

UMWA HEALTH AND RETIREMENT FUNDS' CALL CENTER

Telephone: (800) 291-1425

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The UMWA 1993 Benefit Plan notified you in December 2016 that the U.S. Congress had passed the Continuing Health Benefits for Miners Act, which provided for the transfer of federal funds to the Plan to cover the health care benefits you receive through April 30, 2017. The Plan cautioned that further Congressional action would be necessary in order for the Plan to provide health care coverage to you after April 30. At this time, Congress has not taken the action needed to continue your benefits. **Unless Congress acts before the end of April, the 1993 Benefit Plan will not be able to provide you with the health benefits that you have been receiving from the 1993 Plan, and those benefits will terminate effective May 1, 2017. In addition, your Funds' Health Service Card will no longer be valid.**

Please see the attached information sheet for other coverage options that may be available to you if your 1993 Plan benefits terminate on May 1, 2017. Please feel free to call our call center at 1-800-291-1425 if you have questions or need assistance.

Sincerely,

Lorraine Lewis, Executive Director On behalf of the Trustees of the UMWA 1993 Benefit Plan

