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the Texas Department of Insurance.**

Form Health Pool Notice

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF COVERAGE UNDER THE TEXAS HEALTH INSURANCE RISK POOL

This notice is to advise you that you may be eligible for coverage from the Texas Health Insurance Risk Pool (Health Pool).

To be eligible for Health Pool coverage, you must have documentation of at least one of the following:

- one written refusal or rejection for substantially similar individual health coverage from a health benefit plan issuer due to a medical condition.
- a certification from an agent or salaried representative of a health benefit plan issuer, on a form developed by the Texas Health Pool Board of Directors (Board) and approved by the commissioner, stating that the agent or salaried representative is unable to obtain substantially similar individual health coverage for you with a health benefit plan issuer, represented by the agent or salaried representative because, based on that health benefit plan issuer's underwriting guidelines, you will be declined for coverage as a result of a medical condition.
- an offer of substantially similar individual health coverage with a rider that excludes certain health conditions you have (For example, a health benefit plan issuer will provide coverage to you with an exclusion of coverage of your diabetes, heart disease, cancer, etc.).
- you have been diagnosed with one of the medical conditions specified by the Board that qualifies you for Health Pool coverage; or
- proof that your health coverage has been maintained for the previous 18 months with no gap in coverage greater than 63 days, with the most recent health coverage through an employer-sponsored plan, government plan, or church plan.

For additional information concerning eligibility, coverages, cost, limitations, exclusions, and termination provisions, call or write:

**Texas Health Insurance Risk Pool
P. O. Box 6089
Abilene, TX 79608-6089
1-888-398-3927
www.txhealthpool.com**

Hearing and speech impaired users may call: 1-800-735-2989

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