



**BlueCross BlueShield
of Illinois**

Producer News

Mellon HSA Materials Available for High Deductible Plans

All three of our high deductible plans — the two BlueEdge Plans and the High Deductible Health Plan can now be teamed with the Mellon Financial HSA. The Mellon HSA request form and the Mellon brochure are available for downloading or ordering at www.bcbsil.com/country.

HSA Seminar Questions and Answers Online

Producers who attended the seminars introducing our new BlueEdge HSA compatible products raised many important questions during the briefings. A summary of the questions and answers is now available under the “Producer News” heading at www.bcbsil.com/country.

List Billing Just Got Easier

In an ongoing effort to find ways of making our business more customer friendly we've recently changed our list billing. When submitting a group of applications to underwriting with a request for the list bill option, the initial premium check can be written from the employer's account **if all required list bill documents accompany the applications**. Previously, each applicant needed to enclose a personal check. The submission of the completed list bill documents will provide the New Business department with the verification necessary to ensure that the employer is not contributing to the individual's health insurance premium.

Receipt of Application Letter Discontinued

Effective immediately, letters indicating receipt of an application at Hallmark Services Corporation will not be sent to either the applicant or the Producer. This action is being taken in an effort to control administrative costs. Because it is important to us to continue to provide the high level of service you have come to expect from Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Illinois, please remember that you can check on the status of an application by contacting CCSI Brokerage at (866) 434-3458.