

Blue Cross Blue Shield Settlement Notice

We are aware that some of our CalCPA Health members may have received a notice via email or mail from JND Legal Administration regarding a class action lawsuit filed against the Blue Cross Blue Shield Association.

The notice(s) were sent out by the class action suit's plaintiffs and CalCPA Health has not received nor have any additional information to provide; other than what is posted on the settlement website at www.BCBSSettlement.com.

To follow are a few key items we would like to highlight for our members:

- Unfortunately, it does appear that CalCPA Health <u>cannot</u> file on behalf of individual members (or firms) as the settlement claim submission requires the members signature and other information that CalCPA Health does not have.
 - a. We believe the Health Plan Name to use is shown in the drop down as "Blue Cross of California d/b/a Anthem Blue Cross."
 - i. We are unable to determine exactly what information the other non-required fields are asking for.
 - b. As noted in the settlement, it is each person's responsibility to determine the tax consequences of any settlement amount received.
- The claim filing deadline shown on the settlement website is November 5, 2021. It may be that additional information is communicated/posted, as questions from the settlement participants arise.
- 3. Your health plan carrier is CalCPA Health (not Anthem). Anthem Blue Cross is our contracted preferred provider organization (PPO) and related claims services vendor. As such, CalCPA Health members may qualify under the administrative service plans settlement category (also referred to in the materials as self-funded category)
 - a. The applicable period for this category September 2015 through October 2020.

We are sorry that we do not have additional information or details to provide, but this information was recently sent out by the plaintiffs' attorneys and CalCPA Health has not received any information directly from them.

Below is the contact information provided on the settlement website.

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