



## **Educators Health Alliance Selects Blue Cross Blue Shield of Nebraska as Insurer**

### *Competitive Bid Process for Health Insurance Program Leads to Selection*

August 26, 2016 – The Educators Health Alliance (EHA) Board of Directors at its August 25, 2016, meeting approved a resolution selecting Blue Cross Blue Shield of Nebraska as the insurer for the EHA program for the September 1, 2017 to August 31, 2018 plan year.

The EHA released a request for proposal (RFP) on March 29, 2016. Competitive bids were submitted by three insurers with the scope and capacity to insure the EHA program. The EHA's decision is made after the completion of a comprehensive review of the bidding insurers' capabilities, products and costs.

The EHA engaged its consultant, Actuarial & Health Care Solutions, as well as Buck Consultants in the evaluation of the bids. This team utilized experts in health insurance, actuarial science, pharmacy, medical management and customer service in the evaluation.

The EHA plan's insurance coverage includes more than 80,000 education employees, early retirees and their dependents in more than 400 school groups. The statewide health care network was formed 45 years ago. A 12-member board representing Nebraska State Education Association, the Nebraska Association of School Boards and the Nebraska Council of School Administrators governs the health care plan.