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OFFICE OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE ALL-EMPLOYEES MEMORANDUM

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EMPLOYEE MEDICAL HEALTH PLAN OF SUFFOLK COUNTY (EMHP)

ANNUAL NOTICE OF WOMEN'S HEALTH AND CANCER RIGHTS ACT OF 1998

Do you know that your plan, as required by the Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act of 1998, provides benefits for mastectomy-related services including all stages of reconstruction and surgery to achieve symmetry between the breasts, prostheses, and complications resulting from a mastectomy, including lymphedemas? If you have had or are going to have a mastectomy, you may be entitled to certain benefits under the Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act of 1998 (WHCRA). For individuals receiving mastectomy-related benefits, coverage will be provided in a manner determined in consultation with the attending physician and the patient, for:

- All stages of reconstruction of the breast on which the mastectomy was performed;
- Surgery and reconstruction of the other breast to produce a symmetrical appearance;
- Prostheses; and
- Treatment of physical complications of the mastectomy, including lymphedemas.

These benefits are available in and out of network. When you use a non-participating provider in the EMHP, you are responsible for the:

- Deductible of \$550; plus
- 20% copayment; plus
- Charges above reasonable and customary.

If you would like more information on WHCRA benefits, call Employee Benefits at 631-853-4866.

Acting Director of Labor Relations

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