FORM MEPS-11C(S) (4-28-99) U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE BUREAU OF THE CENSUS ACTING AS COLLECTING AGENT FOR U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Medical Expenditure Panel Survey – Insurance Component

HEALTH INSURANCE COST STUDY

Plan Information Questionnaire

INSTRUCTIONS The MEPS-11C(S), Plan Information Questionnaire, is to be completed for the health insurance plans offered AT THIS GOVERNMENT UNIT. You may use photocopies of this MEPS-11C(S) form if sufficient copies were not included in this reporting package.				
PLAN INFORMATION				
	FOR CENSUS USE ONLY	ENROL	LMENT	
100			Estimates are acceptable for all enrollment figures.	
GENERAL PLAN INFORMATION		40	Exclude retirees.	
	Complete this Plan Information Questionnaire for the plan with the largest enrollment (or next largest) enrollment of active employees.	4a.	How many active employees were enrolled in this plan through this government unit during a typical pay period in 1998?	
1a.	For 1998, what was the name of the health insurance plan with the largest (or next largest) enrollment of active employees?		Include full-time, part-time, temporary and seasonal employees. Exclude retirees.	
	Examples: • Blue Cross Blue Shield, High Option • Option A • Aetna HMO	125	Active employees enrolled in plan	
012	Name of plan	b.	How many of these active employees were enrolled in single coverage during a typical pay period in 1998?	
b.	What was the name of the insurance company or carrier providing this plan?	129	Active employees enrolled	
	Examples: • Blue Cross Blue Shield • Alliance • Charter Health		in single coverage	
	Enter the government name if self-insured.	C.	How many FORMER employees were enrolled in this plan through COBRA or other state	
102	Name of insurance carrier		continuation-of-benefits laws during a typical pay period in 1998?	
2.	Was this plan purchased from an insurance underwriter or was it self-insured?	126	Former employees enrolled in plan	
	Purchased from an insurance underwriter – Coverage is purchased from an insurance company or other	SINGLE	E COVERAGE PREMIUMS	
	underwriter who assumes the risk for enrollees' medical expenses.	SHEGEL	Report for typical situations and enrollees.	
	Self-insured – Your government unit assumes the risk for		If cost varies, report for the average employee.	
	the enrollees' medical expenses and may charge a premium to employees. This plan may be administered by a third party and may employ supplemental stop-loss		Report government unit/employee contributions and total premium for the same period.	
	insurance to limit unanticipated losses.	5a.	For this plan, how much did the government unit contribute toward the plan premium of ONE	
105	1 Purchased – SKIP to Question 4a		TYPICAL full-time employee with single	
	2 ☐ Self-insured – Continue with Question 3a		coverage?	
	INSURED PLAN INFORMATION	131	\$ Government unit	
	Was this plan self-administered or did your government unit employ an insurance company or other administrator?		Contribution	
106	1 ☐ Self-administered		How much did this typical employee with single coverage contribute toward his/her own	
	2 Insurance company or other administrator		premium?	
b.	Did your government unit purchase stop-loss coverage?	132	€ 0 0 Employee	
107	1 ☐ Yes		\$. 0 0 Employee contribution	
	2 □ No			

PLAN INFORMATION – Continued			
SINGLE COVERAGE PREMIUMS - Continued PLAN CHARACTERISTICS			
5C. What was the total premium for this typical employee with single coverage? 130 \$, 0 0 Total premium	8a. Could this plan have refused to cover persons with certain pre-existing medical or health conditions? 1 Yes – Continue with Question 8b 2 No – SKIP to Question 9		
d. The amounts reported in Questions 5a-5c are based on which one of the following time periods? 1 Weekly 3 Monthly 4 Yearly 2 Every 2 weeks 5 Quarterly	 b. Did this happen in 1998? 184 1 Yes 2 No 9. Did this plan have a policy requiring a waiting period before covering pre-existing conditions? 		
FAMILY COVERAGE PREMIUMS	185 1 ☐ Yes 2 ☐ No		
Report for typical situations and enrollees. Report government unit/employee contributions and total premium for the same period as reported in Question 5d. Report for a family of four if cost varies.	10. In what month did the plan year begin? Enter a two-digit numeric response. Example: January = 01; May = 05 Month		
6a. Was family coverage offered under this plan?	CURRENT PLAN INFORMATION		
137 1 ☐ Yes – Continue with Question 6b 2 ☐ No – SKIP to Question 7a	Questions 11a-f refer to the 1999 plan year. 11a. Is this plan also being offered in the 1999 plan		
b. For this plan, how much did the government unit contribute toward the plan premium of ONE TYPICAL full-time employee with family coverage?	year? 186 1 Yes - SKIP to 2 No - Continue with Question 11c Question 11b		
\$, . Government unit contribution	b. If this plan is no longer offered, was it replaced with a similar plan, replaced by a substantially different plan or dropped without replacement? 187 1 Replaced with similar plan Continue with		
C. How much did this typical employee with family coverage contribute toward his/her own premium?	Replaced by a substantially different plan Question 11c Dropped without offering replacement – End this form		
\$, - 0 0 Employee contribution	Please answer for this plan or the one which replaced it. C. For 1999, how many active employees are enrolled in single coverage during a typical pay period?		
d. What was the total premium for this typical employee with family coverage?	Active employees enrolled in single coverage		
\$, . 0 0 Total premium	d. For 1999, how many active employees are enrolled		
GENERAL PREMIUM INFORMATION	in family coverage during a typical pay period?		
7a. Did the PREMIUMS charged by the insurance company or carrier vary by any of these characteristics?	Active employees enrolled in family coverage		
Mark (X) all that apply. 138 ☐ Age	e. For 1999, what is the total monthly premium for ONE TYPICAL full-time employee with single coverage? 190		
7b. Did the amount an EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTED toward his/her own coverage vary by different employee categories? Examples: Full-time, part-time, wage or salary levels 143 1 Yes 2 No	f. For 1999, what is the total monthly premium for ONE TYPICAL full-time employee with family coverage? 191 \$, 0 0 Monthly family coverage premium		