

RESOLUTION OF THE STATE HEALTH BENEFITS PROGRAM PLAN DESIGN COMMITTEE CLARIFYING THE EMPLOYEE TITLES ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE RESPONDERS PRIMARY CARE MEDICAL HOME PILOT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:14-17.29 et seq. the State Health Benefits Program (SHBP) provides health coverage to qualified employees and retirees of the State and participating local employers; and

WHEREAS, the SHBP was enacted in 1961 for the purpose of providing affordable health care coverage for public employees on a cost effective basis; and

WHEREAS, all SHBP plans, with the exception of Medicare Advantage plans, are self-funded, which means that the money paid out for benefits comes directly from an SHBP fund supplied by the State, participating local employers, and member premiums; and

WHEREAS, on April 16, 2019, the SHBP Plan Design Committee (SHBP PDC) adopted resolution 2019-02 that established a First Responders Direct Primary Care Medical Home (DPCMH) Pilot Program;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1. SHBP PDC Resolution 2019-02 is hereby modified to clarify the employee titles which are eligible to participate in the FRPCMH Pilot Program.
2. "First Responders" for the purposes of this Resolution are defined as the SHBP members with the following titles or jobs, as well as their eligible dependents: employees of police and fire departments, emergency medical service personnel, dispatchers, park rangers, state and local correctional facility personnel, child protection & permanency investigators, medical examiners, Office of the Attorney General investigators and county prosecutor's office investigators, both paid and volunteer; and other SHBP members who respond to emergencies or engage with clients/patients who experience trauma, including prison personnel, Department of Children and Families personnel (including Institution Abuse Investigation Unit personnel and investigators and support staff); Department of Environmental Protection personnel (including but not limited to State Forest Firefighters and Emergency Response Specialists and support staff); Office of the Law Guardian Investigators and support personnel; Department of Human Services personnel (including but not limited to the Office of Program Integrity and Accountability personnel), and local developmental center facility personnel and local psychiatric facility personnel.