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TO: ILWU Longshore, Ship Clerk, and Walking Boss/Foreman Locals and  
Watchmen Locals 26 and 75

FROM: Elizabeth Sharpe, Manager, Welfare Plans

RE: Medicare Changes in Hospital Deductible and Coinsurance Amounts

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services has announced the following changes in inpatient hospital deductible and daily coinsurance amounts effective January 1, 2012:

	2011	2012	Amount of Increase
<b>Inpatient hospital deductible</b>	\$1,132.00	<b>\$1,156.00</b>	\$24.00
<b>Daily coinsurance amount per benefit period:</b>			
61 <sup>st</sup> through 90 <sup>th</sup> day of hospitalization	\$283.00	<b>\$289.00</b>	\$4.00
91 <sup>st</sup> through 150 <sup>th</sup> day of hospitalization (lifetime reserve days)	\$566.00	<b>\$578.00</b>	\$12.00
21 <sup>st</sup> through 100 <sup>th</sup> day of extended care service in a skilled nursing facility	\$141.50	<b>\$144.50</b>	\$3.00

Medicare eligibles with coverage under the ILWU-PMA Coastwise Indemnity Plan will have no increase in their out-of-pocket costs because the Plan covers Medicare deductibles and coinsurance.

As of January 1, 2012, the standard monthly Medicare Part B premium rate deducted from Medicare enrolled members' Social Security payments will be \$99.90 if the member's modified adjusted gross income does not exceed \$85,000 (\$170,000 for couples).

Individuals whose modified adjusted gross income exceeds \$85,000 (\$170,000 for couples) are subject to higher premium amounts. Pensioners and Beneficiaries whose monthly Medicare Part B premium is higher than the standard rate of \$99.90 must submit documentation to the Plan office verifying the amount of their monthly premium.

A copy of this memo can be downloaded at [www.benefitplans.org](http://www.benefitplans.org)

cc: Area Welfare Directors

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