



September 12, 2011

**Important Reminder for PPO, HMO (Blue Cross) & LaCHIP Affordable Plan Members**  
***Behavioral health transition benefits end September 30, 2011***

If you are a PPO or HMO (Blue Cross) plan member or a LaCHIP Affordable Plan member who currently is receiving benefits for mental health or substance abuse treatment, the Office of Group Benefits encourages you to call ValueOptions (toll-free) at 866-492-7143 – or call your provider – immediately to find out if your provider has joined the ValueOptions network.

**The 90-day transition period for mental health and substance abuse treatment benefits ends September 30, 2011.** The transition period allowed time for PPO, HMO (Blue Cross) and LaCHIP Affordable Plan members now in treatment to transition to a network provider.

After September 30, 2011, benefits will no longer be paid at the in-network level for PPO, HMO (Blue Cross) and LaCHIP plan members who continue to see a behavioral health provider who did not join the ValueOptions network. If you continue to see an out-of-network provider after September 30, your MH/SA claims will be processed at the out-of-network level of benefits. This could result in substantial out-of-pocket costs that will be your responsibility.