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Dental Plans [X]

Vision Plans [X]

**Subject: Federal Employees Dental and Vision
Insurance Program (FEDVIP) Call Letter**

This is our annual call letter to FEDVIP carriers for proposals to amend your benefits and rates for the 2018 contract year. This letter provides our goals and policies for the upcoming negotiations. Your benefit and rate proposals for the plan year beginning January 1, 2018, must be submitted on or before May 31, 2017, to OPM.

We encourage both dental and vision plans to review your levels of coverage and consider any necessary benefit changes and/or modifications that will provide accurate and appropriate delivery of services for the current benefits. We also encourage carriers to include providers in their networks that are qualified to provide services for patients with disabilities. All proposals must be cost neutral; you cannot increase premiums in order to offer enhanced benefits. Rates must also adhere to any and all profit and/or administrative cost limits noted in your contract.

If you have any questions, please contact Jillian Gill at (202) 606-1689 or email at: jillian.gill@opm.gov. Specific instructions for submitting your FEDVIP rate proposals are attached.

We look forward to working with you in the upcoming contract year.

Sincerely,

Alan O. Spielman, Director
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