

HAWAII TEAMSTERS TRUST FUNDS

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AUGUST 2001

To:

ALL ACTIVE AND OTS RETIRED PARTICIPANTS - HAWAII TEAMSTERS

HEALTH & WELFARE TRUST

FROM:

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

RE:

KAISER PLAN CHANGES, DENTAL CARE CENTERS OF HAWAII (DCCH),

AND VISION CARE PROVIDER

I. KAISER PLAN CHANGES

Effective September 1, 2001, the Kaiser Plan will be changed as follows:

1. OFFICE VISIT

Registration Fee will increase from \$8.00 to

\$10.00.

2. RADIOISOTOPES FOR TREATMENT OF CANCER AND RADIATION THERAPY

The \$10.00 registration fee will be charged for visits to receive radioisotopes for the treatment of cancer and to receive radiation therapy

(formerly \$0 co-payment).

3. HOSPICE

Hospice care will be covered for two (2) 90-day benefit periods, followed by an unlimited number of 60-day periods (formerly a limit of 210 days). A Kaiser physician must certify that the member is terminally ill at the beginning of each period.

4. SERIOUS MENTAL ILLNESS

When prescribed by a Kaiser physician, services for "serious mental illness" will be provided in accordance with State law. State law defines "serious mental illness" to mean schizophrenia, schizo-affective disorder, and bipolar mood disorder.

5. TERMINATION

Kaiser may terminate the membership of a member who moves outside the Hawaii service

area.

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Re:

PRESCRIPTION DRUGS

Co-payment will increase from \$7.00 to \$8.00.

DRUGS

♦ Brand Name or The Health Plan rates will be charged if a brand name NON-FORMULARY drug that has a generic equivalent or a non-formulary drug is requested. These drugs are not covered under the Prescription Drug rider.

11. DENTAL CARE CENTERS OF HAWAII (DCCH)

Effective September 1, 2001, office visit fee will increase from \$7.00 to \$8.00.

III. VISION CARE PROVIDER

Effective July 1, 2001, David S. Hironaga, O.D., a participating vision care provider, is now dispensing eyeglasses and contact lenses, in addition to rendering eye examinations at the following location:

> **DOWNTOWN VISION CENTER** 1157 BETHEL STREET HONOLULU HI 96813 TELEPHONE: (808) 522-0700