Dear Group Administrator,

The Affordable Care Act has established annual reporting requirements regarding Minimum Essential Coverage (MEC). Florida Blue is required to report member coverage information to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS). Individuals are required to show proof of health insurance coverage on their 2018 tax filing.

What this means for Florida Blue:
In order for Florida Blue to remain in compliance with these IRS reporting requirements we need the correct name and Social Security Number (SSN) for every covered member, including dependents.

- Florida Blue will mail annual solicitations to members with missing or invalid SSN, by December each year, requesting the required missing information.
- Florida Blue will provide each fully-insured contract holder a 1095B statement (required IRS Form) to use with their tax filing. The completed form will indicate their coverage for the reporting year. These statements will be mailed the week of January 31 and available online in the member's account at floridablue.com on or after January 31.

What this means for you:
If we report inaccurate data, your covered employees may be at risk of being assessed the individual mandate penalty by the IRS for not having health coverage as well as a shared penalty.

- The member can provide their updated SSN and name information to Florida Blue via mail, phone call or through (you) their group administrator.
- You can provide updates for required member SSN and name information to Florida Blue using your current enrollment method (i.e., automated enrollment, online or paper).

Florida Blue does not provide tax advice so please contact your tax advisor regarding any tax-related questions.

Thank you in advance for your assistance in assuring that we have correct data on file in order to properly report your health coverage to the IRS. If you have any questions or need further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact your Service Advocate at **1-866-946-2583**.

Sincerely,

Your Group Enrollment Maintenance and Billing Team