the requirements above will be considered a termination.

ELECTED OFFICIALS

Elected officials are subject to the retiree eligibility rules above. The unit must submit a Retiree Coverage Enrollment form to continue coverage.

SERVICE RETIREMENTS

For service retirements, a participant must have 10 years of coverage in the LGHIP and provide proof of the retiree's years of full-time service with a unit covered under the LGHIP. In addition to service with a participating unit, below is a listing of governmental service that Local Gov will accept toward the 25 years of service requirement for retirees under 60:

- Military Service (must be active military service. No credit given for National Guard Service, unless deployed)
- Municipal and county service
- · Service with the State of Alabama
- Service with an employer that meets the definition of an entity eligible to participate in a retirement plan administered by the Retirement Systems of Alabama*.
- Up to one year of annual and sick leave time (combined) which employee would have been compensated for upon retirement**

*Service credit is not dependent upon whether the employer actually participated in the retirement plan, only that the employer met the definition of an employer eligible to participate in a retirement plan administered by the Retirement Systems of Alabama. Also, service credit is not dependent upon whether past service is purchased from a retirement plan.

**Leave compensation must be verified by the employer. Leave time used to purchase retirement credit in lieu of cash compensation will also be accepted.

DISABILITY RETIREMENTS

In addition to having 10 years of creditable coverage in the LGHIP, retirees must provide proof that an application for a disability determination from the Social Security Administration (SSA) was made prior to retiring. Eighteen months of COBRA coverage will be offered at retirement. If the retiree does not receive an SSA determination during the COBRA period, the retiree's COBRA coverage will expire after 18 months and no further coverage through Local Gov will be offered.

If the retiree receives an SSA approved disability determination and provides a copy of the determination letter to Local Gov during the 18-month COBRA period, the retiree's COBRA coverage will be converted to non-Medicare retiree coverage.

If the retiree's unit does not offer Medicare retiree coverage, the retiree's coverage will end either when the retiree is entitled to Medicare or 24 months from the SSA disability determination, whichever comes first.

If the retiree's unit offers Medicare retiree coverage the retiree must provide Local Gov with proof of Medicare Parts A and B coverage within 24 months of the SSA disability approval to maintain retiree coverage. Once a copy of the SSA disability determination letter and proof of Medicare Parts A and B is provided, the employee will be enrolled in Medicare Advantage coverage. Failure to provide proof of Medicare coverage within 24 months of the SSA disability determination will result in termination of coverage.

ONE-TIME ENROLLMENT POLICY

Eligible retirees must enroll at the time of retirement. If coverage is declined, enrollment will not be allowed after the retirement date. Retirees who elect coverage and are canceled for any reason thereafter will not be allowed to enroll later unless permitted under the Retirees Returning to Work section in Chapter 3.

TERMINATION OF COVERAGE

A participant who retires from a unit that allows retirees to continue coverage has the option of electing retiree coverage or COBRA. If the participant chooses to cancel health insurance, the unit must send a signed Cancellation form 30 days prior to the retirement date. If a participant intends to request COBRA, it should be indicated on the Cancellation form; however, if COBRA coverage is elected, the participant will forfeit their right to elect retiree coverage later.



A retired participant whose unit does not allow Medicare retirees to continue coverage in the LGHIP must submit a Cancellation form 30 days prior to the participant's Medicare eligibility date. A copy of the Medicare card may be required. COBRA will be offered to participants and dependents for 18 months.

Retired members do not pay LGHIP premiums with pretax dollars, so a retiree can cancel their LGHIP coverage anytime during the plan year on a prospective basis. A signed Cancellation or Dependent Cancellation form must be sent to Local Gov to cancel coverage. The coverage will be canceled on the last day of the month following receipt of the Cancellation or Dependent Cancellation form.

MONTHLY PREMIUMS

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2026

RETIREE PREMIUMS

RETIRED PARTICIPANTS RETURNING TO WORK

For information on retirees who return to work averaging 30 or more hours per week at a participating unit, please see the section, "Retired Participants Returning to Work" in Chapter 3.

SUPERNUMERARIES

Supernumeraries will be classified for insurance purposes as retired employees.

BILLING

Participants who elected LGHIP retiree coverage will remain on the unit's billing, and it will be the unit's responsibility to collect the appropriate premiums.

If the unit requires the retiree to make the premium payment and the retiree elects not to pay, the unit must submit a Cancellation form selecting non-payment as the reason for cancellation. A retiree's coverage cannot be cancelled retroactively.

NON-MEDICARE RETIREE WITH DENTAL	SINGLE	FAMILY
Retiree	\$1,378	
Retiree & dependent (not Medicare)	\$1,378	\$2,542
Retiree & dependent (Medicare)	\$1,378	\$1,599
Retiree & 2 dependents (Medicare)	\$1,378	\$1,820

NON-MEDICARE RETIREE WITHOUT DENTAL	SINGLE	FAMILY
Retiree	\$1,349	
Retiree & dependent (not Medicare)	\$1,349	\$2,469
Retiree & dependent (Medicare)	\$1,349	\$1,541
Retiree & 2 dependents (Medicare)	\$1,349	\$1,733

MEDICARE RETIREE WITH DENTAL	SINGLE	FAMILY
Retiree	\$221	
Retiree & dependent (not Medicare)	\$221	\$1,178
Retiree & dependent (Medicare)	\$221	\$442
Retiree & 2 dependents (Medicare)	\$221	\$663

MEDICARE RETIREE WITHOUT DENTAL	SINGLE	FAMILY
Retiree	\$192	
Retiree & dependent (not Medicare)	\$192	\$1,105
Retiree & dependent (Medicare)	\$192	\$384
Retiree & 2 dependents (Medicare)	\$192	\$576



Retired COBRA subscriber & 2 dependents (Medicare)

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2026

RETIREE COBRA PREMIUMS

Retired COBRA subscriber & 2 dependents (Medicare)	\$1,406	\$1,856
COBRA NON-MEDICARE RETIREE WITHOUT DENTAL	SINGLE	FAMILY
Retired COBRA subscriber	\$1,376	
Retired COBRA subscriber & dependent (not Medicare)	\$1,376	\$2,518
Retired COBRA subscriber & dependent (Medicare)	\$1,376	\$1,572

COBRA MEDICARE RETIREE WITH DENTAL	SINGLE	FAMILY
Retired COBRA subscriber	\$225	
Retired COBRA subscriber & dependent (not Medicare)	\$225	\$1,201
Retired COBRA subscriber & dependent (Medicare)	\$225	\$450
Retired COBRA subscriber & 2 dependents (Medicare)	\$225	\$675

\$1,376

COBRA MEDICARE RETIREE WITHOUT DENTAL	SINGLE	FAMILY
Retired COBRA subscriber	\$196	
Retired COBRA subscriber & dependent (not Medicare)	\$196	\$1,127
Retired COBRA subscriber & dependent (Medicare)	\$196	\$392
Retired COBRA subscriber & 2 dependents (Medicare)	\$196	\$588

\$1,768

CHAPTER 15

Medicare

The LGHIP remains primary for retirees until the retiree is entitled to Medicare. Once enrolled in Medicare, Medicare coverage becomes primary, and the LGHIP will pay as secondary coverage.

A Medicare retiree and/or Medicare dependent must have both Medicare Parts A and B to enroll the UnitedHealthcare Group Medicare Advantage (PPO) Plan (Medicare Advantage), a Medicare health and Part D plan. Medicare Part B premiums are the retiree's responsibility.

To enroll in the Medicare Advantage plan, a Retiree Coverage Enrollment form must be sent 30 days prior to the Medicare effective date, or for an active employee, prior to the employee's retirement date. The form should indicate "Medicare" under the Retirement section of the form. Upon receipt by Local Gov, Medicare retirees and/or their Medicare dependent(s) will be automatically enrolled in the Medicare Advantage Plan.

Medicare Advantage enrollment cannot be backdated. If Local Gov does not receive 30 days' notice of a Medicare employee's retirement, the retiree cannot be enrolled in Medicare Advantage with an effective date of the Medicare employee's retirement date and may have a gap in coverage until the retiree can be enrolled at the next available effective date.

The Medicare Advantage Plan will go into effect unless the retiree completes an LGHIP (Medicare Advantage) Opt-Out form and returns it to Local Gov within 21 days from the date of the opt-out notice. If a retiree opts-out, reenrollment is not permitted.

An exception will be made for participants diagnosed with end-stage renal disease (ESRD), who are serving their 30-month coordination period. These members will remain in group 30000 and the LGHIP will remain primary payer until the completion of the 30-month coordination period.

If a retiree or dependent becomes entitled to Medicare because of a disability before age 65, the retiree must notify Local Gov to enroll in Medicare Advantage.

Participants enrolled in Medicare Advantage can review the Evidence of Coverage (EOC) booklet online at www.lghip.org. The EOC outlines the plan's eligibility, rules, regulations, and benefits. The website will also contain links to the current drug formulary, the participating pharmacy directory, and the provider directory.

MEDICARE PART B

If a Medicare-eligible participant is transitioning from active to retiree status and misses the Medicare enrollment period, then:

- The participant may have coverage in the LGHIP group 30000 until the next Medicare General Enrollment period, which runs from January 1st - March 31st, for benefits that would have been covered by Medicare Part B and for prescription drug coverage. The participant will be required to pay the non-Medicare rate for this coverage.
 - If the participant does not pay this amount or does not enroll in Medicare Part B coverage during the next Medicare General Enrollment period, the participant's coverage will be cancelled, and the participant will not be allowed to re-enroll in coverage through Local Gov.

At any time, if a retired participant's Medicare-eligible dependent fails to maintain Part B coverage, the Medicare-eligible dependent's coverage will be cancelled.

TERMINATION OF COVERAGE

A unit may prospectively disenroll a participant from the Medicare Advantage plan due to failure to pay monthly premiums on a timely basis. CMS does not allow retroactive disenrollment for failure to pay monthly premiums. To disenroll a participant for failure to make a premium payment, the unit must:

- Send the participant written notice informing the participant of the past due balance and the prospective disenrollment date; AND
- Provide prospective notice to the participant that their Medicare Advantage enrollment is ending at least 21 calendar days prior to the effective date of the disenrollment. The notice must include information about other individual plan options the participant may choose and how to request enrollment. The notice must also advise the participant that the disenrollment action means the individual will not have Medicare drug coverage and provide information about the potential for late-enrollment penalties that may apply in the future.
- If the participant pays the total past due balance before the disenrollment date, the participant will not be disenrolled.

If a participant does not pay the total past due balance by the disenrollment date, the unit must notify Local Gov by submitting a Cancellation form (LG03) on or before the 25th of the month prior to the participant's disenrollment date. Upon receipt, Local Gov will disenroll the member from the Medicare Advantage plan. The unit must affirm that it has complied with all CMS rules regarding disenrollment by checking the box under "Retiree Non-Payment." In addition, the unit must submit a copy of the letter and Notice of Disenrollment it sent the participant.

Local Gov will bill the unit for a participant's Medicare Advantage premiums during the disenrollment process. The unit is responsible for payment of those premiums. If the unit fails to pay Local Gov for such premiums, the unit will be deemed in violation of Local Gov's rules and procedures.

For more information, please see Local Gov's Policy for Disenrollment of Retirees from Medicare Advantage for Failure to Pay Premiums located on Local Gov's website.

PROVISION FOR MEDICARE FOR COBRA BENEFICIARIES

COBRA beneficiaries with Medicare Parts A and B will be enrolled in the Medicare Advantage plan.

CHAPTER 16 Retirement Forms

FORM #	FORM NAME	FORM USES
LG22	Retiree Coverage Enrollment and Years of Service Verification Form	Enrollment into either the LGHIP's non-Medicare or Medicare coverage. Form also verifies years of service with an LGHIP unit or approved non-LGHIP employer to go toward eligibility for retiree coverage.
LG03	Cancellation Form	Must be completed if the participant retires and is not enrolling in retiree coverage
LG18	UHC Opt-Out Form	Eligible retiree or Medicare dependent will complete if they do not elect to be enrolled in LGHIP's Medicare Advantage coverage through UnitedHealthcare.

Note: All forms must be verified and signed by the designated payroll/personnel officer with the exception of the UHC Opt-Out Form (LG18). Forms must be submitted 30 days prior to retirement date.

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Form LG22 Revised 7/25

LOCAL GOVERNMENT HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM RETIREE COVERAGE ENROLLMENT FORM

	A. Retiree	: Informati	on				
Name (First, Middle Initial, Last):				Social Secu	urity Number	-	
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GENERAL INFORMATION

Eligible Dependent

(Appropriate documentation must be attached.)

The term "dependent" includes the following individuals, subject to appropriate documentation (Social Security number, marriage certificate, birth certificate, court decree, etc.).

- The participant's spouse (excludes a divorced spouse)
- A child under age 26, only if the child is:
 - o The participant's son or daughter
 - A child legally adopted by the participant or their spouse
 - The participant's stepchild
- A dependent, under age 19, for whom the participant, or his or her spouse, has legal and physical custody granted by a court of competent jurisdiction
- An incapacitated child* over age 25 provided the dependent child is:
 - o unmarried,
 - o permanently mentally or physically disabled or incapacitated,
 - o incapable of self-sustaining employment,
 - o dependent upon the participant for 50% or more financial support,
 - o otherwise eligible for coverage as a dependent child except for age,
 - o had the condition prior to the child's 26th birthday, and
 - o not eligible for any other group insurance benefits.
- The above requirements must be met to be eligible for coverage as an incapacitated child. The LGHIB will decide whether an application for incapacitated status will be accepted and final approval of incapacitation will be determined by medical review conducted by Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Alabama. The LGHIB reserves the right to periodically recertify incapacitation. Neither a reduction in work capacity nor inability to find employment is, of itself, evidence of eligibility. If a mentally or physically incapacitated child is employed, the extent of their earning capacity will be evaluated.

See the "Enrolling an Incapacitated Child" section for critical enrollment deadlines. If deadlines are not met, coverage may be denied.

Ineligible Dependents

An individual who does not meet the definition of an eligible dependent under the LGHIP rules. Examples include, but are not limited to:

- A participant's spouse if they are independently eligible for coverage as an employee of a participating unit
- An ex-spouse, or ex-stepchildren, regardless of what the divorce decree may state
- Children age 26 and older
- Foster children
- Incapacitated children aged 26 and older who do not meet the Incapacitated Child eligibility requirements
- A child of a dependent child
- A participant's child, if the child has been adopted by someone other than their spouse and the participant has been relieved
 of their parental rights and responsibilities
- A daughter-in-law or son-in-law
- Grandchildren or other individuals related to the participant by blood or marriage for which the participant does not have legal and physical custody
- Grandchildren, nieces, or nephews aged 19 and older regardless of whether the participant has legal and physical custody
- Grandparents
- Parents
- A fiancé or live-in girlfriend or boyfriend

Enrolling an Incapacitated Child

To apply, contact the LGHIB to obtain an Incapacitated Child Certification form. A completed Incapacitated Child Certification form and proof of incapacity must be provided to the LGHIB no more than 60 days after the dependent's 26th birthday*. If the form and proof of incapacity is not submitted within the required time, the child is not eligible for future enrollment except in the following two situations:

- When a new participant requests coverage for an incapacitated child within 60 days of employment; or
- When a participant's incapacitated child is covered under a spouse's employer group health insurance for at least <u>18</u> consecutive months and:
 - o the spouse loses the other coverage because:
 - the employer ceases operations, or
 - of termination of employment or reduction of hours of employment, or
 - the employer stopped contributing to coverage
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Form LG22-A Reviewed 7/25

LOCAL GOVERNMENT HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM RETIREE YEARS OF SERVICE VERIFICATION

Neviewed 1/23	r	RETIREE YEARS OF	SERVICE	VERIFICATION				
PARTICIPANT INFORMATION Name (First, Middle Initial, Last		nt or type.)	Social Securit	ty Number:				
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	Y	ears of Service with a	Governme	ntal Entity				
	Proof of	full-time employment	must be att	ached to this form				
at the time of your service. If you service with a governmental e	are less than 60 entity that does no	years of age and have less that participate in the LGHIP ma	nan 25 years of ny be included ir vith a local gove	ty. Please indicate whether the entity participated in the LGHIP service with a local government unit participating in the LGHIP, a your years of service, if approved by Local Gov Health and imment, the State of Alabama, and active-duty military service. ble below.				
Date of Hire:	Employer:			Employer Telephone:				
Date of Termination: /	Employer Addre	ess:		Employer HR Contact:				
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Participa	nt Signature			Date				
'	-	TO BE COMPLETED	BY EMPLO	YER				
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Signature of Benefit Admin	istrator:			Date:				

LOCAL GOVERNMENT HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM CANCELLATION FORM

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	Termination Last Day	in Pay Status Voluntary	Involuntary Terminated due to gross misconduct
	Reduction of hours to less	than 30 hours per week	COBRA will not be offered if terminated due to gross misconduct
	Declination of Coverage Must provide proof of other acceptable coverage. Cannot submit copy of insurance card as proof.	Name of Insurance Company Name of Employer (if applicable)	
		Attach military pa	pers.
	DeathDate of Death		
	Retirement Date	Unit does not allow retiree coverage	
	Date Retiree became elig	ble for Medicare Unit does no	ot allow Medicare Coverage
	Retiree Non-Payment	COBRA will not be off	ered.
	☐ For Medicare retiree	s, the Unit affirms it has provided the retiree with C	MS 21–day notice of disenrollment
	Other	Date	
Participant's sign	nature is required to cand	el coverage for the following reasons:	
	Retiree Requested Cancel	lation	
	Other	Date	
For units that	provide retiree coverage, t	he following must be completed:	
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		for and was offered LGHIP retiree health inst	urance coverage but declined
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	Participant Signature		Date
		TO BE COMPLETED BY EMPLOYER	
	Date of Cancellation*: c date without notifying the unit if the	Unit Name:e requested date is incorrect	Unit Number:
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Signature of Benefit A	dministrator:	Date:	

UnitedHealthcare Medicare Advantage Opt-Out Form

Welcome to the UnitedHealthcare Group Medicare Advantage plan (UHC Medicare Advantage) provided by Local Gov Health and Wellness. You will be automatically enrolled in this plan unless you complete this form and return it to Local Gov at the address shown below.

If you have a Medicare Advantage or Medicare Part D prescription drug plan and want to disenroll from Local Gov's UHC Medicare Advantage Plan, please complete this form and return it to Local Gov prior to the date you want to disenroll from the UHC Medicare Advantage Plan. If you are enrolled in any other Medicare Advantage plan or Medicare Part D prescription drug plan and you want to stay on that plan, you must complete and return this UHC Medicare Advantage Opt-Out form.

If you do not want to be enrolled in this plan provided by the LGHIP, please complete and return this

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Participant's Signature		Date

Remember: Each member with Medicare who wishes to disenroll must submit a separate form.

If signed as a Personal Representative, you must provide documentation of your authority to act as the Personal Representative of the individual who is the subject of the Protected Health Information described in this authorization (e.g., Parent, Power of Attorney, Guardianship, or Conservatorship).

LOCAL GOV HEALTH AND WELLNESS
PO BOX 304901
MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA 36130
(334) 851-6802 • 1-866-836-9137 • Enrollments@lghip.org

CHAPTER 17 Southland Voluntary Insurance Plan

SUMMARY OF BENEFIT PLANS

Eligible employees and eligible retirees may choose dental, vision, or cancer coverage through the Southland LGHIP Voluntary Insurance Plan (Southland).

ELIGIBLE EMPLOYEES AND RETIREES

All eligible employees who are eligible for coverage through the LGHIP are eligible to participate in the Southland plan. Non-Medicare and Medicare retirees enrolled in the LGHIP health coverage may also enroll in the Southland Plan. Retirees not enrolled in LGHIP health coverage are not eligible to enroll in the Southland Plan.

ELIGIBLE DEPENDENTS

The same dependent eligibility rules apply to the Southland plan except the participant may cover their spouse if they are covered, or if they are eligible for coverage, as an eligible employee.

ENROLLMENT

Eligible employees may enroll for coverage upon initial hire or during open enrollment. New employees' coverage will be effective according to the unit's effective date of coverage for health insurance. Existing employees can elect coverage during open enrollment which will be effective January 1.



FAMILY COVERAGE ENROLLMENT

Enrollment of Eligible Dependents

An employee may apply for family coverage at their initial enrollment by submitting a Southland Enrollment form (LG07) or if an eligible dependent qualifies for special enrollment by submitting a Southland Change and Cancellation form (LG08) within 60 days of the qualifying event, or during annual open enrollment. See Open Enrollment and Special Enrollment sections for more information.

Appropriate documentation (Social Security number, marriage certificate, birth certificate, court decree, etc.) must be submitted to Local Gov.

Note: to ensure that enrollment deadlines are met, change forms should be submitted to Local Gov even if all the required documentation is not available.

OPEN ENROLLMENT

An annual open enrollment period is held in November during which participants may drop dependents or family coverage by submitting a change form (Form LG08). Any changes made during open enrollment will be effective January 1.

CANCELLATION OF COVERAGE

A participant can cancel coverage in the Southland Plan during open enrollment for an effective date of January 1 of the following year. Outside of open enrollment, canceling Southland coverage requires proof of a qualifying event. To cancel coverage, a participant must submit a Southland Change and Cancellation form (LG08). Coverage will be canceled at the end of the month following the qualifying event.

CANCELLATION OF DEPENDENT/ FAMILY COVERAGE

Outside of open enrollment, dropping dependent coverage requires a qualifying event (death, divorce, or otherwise losing dependent status). A participant must submit a Southland Change and Cancellation form (LG08) along with proof of the qualifying event. Coverage will be canceled at the end of the month following the qualifying event.

COBRA

See COBRA section earlier in the book for additional details.

BILLING

Premiums for participation in the Southland plan will be reflected on the unit's monthly billing.

MONTHLY PREMIUMS

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2026

SOUTHLAND VOLUNTARY INSURANCE PREMIUMS

EMPLOYEE						
Vision Single	\$12					
Vision Family	\$20					
Dental Single	\$44					
Dental Family	\$44					
Cancer Single	\$12					
Cancer Family	\$24					

COBRA							
Vision Single	\$12						
Vision Family	\$20						
Dental Single	\$46						
Dental Family	\$46						
Cancer Single	\$12						
Cancer Family	\$24						

CHAPTER 18 Southland Voluntary Coverage Forms

FORM #	FORM NAME	FORM USES
LG07	Southland Voluntary Coverage Enrollment	Enroll eligible employee into the Southland Voluntary Coverage.
	Southland Voluntary Coverage Change and Cancellation Form	Cancel Southland Coverage for participant during open enrollment.
LG08	Form must be submitted during open enrollment for January 1 effective date or within 60 days of a qualifying life event.	Add dependent coverage or cancel dependent coverage due to death, divorce, loss of eligibility or during open enrollment.
	Southland Claims Claims forms are available a	
Southland D	Dental Claim Form	Submit claim expenses from Southland Voluntary Dental coverage.
Southland \	/ision Claim Form	Submit claim expenses from Southland Voluntary Vision Coverage.
Southland C	Cancer Claim Form	Submit claim expenses from Southland Voluntary Cancer Coverage.

Note: All forms must be verified and signed by the designated payroll/personnel officer, with the exception of claim forms.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM ENROLLMENT FORM SOUTHLAND VOLUNTARY INSURANCE

SUBSCRIBER INFORMATION (Please print of	or type.)						CHECK P	LAN ELECTED
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City	State		Z	IP Code				Q T III Q IIIIII
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E-mail Address:								
Employment Status (Check One)								
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	Biological	Adopted	Step	Custodial	М	F		
	Biological	Adopted	Step	Custodial	М	F		
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AFFIRMATION AND RELEASE I hereby affirm that I have completely read and fully understand the terms and conditions of this form. I attest that all the representations made by me on this form are true and correct. I understand that any misrepresentation may result in the forfeiture of coverage and that I will be personally liable for all claims related to such misrepresentation. I further understand that there is mandatory utilization review and I do hereby give permission to release any information necessary to evaluate, administer, and process claims for benefits to any person, entity, or representative acting on the Local Gov's behalf. I understand and acknowledge that only eligible dependents may be added to my coverage. I understand and acknowledge that it is my responsibility to notify Local Gov Health and Wellness immediately when the eligibility of a covered dependent changes. If it is determined that an act on my part (such as adding an ineligible person to coverage) or omission (such as failing to remove a person no longer eligible for coverage) results in or contributes to the payment of claims for persons ineligible for coverage, I will be personally responsible for all such overpayments and may be subject to disqualification from coverage under the plan.								
Employee Signature							Date	
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Local Government Unit Name:	,				Unit I	Numb	er:	
If signed electronically, I acknowledge and certify the electronical outlined in the Administrative Guide.								
Signature of Benefit Administrator:						Da	ite:	

Dependent documentation is required before dependents can be added to coverage.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Eligible Dependent

(Appropriate documentation must be attached.)

The term "dependent" includes the following individuals, subject to appropriate documentation (Social Security number, marriage certificate, birth certificate, court decree, etc.).

- The participant's spouse (excludes a divorced spouse)
- A child under age 26, only if the child is:
 - The participant's son or daughter
 - o A child legally adopted by the participant or their spouse
 - The participant's stepchild
- A dependent, under age 19, for whom the participant, or his or her spouse, has legal and physical custody granted by a court of competent jurisdiction
- An incapacitated child* over age 25 will be considered for coverage provided the dependent child is:
 - unmarried.
 - o permanently mentally or physically disabled or incapacitated,
 - o so incapacitated as to be incapable of self-sustaining employment,
 - o dependent upon the participant for 50% or more financial support,
 - o otherwise eligible for coverage as a dependent child except for age,
 - o had the condition prior to the child's 26th birthday, and
 - o not eligible for any other group insurance benefits.
- The above requirements must be met to be eligible for coverage as an incapacitated child. The LGHIB will decide whether an
 application for incapacitated status will be accepted and final approval of incapacitation will be determined by medical review
 conducted by BCBS. The LGHIB reserves the right to periodically recertify incapacitation. Neither a reduction in work capacity nor
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See the "Enrolling an Incapacitated Child" section for critical enrollment deadlines. If deadlines are not met, coverage may be denied.

Ineligible Dependents

An individual who does not meet the definition of an eligible dependent shall not be allowed to be covered as a dependent under the LGHIP. Examples include, but are not limited to:

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- Children age 26 and older
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To apply, contact the LGHIB to obtain an Incapacitated Child Certification form. A completed Incapacitated Child Certification form and proof of incapacity must be provided to the LGHIB no more than 60 days after the dependent's 26th birthday*. If the form and proof of incapacity is not submitted within the required time, the child is not eligible for future enrollment except in the following two situations:

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ADA Dental Claim Form

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VISION CLAIM FORM

CLAIMS MUST BE RECEIVED IN OUR OFFICE WITHIN 365 DAYS FROM DATE OF SERVICE. 1a. INSURED'S I.D. NUMBER 1. MEDICARE MEDICAID GROUP OTHER z (FOR PROGRAM IN ITEM 1) (Medicare #) (Medicaid #) HEALTH PLAN (SSN or ID) [] (ID) 0 3. PATIENT'S BIRTH DATE 4. INSURED'S NAME (Last Name, First Name, Middle Initial) 2. PATIENT'S NAME (Last Name, First Name, Middle Initial) м F DD Ø 5. PATIENT'S ADDRES (No., Street) 6. PATIENT'S RELATIONSHIP TO INSURED 7. INSURED'S ADDRESS (No., Street) Œ Self Spouse Child Other 0 8. PATIENT STATUS CITY STATE Single ___ Married Other ___ z ZIP CODE TELEPHONE (Include area code) ZIP CODE TELEPHONE (Including Area Code) Full-Time Employed Part Time 9. OTHER INSURED'S NAME (Last Name, First Name, Middle Initial) 10. INSURED'S POLICY GROUP OR FECA NUMBER a. OTHER INSURED'S POLICY OR GROUP NUMBER a. INSURED'S DATE OF BIRTH SEX ഗ м FΠ b. OTHER INSURED'S DATE OF BIRTH b. EMPLOYERS NAME OR SCHOOL NAME SEX M F MM DD c EMPLOYER'S NAME OR SCHOOL NAME c. INSURANCE PLAN NAME OR PROGRAM NAME d. INSURANCE PLAN NAME OR PROGRAM NAME d. IS THERE ANOTHER HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN? YES NO If yes, return to and complete item 9 a-d 12. INSURED'S OR AUTHORIZED PERSON'S SIGNATURE I authorize 11. PATIENT'S OR AUTHORIZED PERSON'S SIGNATURE I authorize the release of any medical or other information necessary to process this claim. I also request payment of benefits either to myself or to the party who accepts assignment below payment of benefits to the undersigned physician or supplier for services described below. ⋖ SIGNED SIGNED DATE COMMENTS DIAGNOSIS OR NATURE OF ILLNESS OR INJURY (RELATE ITEMS 1, 2, 3, OR 4 TO ITEM 24E BY LINE) 1. 0 3. 2. ⋖ B. Place D. PROCEDURES, SERVICES, OR SUPPLIES DATE(S) OF SERVICE 24. A E. G. DAYS Σ (Explain Unusual Circumstances) RENDERING ID of DIAGNOSIS Œ MODIFIER \$ CHARGES MM YY MM CPT/HCPCS DD DD YY Servic **POINTER** QUAL PROVIDER ID # 0 z NPI Œ ш NPI ۵ NPI \supset NPI Œ 0 25. FEDERAL TAX I.D. NUMBER SSN EIN 29. AMOUNT PAID 26. PATIENT'S ACCOUNT NO. 28. TOTAL CHARGE 30. BALANCE DUE 33. BILLING PROVIDER INFO & 31. SIGNATURE OF PHYSICIAN OR SUPPLIER 32. SERVICE FACILITY LOCATION INFORMATION S I DATE R B.

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EMPLOYEE'S STATEMENT

CLAIMS MU	JST BE RECEIVED IN OUR	ROFFIC	E WITHIN 365 DAYS FR	OM DATE	OF SERVIC	E.		
1. SUBSCRIBER'S NAME			2. SUBSCRIBE	R'S CONTR	ACT NUMBER			
3. HOME ADDRESS: street, city, stat	e and zip code		I					
4. PATIENT'S NAME			5. DATE OF BIRTH		6. AGE	7. SEX M O F O		
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10. TYPE OF ILLNESS/INJURY, OR	DOCTOR'S DIAGNOSIS:							
PHYSICIAN'S NAME AND ADDRE	ESS							
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NAME OF HOSPITAL, IF CONFINE	ED .	DATE	ADMITTED	D.F	ATE DISCHAR	GED		
DATE ACCIDENT OR SICKNESS B	EGAN	 	WAS CONDITION RELATEI	O TO:				
month day	year		ACCIDENT					
DATE FIRST TREATED			ILLNESS					
month day	year							
ANY PERSON WHO KNOWINGLY AND WITH OR CONCEALS, FOR THE PURPOSE OF MIS	SLEADING, INFORMATION CONCERNING	ANY FACT		FRAUDULENT I				
1. DIAGNOSIS AND CONCURREN	T CONDITIONS							
2. IS CONDITION DUE TO INJURY	OR SICKNESS ARISING OUT C	OF PATIEN	NT'S EMPLOYMENT? YESO NOO	_	NESS?	ACCIDENT? YES NO		
3. REPORT OF SERVICES (OR ATT	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·							
(IF PREVIOUS FORM SUBMITT	ED TO THIS CARRIER, YOU NE	ED SHOW	ONLY DATES AND SERVIO	CES SINCE I	LAST REPORT)		
DATES OF SERVICES	PLACE OF SERVICES		DESCRIPTION OF SURGI	CAL OR ME	EDICAL SERVI	CES RENDERED		
4. DATE PATIENT CONSULTED YO	OU FOR THIS CONDITION	5. PATIENT STILL UNDER YOUR CARE FOR THIS CONDITION? YES NO						
PHYSICIAN'S NPI #			PHYSICIAN'S T.I.N. or SS	SN#				
DATE PHYSICIAN	N'S NAME (PRINT)	SIG	NATURE	I	DEGREE	TELEPHONE		
STREET ADDRESS		CIT	Y OR TOWN		STATE	ZIP CODE		

HOW TO FILE A CLAIM

TO ASSURE PROMPT AND ACCURATE HANDLING OF YOUR CLAIMS, FOLLOW THESE 5 SIMPLE STEPS:

STEP 1

Complete this form as soon as possible.

STEP 2

Fill in every question completely and accurately.

STEP 3

Ask doctor to complete Physician's Statement and return to you.

STEP 4

Attach itemized copy of hospital bill. Please provide a UB04 (UBzero4) or a 1500 form

STEP 5

Mail this form with a copy of your hospital bill to:

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NOTE:

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