Update on Medallion Taxicab Driver Healthcare Services Fee

The New York City Taxi and Limousine Commission (TLC) reminds all medallion taxicab drivers that, as set forth in Industry Notice #13-36, it has authorized the collection of a $0.06 per trip fee to go towards the provision of disability insurance and healthcare navigation services for eligible drivers, and collection of this fee commenced on October 1, 2013.

In February 2013, the TLC released a Request for Proposals (RFP) to procure the disability insurance and healthcare navigation services for eligible drivers. A respondent to the RFP has been selected, and the TLC is currently negotiating with this entity to finalize a contract for the requested services. This respondent is anticipated to start providing healthcare navigation services on or around November 18, 2013. The TLC will issue another update once these services are available.

The selected respondent will assist medallion taxicab drivers in understanding and choosing among the health insurance options available under the federal Affordable Care Act (Obamacare). This law requires that, in order to avoid federal income tax penalties, all individuals must have health insurance by March 31, 2014.

If you have any questions concerning the collection of the $0.06 fee or the RFP selection, please contact driverhealthcareproject@tlc.nyc.gov.