

THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY (NE) HAS ENDED.




All extensions will end, and Plan notification deadlines will resume on **July 11, 2023**.

ENROLLMENT

Due to the various challenges that individuals faced as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, the U.S Department of Labor (DOL) and Internal Revenue Service (IRS) jointly issued rules that extended certain deadlines for individuals who participate in employee benefit plans.

Specifically, **the time for notifying the Fund of a request to enroll in health benefits after losing other health coverage or acquiring a new dependent was extended.** The National Emergency has now ended and the time for notifying the Fund will re-start on **July 11, 2023**.

During the extended notice period (**March 1, 2020 through July 10, 2023**) the Fund will not count the days when determining the timeliness of:

-  Notice of a change in family status, e.g., marriage, birth, adoption, or placement for adoption of a child
-  Notice of a loss of other health coverage
-  Notice of loss of Medicaid or Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP)

The Fund will not provide coverage during the extended notice period, but will retroactively provide coverage upon timely notification and provision of supporting documentation.

To avoid eligibility and coverage issues, we encourage you to notify the Fund of a change in family status or loss of other health coverage, including Medicaid and CHIP as soon as possible.

For more information or if you have questions about your benefits, call **Member Services** at **1-800-551-3225, Monday through Friday from 8:30 am to 8:00 pm and Saturday from 9 am to 5 pm** or visit us on-line at www.32bjfunds.org.