

## Retirement and Insurance Service Benefits Administration Letter

Number: 00-223 Date: November 22, 2000

**Subject:** Federal Employees Health Benefits (FEHB) Program: Termination of

Advantage Care HMO, Enrollment Code XW

We have just been informed that Advantage Care HMO, Inc., enrollment code XW, went under receivership to the state of Kentucky as of November 8, 2000. The Plan will no longer participate in the FEHB Program after December 31, 2000.

Since the 2001 FEHB Guides have already been printed, the plan's name will appear in the Guides. Please **do not** allow employees to newly enroll in this plan.

All enrollees in this plan must make an open enrollment change to another plan during open season, which ends December 11, 2000. Enrollees who do not choose another plan during open season will have no benefits after December 31, 2000. If you have employees in the area served by the plan, we ask that you notify them directly of the plan's withdrawal. The effective date of these changes will be a pay period beginning no later than December 31, 2000.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

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