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IRS Releases New FSA and Transportation Services Amounts

The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) recently announced 2017 inflation adjustments for several tax provisions, including flexible spending accounts (FSA) and transportation services. See how the new amounts may affect your clients for plan years beginning on or after Jan. 1, 2017.

Compliance & Reform

- **Disclosure Notice Set for Release:** The Annual Member Notice (formerly Annual Rights and Resource Disclosure) will be sent to fully insured medical plan subscribers in late November. Learn more

Plans & Services

- **Emergency Department Utilization Program Initiated:** UnitedHealthcare has launched the Emergency Department Transformation Initiative to reverse the upward emergency department utilization and cost trajectory. Learn more

- **myuhc.com® Promotion Underway:** A program promoting registration on myuhc.com launches early-November and targets small business and 100+ groups with subscribers who are not already registered on the site. Learn more

- **FML Administration Offer:** Groups with 250 to 2,999 employees may qualify to receive 12 months of Family and Medical Leave (FML) administration services at no additional cost when they purchase basic life, supplemental life, and short-term disability coverage for plan effective dates from Jan. 1, 2017, through Dec. 31, 2017. View FML flier

Pharmacy

- **Latest Prescription Drug List Changes:** Review the latest PDL Tracker for a recap of changes outside our Jan. 1 and July 1 pharmacy benefit updates.

- **Pharmaceutical Update:** HIV is the virus that can...
lead to AIDS. No safe and effective cure for HIV currently exists, but with proper medical care, it can be controlled. **Learn more** about the background, new developments and key strategies of HIV.