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**GHI/EMPIRE BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD
SENIOR CARE PROGRAM SUBSIDY BENEFIT**

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OVERVIEW



The GHI/Empire Blue Cross Blue Shield (EBCBS) Senior Care Program Subsidy Benefit is a payment made by the Management Benefits Fund directly to the Health Benefits Program on behalf of retired Fund members and their spouses/domestic partners covered under the GHI/EBCBS Senior Care Program.

ELIGIBILITY

Fund members and their spouses/domestic partners who satisfy the Fund's eligibility and enrollment requirements, as outlined in the "Fund Eligibility and Membership" section of this booklet, and are able to receive prescription drug coverage under Medicare, are eligible for benefits under the GHI/EBCBS Senior Care Program Subsidy Benefit.

GHI/ EBCBS SENIOR CARE PROGRAM

The New York City Employee Health Benefits Program publishes a Summary Program Description (SPD) that provides detailed information on the GHI/EBCBS Senior Care Program. To request a copy of this SPD, please call 1-212-513-0470 or write to the New York City Employee Health Benefits Program, Retiree Health Benefits Unit, 40 Rector Street, 3rd Floor, New York, N.Y. 10006.

BENEFITS

The Fund pays a \$50.00 per person per month subsidy (\$100.00 maximum) directly to GHI on behalf of Retired Fund members and their spouses/domestic partners who are covered under the GHI/EBCBS Senior Care Program.

Please Note: The GHI/EBCBS Senior Care Program Subsidy is only available to Medicare-eligible members and/or their Medicare-eligible spouses/domestic partners. Charges for optional riders for a non-Medicare-eligible person or for charges other than prescription drugs will not be subsidized by the Fund and are the responsibility of the member.

PROCEDURE FOR OBTAINING BENEFITS

The GHI/EBCBS Senior Care Program Subsidy Benefit provides those eligible members insured through the GHI/EBCBS Senior Care Program with a \$50.00 per person (\$100.00 maximum) monthly subsidy. This subsidy is automatically reflected in the member's pension check according to the member's coverage status.



