Notice of Annual Membership Meeting

To: All Members of New Hampshire Individual Health Plan Benefit Association (New Hampshire Health Plan)

You are cordially invited to attend the Annual Meeting of Members of the New Hampshire Health Plan (NHHP) to be held at 9:30 a.m. (EST) on Thursday, June 13, 2019. The meeting will be held at the offices of Hinckley, Allen, & Snyder, 650 Elm St. Manchester, New Hampshire. Whether or not you plan to attend, if you receive a proxy card with this mailing, please sign and send it back by return mail to NHHP, 1 Pillsbury Street, Suite 200, Concord, NH 03301 or sign, scan, and email an electronic copy back to NHHP at emeagher@helmsco.com. The proxy card is purple.

At this meeting, eligible members will vote to elect members of the Board of Directors of NHHP. RSA 404-G mandates that a member’s votes for individual or group market representatives be proportional to the member’s assessment in that market. NHHP’s Bylaws provide that the number of votes each member shall be entitled to cast shall be in proportion to covered lives in the relevant market for the reporting cycle in the third quarter of the year preceding the year of the vote. The number of votes that you are entitled to cast as a Qualified Group Writer, a Qualified Individual Writer, or both, is reflected on the enclosed proxy card. Note that no votes are authorized unless you provide coverage for at least (i) 500 covered lives or (ii) 5% of the relevant market (see RSA 404-G:4, IV). In the event that your market shares would produce zero votes for both markets, there will be no proxy card enclosed with this mailing.

NHHP’s Nominating Committee nominated the following to represent the interests of the Group Carriers: (1) Lisa Guertin of Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield, (2) David Ellis of CIGNA HealthCare, (3) William Brewster, MD of Harvard Pilgrim Health Care of New England, (4) Domenic Palmieri of Highmark Life Insurance Company and (5) Geraldine Vaughan of Tufts Health Freedom Insurance Co. The Board anticipates that Anthem and Harvard Pilgrim Health Care will be moved to a hybrid category as required by RSA 404-G:4, V(b)(1), thereby opening two additional group member seats. Therefore it has nominated five individuals for the group category. The same Nominating Committee nominated the following to represent the interests of the Individual Carriers: Christopher Kennedy of NH Healthy Families.

You are urged to review carefully this notice and the enclosed proxy card. The proxy card asks that you select one of the three options printed for each of the two elections to be held: (1) “YES” to authorize your proxy to cast your votes; (2) “NO” to instruct your proxy not to vote; (3) “ABSTAIN” to instruct your proxy to abstain from voting in the Board election. The Board recommends that you check a “YES” for both elections. The Board is presently aware of no other business to come before the Annual Meeting of Members.

No action can be taken at a meeting of NHHP members unless a quorum of members is present in person or by proxy. NHHP’s governance documents state that a majority of the voting power of members entitled to vote from each of the two classes of members represented in person or by proxy shall constitute a quorum at a meeting of members. If you attend the annual meeting, you may revoke any previously mailed proxy and vote in person.

It is important that all votes be represented at the Annual Meeting, whether or not you are able to attend in person. Therefore, if a proxy card is enclosed, you are urged to complete, sign, date, and return it today in the return envelope provided. Thank you.

Sincerely,

[Signature]
Martha McLeod
Secretary

1If you have any questions about the number of votes shown on your proxy card, please contact J. Michael Degnan (jmdegnan@helmsco.com) or Erin Meagher (emeagher@helmsco.com) at Helms & Co., Inc. Their office telephone number is (603) 223-NHHP (6447).