

## Office of Labor Relations

# Management Benefits Fund

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### **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

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Daniel Pollak

First Deputy Commissioner

Re: MBF Dental Provider Change from HealthPlex to Administrative Services Only, Inc.

Effective January 1, 2023

Dear MBF Member,

This letter is to advise you that, effective January 1, 2023, the Management Benefits Fund (MBF or Fund) dental provider will change from HealthPlex to Administrative Services Only, Inc. (ASO), which also administers the Fund's Superimposed Major Medical Program (SMMP).

In addition, MBF is pleased to announce the following changes to the Fund Dental Plan:

#### 1) Enhanced Benefits

Plan Design	2022 Current Benefits	2023 Enhanced Benefits
Service Dates	Services rendered prior to 1/1/2023	Services rendered on or after 1/1/2023
Annual Maximum (Individual)	\$4,000	\$5,000
LT Orthodontic Maximum	\$4,000 (medical requirement for adult orthodontic treatment)	\$6,000 (eliminates adult medical document requirement)
Basic Restorative Procedures (Out-of-Network)	70%	80%
Major Restorative Procedures (Out-of-Network)	70%	80%
Dental Implants (In-network and Out-of-network)	50%	80%
Extractions, Fillings, Inlays, Onlays, & Crowns Limitation	Limitation of 5 years	Limitation of 3 years
Full/Partial Denture Replacement	Limitation of 5 years	Limitation of 3 years
Fixed Bridge Replacement Limitation	Limitation of 5 years	Limitation of 3 years

#### 2) Increased Access to Participating Network Dentists

With ASO, you will have access to their network as well as the Careington Network, a national network with more than 250,000 locations. Close to 90% of members see dentists in these networks. Starting in January 2023, when you go to your dentist, tell them you have dental coverage with MBF through ASO and the Careington network.

The dentist search tool on the ASO website (**asombf.com**) will help you locate network dentists, view information about the office and review your expected out-of-pocket expenses.

- If your dentist is out-of-network with Healthplex, please check the ASO website to see if your dentist is now in-network.
- If your dentist is now in-network with ASO, please confirm with your provider the applicable innetwork deductibles and co-insurance.
- You will also be able to nominate your dentist or a dentist near you and ASO will reach out to them to join the network.
- ASO is currently reaching out to those dentists who are out-of-network and requesting their participation in the ASO network.

Please note that you will be able to view your dental profile, claims, and Explanation of Benefits (EOB) statements on the website beginning January 1, 2023.

You can visit the ASO website at **asombf.com** for information about the new dental plan. Beginning January 1, the link will be the dedicated member portal for information on both the dental and SMMP benefits.

<u>Reminder</u>: All claims with service dates prior to January 1, 2023 are subject to the current plan benefits and must be submitted to Healthplex. In order to expedite processing of your claims, we encourage you and/or your provider to submit any outstanding dental claims that are not yet submitted to Healthplex.

For more information on these changes, please visit the dental section of the MBF website at **nyc.gov/mbf** which will be updated in December 2022.

Please contact the Management Benefits Fund at (212) 306-7290 or visit the MBF website at nyc.gov/mbf to e-mail MBF if you have any further questions regarding these changes.

Sincerely,

The City of New York Management Benefits Fund