

MICHIGAN STATE PAINTERS INSURANCE FUND

EXTENSION OF DEADLINES DURING CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK PERIOD

May 2020

Please read this notice carefully as deadlines affecting COBRA continuation coverage, claims, appeals and enrollment have been extended during the coronavirus national emergency, beyond what is stated in the Plan and Summary Plan Description of the Michigan State Painters Insurance Fund.

On May 4, 2020, the Internal Revenue Service and Department of Labor adopted an emergency regulation that extends certain deadlines during what is called the coronavirus “Outbreak Period.” The Outbreak Period runs from the March 1, 2020 onset of a proclaimed National Emergency until 60 days following the announced end of the National Emergency (or another date determined by the federal government in a future notice). Health care plans must disregard the Outbreak Period when determining deadlines for electing COBRA continuation coverage, payment of COBRA premiums, and notifying the health care plan of a divorce, separation or loss of dependent status to qualify for COBRA coverage or a Social Security Administration determination that a person is disabled while receiving continuation coverage under COBRA; requesting enrollment because of a qualifying event such as loss of other coverage or becoming a dependent of a participant as a result of birth, marriage, adoption or placement for adoption; filing of benefit claims; appealing adverse benefit determinations; and requesting external reviews or filing information to request external reviews.

Please call the Fund office at (517) 321-7502 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Michigan State Painters Insurance Fund
Board of Trustee’s