

Benefits Fund begins verifying spousal eligibility

As you're most likely aware, the NYSNA Benefits Fund has contracted with HMS, a third-party eligibility verification company, to conduct an independent eligibility review to ensure that all spouses currently enrolled in the Benefits Fund meet the Fund's eligibility requirements. You may recall that the Benefits Fund conducted a similar eligibility verification review in 2014.

The Fund is again asking for your cooperation while we conduct this eligibility review, which will begin soon, and is verifying eligibility only for spouses currently covered by the Fund. You should have already received a postcard from the Fund office, which outlined a few highlights of this effort. HMS will be sending a letter in the coming week, which will require your prompt attention in order to ensure your spouse remains covered by the Benefits Fund.

When you receive the letter from HMS, please read it completely, follow the instructions, gather the proper documents – which will include either a copy of the front page of your 2017 Federal Tax returns (redacted) or a document dated within the last 60 days showing current relationship status, such as a recurring monthly household bill (utility, phone, cable) or statement of account (mortgage or bank statement).

Please submit all the paperwork to HMS by **June 19, 2018**. If you do not provide proper documentation by June 19, your spouse will lose coverage with the Benefits Fund.

For questions, please contact us at (877) RN BENEFITS [762-3633] or HMS using the contact information on the letter.