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TO:

All DNR Employees

FROM:

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Deputy Supervisor of Administration

SUBJECT:

Washington Apple Health Program for Adults and Children

Some state employees may qualify for free healthcare coverage through the Washington Apple Health program and assistance in paying their health insurance premiums. If you want to take advantage of this opportunity, I urge you to seek additional information as quickly as possible. Please note that this coverage must be coordinated directly by you as it is not provided through DNR.

If your countable income is under the income limit for Washington Apple Health, you or your children may qualify for free healthcare coverage. Individuals who qualify for free coverage under Washington Apple Health have a choice of available managed care plans depending on the county they live in. There are no premiums, co-pays, or deductibles.

When you or your children are enrolled in Washington Apple Health, you may also choose to keep your health insurance through your employer. If you do so, you may qualify for reimbursement of the cost of your health insurance premium.

If you or your dependents are not enrolled in Washington Apple Health, but would like to see if you qualify, please visit the Washington Healthplanfinder website at www.wahealthplanfinder.org, or contact the Washington Health Benefit Exchange Customer Support Center at 1-855-923-4633. You may also apply online at the Washington Healthplanfinder website.

If you or your dependents become eligible for Washington Apple Health, you may qualify for help with your health insurance premium. Call 1-800-562-3022 ext. 15473, or visit the Premium Payment pages (https://www.hca.wa.gov/free-or-low-cost-health-care/program-administration/premium-payment-program) on Health Care Authority's website for more information. The site includes general information and an application form for your convenience. You can also view the information for all states, provided by the U.S. Department of Labor, at https://www.dol.gov/sites/default/files/ebsa/laws-and-regulations/laws/chipra/model-notice.pdf