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## Vision

*OGB envisions itself as a leader in improving and preserving quality of life.*

## Mission

*OGB will offer an employee benefits system that meets or exceeds industry standards and/or benchmarks.*



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# Special Information for OGB Retirees with Medicare Benefits



## Select the OGB health plan that's right for you

**A Message From Tommy D. Teague**

*OGB Chief Executive Officer*

Retired OGB plan members with Medicare have up to 8 options when choosing an OGB health plan for 2009:

- 3 standard OGB health plans— PPO, EPO and HMO (*available to all OGB plan members statewide*)
- Up to 5 OGB Medicare Advantage plans, depending on where you live (*available to any retired OGB plan member who has Medicare Parts A and B and whose covered spouse, if applicable, also has Medicare A and B*)

Each person's health history and medical needs are different. An OGB plan that's right for you may not be the best option for your neighbor, your parent or an OGB retiree in another part of the state. Look carefully at the benefits offered by each OGB health plan when making your selection.

To get more information about these plans, be sure to attend an OGB Medicare Advantage Fall Enrollment meeting in your area during October. If you have additional questions, please call the companies that offer the plans, using the list on page 2.

### How Do I Choose?

*Answers to these questions can help you decide which OGB health plan is right for you...*

- ✓ Is the plan available in my area?
- ✓ Are my hospitals and doctors included in the plan?
- ✓ Does the plan have out-of-state coverage if I need it?
- ✓ Does the plan have an open or closed (restricted) drug formulary?
- ✓ If the formulary is closed, are my drugs on the list of covered drugs?
- ✓ What is the monthly premium cost?
- ✓ How do the plan's costs and benefits compare to my current plan?

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## OGB Medicare Advantage Fall Enrollment slated for October

OGB Medicare Advantage Fall Enrollment meetings will be held across the state in October. This enrollment is separate from OGB's Annual Enrollment for standard OGB plans, which takes place in April. *A list of meeting dates and locations begins on page 4.*

During OGB Medicare Advantage Fall Enrollment this year, OGB plan members with Medicare have the opportunity to choose from 5 different OGB Medicare Advantage plans for the 2009 calendar year, in addition to the 3 standard OGB plans.

Representatives of companies that offer OGB Medicare Advantage plans will be at the meetings to answer questions and provide information. Some companies will host additional public meetings for OGB plan members with Medicare—but will NOT make unsolicited sales calls or visits to plan members' homes.

- If you joined an OGB Medicare Advantage plan during Annual Enrollment in April, you can do 1 of 3 things during OGB Medicare Advantage Fall Enrollment:
  - Stay in the OGB Medicare Advantage plan you chose in April
  - Transfer to a different OGB Medicare Advantage plan
  - Return to one of OGB's 3 standard plans (PPO, EPO or HMO)
- If you did not join an OGB Medicare Advantage plan in April and have Medicare Parts A and B, you can join one of the 5 OGB Medicare Advantage plans during OGB Medicare Advantage Fall Enrollment. **You cannot, however, transfer between the 3 standard OGB health plans during this time.** (If you have the PPO plan, for

example, you can not transfer to the HMO plan or EPO plan during OGB Medicare Advantage Fall Enrollment. Such changes must be made during Annual Enrollment in April.)

- If you choose to join or stay with an OGB Medicare Advantage plan during OGB Medicare Advantage Fall Enrollment, your plan choice will become effective January 1, 2009. You cannot participate in OGB's Annual Enrollment in April 2009, but you can change plans during Medicare Advantage Fall Enrollment in 2009.
- You are not required to join an OGB Medicare Advantage Plan. You can stay in your current OGB plan. However, you can only join **one** OGB health plan.
- If you drop coverage in an OGB Medicare Advantage plan or a standard OGB plan without transferring to another OGB plan, you lose OGB plan coverage FOREVER and cannot re-enroll later.

### OGB Medicare Advantage plans—who can enroll?

*Enrollment is open to any retired Medicare-primary OGB plan member (and covered spouse, if applicable) who has both Medicare Part A and Part B.*

### Plan questions? Call...

Humana PFFS & HMO: 1-866-396-8810  
Peoples Health HMO: 1-866-616-8308  
Secure Horizons HMO: 1-800-710-2525  
Vantage HMO-POS Option: 1-888-823-1910  
OGB website (with links to all plans)  
[www.groupbenefits.org](http://www.groupbenefits.org)  
OGB: 1-800-272-8451



# Dependent Verification deadline: November 30

Each active and retired employee is required to provide written proof of his or her legal relationship to each dependent covered by an OGB health plan or life insurance--by November 30, 2008.

**This applies to currently covered dependents, plus dependents covered on May 1, 2008, but since dropped from coverage.** This includes a child who reached the maximum age, married or left the household, and a spouse who died or from whom a divorce was granted.

**If you fail to provide all required documents by November 30, 2008:**

- You will lose coverage for unverified dependents on December 31, 2008.
- You must repay claim payments made by OGB for your unverified dependents—plus the state share of premiums paid for those dependents.
- OGB will withhold claim payments for prescriptions and medical care for you and all covered family members until OGB recoups the entire amount of all claims paid by OGB for your unverified dependents.

It can take weeks or even months to obtain certified copies of legal documents. If you have not yet located the original or a certified copy of documents to verify the legal relationship of each



of your covered dependents, it is important to take immediate action!

Retirees must send photocopies (not originals or certified copies) of required documents to:

OGB Eligibility Section  
P.O. Box 66678  
Baton Rouge, LA 70896

You must write your name and Social Security number on each document. Details and a list of contacts to help you obtain copies of vital records are available by clicking the Dependent Verification link on the home page of the OGB website ([www.groupbenefits.org](http://www.groupbenefits.org)). If you have questions, call OGB Customer Service toll-free at 1-800-272-8451 or call or visit your local OGB Customer Service office.



## OGB clarifies PPO deductible for inpatient hospital care

OGB has clarified application of the \$50-per-day inpatient deductible for retired PPO plan members with Medicare. This deductible does not apply to a retired OGB plan member for whom Medicare is primary coverage when he or she is admitted to a hospital in the PPO provider network.



# OGB MEDICARE ADVANTAGE

## Acadia Parish

**October 23** Acadia Parish Cooperative Extension  
Thursday LSU AgCenter  
9:30 AM 157 Cherokee Dr.  
(Hwy. 13 - Crowley/Eunice exit)  
Crowley 70527

## Allen Parish

**October 22** Allen Parish School Board  
Wednesday Media Center  
9:30 AM 417 W. Court St.  
Oberlin 70655

## Ascension Parish

**October 21** Knights of Columbus Hall  
Tuesday 230 S. Irma Blvd.  
9:30 AM Gonzales 70737

## Assumption Parish

**October 21** Napoleonville Middle School  
Tuesday Auditorium  
9:30 AM 4847 Hwy. 1  
Napoleonville 70390

## Avoyelles Parish

**October 23** Avoyelles Parish School Board  
Thursday Library  
9:30 AM 221 Tunica Dr.  
Marksville 71351

## Beauregard Parish

**October 21** Beauregard Parish School Board  
Tuesday Title 1 Center  
1:30 PM 506 Dr. Martin Luther King Dr., Suite A  
DeRidder 70634

## Bienville Parish

**October 21** School Board Annex  
Tuesday 1956 First St.  
9:30 AM Arcadia 71001

## Bossier Parish

**October 21** Northwest Developmental Center  
Tuesday Colwell Activity Center  
9:30 AM 5401 Shed Rd.  
Bossier City 71112

## Caddo Parish

**October 23** LA State Exhibit Museum Auditorium  
Thursday 3015 Greenwood Rd.  
9:30 AM Shreveport 71109

## Calcasieu Parish

**October 29** Louisiana Works Calcasieu Consortium  
Wednesday 4250 5th Ave.  
9:30 AM Lake Charles 70607

## Caldwell Parish

**October 23** Caldwell Parish High School  
Thursday Auditorium  
1:30 PM 163 Spartan Dr. - Hwy. 165 South  
Columbia 71418

## Cameron Parish

No meetings scheduled in Cameron Parish

## Catahoula Parish

**October 21** Catahoula Parish School Board  
Tuesday Meeting Room #2  
9:30 AM 200 Bushley St.  
Harrisonburg 71340

## Claiborne Parish

**October 22** LSU Hill Farm Research Station  
Wednesday 11959 Hwy. 9  
1:30 PM Homer 71040

## Concordia Parish

**October 21** Concordia Parish School Board  
Tuesday Board Room  
1:30 PM 4358 Hwy. 84 West  
Vidalia 71373

## DeSoto Parish

**October 22** LA Technical College  
Wednesday Mansfield Campus  
1:30 PM 943 Oxford St.  
Mansfield 71052

## East Baton Rouge Parish

**October 28** Dept. of Public Safety  
Tuesday Training Academy Auditorium  
8:30 AM\* 7901 Independence Blvd.  
10:00 AM Baton Rouge 70806  
\* *Interpreter for hearing-impaired*

## East Carroll Parish

**October 23** LA Technical College  
Thursday Margaret Surles Branch  
1:30 PM Hwy. 883-1 West  
Lake Providence 71254



# FALL ENROLLMENT MEETINGS

## East Feliciana Parish

**October 22** East Feliciana Parish School Board  
Wednesday Central Office Board Room  
1:30 PM 12732 Silliman St.  
Clinton 70722

## Evangeline Parish

**October 22** Veterans of Ville Platte  
Wednesday VFW Hall  
10:00 AM 1612 W. Main St.  
Ville Platte 70586

## Franklin Parish

**October 29** Franklin Parish School Board  
Wednesday Board Room  
9:30 AM 7293 Prairie St. (Hwy. 4 West)  
Winnsboro 71295

## Grant Parish

**October 29** Grant Parish School Board  
Wednesday Professional Development Center  
9:30 AM 600 Main St.  
Colfax 71417

## Iberia Parish

**October 22** ULL - Iberia Research Center  
Wednesday Auditorium  
9:30 AM 4401 W. Admiral Doyle Dr.  
New Iberia 70562

## Iberville Parish

**October 23** DSS/OCS/OFS  
Thursday Medicaid Bldg. Conference Room  
9:00 AM 24710 Plaza Dr.  
Plaquemine 70764

## Jackson Parish

**October 21** Jackson Parish School Board  
Tuesday Central Office Board Room  
1:30 PM 315 Pershing Hwy.  
Jonesboro 71251

## Jefferson Parish

**October 21** Jefferson Parish East Bank Library  
Tuesday Meeting Rooms A & B  
9:30 AM\* 4747 W. Napoleon Ave.  
Metairie 70001

\* *Interpreter for hearing-impaired*

**October 29** LA Technical College  
Wednesday Room A25  
9:30 AM 475 Manhattan Blvd.  
Harvey 70058

## Jefferson Davis Parish

**October 23** LA Technical College  
Thursday Jeff Davis Campus  
9:30 AM Morgan Smith Auditorium  
1230 N. Main St.  
Jennings 70546

## Lafayette Parish

**October 21** Clifton Chenier Community Auditorium  
Tuesday 220 W. Willow St.  
9:30 AM Town Hall Building C  
Lafayette 70502

## Lafourche Parish

**October 30** Bayou Regions Support & Services  
Thursday Center (formerly Peltier Lawless  
9:30 AM Development Center)  
Annex Bldg.  
690 E. First St.  
Thibodaux 70301

## LaSalle Parish

**October 22** LaSalle Parish School Board  
Wednesday Media Center  
9:30 AM 2988 First St.  
Jena 71342

## Lincoln Parish

**October 22** Louisiana Tech University  
Wednesday Thomas Assembly Center  
9:30 AM Hall of Fame Room  
1650 W. Alabama St.  
Ruston 71272

## Livingston Parish

**October 22** Livingston Parish School Board  
Wednesday Conference Room  
9:30 AM 13909 Florida Blvd.  
Livingston 70754

## Madison Parish

**October 22** Tallulah High School  
Wednesday Cafeteria  
1:30 PM 600 Bayou St.  
Tallulah 71282

# OGB MEDICARE ADVANTAGE

## Morehouse Parish

**October 28** LSU AgCenter Auditorium  
Tuesday 9609 Marlett St.  
9:30 AM Bastrop 71221

## Natchitoches Parish

**October 28** Natchitoches Parish School Board  
Tuesday Media Center  
9:30 AM 310 Royal St.  
Natchitoches 71457

## Orleans Parish

**October 23** Delgado Community College  
Thursday Student Life Center  
9:30 AM\* Lac Maurepas Conference Room  
2nd Floor  
501 City Park Ave.  
New Orleans 70119

\* *Interpreter for hearing-impaired*

## Ouachita Parish

**October 21** West Monroe Convention Center  
Tuesday East Conference Hall  
1:30 PM 901 Ridge Ave.  
West Monroe 71291

**October 29** Monroe Civic Center  
Wednesday Fort Miro Room  
9:30 AM 401 Lea Joyner Expressway  
Monroe 71202

## Plaquemines Parish

No meetings scheduled in Plaquemines Parish

## Pointe Coupee Parish

**October 29** Pointe Coupee Parish Library  
Wednesday 201 Claiborne St.  
9:30 AM New Roads 70760

## Rapides Parish

**October 22** Pineville Main St. Community Center  
Wednesday 708 Main St.  
1:30 PM Pineville 71360

## Red River Parish

**October 22** Ware Youth Center  
Wednesday Group Home Gymnasium  
9:30 AM Hwy. 71 North  
Coushatta 71019

## Richland Parish

**October 22** Richland Parish School Board  
Wednesday Board Room  
9:30 AM 411 Foster St.  
Rayville 71269

## Sabine Parish

**October 28** Sabine Parish School Board  
Tuesday Board Room  
1:30 PM 695 Peterson St.  
Many 71449

## St. Bernard Parish

**October 22** St. Bernard Parish School Board  
Wednesday Board Room  
9:00 AM 200 E. St. Bernard Hwy.  
Chalmette 70043

## St. Charles Parish

**October 23** LA Cooperative Extension Service  
Thursday Suite D Conference Room  
1:30 PM 1313 Paul Maillard Rd.  
Luling 70070

## St. Helena Parish

**October 23** St. Helena Parish Health Unit  
Thursday Conference Room  
1:30 PM 51 N. 2nd St.  
Greensburg 70441

## St. James Parish

**October 23** Pontchartrain Levee District  
Thursday Conference Room  
9:30 AM 2204 Albert St.  
Lutcher 70071

## St. John Parish

**October 29** River Parishes Technical College  
9:30 AM Conference Room  
Wednesday 181 Regala Park Rd.  
(off Airline Highway)  
Reserve 70084

## St. Landry Parish

**October 21** St. Landry Parish School Board  
Tuesday Resource Center  
10:00AM 1013 Creswell Ln.  
Opelousas 70570



# FALL ENROLLMENT MEETINGS

## St. Martin Parish

**October 21** LSU Cooperative Extension Service  
Tuesday Conference Room  
1:30 PM 114 Courthouse St.  
Breaux Bridge 70517

## St. Mary Parish

**October 22** LA Technical College  
Wednesday Young Memorial Campus  
2:00 PM 900 Youngs Road  
Morgan City 70380

## St Tammany Parish

**October 24** LaQuinta Inn & Suites - Covington  
Friday 200 Pinnacle Parkway  
10:00 AM 1st Floor Conference Room  
Covington 70433

## Tangipahoa Parish

**October 23** Southeastern LA University  
Thursday 900 University Ave., Room 139  
9:30 AM Hammond 70403  
*(Handicap entrance: Section 4)*

## Tensas Parish

**October 29** Tensas Parish School Board  
Wednesday Media Center  
1:30 PM 504 Plank Rd.  
St. Joseph 71366

## Terrebonne Parish

**October 28** Terrebonne Parish Main Library  
Tuesday 151 Civic Center Dr.  
9:30 AM Houma 70360

## Union Parish

**October 28** Union Parish School Board  
Tuesday Media Center  
1:30 PM 1206 Marion Hwy.  
Farmerville 71241

## Vermilion Parish

**October 23** Vermilion Parish Library  
Thursday 405 E. St. Victor St.  
1:30 PM Abbeville 70510

## Vernon Parish

**October 21** Vernon Parish School Board Office  
Tuesday Board Room  
9:30 AM 201 Belview Rd.  
Leesville 71446

## Washington Parish

**October 28** YWCA – Bogalusa  
Tuesday (next to LSU/ Bogalusa Hospital)  
10:00 AM 409 Plaza St.  
Bogalusa 70427

## Webster Parish

**October 21** Minden Civic Center  
Tuesday 520 Broadway St.  
1:30 PM Minden 71055

## West Baton Rouge Parish

**October 28** WBR Parish School Board  
Tuesday Board Room  
9:30 AM 3761 Rosedale Rd.  
Port Allen 70767

## West Carroll Parish

**October 23** West Carroll Parish School Board  
Thursday Media Center  
9:30 AM 410 Willis St.  
Oak Grove 71263

## West Feliciana Parish

**October 22** West Feliciana Parish Health Unit  
Wednesday 5154 Burnett Rd.  
9:30 AM St. Francisville 70775

## Winn Parish

**October 28** Winn Parish School Board  
Tuesday 304 E. Court St.  
1:30 PM Winnfield 71483

## November 30, 2008

*Deadline to submit dependent verification documents to OGB*

**Questions? Don't wait...call  
or visit your OGB Customer  
Service office today!**