a restricted service area, and you move outside the carrier’s service area to a service area that does not offer a combination carrier and you change to a dental only or vision only carrier, your existing combination plan coverage will stop at midnight of the day before the effective date of your new plan coverage.

(f) If your FEDVIP carrier discontinues participation in the program at the end of the contract year, then you must change to another carrier during the open season, unless OPM establishes a different time. If the discontinuance is at a time other than the end of the contract year, OPM will establish a time and effective date for you to change your carrier. If you do not change your carrier within the time set by OPM, your coverage will stop at midnight of the day before the effective date set by OPM for coverage with another carrier.

§ 894.602 May I cancel my enrollment at any time?
No. You may only cancel your enrollment during an open season. Exceptions: You may cancel your dental and/or vision enrollment if you transfer to an eligible position with a Federal agency that provides dental and/or vision coverage with 50 percent or more employer-paid premiums. You may also cancel upon your deployment or your spouse’s deployment to active military duty. These cancellations will become effective at the end of the pay period that you submit your request.

§ 894.603 Is there an extension of coverage and right to convert when my coverage stops or when a covered family member loses eligibility?
No. There is no extension of coverage or right to convert to an individual policy or Temporary Continuation of Coverage (TCC) when your FEDVIP coverage stops or when a family member loses eligibility under the Program.

Subpart G—Annuitants and Compensationers

§ 894.701 May I keep my dental and/or vision coverage when I retire or start receiving workers’ compensation?
(a) Your FEDVIP coverage continues if you retire on an immediate annuity or on a disability annuity, or start receiving compensation from OWCP.
(b) If you retire on a Minimum Retirement Age +10 annuity that you elect to postpone in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 8412(g), your FEDVIP coverage will stop when you separate from service. However, you may enroll again within 60 days of when your annuity starts.
(c) If you retire on a deferred annuity in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 8413, your FEDVIP coverage stops and you are not eligible to enroll.

§ 894.702 May I participate in open season and make changes to my enrollment as an annuitant or compensationer?
Yes. Annuitants and compensationers may participate in open season and make enrollment changes under the same circumstances as active employees.

§ 894.703 How long does my coverage as an annuitant or compensationer last?
Your coverage as an annuitant or compensationer continues as long as you continue receiving an annuity or compensation and pay your premiums, unless you cancel your coverage during an open season or terminate coverage due to insufficient annuity or compensation.

§ 894.704 What happens if I retire and then come back to work for the Federal Government?
(a) If you have FEDVIP coverage as an annuitant, and you become reemployed in an eligible position in Federal service, you must contact the Administrator so it can send the request for allotments to your agency so your agency can start making the allotments from your pay.
(b) If you did not enroll in FEDVIP coverage as an annuitant and become
reemployed in an eligible Federal position, you have 60 days to enroll in FEDVIP.

(c) If you enroll as an employee the Administrator will stop sending requests for allotments from your annuity.

(d) If your reemployment terminates, you must notify the Administrator within 30 days to have your allotments withheld from your annuity payments. Otherwise, your FEDVIP coverage will terminate due to non-payment of premiums.

§ 894.801 Will benefits be available in underserved areas?

(a) Dental and vision plans under FEDVIP will include underserved areas in their service areas and provide benefits to enrollees in underserved areas.

(b) In any area where a FEDVIP dental or vision plan does not meet OPM access standards, including underserved areas, enrollees may receive services from non-network providers.

(c) Contracts under FEDVIP shall include access standards as defined by OPM and payment levels for services to non-network providers in areas that do not meet access standards.