

Teachers Health Trust

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To the Physicians of WHASN:

On October 1st, 2015, WHASN sent a letter to the members of the Teachers Health Trust. In that letter, you stated that you would not be participating as a provider for our health plan as of January 1st, 2016. You site a number of reasons for this decision, the facts of which we feel need to be addressed. We would like to take this opportunity to clearly state our intent and to clarify a few points.

Your practice currently serves a large number of our members. We would like you to stay within the network. We have assigned the responsibility for managing our network to our Healthcare Delivery partner, WellHealth Quality Care. The terms of your contract with the Teachers Health Trust remain the same as you currently have. Your reimbursement rates are not affected by this at all.

In an effort to improve the care to our members, we are implementing a Patient Centered Medical Home model and we would like you to participate. Some providers are taking this opportunity to attempt to renegotiate their reimbursement rates with the Teachers Health Trust. If this is part of your reasoning, you should know that our Trust cannot afford to pay anything more. In fact, we already pay WHASN more than other providers in the same specialty. It would be irresponsible for us to pay anything more given our current financial situation.

Unfortunately, the deadline date that was shown on our assignment letter to you was in error and should have been October 15th. Your group was notified of this. If you need more time please let us know.

Finally, we are disappointed you did not contact us, or WellHealth directly. We are available to discuss your concerns with you at any time.

Sincerely,



Brenda Kelley, CEO
Teachers Health Trust

CC: J. Tod Bunker – CEO, Women's Health Associates of Southern Nevada

