



**Neighborhood**  
Health Plan™

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## Special Enrollment Notice

### Cambridge Public Health Commission

*New Federal Law Allows Enrollment of Dependents Up to Age 26*

Dear NHP Member:

The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA) was signed into law on March 23, 2010. The law includes many new health care related policies that will take effect over the next four years. One of the changes that may directly affect you as one of our members is the new federal policy that mandates coverage for dependents be raised to age 26.

**Since July 1, 2010, NHP has not taken any independent action to disenroll dependent\* children prior to their 26th birthday. If you have any dependent children under the age of 26 who are not currently covered and who are not eligible for insurance coverage from their employer, you now have an opportunity to enroll them with Neighborhood Health Plan (NHP).**

Dependent children whose coverage ended, or who were denied coverage (or were not eligible for coverage), because the availability of dependent coverage of children ended before attainment of age 26 are now eligible to enroll in Neighborhood Health Plan. You must request enrollment for such children by **July 31, 2011**. Enrollment will be effective August 1, 2011.

Eligible subscribers should contact their employer or plan administrator for enrollment information. If you have any questions, please contact the NHP Customer Care Center at 800-462-5449 (TTY 1-800-655-1761). Our hours of operation are Monday through Friday from 8:00am to 6:00pm and Thursday from 8:00am to 8:00pm. Our highly trained Customer Care representatives are there to listen and to help.

\* Dependent children include natural and adopted children of the subscriber or the subscriber's spouse, children under the legal guardianship of the subscriber, and children of dependent children.

