



***Retirement and Insurance Service  
Benefits Administration Letter***

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**Subject: Federal Employees Health Benefits (FEHB) Open Season: FEHB Guides**

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We will print and distribute fewer FEHB Guides for year 2001 than we printed and distributed for year 2000. For the year 2000 FEHB Guide, the number of printed Guides was equal to half of the number of Federal employees. The number of 2001 Guides printed will be equal to one quarter of the number of Federal employees.

Federal employees have been accessing Open Season materials from our web site in increasing numbers in recent years. Many enrollees now tell us they rely totally on electronic information when making Open Season decisions. We believe we can print a smaller quantity of Guides without adversely affecting the availability of information employees need to make decisions.

Attached for your information is a copy of a letter we sent recently to agency personnel directors informing them of this decision and asking for comments on a new FEHB publication.

Attachment

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Abby L. Block".

Abby L. Block, Chief  
Insurance Policy  
and Information Division

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