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Dear Onondaga County Retiree Plan Participant:

NEW HEALTH INSURANCE PROVIDER – MVP

Onondaga County continuously searches for cost-effective ways to manage and deliver health benefit programs for active employees and retirees. We seek to maintain and if possible enhance benefits while controlling costs.

With this in mind, the County will begin providing health benefits to Medicare eligible (age 65 and over or disability qualified) retirees through the MVP Gold Anywhere Plan or USA Care Plan. These plans replace the present OnPoint program.

The MVP Gold Anywhere Plan is for residents of Upstate NY and Vermont, and the USA Care Plan is for retirees residing elsewhere in the country. Both plans are comprehensive benefits plans (health & prescription) that parallel the present benefit levels in the OnPoint program. As a supplement to your MVP Medicare plan, Onondaga County will continue to provide additional coverage through a county funded Health Reimbursement Account. This additional benefit to cover medical co-pay and co-insurance not covered under your Medicare Advantage plan. You will be issued a debit card which is county funded to use at your physician's office to pay physician co-pays. This **does not** cover co-pays for pharmacy.

SAME COST

The contribution cost to retirees for the MVP Gold Anywhere Plan has been established at the same contribution cost as the OnPoint plan so that there is no change in the premium amounts charged. Any future changes in contributions cost for the plan will be the same as those set for OnPoint. Your current method of payment will remain the same.

PLAN ENHANCEMENTS

- **\$0 copay for select generic drugs and vaccines.**
- **A SilverSneaker Fitness Program gym membership at no added cost.**
- **\$600 allowance every three years for hearing aids.**
- **Wellness Program including 24/7 nurse line, Well-being Connect, and Health Coaches**

More information on this plan will be sent in the following days. You may direct questions to the MVP Gold Anywhere Plan dedicated Medicare Service Representatives at 1-800-209-3945. TTY users should call 1-800-665-7924. Information is also located on the Onondaga County website at www.ongov.net/ebenefits.

Sincerely,
Onondaga County Employee Benefits