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MINERS' HOSPITAL BOARD

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1. Effective July 1, 2018 requirements for obtaining Miner's Hospital Board benefits will change from the current 12 consecutive months to not less than 10 total years of employment.
 - a. The new employment requirement will not apply to those person registered to receive benefits before July 1, 2018.
2. Miner's benefits have always been paid as a payment of last resort and insurance claims have always been filed first. However, to adhere more closely to the Statute and the Board Rules, the Board will reduce any benefit, which would be provided under this program, by all other public and private sources which are available to the miner, including, but not limited to a Health Savings Account (HSA).

Q & A:

How will this impact me?

1. You will be required to show a copy of your current year primary insurance registration form when you register or renew your benefits.
2. If you have elected an HSA, Flex account or other type of health savings account, you will be placed in a division within EBMS that will trigger no benefits to be paid until proof that all funds have been exhausted in the specified health savings account.
3. Once proof has been provided, EBMS will be authorized to pay the benefits as directed under our Plan description.

Can I have an HSA and miner's benefits?

1. IRS Publication 969; page 3, states that if you have "other health coverage" you are not eligible for an HSA. If you need clarification, please consult your tax advisor.
2. Under the Miner's Hospital Board rules if you meet the eligibility requirements you can register for benefits, however those benefits will be offset by any funds you have in any type of health savings account.

Reference <http://mhb.state.wy.us> for Board Rules and Statute

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