



**Retirement and Insurance Service
Benefits Administration Letter**

Number: 99-407

Date: April 12, 1999

Subject: Federal Employees Health Benefits (FEHB) Program: Special Enrollment Opportunity for Members of Premier Healthcare of Arizona, Code 9B

At our request, Premier Healthcare of Arizona, Code 9B, an HMO serving the Yuma area, is notifying its FEHB members of a special enrollment opportunity. Some of Premier's providers have declined to renew their contracts, and this has left some enrollees without an adequate network of providers. Accordingly, we are authorizing a special enrollment opportunity for members of Premier Healthcare to enable them to select new plans.

Premier Healthcare enrollees who wish to change plans have through the end of May to do so. Enrollment changes should be made effective the first day of the pay period after the pay period the employing office receives the request to change.

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

Abby L. Block, Chief
Insurance Policy
and Information Division