## **Imagine Our Future** Secure Healthy Together

## **UNAC/UHCP Members Join Bargaining Team!**

Bargaining Update #2: March 30, 2012

Hundreds of members from UNAC/UHCP and other Coalition Unions showed up this week to support our bargaining team.

UNAC/UHCP members served as observers in the following sub-groups:

- Benefits
- Enhancing the Partnership
- Growth of KP and Unions
- Total Health
- Workforce of the Future

**In the Benefits sub-group** we reviewed the various benefit and pension plans that currently exist.

On our third day of bargaining we had a union-only caucus, where representatives of the coalition unions met to talk about our interests and goals for benefits and our pension.

UNAC/UHCP members actively participated in these discussions.

See back page for more on benefits.

"You feel like you are part of the decision making when you are physically present."

> —Pacita Moreno West LA, 10 Years





"I felt a part of the team. My voice was heard during the labor caucus." –Belinda Redding Woodland Hills



"Eye-opening. All members should attend. Such a diverse group, with many of the labor partners giving their input."

—H. Jeannette Nuno Cudahy, 15 Years





## We are committed to protecting our benefits.

Kaiser implemented "Flex" benefits on all non-union employees back in 2010, and has since proposed the same sweeping change for other unions and employees. We all know people at Kaiser who had the "Flex" plan imposed. *We expect Kaiser to seek "Flex" benefits from us in our bargaining.* 

## The "Flex" plan means higher co-pays, new copays and higher out of pocket maximums.

It also means **different benefit levels** based on full and part time status:

- 32-40 hours worked per week gets 100% credit toward the "mid-level option" Flex Plan
- 26-31 hours per week gets 80% credit and must pay 20% toward the mid-level Flex Plan
- 20-25 hours per week gets 60% credits and must pay 40% toward the mid-level Flex Plan

Plan Feature	Current UNAC/UHCP Benefits	Flex Plan (Mid-Level Option)
Office visit	\$5 co-pay	\$20 co-pay
ER (waived if admitted)	\$5 co-pay	\$50 co-pay
Outpatient surgery	\$5 co-pay	\$50 co-pay
Inpatient admission	\$0 со-рау	\$100 co-pay per day
Generic (120 days)	\$5 prescription	\$20 prescription
Brand (120 days)	\$5 prescription	\$30 prescription
PT Annual co-pay limit: Individual Family	\$1,500 \$3,000	\$3,000 \$6,000



"Very complicated process. Attend to understand the facts."

> -Ruby Nagatalon Anaheim, 1 year



"It makes a world of difference being part of the bargaining group to comprehend more in-depth about our benefits."

> —Sergio Alvarez, Harbor City, 10 years



"I've learned a lot about the process. We do have input and have to save what we have. The fight is just beginning."

> —Cora Holder Fontana, 28 years

