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TO: All School Business Officials

FROM: William J. Sudol, Administrator

DATE: April 5, 2000

SUBJECT: Clarification Of Memorandum Dated March 24, 2000 Related to Health

Insurance Subsidy Policy

Effective Dates Of Health Insurance Coverage

The purpose of this memorandum is to clarify the intent of our memorandum dated March 24, 2000 related to health insurance for retired teachers and spouses of retired teachers.

The commencement of the subsidy on behalf of the retired teacher or spouse of a retired teacher should begin no earlier than the date that health insurance coverage as an active employee or spouse of an active employee would terminate.

Simply stated ,if a member's period of coverage as an active employee would terminate on June 30, 2000 and he/she would be required to make premium payments effective July 1, 2000, we would be obligated to subsidize this payment effective as of that date.

On the other hand, if a member's period of coverage as an active employee would terminate on July 31, 2000 and he/she would be required to make premium payments effective August 1, 2000, we would be obligated to subsidize this payment effective as of that date.

The termination dates of health insurance benefit may vary from district to district although coverage generally remains in effect for a full month following the month in which service terminated or in some cases through August $31^{\rm st}$.

The payment of the subsidy amount cannot be initiated prior to the effective date of the member's retirement. The subsidy payment for members who retire July 1, August 1 or September 1 can be requested on your quarterly report for September 30, 2000 and may include an adjustment for payments to be retroactive to the date the member first became responsible for premium payments.

If you have any questions, please feel free to write or call our office at $(860)\ 241-8402$.

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