

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA, *ex rel.*

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

v.

CASE NO. INS-2025-00008

ANTHEM HEALTH PLANS OF VIRGINIA, INC.
and
HEALTHKEEPERS, INC.,
Defendants

SETTLEMENT ORDER

Based on an investigation conducted by the Bureau of Insurance ("Bureau"), the Bureau has alleged that the Defendants, Anthem Health Plans of Virginia, Inc., duly licensed by the State Corporation Commission ("Commission") to transact the business of insurance in the Commonwealth of Virginia as an insurer in accordance with Chapter 10 of the Code of Virginia ("Code"), and HealthKeepers, Inc., duly licensed by the Commission to transact the business of insurance in the Commonwealth of Virginia as a health maintenance organization in accordance with Chapter 43 of the Code, violated § 38.2-3442 of the Code by imposing cost-sharing requirements for certain preventive services.¹

The Commission is authorized by §§ 38.2-218, 38.2-219, 38.2-1040, and 38.2-4316 of the Code to impose certain monetary penalties, issue cease and desist orders, and suspend or revoke a defendant's license upon a finding by the Commission, after notice and opportunity to be heard, that a defendant has committed the aforesaid alleged violation.

¹ Both insurers and health maintenance organizations are subject to § 38.2-3442 of the Code. See § 38.2-3438 of the Code (defining "health carrier").

The Defendants have been advised of the right to a hearing in this matter whereupon the Defendants, without admitting or denying any violation of Virginia law, have made an offer of settlement to the Commission. Through their settlement offer, filed separately in this docket, the Defendants have confirmed that restitution was paid to 446 consumers in the total amount of Two Hundred Sixteen Thousand Nine Hundred Sixty-Four Dollars and Ninety-Eight Cents (\$216,964.98); have tendered to the Treasurer of Virginia the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000); and have waived the right to a hearing.

The Bureau has recommended that the Commission accept the Defendants' settlement offer pursuant to the authority granted the Commission in § 12.1-15 of the Code.

NOW THE COMMISSION, having considered this matter, is of the opinion and finds that the Defendants' settlement offer should be accepted.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- (1) The Defendants' settlement offer is accepted.
- (2) This case is dismissed.

A COPY hereof shall be sent by the Clerk of the Commission by electronic mail to: Kimberly J. Stevens, Compliance Director, Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield, kimberly.stevens@elevancehealth.com; P.O. Box 27401, Richmond, Virginia 23279; and a copy shall be delivered to the Commission's Office of General Counsel and the Bureau of Insurance in care of Deputy Commissioner Julie S. Blauvelt.