

Non-tobacco User Discount

All PEEHIP members enrolled in the PEEHIP Hospital Medical or VIVA Health Plan are charged a \$28 per month PEEHIP premium increase. However, non-tobacco users can have the \$28 premium removed from their monthly premium by certifying that they (and their spouse, if the spouse is covered as a dependent) have not used tobacco products within the last 12 months. Members must certify their tobacco status to PEEHIP to qualify for the \$28 to be removed from their monthly premium.

If you have previously certified your tobacco status and your spouse's tobacco status (if you have family coverage), you do not need to re-certify every year. You are only required to complete a HEALTH INSURANCE AND OPTIONAL STATUS CHANGE form if your or your spouse's tobacco status changes during the year.

New employees who enroll in the hospital medical or VIVA Health Plan must certify their tobacco status (and their spouse's tobacco status if covered as a dependent) by completing the tobacco questions on the [HEALTH INSURANCE AND OPTIONAL ENROLLMENT APPLICATION](#) or by answering the tobacco questions through the Member Online system at the time of enrollment. If it is unreasonably difficult due to a medical condition for you or your dependents to achieve the standard for receiving the discount, or if it is medically inadvisable for you or your dependents to attempt to achieve the standards for the discount, contact PEEHIP for more information relating to possible alternative methods of qualification. The tobacco premium only applies to the PEEHIP Hospital Medical Plan or Viva Health Plan and not the PEEHIP Optional Plans.