

**1652.232-70 Payments—community-rated contracts.**

As prescribed in 1632.171, the following clause shall be inserted in all community-rated FEHBP contracts:

## PAYMENTS (JAN 2000)

(a) OPM will pay to the Carrier, in full settlement of its obligations under this contract, subject to adjustment for error or fraud, the subscription charges received for the plan by the Employees Health Benefits Fund (hereinafter called the Fund) less the amounts set aside by OPM for the Contingency Reserve and for the administrative expenses of OPM, amounts assessed under FEHBAR 1609.7101-2, and amounts for obligations due pursuant to paragraph (b) of this clause, plus any payments made by OPM from the Contingency Reserve.

(b) OPM will notify the Carrier of amounts due for outstanding obligations under the contract. Not later than 60 days after the date of written notice from OPM, the Carrier shall reimburse OPM. If payment is not received within the prescribed time frame, OPM shall withhold the amount due from the subscription charges owed the Carrier under paragraph (a) of this clause.

(c) The specific subscription rates, charges, allowances and limitations applicable to the contract are set forth in Appendix B.

(d) Recurring payments from premiums shall be due and payable not later than thirty days after receipt by the Fund. The Contracting Officer may authorize special non-recurring payments from the Contingency Reserve in accordance with OPM's regulations.

(e) In the event this contract between the Carrier and OPM is terminated or not renewed in accordance with General Provision 1.15, RENEWAL and WITHDRAWAL OF APPROVAL, the Contingency Reserve of the Carrier held by OPM shall be available to the Carrier to pay the necessary and proper charges against this contract to the extent that the reserves held by the Carrier are insufficient for that purpose.

(f) *Exception for the 3-Year DoD Demonstration Project (10 U.S.C. 1108).* The Carrier may, at its discretion, request funds from the Employees Health Benefits Fund to mitigate excessive costs in relation to premiums. If the Carrier requests funds from the Employees Health Benefits Fund to mitigate risk, it will be required to perform annual reconciliations for the duration of the demonstration project. OPM will reimburse the Carrier's costs significantly in excess of the premiums first from the Carrier's demonstration project Contingency Reserve and then from the Employees Health Benefits Fund Administrative Reserve. After the final accounting, OPM will place any surplus demonstration project premiums in the regular Contingency

Reserves of all carriers continuing in the FEHB Program for the contract year following the year in which the demonstration project ends. Credit will be in proportion to the amount of subscription charges paid and accrued to each carrier's plan for the last year of the demonstration project.

(End of clause)

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**1652.232-71 Payments—experience-rated contracts.**

As prescribed in 1632.172, the following clause shall be inserted in all experience-rated FEHBP contracts:

## PAYMENTS (JAN 2000)

(a) OPM will pay to the Carrier, in full settlement of its obligations under this contract, subject to adjustment for error or fraud, the subscription charges received for the Plan by the Employees Health Benefits Fund (hereinafter called the Fund) less the amounts set aside by OPM for the Contingency Reserve and for the administrative expenses of OPM and amounts for obligations due pursuant to paragraph (b) of this clause, plus any payments made by OPM from the Contingency Reserve.

(b) OPM will notify the Carrier of amounts due for outstanding obligations under the contract. Not later than 60 days after the date of written notice from OPM, the Carrier shall reimburse OPM. If payment is not received within the prescribed time frame, OPM shall withhold the amount due from the subscription charges owed the Carrier under paragraph (a) of this clause.

(c) The specific subscription rates, charges, allowances and limitations applicable to the contract are set forth in Appendix B.

(d) Recurring payments from premiums shall be made available for carrier drawdown not later than thirty days after receipt by the Fund. The Contracting Officer may authorize special non-recurring payments from the Contingency Reserve in accordance with OPM's regulations.

(e) In the event this contract between the Carrier and OPM is terminated or not renewed in accordance with General Provision 1.15, RENEWAL and WITHDRAWAL OF APPROVAL, the Contingency Reserve of the Carrier held by OPM shall be available to the Carrier to pay the necessary and proper charges against this contract to the extent that the Carrier reserves are insufficient for that purpose.

(f) *Exception for the 3-Year DoD Demonstration Project (10 U.S.C. 1108).* The Carrier will perform a final reconciliation of revenue and

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costs for the demonstration project group at the end of the demonstration project. OPM will reimburse the Carrier's costs in excess of the premiums first from the Carrier's demonstration project Contingency Reserve and then from the Employees Health Benefits Fund Administrative Reserve. After the final accounting, OPM will place any surplus demonstration project premiums in the regular Contingency Reserves of all carriers continuing in the FEHB Program for the contract year following the year in which the demonstration project ends. Credit will be in proportion to the amount of subscription charges paid and accrued to each carrier's plan for the last year of the demonstration project.

(End of clause)

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**1652.232-72 Non-commingling of FEHBP funds.**

As prescribed in 1632.772, the following clause shall be inserted in all contracts based on cost analysis.

**NON-COMMINGLING OF FUNDS (JAN 1991)**

(a) The Carrier and/or its underwriter shall keep all FEHBP funds for this contract (cash and investments) physically separate from funds obtained from other sources. Accounting for such FEHBP funds shall not be based on allocations or other sharing mechanisms and shall agree with the Carrier's accounting records.

(b) In certain instances the physical separation of FEHBP funds may not be practical or desirable. In such cases, the Carrier may request a waiver from this requirement from the Contracting Officer. The waiver shall be requested in advance and the Carrier shall demonstrate that accounting techniques have been established that will clearly measure FEHBP cash and investment income (i.e., subsidiary ledgers). Reconciliations between amounts reported and actual amounts shown in accounting records shall be provided as supporting schedules to the Annual Accounting Statements.

(c) The Carrier shall incorporate this clause in all subcontracts that exceed \$25,000 and shall substitute "contractor" or other appropriate reference for "Carrier and/or its underwriter."

(End of clause)

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**1652.232-73 Approval for the Assignment of Claims.**

As prescribed in 1632.806-70, the following clause shall be inserted in all FEHBP contracts:

**APPROVAL FOR ASSIGNMENT OF CLAIMS (JAN 1991)**

(a) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 5.35, (FAR 52.232-23) Assignment of Claims, the Carrier shall not make any assignment under the Assignment of Claims Act without the prior written approval of the Contracting Officer.

(b) Unless a different period is specified in the Contracting Officer's written approval, an assignment shall be in force only for a period of 1 year from the date of the Contracting Officer's approval. However, assignments may be renewed upon their expiration.

(End of clause)

[55 FR 27418, July 2, 1990]

**1652.243-70 Changes—Negotiated benefits contracts.**

As prescribed in section 1643.205-70, the following clause shall be inserted in all FEHBP contracts.

**CHANGES—NEGOTIATED BENEFITS CONTRACTS (JAN 1998)**

(a) The Contracting Officer may at any time, by written order, and without notice to the sureties, if any, make changes within the general scope of this contract in any one or more of the following:

- (1) Description of services to be performed.
- (2) Time of performance (i.e., hours of the day, days of the week, etc.).
- (3) Place of performance of the services.

(b) If any such change causes an increase or decrease in the cost of, or the time required for, performance of any part of the work under this contract, whether or not changed by the order, the Contracting Officer shall make an equitable adjustment in the contract price, the delivery schedule, or both, and shall modify the contract.

(c) The Carrier must assert its right to an adjustment under this clause within 30 days from the date of receipt of the written order. However, if the Contracting Officer decides that the facts justify it, the Contracting Officer may receive and act upon a proposal submitted before final payment of the contract.

(d) Failure to agree to any adjustment shall be a dispute under the Disputes clause. However, nothing in this clause shall excuse the Carrier from proceeding with the contract as changed.