
FEHB Program Carrier Letter

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Subject: FEHB Carrier Conference

The Office of Personnel Management (OPM) and the American Association of Health Plans (AAHP) are pleased to announce our annual Federal Employees Health Benefits (FEHB) Program Carrier Conference. Due to the events of September 11, 2001, the conference, usually held in October, was re-scheduled and will be held on March 6 & 7, 2002.

We are pleased to announce that Kay Coles James, the Director of OPM, will be our keynote speaker. This year's theme will be "FEHB: Past, Present, and Future." The conference will take a historical look at the FEHB Program, and a glimpse of what to expect in the future. We will also address program-wide issues, as well as those of special interest to fee-for-service plans and HMOs.

We have attached a copy of the agenda for your information. The agenda will also be posted to the AAHP Website at <http://www.aahp.org>. Questions regarding the agenda and program materials may be addressed to Ingrid Burford at inburfor@opm.gov, or call (202) 606-0004.

Dates and Location

The conference will be held on March 6 & 7, 2002 at the following hotel:

Renaissance Washington DC Hotel
999 9th Street, NW
Washington, DC 20001
Tel: (202) - 898 - 9000
Fax: (202) – 289 - 0947

Registration will begin at 7:30 AM on March 6. The conference will begin at 9:00 AM and end with a reception starting at about 5:00 PM. On March 7, sessions begin at 9:00 AM and end at about 3:30 PM that afternoon.

Conference Registration

AAHP is handling registration for the conference. The registration fee is \$345.00. Conference registration procedures and the registration form are available on the AAHP Website, <http://www.aahp.org> or call (877) 291 – AAHP (2247).

Those that registered for the conference prior to October 2001 do not need to re-register if you plan to attend. You may contact AAHP to confirm your registration.

For further information about registration, please call the AAHP membership and customer action center at (202) 778 – 3269 or you may email questions to aahp@aahp.org.

If you have other questions concerning the OPM/AAHP Carrier Conference, please contact Marhea Perkins at (202) 778 – 8485 or mperkins@aahp.org.

Hotel Reservations

The conference guest room rate for either a single or double room is \$189.00 plus tax. To make reservations, call the Renaissance at (202) 898 – 9000 or (800) HOTELS-1 by Friday, February 15, 2002, and ask for the OPM/AAHP Carrier Conference rate. You may continue to make hotel reservations after February 15, however, the rate will be \$229.00 per night.

We look forward to seeing you at the conference!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Abby L. Block". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish at the end.

Abby L. Block
Assistant Director
for Insurance Programs

Enclosure