



# STATE OF CONNECTICUT

## INSURANCE DEPARTMENT

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNING THE PROPOSED RATE INCREASE APPLICATION OF ANTHEM BLUE CROSS and BLUE SHIELD DOCKET NUMBER LH 17-70

Notice is hereby given that the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Connecticut, or her appointed hearing officer, will conduct a public hearing on June 14, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. in room 701 at the Connecticut Insurance Department, 153 Market Street, 7th Floor, Hartford, CT.

This public hearing is being held to consider whether the premium rate increase application filing ("Application") dated May 1, 2017 by Anthem Health Plans, Inc. d/b/a Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield ("Applicant") concerning its individual on and off exchange plans ("Plans") is excessive, inadequate or unfairly discriminatory pursuant to Conn. Gen. Stat. §38a-481. January 1, 2018 is the proposed effective date of the rate increase. The Application requests the Insurance Commissioner's approval, as required by Conn. Gen. Stat. §38a-481.

The hearing will be conducted pursuant to Conn. Gen. Stat. §§38a-8, 38a-481, 4-176e through 4-184, as applicable; and sections 38a-8-7 through 38a-8-53 (the "Department Rules of Practice"), as applicable, of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies. The hearing will include a period devoted exclusively to public comment. Persons interested in being designated a party or intervenor should review the Department Rules of Practice, including sections 38a-8-48 and 38a-8-49 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies. Persons seeking to be designated a party or intervenor must submit, at least five days before the date of hearing, to the Insurance Department, a written petition with copies of such petition served to all parties in accordance with section 38a-8-18 of the Department Rules of Practice. Petitions for persons seeking to be designated a party must include a description of the facts that demonstrate that the petitioner's legal rights, duties or privileges shall be specifically affected by the Department's decision in the contested case; petitions for persons seeking to be designated an intervenor must include a description of the facts that demonstrate that the petitioner's participation is in the interests of justice and will not impair the orderly conduct of the proceedings.

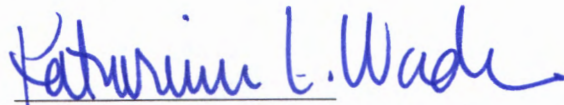
A copy of the Application is on file with the Connecticut Insurance Department, 153 Market Street, 7th floor, Hartford, Connecticut, and is available for public inspection during regular business hours. An electronic copy of the Application is available for public inspection on the Insurance Department website at [www.ct.gov/cid](http://www.ct.gov/cid) (Health Insurance Rate Request for 2018).

At the public hearing, representatives of the Applicant as well as any party or intervenor designated by the Insurance Commissioner pursuant to sections 38a-8-48 and 38a-8-49 of

the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies, and her appointed hearing officer, will appear and be heard concerning the consideration by the Insurance Commissioner of the Application. The public, at the hearing officer's discretion and in accordance with Conn. Gen. Stat. §4-177c(b), will be given an opportunity to comment on the Application orally during the first hour of the hearing and following the conclusion of the evidence portion of the hearing, or in writing, with respect to the issues to be considered by the Insurance Commissioner. Written comments on the Application may be filed with the Insurance Department no later than the close of business on June 13, 2017, by mailing or delivering such statements to the Connecticut Insurance Department, P.O. Box 816, Hartford, CT 06142-0816, Attention: Anthem Rate Filing Hearing. Comments may also be submitted electronically on the Insurance Department website at [www.ct.gov/cid](http://www.ct.gov/cid) (Health Insurance Rate Request for 2018).

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Dated at Hartford, Connecticut, this 30<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2017.



Katharine L. Wade  
Insurance Commissioner