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## Orthodox HealthPlan

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Dear Orthodox Health Plan Participant,

On behalf of the Orthodox Health Plan Benefits Committee, we hope and pray that this most Holy Season of Great Lent has been spiritually rewarding and enriching. We take this opportunity to reaffirm the commitment this Committee has to the well-being of our participants.

We have heard clearly the call of our brothers to bring about some relief on the ever escalating costs of premiums. Extensive research has been done and a new Plan design is now in place.

The new Plan is a Health Reimbursement Arrangement and the PPO using the same network of providers that we have used in the past. It combines an Aetna deductible-based health benefits and insurance plan with a fund to help pay your costs. It offers security, convenience, tax benefits, support—and much more. Materials have been sent to you via email and more is forthcoming.

In addition, the Prescription Drug portion as of May 1, 2015 will have a deductible of \$50.00 for the individual and \$100.00 for the family which must be satisfied before any drug benefits are paid. Thereafter it remains the same as in prior years.

As a result of the new plan design, beginning May 1, 2015 the new monthly premium for a single member will be \$1,295.50 and for a family will be \$2,325.00, <u>a reduction from the current premiums.</u>

Please review the materials being sent to you. We will offer our prayers to each of you and your beloved families for a year of good health both physically and spiritually.

In joyful expectation of Holy Pascha, I am

In His Service,

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