

SUAA Members,

Healthcare, or the lack thereof, is a crucial issue for SUAA members. It is vital that we not only hear from our potentially affected members by the St. John's and HSHS decision, but that we expand our membership to strengthen our voice at the State Capitol further to pass legislation that will provide quality and reliable healthcare options for our currently working and retiree members, as well as all of the 220,000+ individuals within the SURS pension system.

Though officials say negotiations between the two parties are ongoing, as of right now, on July 1, HSHS Medical Group and St. Johns' Hospital in Springfield, IL will no longer be in the Aetna Network. You can read more about this announcement by [CLICKING HERE](#).

For a full list of affected hospitals and clinics within HSHS and a map of their location, please [CLICK HERE](#).

We would like to hear from our members about the quality of health insurance you have received through Aetna so far, whether positive or negative. If you would like to share your experience, please do so by contacting us at SUAA@SUAA.org. And certainly let us know of any instance in which you have been denied care under Aetna.

The state's transition from United Healthcare to Aetna has been a rocky one. Although the original issues between Carle Clinic and Aetna in the Champaign-Urbana area have been resolved, that hasn't been the case in other areas of the country, as healthcare providers such as Mayo Clinic still do not take the Aetna Medicare Advantage plan.

We will keep our membership informed on this issue as updates are provided by St. John's, HSHS, and Aetna.

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