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Premera and EvergreenHealth Reach Agreement Ensuring Access for Your Omnitrade Clients

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There will be no disruption to in-network care for your Health Trust clients who are patients at EvergreenHealth.

Dear Valued Producer,

This week Premera Blue Cross announced that it has [reached a new multi-year agreement](#) with EvergreenHealth. The new contract ensures that your clients enrolled in the CleanTech Alliance and Life Science Washington Health Trusts will continue to have access to EvergreenHealth, which has facilities throughout King and Snohomish counties.

“After a long negotiation, EvergreenHealth has come to terms with Premera and rescinded their termination,” explains a producer email from Premera, which continues:

“The new contract represents collaboration between the two organizations that provides stability and access to affordable care. It also focuses on improving the patient experience through value-based reimbursements. The new agreement makes certain that our members continue to receive access to affordable, quality care and there is no disruption for those who seek care at EvergreenHealth.”

“The current economic environment in the healthcare industry is challenging for everyone. Like health systems, Washington businesses and Premera aren’t immune from serious financial pressures. As we’ve always said, these negotiations are not about Premera; they are about our customers. Double-digit increases are not sustainable. We work closely with our provider partners to find ways to improve quality, while lowering costs, by reducing administrative burden and offering reasonable rate increases. We served as your advocate during these discussions. We’re grateful for the patience of our customers as we worked hard with the team at EvergreenHealth to reach an agreement.”

To share this important news with your clients who may be affected, please consider emailing the Premera article linked below that includes a helpful FAQ: [Premera and EvergreenHealth reach an agreement](#).

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