



ALAMEDA COUNTY EMPLOYEES'
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Dear ACERA Member,

This is your annual opportunity to review your healthcare options provided by ACERA. In this packet, you'll find the ACERA 2020 Retiree Enrollment Guide containing information about the ACERA-sponsored healthcare plans. Review the new monthly healthcare premiums for the next year starting on [page 2](#). The Monthly Medical Allowance will increase by 3.70% for the 2020 plan year.

Timeline to Make Changes

Annual benefit enrollment decisions can only be made during the Open Enrollment period outlined on the back of this letter unless you experience a qualifying event. For qualifying events, you must notify ACERA in writing within 30 days of the event. To find out more about qualifying events, visit www.acera.org/enrollment.

Check out the back of this letter for a quick start guide. Detailed instructions on how to make changes are contained in the enclosed Enrollment Guide. We hope you find this packet of information useful and a resource throughout 2020. Next year, we'll be looking into allowing you to receive the enrollment packet via email by opting-out of paper in order to save resources.



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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dave Nelsen".

Dave Nelsen

Chief Executive Officer
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Quick Start Guide

Who DOES need to take action?

ACERA members who want to make changes to their medical, dental, and/or vision plan(s).

Who MAY WANT to take action?

- UnitedHealthcare SignatureValue HMO members: the recently added SignatureValue Advantage network, which is a select group of high-quality and cost-effective providers, has experienced a considerable premium reduction, making it 23.5% cheaper than your current plan. You may want to consider changing to this plan—see [page 2](#).
- Newly Medicare-eligible members with 10+ years ACERA service credit: you will probably want to enroll in the Medicare Part B Reimbursement Plan for help with your Medicare costs—see [page 24](#).
- Medicare-eligible members in a Via Benefits plan may want to review whether their drug plan is still the best option based on changes in cost and their current needs—see [page 14](#).

Who DOES NOT need to take action?

Members who don't want to make changes to their medical, dental, and/or vision plan(s).

Open Enrollment Periods and Plan Years

ACERA Healthcare Plans	Open Enrollment Period	Plan Year
Kaiser Permanente HMO California (non-Medicare)	November 1, 2019 - November 30, 2019	February 1, 2020 - January 31, 2021
Kaiser Permanente Senior Advantage California (Medicare)		
UnitedHealthcare SV HMO and SVA HMO (non-Medicare)		
Delta Dental		
Vision Service Plan (VSP)		
Via Benefits Non-Medicare Plans	November 1, 2019 - December 15, 2019	January 1, 2019 - December 31, 2020
Via Benefits Medicare Plans	October 15, 2019 - December 7, 2019	