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## Section 2. How we change for 2008

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Do not rely only on these change descriptions; this Section is not an official statement of benefits. For that, go to Section 5 Benefits. Also, we edited and clarified language throughout the brochure; any language change not shown here is a clarification that does not change benefits.

### **Program-wide changes**

- Texas and West Virginia were removed from the list for 2008 of medically underserved areas.
- United States Postal Service non-law enforcement career employees may now be covered by Postal Category 1 or Postal Category 2 premium rates. See page 78.

### **Changes to this Plan**

- Your share of the biweekly Postal premium will increase for Self Only and increase for Self and Family. Your share of the monthly Non-Postal premium will increase for Self Only and increase for Self and Family. See page 78.
- We now provide coverage for the Zostavax (Shingles) vaccine for adults.
- We now provide coverage for a hearing screening examination, testing, diagnosis and treatment (including hearing aids) for hearing loss in children.
- We now provide benefits for the Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) cervical cancer vaccine for women.
- We reduced the coinsurance (what you pay) for maternity care by a PPO provider from 15% to 10%.
- We now pay providers (including non-PPO providers) who render care in a PPO hospital at the PPO level of benefits, when treatment is provided due to an accidental injury or medical emergency. This includes the emergency room physician, radiologist, anesthesiologist and pathologist.
- We now provide additional education programs for complex chronic medical conditions under our AccordantCare Disease Management Programs. See page 53.
- We now have a PPO network in Vermont.