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## <u>Division of Personnel Announces New Health Insurance Premiums</u> <u>Effective October 17, 2024</u>

U.S. Virgin Islands — The Division of Personnel announces that the Senate has approved the GESC Board's proposed Health Insurance Contract, and, as a result, the new health insurance premiums will take effect on October 17, 2024. Under the agreement, the GESC Board successfully secured an 8% premium cap, with the increase evenly split between the Government, as the employer, covering 4%, and active employees and retirees also responsible for 4%.

Moreover, employees and retirees will maintain their current plan structure, with no increases in copayments, deductibles, or out-of-pocket maximums. Additionally, CIGNA will continue to provide all existing benefits without any reduction in services, including the Omada Pre-Diabetes Prevention Program and the MotivateMe Incentive Program.

The new rate sheet for medical and dental insurance can be viewed online by visiting our website at <u>www.dopusvi.org</u> and selecting the <u>Health Insurance tab</u>. For any questions or assistance, please contact Valerie Daley, Chief of Group Health Insurance, at (340) 774-8588.

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