



2026 Small Group Account Management Paperwork Deadlines

Due Dates for: Renewal/ Effective Date	Plan Changes at Renewal		Anniversary Date Change		Off-Cycle Plan Change	
	1 st of Month	15 th of Month	1 st of Month	15 th of Month	1 st of Month	15 th of Month
January	Dec. 2	Dec. 16	Dec. 2	Dec. 16	Nov. 3	Nov. 17
February	Jan. 2	Jan.16	Jan. 2	Jan.16	Dec. 2	Dec. 16
March	Jan. 30	Feb. 13	Jan. 30	Feb. 13	Jan. 2	Jan. 16
April	Mar. 3	Mar. 16	Mar. 3	Mar. 16	Jan. 30	Feb. 13
May	Apr. 1	Apr. 15	Apr. 1	Apr. 15	Mar. 3	Mar. 16
June	May 4	May 18	May 4	May 18	Apr. 1	Apr. 15
July	Jun. 1	Jun. 15	Jun. 1	Jun. 15	May 4	May 18
August	Jul. 2	Jul. 16	Jul. 2	Jul. 16	Jun. 1	Jun. 15
September	Aug. 3	Aug. 17	Aug. 3	Aug. 17	Jul. 2	Jul. 16
October	Sept. 1	Sept. 15	Sept. 1	Sept. 15	Aug. 3	Aug. 17
November	Oct. 2	Oct. 16	Oct. 2	Oct. 16	Sept. 1	Sept. 15
December	Nov. 2	Nov. 16	Nov. 2	Nov. 16	Oct. 2	Oct. 16

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Off-Cycle Plan Changes

Current Plan Effective Date	New Effective Dates											
	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
January												
February												
March												
April												
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July												
August												
September												
October												
November												
December												

Plan Change Allowed

No Plan Change Allowed

Anniversary Date



A **Benefit Plan Selection** form is required for **off-cycle** plan changes. We must receive the document **60-days** before the requested effective date. If you have questions about deadlines, please email the Small Group Account Management team (ILSGAM) at ILSGAM@bcbsil.com or call us at **855-649-9653**.

Composite-rated groups can't make off-cycle plan changes. Instead, they have the option to request an **Anniversary Date** change. This will change their rates, plans, and renewal date. If a group requests an Anniversary Date change, quoted composite rates are not final until we have processed their paperwork. This doesn't apply to groups that change to composite rates at the time of their renewal, or to groups that are only adding a dental plan off-cycle.



Questions?
 Reach us at **855-649-9653** or ILSGAM@bcbsil.com

All dates are subject to change. Please review *News from the Blues for ProducersSM* and renewal information for revisions. Use Off-Cycle Plan Change Chart to determine effective date eligibility.