

Alliance Alert

The Public Employee Benefits Alliance (PEBA) was created by a group of Texas Government leaders working together for over a year to develop strategies to manage the rising costs of healthcare benefits. PEBA was established in January 2006 and was created pursuant to Chapter 791 of the Texas government Code, the Purchasing Program Chapter 271 of the Texas Local government Code and all other applicable provisions of Texas Law. PEBA membership is open to all Texas local governments who pay an annual membership fee and execute a PEBA Participating Interlocal Agreement. However, local governments who are members of one of the political subdivision Pools will obtain automatic annual PEBA membership through the participating Pool. An additional per proposal fee is established for proposal participants for all non-Pool members.

PEBA's mission is to support the individual members by providing: negotiation services to manage the spiraling cost of healthcare and related benefits, working together through the alliance procurement model to purchase healthcare and related benefits a competitive price, and provide contractual negotiations which will include vendor service accountability requirements. In order to accomplish this mission, PEBA makes a commitment to negotiate on behalf of the membership affordable, high-quality healthcare and related benefits and services.

The Public Employee Benefits Alliance (PEBA) Board met on July 8, 2011 to review the proposals that were received for an **International Provider Network**. The PEBA Board awarded the proposal to Satori World Medical.

This international provider network will allow PEBA members access to a full-service, high-quality medical travel benefit program through Satori World Medical. Satori World Medical's global healthcare network is designed to provide superior healthcare at significant financial savings. **The Satori network can be easily added to any employee benefit plan, with savings of between 40-80% off specialized surgical procedures such as orthopedic, cardiac, bariatric, spinal and many others (over 70 surgical procedures available).** Satori World Medical has done extensive due diligence on their hospitals and physicians to find the best the world has to offer. Its network features hospitals that meet or exceed U.S. standards of care, are JCI accredited with Satori regularly monitoring clinical performance measures. The Satori network and services do not charge a PEPM or monthly access fee; they only get paid when the service is selected by a PEBA member employee for their surgery.

Please refer to the international facilities and services noted in the below network overview.

PEBA and Satori World Medical will hold an International Network webcast Education Meeting on July 28, 2011 at 2:00 PM. [Click here to register.](#)

Satori Network Overview

Name of Facility	Location of Facility	*JCI Accredited	Contracted Services within Facility (2)
Centre Metropolitain de Chirurgie	Montreal, Canada	N/A	Lap Band
			Gastric Bypass
			Gastric Sleeve
			Reconstructive & Cosmetic
Clinica Biblica	San Jose, Costa Rica	Yes	Total Hip Replacement
			Hip Resurfacing
			Total Knee Replacement

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Name of Facility	Location of Facility	*JCI Accredited	Contracted Services within Facility (2)
			Partial Knee Replacement
			Shoulder Replacement
			Coronary Bypass
			Valve Replacement
			Lap Band
			Gastric Bypass
			Gastric Sleeve
			Hysterectomy
			Prostatectomy
			Cervical Discectomy w/ Fusion
			Lumbar Laminectomy
			Lumbar Laminectomy w/Fusion
			Reconstructive & Cosmetic
CIMA	San Jose, Costa Rica	Yes	Total Hip Replacement
	Monterrey, Mexico	Yes	Total Knee Replacement
			Partial Knee Replacement
			Shoulder Replacement
			Coronary Bypass
			Valve Replacement
			Lap Band
			Gastric Bypass
			Gastric Sleeve
			Hysterectomy
			Prostatectomy
			Reconstructive & Cosmetic
Apollo Hospitals	New Delhi, India	Yes	Total Hip Replacement
	Chennai		Hip Resurfacing
	Hyderabad		Total Knee Replacement
	Calcutta		Partial Knee Replacement
	Bangalore		Coronary Bypass
	Punjab		Valve Replacement
			Pacemaker
			Defibrillator
			Reconstructive & Cosmetic
Asian Heart Institute	Mumbai, India	Yes	Coronary Bypass
			Reconstructive & Cosmetic
Fortis Hospitals	Mumbai, India	Yes	Total Hip Replacement
	Bangalore		Hip Resurfacing
	New Delhi		Total Knee Replacement
	Punjab		Partial Knee Replacement
			Coronary Bypass
			Valve Replacement

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Name of Facility	Location of Facility	*JCI Accredited	Contracted Services within Facility (2)
			Pacemaker
			Defibrillator
			Reconstructive & Cosmetic
ABC Hospital	Mexico City, Mexico (2)	Yes	Cervical Discectomy w/ Fusion
			Lumbar Laminectomy
			Lumbar Laminectomy w/Fusion
			Reconstructive & Cosmetic
Hospital San Jose Tec	Monterrey, Mexico (2)	Yes	Total Hip Replacement
			Hip Resurfacing
			Total Knee Replacement
			Partial Knee Replacement
			Coronary Bypass
			Lap Band
			Gastric Bypass
			Gastric Sleeve
			Prostatectomy
			Cervical Discectomy w/ Fusion
			Lumbar Laminectomy
			Lumbar Laminectomy w/Fusion
			Reconstructive & Cosmetic
OCA Hospital	Monterrey, Mexico (2)	Yes	Total Hip Replacement
			Total Knee Replacement
			Shoulder Replacement
			Valve Replacement
			Pacemaker
			Lap Band
			Gastric Bypass
			Gastric Sleeve
			Hysterectomy
			Cervical Discectomy w/ Fusion
			Lumbar Laminectomy
			Lumbar Laminectomy w/Fusion
			Reconstructive & Cosmetic
St. Luke's Medical Center	Manila, Philippines	Yes	Total Hip Replacement
			Total Knee Replacement
			Shoulder Replacement

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			Coronary Bypass
			Reconstructive & Cosmetic
The Medical City	Manila, Philippines	Yes	Coronary Bypass
			Reconstructive & Cosmetic
National University	Singapore	Yes	Total Hip Replacement
			Hip Resurfacing
			Total Knee Replacement
			Partial Knee Replacement
			Cervical Discectomy w/ Fusion
			Lumbar Laminectomy
			Lumbar Laminectomy w/Fusion
			Reconstructive & Cosmetic
Parkway Health	Singapore		Total Hip Replacement
-Gleneagles Hospital		Yes	Hip Resurfacing
-Mount Elizabeth Hospital		Yes	Total Knee Replacement
			Partial Knee Replacement
			Coronary Bypass
			Valve Replacement
			Pacemaker
			Reconstructive & Cosmetic
Bangkok Hospital Medical Center	Bangkok, Thailand	Yes	Total Hip Replacement
			Hip Resurfacing
			Total Knee Replacement
			Partial Knee Replacement
			Coronary Bypass
			Valve Replacement
			Pacemaker
			Defibrillator
			Lap Band
			Hysterectomy
			Prostatectomy
			Lumbar Laminectomy
			Reconstructive & Cosmetic
Bumrungrad International Hospital	Bangkok, Thailand	Yes	Total Hip Replacement
			Hip Resurfacing
			Coronary Bypass

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			Reconstructive & Cosmetic
Samitevej Srinakarin Hospital	Bangkok, Thailand	Yes	Reconstructive & Cosmetic
Acibadem	Istanbul, Turkey	Yes	Total Hip Replacement
			Hip Resurfacing
			Total Knee Replacement
			Partial Knee Replacement
			Coronary Bypass
			Valve Replacement
			Pacemaker
			Defibrillator
			Reconstructive & Cosmetic
Anadolu Medical Center	Istanbul, Turkey	Yes	Total Hip Replacement
			Hip Resurfacing
			Total Knee Replacement
			Partial Knee Replacement
			Coronary Bypass
			Valve Replacement
			Pacemaker
			Defibrillator
			Reconstructive & Cosmetic

PEBA will be providing interested PEBA Members with a Letter of Intent that must be executed prior to accessing the benefit. PEBA must be in receipt of the signed letter of Intent by close of business Monday August 15, 2011.

For political subdivisions that have not joined PEBA and/or did not participate in the proposal process, it is not too late. Political subdivision employers may still access the PEBA Alliance contracts if they are current with the PEBA Annual Membership Fee, Proposal Costs, Late Fee and Interlocal Agreement. PEBA has demonstrated proposal success due the PEBA membership cooperation and support.