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To: Eligible Participants Enrolled in the Transportation Communications International Union

- Los Angeles Metropolitan Transportation Authority Health & Welfare Fund

From: The Board of Trustees

Improvements to Fee For Service Dental Plan and VSP \$10 Choice Plan, and Change to Re:

Vision Benefits for Kaiser Enrollees – Effective June 1, 2018

Dear Eligible Participant,

This notice is to advise you of benefit improvements to the Fund's Vision and Dental Plans, effective June 1, 2018. In addition, effective June 1, 2018, all Kaiser enrollees will be required to use Kaiser for their vision benefits and will not be eligible for the vision coverage through either of the VSP Plans.

## Fee-For-Service Dental Plan – Increase to Annual Benefit Maximum

The Fee-For-Service (PPO) Dental Plan's current annual benefit maximum of \$2,000 per person is being increased. Effective June 1, 2018, the annual calendar year maximum will increase to \$2,500 per person.

### VSP \$10 Choice Plan Increase in Frame Allowance

The Vision Service Plan (VSP) \$10 Choice Plan: The frame allowance under the VSP \$10 Choice Plan will increase from \$150 to \$200, effective June 1, 2018.

## Vision Plan Change for Participants Enrolled in Kaiser Medical Plan

If you are enrolled in the Fund's Kaiser Medical Plan, you will no longer be eligible for either of the VSP Vision Plans as of June 1, 2018. Instead, all vision services must be received from Kaiser, effective June 1, 2018.

Under the enhanced vision benefits available through Kaiser, you will have a \$200 allowance towards either frames or contact lenses available once every 12 months. Basic lenses (single vision or bifocal lenses), and anti-reflective coating are included at no cost every 12 months. For an upgrade to basic progressive lenses at no additional cost, please consult with the Kaiser optician. Routine eye exams are already covered under the Kaiser Medical Plan as preventive benefits with a \$0 copayment

Questions regarding this change can be directed to the Administrative Office at (800) 427-5342, or (562) 463-5090.



