



United States
Office of Personnel Management
Retirement and Insurance Service

Benefits Administration Letter

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**Subject: 1998 Federal Employees Health Benefits (FEHB) Program Open Season:
Withdrawal of American HMO Health Plan**

This is to inform you that American HMO Health Plan (code RB), which serves most of Arkansas, is withdrawing from the FEHB Program effective December 31, 1998. Unfortunately, the FEHB Guides had already gone to print when the plan made its decision to withdraw, so the plan's name appears in the Guides.

The plan will send notices of its withdrawal to its enrollees. However, it is important to remember that enrollees in the plan who fail to choose another plan during open season will have no health benefits for 1999. Consequently, if you have employees in the area served by the plan, we ask that you notify them directly of the plan's withdrawal.

Thank you for your assistance.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Abby L. Block".

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