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## What Is Happening This Fall?

### Open Enrollment: Big Changes, New Choices

UC has some big changes to its 2014 medical plan offerings during Open Enrollment, October 28, 8 a.m.—November 26, 5 p.m..

ALL Anthem Blue Cross plans and the Health Net Full HMO are discontinued. For Retirees under 65 years of age and/or not eligible for Medicare, you may enroll in Health Net Blue & Gold HMO, Kaiser HMO, the new UC Care offering or the Blue Shield Health Savings Plan (available only IF you are currently enrolled in the Anthem Lumenos PPO with HRA plan).

If you are Medicare coordinated, Kaiser Senior Advantage and Health Net Seniority Plus (HNS) are the HMO options but HNS does NOT offer access to the UCI Physicians Group. As the Anthem plans are discontinued, you are urged to review the Blue Shield Medicare PPO and High Option Supplement to Medicare plans.

If you are a Medicare coordinated Retiree living outside of California (with no non-medicare enrollees), you are now being referred to Extend Health for your medical plan offerings.

### Campus Information Faire

November 6, 2013 at the Newkirk Alumni Center, 450 Alumni Court, on the corner of University Drive and Mesa Road.. Park in Lot 14 for free.

Representatives from the various health plans will be available at tables to answer your questions from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. **Retiree presentations** will be available on Blue Shield PPO at 9 a.m. and High Option Supplement to Medicare at 10 a.m. **Due to limited space, please rsvp to retirees@uci.edu.**

### Too far away to visit?

You will be receiving information **mailed to you** by the end of October.

You may visit this **website**: <http://atyourservice.ucop.edu/oe/>

You may also **call** Retirement Services at UC Office of the President: 1-800-888-8267.

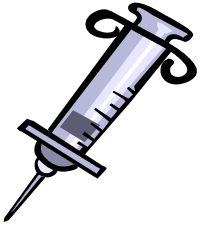
### **Additional Q & A Sessions:**

We have two additional dates and times to provide information specifically for our retirees to answer questions about health plan offerings. These will be November 12 and November 22<sup>nd</sup>, from 1 p.m. to 3p.m., here in our HR Training Room located adjacent to our Center offices. The address is 111 Theory, Suite 200, Irvine, CA 92697. Parking is free. **PLEASE RSVP if you are planning to attend at: retirees@uci.edu.**

## **OTHER EVENTS**

### **Free Flu Shots on Campus**

Friday, October 18, 2013, 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m..



Free to UCI faculty, staff, students and retirees and no registration is needed. Join us at the Anteater Recreation Center (ARC) Lobby, located at 680 California Avenue, between Campus Drive and Anteater Drive (NOT the California Avenue between University Drive and Bison Avenue). Parking is in the lot in front of the ARC. Free Health Screenings will also be available.

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### **Does Affordable Health Care Effect Me?**

All Americans are required to have health coverage or pay a fine. The rule goes into effect Jan 1, 2014. People can apply for coverage through the Marketplace or State Exchange which will review and certify health plans that meet minimum standards (Qualified health plans) and rates, maintain a website where people can shop for plans, and, help plans to communicate with buyers regarding costs and claims policy and procedures.

States have three options: 1) Set up their own exchange. 2) Run their exchange in partnership with the federal government. 3) Allow the government to run their exchange for them. California will run its own marketplace.

UC employees and Retirees who are eligible for UC benefits, have affordable coverage available to them through UC and therefore will not be subject to penalty. However, you can explore the marketplace to compare costs. This is called the individual mandate.

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### **Volunteer Opportunities at UC Irvine Medical Center**

You can help to greet patients, assist customers, provide general help in the hospital, work in the Gift shop or direct visitors. Volunteers will receive benefits which include free parking, annual flu shot, 20% off gift shop items and enhancement of skills. There are annual recognition events and work hours are flexible.

Music To Heal:

Are you a cello, guitar, violin or a piano player or have any other soothing and relaxing musical talent? Then there is a great opportunity for you to volunteer just two hours a week and share your musical talents to entertain patients and make them feel better.

### **Great Memories – R. Ronald Wilson**

The memorial service for Ron Wilson has been set for Friday, October 25, 4:00 p.m., in the Student Center. Much more has been and will be said about Ron. For those of you who knew him, we just wanted to make sure you had this preliminary information.