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## **PRIORITY HEALTH EXTENDING COVERAGE FOR DEPENDENTS**

### **THE LAW**

For plan years beginning on or after September 23, 2010, the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA) requires insurers to provide coverage for dependents through the age of 26, regardless of marital or student status.

### **PRIORITY HEALTH NEWS**

Priority Health has good news for employees with current dependents who haven't yet reached age 26: they're allowing these young adults — who might otherwise lose their coverage — to stay on their parents' health plans.

As you may be aware, part of the recent health care reform law extends dependent coverage to age 26. But the law takes effect in September — too late for this year's graduates. For your employees' convenience, effective May 1, 2010, Priority Health is allowing these current dependents to keep their coverage regardless of their student status.

If your employees are interested in getting coverage for their dependents, they may select from one of Priority Health's new individual health plans.

**Please note:** *This extension is only for **currently covered** dependents. Those dependents who have aged off their parents' policies prior to May 1 and lack coverage won't be eligible for coverage until their parent's next renewal, which must be after Sept. 23, 2010.*

### **FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

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### **QUESTIONS**

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