## Letter 58

From: Susan Rensing
To: ETF SMB GIB Feedback

Subject: Fwd: 2017 Uniform Benefits Update to State Group Health Program

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Dear Group Insurance Board,

I just want to register my profound disappointment at the way that the **Gender Reassignment Exclusion** decision was made. It was dishonest, cruel, and unethical to announce that gender reassignment procedures and treatment would be covered and then to reverse that policy AFTER people had signed up for insurance. This coverage would have made a life-changing difference to a small handful of people in our state. The state of Wisconsin needs to stop turning people's lives and livelihood into an opportunity for scoring partisan points.

Best, Susan

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On Mon, Mar 13, 2017 at 9:36 PM, UWSystemHR < <u>uwsystemhr@uwsa.edu</u>> wrote:

## 2017 Uniform Benefits update to State Group Health Program

## **Gender Reassignment Exclusion**

Effective February 1, 2017, the following exclusion is reinstated for participants of the State of Wisconsin Group Health Insurance Program:

The exclusion is an <u>addendum</u> to the State of Wisconsin Group Health Insurance 2017 It's Your Choice decision guides:

Section IV. Exclusions and Limitations of the 2017 Uniform