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once we receive it to confirm the selection to get it fixed that way, 'cause I know sometimes hopefully, fingers crossed, that's not the case with you, um, but sometimes the system doesn't let you unclick what you already clicked. But if that's not the case for you, you're good to go right now. Okay. Yeah. I got it to undo everything. I'm gonna call that- Okay. ... number and see, um, if they have anyone local, um, so I can use the MEC. Understood. And then if you have, um, if you're choosing dental or vision, if you have a specific doctor that you can go to, I can give you the name of the carriers to make sure that they do work with that insurance before you get enrolled or make the selection. Okay. Thank you. I appreciate it. Of course. Let me know when you're ready and I can give you those names. Yeah. I'm ready. Okay. So for the vision it's MetLife. Okay. And then the dental is with American Public Life. American Public Life. And that's the dental, right? Yes, ma'am, and that will also be the carrier for both of the BAP plans as well. All right. Awesome. Thank you. Of course. And then the Stay Healthy's there with, uh, the carrier 90 Degree. Okay. No. Wait a minute. You said the Stay Healthy is what? 90 Degree. All right. All right. Thank you. I appreciate everything. Of course. My pleasure. Anything else I can assist you with today? No. That's all for now. All right. I hope you have a wonderful rest of your day, and thank you for your time today. You too. Thank you.

Conversation Format

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Speaker speaker 2: ... uh, I was read-

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Speaker speaker_2: Around the Clock Care.

Speaker speaker_1: Give me one moment while I pull up your benefit guide.

Speaker speaker_2: Okay, thank you.

Speaker speaker_1: All right, go ahead. What was the questions you had?

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Speaker speaker_1: It is 800-

Speaker speaker_2: Okay.

Speaker speaker_1: ... 457-

Speaker speaker_2: All right.

Speaker speaker_1: ... 1403.

Speaker speaker_2: All right. Thank you.

Speaker speaker_1: Of course. And quick question, the thing that you're filling out right now, does it say enrollment form somewhere?

Speaker speaker 2: Yeah. It's the enrollment.

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Speaker speaker_2: Okay. Yeah. I got it to undo everything. I'm gonna call that-

Speaker speaker_1: Okay.

Speaker speaker_2: ... number and see, um, if they have anyone local, um, so I can use the MEC.

Speaker speaker_1: Understood. And then if you have, um, if you're choosing dental or vision, if you have a specific doctor that you can go to, I can give you the name of the carriers to make sure that they do work with that insurance before you get enrolled or make the selection.

Speaker speaker_2: Okay. Thank you. I appreciate it.

Speaker speaker_1: Of course. Let me know when you're ready and I can give you those names.

Speaker speaker_2: Yeah. I'm ready.

Speaker speaker_1: Okay. So for the vision it's MetLife.

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Speaker speaker_1: And then the dental is with American Public Life.

Speaker speaker_2: American Public Life. And that's the dental, right?

Speaker speaker_1: Yes, ma'am, and that will also be the carrier for both of the BAP plans as well.

Speaker speaker_2: All right. Awesome. Thank you.

Speaker speaker_1: Of course. And then the Stay Healthy's there with, uh, the carrier 90 Degree.

Speaker speaker_2: Okay. No. Wait a minute. You said the Stay Healthy is what?

Speaker speaker_1: 90 Degree.

Speaker speaker 2: All right. All right. Thank you. I appreciate everything.

Speaker speaker_1: Of course. My pleasure. Anything else I can assist you with today?

Speaker speaker_2: No. That's all for now.

Speaker speaker_1: All right. I hope you have a wonderful rest of your day, and thank you for your time today.

Speaker speaker_2: You too. Thank you.