# Higginbotham<sup>™</sup> Public Sector



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### **AGENDA**

Introductions

About Higginbotham

Day One Services
Benefits Consulting

Day Two Services®

Benefits Enrollment & Education

Implementation & Service Team



### **ABOUT HIGGINBOTHAM**





200+

Top-tier Carrier Relationships

97%

Client Retention

Ranked #1

5-Star Brokerage in the USA

by Insurance Business America 2024

\$10M

**Employee Donations** 

to the Higginbotham Community Fund



Community Outreach Project of the Year

By Business Insurance



**Best Agency** to Work For

By Insurance Journal



Healthiest 100 Workplaces in America

By Healthiest Employers



Insurance Hall of Fame Rusty Reid

By Insurance Business America



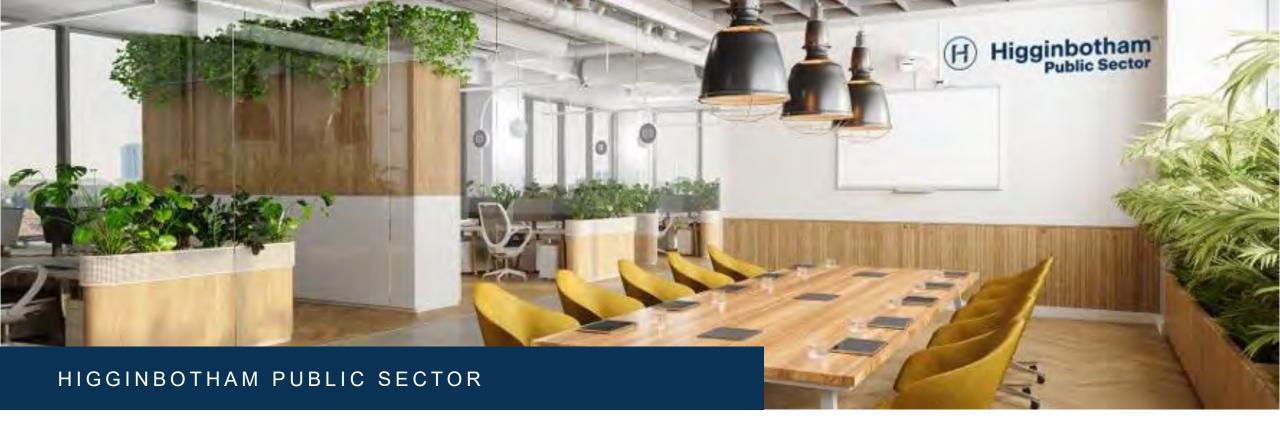
To exceed the expectations of our employees, clients, carriers, and communities in a partnership to deliver a single source for insurance and financial services.



Higginbotham Public Sector (HPS) – a specialty practice of Higginbotham – offers business insurance, retirement planning services, and HR services for educational and government institutions. Our dedicated in-house experts work with you to create a customized benefits solution that meets your needs.

With the power of Higginbotham's deep expertise and capabilities – combined with HPS's dedicated service approach and proprietary resources – you get the ultimate peace of mind.





### **Specializing in Public Sector Business**

Pioneered the development of employee benefit cooperatives and the RISE Savings Program

Service 600+ public and governmental entities

Consultant for the majority of Texas Educational Service Centers

### **Sample Clients**

- Arlington ISD
- Birdville ISD
- Carrollton-Farmers Branch ISD
- Cedar Hill ISD
- ESC Region 10

- Denton ISD
- Duncanville ISD
- Fort Worth ISD
- Frisco ISD
- Red Oak ISD



#### THE HPS DIFFERENCE

### **Single-Source Service Model**

- We offer nearly every insurance product, including property and casualty
- We represent 200+ national and regional insurance carriers
- Dedicated, layered service approach

### Day Two Services®

- We service what we sell
- We provide in-house, year-round, turnkey support throughout the term of your policy
- Benefits CareLine

### **Custom Solutions and Support**

- Benefit consulting
- Education resources
- Benefit guide

### **Technology**

- Proprietary benefit administration system and online enrollment
- Custom benefit website
- Smartphone app
- BenefitsEDU
- SMS text notification

### **Billing Support**

### Dedicated team that manages:

- Invoices
- Reconciliation
- Common remitter

#### PRODUCT PORTFOLIO

<b>⊘</b>	Employer-Sponsored and Voluntary Employee Benefits
<b>⊘</b>	Commercial and Personal Property & Casualty Insurance
<b>⊘</b>	Retirement Plans
<b>⊘</b>	Executive Benefits
<b>⊘</b>	HR Services
<b>⊘</b>	Outsourcing
<b>⊘</b>	Benefits Cooperatives

### **Year-Round Support**

- Safety/loss control
- Contract review
- Claims advocacy
- Risk management
- Information systems
- Employee benefits communications
- Health risk management
- HR technology
- Employee call center
- Section 125 administration
- COBRA administration
- Compliance

### **DAY ONE SERVICES**

**Benefit Consulting** 



Employees are no longer settling for the same old perks. Give them something more at little or no cost to your company with supplemental benefits.

### We specialize in providing benefit options that help you:

- Meet your employees' needs
- Attract and retain talent
- Reduce your direct insurance costs

### **Our 5-Step Approach**





#### DAY ONE SERVICES

Our goal with each group client relationship is to deliver products and services that enhance your employee benefits plan.

### We provide:

- More comprehensive plan designs
- Improved underwriting guidelines
- Better rate guarantees
- An employee benefits education platform
- THEbenefitsHUB
  Our proprietary benefit administration system



HPS designs programs based on the diverse needs of employees and a company's budget. Group medical plan funding mechanisms vary based on employer size and risk tolerance.

No matter what kind of insurance plan you need, we tailor it for you. We start with listening and end with customized solutions that are right for you.

#### **Product Evaluation**



Amount of Risk Least

Price





Discover what a well-designed employee wellness program can do for you. Get a custom program that meets your employees' needs and interests, and inspires a healthy, high-performing workforce.

#### What We Do For You:

- Analyze culture
- Engage management
- Create awareness
- Provide education
- Measure success



### FINANCIAL PROTECTION PRODUCTS



**Dental** 

**Critical Illness** 

**Short Term** 

Disability





**Hospital Indemnity** 





**Long Term** Disability



**Accident** 



**Telehealth** 



Legal Assistance **Plans** 



Cancer



**Medical Transport Services** 



**Retirement Savings Plans** 





and Support

## Retirement Planning



To meet your employees' retirement and financial needs, we work with you to develop a retirement plan that aligns with your corporate goals. Our team ensures that your plan offers competitive funds options, complies with regulations, and helps participants prepare for retirement.

We help you assign a plan's named fiduciary—who is accountable for all aspects of your retirement plan—and assist with mitigating fiduciary liability by alerting plan sponsors of their fiduciary duty and helping to develop procedures and accountability standards.

#### Our services include:

- Plan governance
- Fiduciary compliance
- Investment due diligence
- Target date fund selection
- Benchmarking fees

- Plan design
- Vendor market analysis
- Plan benchmarking
- Merger & acquisition assistance



## RISE Savings Program



The Retirement Investments for School Educators (RISE) Savings Program offers a cost-effective, service-focused savings program created specifically for your workforce.

### With RISE, you get:

- A high-value, competitive savings program
- Guided investment selection and fiduciary protection
- Expertise across plan types
- Best practices and deliberate plan design
- A choice of features that work best for your people
- Administrative ease

Whether you combine your administrative services with RISE or use the offerings of an external third-party administrator, you'll get the assistance you need to manage the program.



# Property & Casualty Insurance



Let us identify your unique exposures and gaps, design a custom plan, and find the best value for you.

### Coverage options that may be right for you:

- Workers' Compensation
- General Liability
- Cyber Liability
- Errors & Omissions (E&O)
- Student Accident
- Commercial Property
- Special Events Liability
- Sexual Misconduct Liability
- Professional Liability
- Directors & Officers (D&O)



### DAY TWO SERVICES®



#### DAY TWO SERVICES®

Immediately after you become our client, our Day Two Services activate to handle all the details – from enrollment to communications to billing. Your dedicated team will always go the extra mile to maximize your time and minimize hassle, even creating innovative solutions in response to your unique needs.

Day-to-Day Team	Population Health Mar	nagement	Compliance	HR Technology
Strategic Planning / Benchmarking Financial Planning Data Analytics Dedicated Account Team	Customized Programs  Vendor Coordination  Exercise and Sports  Physiology  Nutritional Sciences  Et	sychology & ental Health Social Work Ilth Education ublic Health gonomics & loskeletal Health	Compliance Consult and Review Legislative, Regulate Political Updates Tactical Planning Customized Complia Dashboard/Calend	Ory, Manage RFP Process Oversee Implementation
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HR Service Center	HR Resources	Com	nmunications	Other Resources
Stewardship Reports Dedicated Toll-Free Phone Number 140 Languages Supported 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. CS' Monday - Friday	Client Portal	s Brand or Re Custo ai	eed Communications einforce Existing Brand m Landing Pages nd QR Codes Mass texting	International Coverage Pharmacy Consulting Actuarial Services
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### **Easing the Billing Burden**

At HPS, our proprietary reconciliation software and in-house team reduce your billing workload by handling:

- Invoices
- Reconciliation
- Common remitter premiums

Your dedicated Billing Representative takes care of end-to-end billing aspects, including reconciliation and payment processing, so you don't have to.





### **Consolidated Billing Services**

- Common Remitter
- Monthly Billing and Reconciliation
- Dedicated Billing Representative



### **Section 125 Administration**

- Flexible Spending Account (FSA)
- Dependent Care FSA
- Premium Only Plans
- FSA Debit Card



### **COBRA Administration**

- Federal and State Compliance
- Distribution of COBRA Notices
- Fully Integrated
  Web-Based System





### Affordable Care Act (ACA) Compliance

- Identify Benefits Eligibility
- Coverage Tracking and Reporting
- Multiple Service Options Available



### Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA) Services

- Regulation Compliance
- Eligibility Determination
- Job Protection and Benefits Continuation



### **HSA/HRA**

- Eligibility and Contribution Tracking
- Regulation Compliance
- HSA Debit Card





### **HR Services**

- HR Outsourcing
- HR Technology
- Payroll Services



### Population Health Management

- Customized Programs
- Vendor Coordination
- Tools and Education
- Program Assessment



# & EDUCATION



### THE benefits HUB Benefits Administration System



THE benefits HUB is our proprietary, in-house benefits administration system. We own and operate all the system source codes and have our own programmers and EDI import and export personnel on staff. This allows us the latitude to customize content for you.

### **Features of the System:**

- Enroll and manage core and supplemental benefits
- Benefits website accessible 24/7/365
- Benefits App (Android and iOS)
- Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) to insurance carriers
- Data upload to your payroll system
- Robust reporting tools



#### BENEFITS EDUCATION



#### **Benefits Website**

A customized benefits website is designed and tailored so your employees have comprehensive, plan-specific benefit information available 24/7.



#### **Educational Benefits Videos**

Educational videos are produced for each benefit offered. These short videos describe or define core or voluntary products.



#### **Interactive Benefits Guide**

Employees receive an interactive benefits guide to access on desktop and mobile devices to guide them during open enrollment.



### **Benefits Meetings and Creative Benefits Engagement**

Video presentations, on-site group meetings, and benefits campaigns can be provided for open enrollment or during the year to help engage and inform employees.





### **Enrollment Options**

Our system allows your employees to self-enroll or get help enrolling from our experienced enrollment staff or bilingual call center, the Benefits CareLine. Staff members are not paid bonuses or commissions to sell insurance. They explain each benefit offered and help employees make informed decisions.



### **Bilingual Counselors**

Licensed bilingual enrollment counselors offer benefits education and guide your employees through the online enrollment system.



### Posters, Postcards, and Flyers

Pre- and post-enrollment materials are available to inform and raise awareness on new benefits offerings.



#### **SMS Notifications**

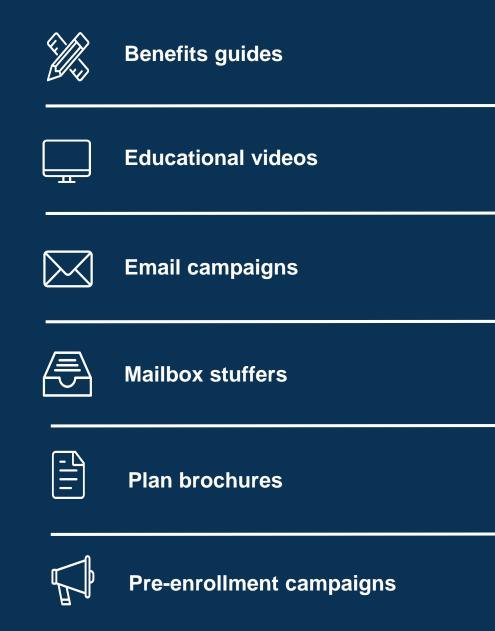
Employees can opt-in to receive SMS notifications such as enrollment alerts, interactive benefits guides, benefits videos, and more. This system is available year-round.



#### BENEFITS EDUCATION

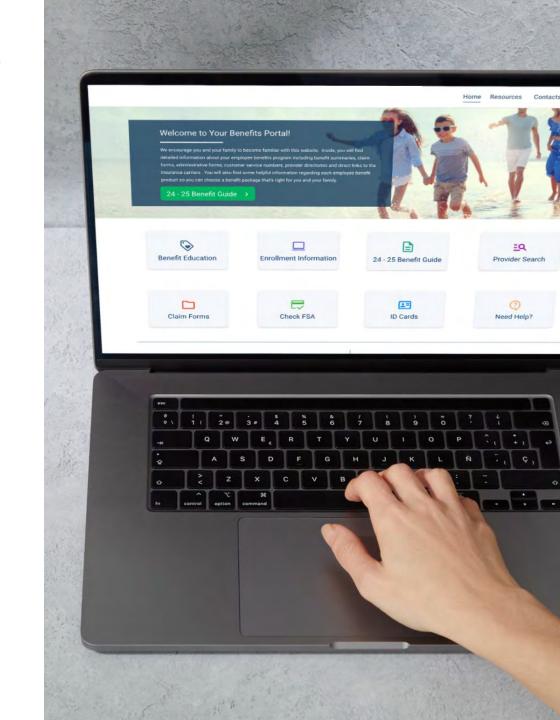
HPS provides custom communication strategies to help your employees understand their benefits. Our Communication Team and Client Service Representatives will work with your HR team to ensure employees are engaged and understand their benefits.

The more engaged an employee is in the workplace, reflects in their productivity and loyalty to their employer.



### **Benefits Website**

- Answers common HR-related questions
- Offers immediate access to benefits information
- Links to employee benefits guide
- Displays educational videos
- Offers a single point of access to THEbenefitsHUB
- Available 24/7/365



### **Benefits App**

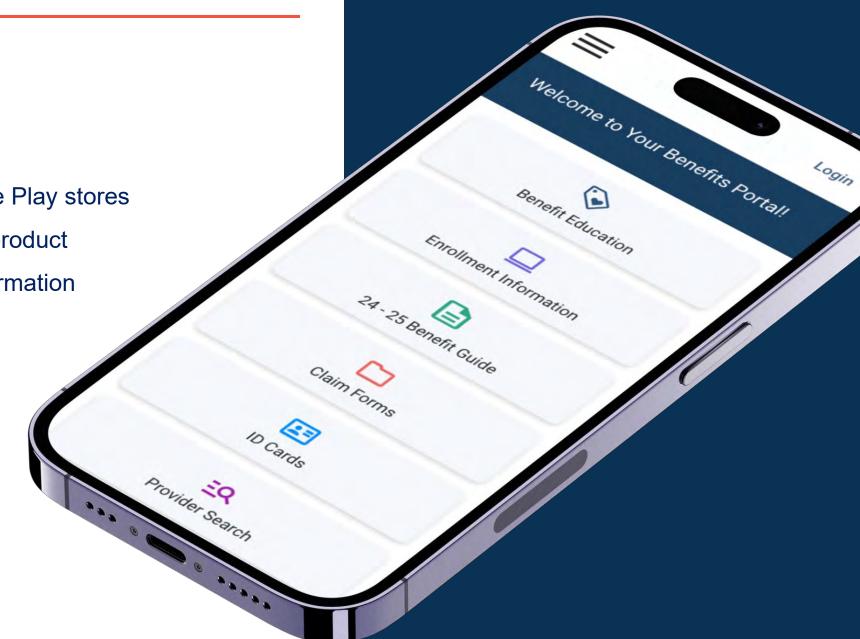
Available on Apple and Google Play stores

Benefits information on each product

Insurance carrier/provider information

Product videos

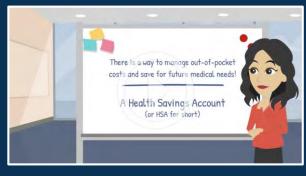
- Employee self-service tools
  - Member ID cards
  - Physician contact information
  - Pharmacy information
  - Allergy tracker



### **Educational Videos**

To aid in overall product knowledge, we can incorporate professionally produced educational videos into your annual enrollment communications.





**HSA Series** 



Mental Health Infocast



**Cancer Infocast** 

### BENEFITS EDUCATION



# **Enrollment Management**

- Group benefits meetings
- Bilingual enrollment counselors
- Benefits CareLine (call center)
- Enrollment analytics and reporting

### **Sample Benefits Guides**









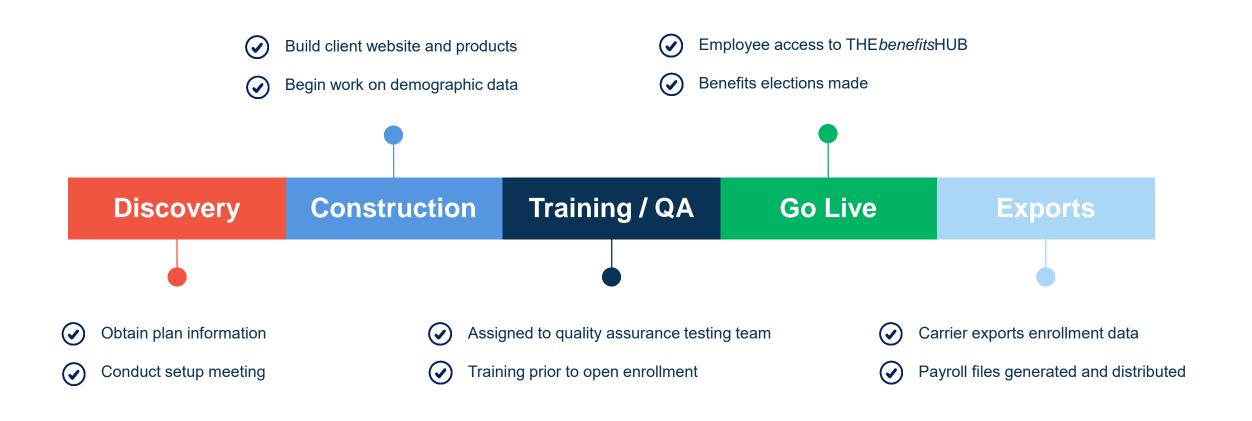


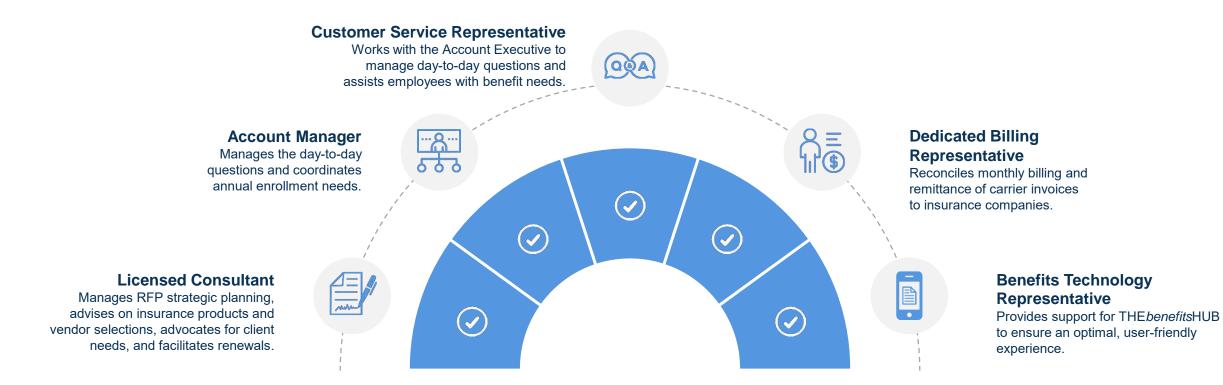


**Sample Communications Collateral** 

### **IMPLEMENTATION & SERVICE TEAM**









### **THANK YOU**

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