

VLCT Health Trust, Inc.

**VLCT Retiree Gold Plan C –
Preferred Provider Medical/Rx
Benefits**

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CONNECTICUT GENERAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

a CIGNA company (called CG) certifies that it insures certain Employees for the benefits provided by the following policy(s):

EMPLOYER: VLCT Health Trust, Inc.

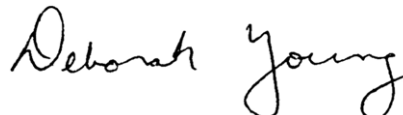
GROUP POLICY(S) — COVERAGE

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This certificate describes the main features of the insurance. It does not waive or alter any of the terms of the policy(s). If questions arise, the policy(s) will govern.

This certificate takes the place of any other issued to you on a prior date which described the insurance.



Deborah Young, Corporate Secretary

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Explanation of Terms

You will find terms starting with capital letters throughout your certificate. To help you understand your benefits, most of these terms are defined in the Definitions section of your certificate.

The Schedule

The Schedule is a brief outline of your maximum benefits which may be payable under your insurance. For a full description of each benefit, refer to the appropriate section listed in the Table of Contents.



Special Plan Provisions

When you select a Participating Provider, this Plan pays a greater share of the costs than if you select a non-Participating Provider. Participating Providers include Physicians, Hospitals and Other Health Care Professionals and Other Health Care Facilities. Consult your Physician Guide for a list of Participating Providers in your area. Participating Providers are committed to providing you appropriate care while lowering medical costs.

Services Available in Conjunction With Your Medical Plan

The following pages describe helpful services available in conjunction with your medical plan. You can access these services by calling the toll-free number shown on the back of your ID card.

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CIGNA'S Toll-Free Care Line

CIGNA's toll-free care line allows you to talk to a health care professional during normal business hours, Monday through Friday, simply by calling the toll-free number shown on your ID card.

CIGNA's toll-free care line personnel can provide you with the names of Participating Providers. If you need medical care, you may consult your Physician Guide which lists the Participating Providers in your area or call CIGNA's toll-free number for assistance. If you need medical care while away from home, you may have access to a national network of Participating Providers through CIGNA's Away-From-Home Care feature. Call CIGNA's toll-free care line for the names of Participating Providers in other network areas. Whether you obtain the name of a Participating Provider from your Physician Guide or through the care line, it is recommended that prior to making an appointment you call the provider to confirm that he or she is a current participant in the Preferred Provider Program.

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Case Management

Case Management is a service provided through a Review Organization, which assists individuals with treatment needs that extend beyond the acute care setting. The goal of Case Management is to ensure that patients receive appropriate care

in the most effective setting possible whether at home, as an outpatient, or an inpatient in a Hospital or specialized facility. Should the need for Case Management arise, a Case Management professional will work closely with the patient, his or her family and the attending Physician to determine appropriate treatment options which will best meet the patient's needs and keep costs manageable. The Case Manager will help coordinate the treatment program and arrange for necessary resources. Case Managers are also available to answer questions and provide ongoing support for the family in times of medical crisis.

Case Managers are Registered Nurses (RNs) and other credentialed health care professionals, each trained in a clinical specialty area such as trauma, high risk pregnancy and neonates, oncology, mental health, rehabilitation or general medicine and surgery. A Case Manager trained in the appropriate clinical specialty area will be assigned to you. In addition, Case Managers are supported by a panel of Physician advisors who offer guidance on up-to-date treatment programs and medical technology. While the Case Manager recommends alternate treatment programs and helps coordinate needed resources, the patient's attending Physician remains responsible for the actual medical care.

1. You, or an attending Physician can request Case Management services by calling the toll-free number shown on your ID card during normal business hours, Monday through Friday. In addition, your employer, a claim office or a utilization review program (see the PAC/CSR section of your certificate) may refer an individual for Case Management.
2. The Review Organization assesses each case to determine whether Case Management is appropriate.
3. You are contacted by an assigned Case Manager who explains in detail how the program works. Participation in the program is voluntary - no penalty or benefit reduction is imposed if you do not wish to participate in Case Management.
4. Following an initial assessment, the Case Manager works with you, your family and Physician to determine the needs of the patient and to identify what alternate treatment programs are available (for example, in-home medical care in lieu of an extended Hospital convalescence). You are not penalized if the alternate treatment program is not followed.
5. The Case Manager arranges for alternate treatment services and supplies, as needed (for example, nursing

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services or a Hospital bed and other Durable Medical Equipment for the home).

6. The Case Manager also acts as a liaison between the insurer, the patient, his or her family and Physician as needed (for example, by helping you to understand a complex medical diagnosis or treatment plan).
7. Once the alternate treatment program is in place, the Case Manager continues to manage the case to ensure the treatment program remains appropriate to the patient's needs.

While participation in Case Management is strictly voluntary, Case Management professionals can offer quality, cost-effective treatment alternatives, as well as provide assistance in obtaining needed medical resources and ongoing family support in a time of need.

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Additional Programs

CG may, from time to time, offer or arrange for various entities to offer discounts, benefits or other consideration to Employees for the purpose of promoting their general health and well being. Contact CG for details of these programs.

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Important Notices

Our Commitment to Quality

One of our goals is to work with network doctors to give you access to quality care and programs. The CIGNA HealthCare Quality Management Program is based on industry standards and objective measures. These help us evaluate the quality of care and services received by our members. The Program helps us focus our improvement efforts. The Program allows for input from our members and providers. This is done through regular analysis of certain items. The findings are reported to quality committees. They help us target areas in need of improvement and monitor change. The items are:

- credentialing process for qualified doctors;
- ongoing assessment of clinical activities and services provided to our members;
- Utilization Management activities and programs for our members;
- program dedicated to communicating and administering member rights and responsibilities.

Our providers and members serve on local health plan Quality Committees. If you wish to be on the committee, call 1-800-531-4584, x67170. Or write to us at the address on your ID card.

Program Results

We evaluate our Quality Program to determine our success. We find opportunities for improvement for the next year. Below is a summary of our 2004 achievements:

- Expanded scope of PPO Quality Program to include oversight of dental and vision care
- Expanded current program activities to include members and providers in new Open Access Plus Product
- Achieved required state quality assurance certificates
- Defined clinical effectiveness strategy including member outreach activities and measurement process
- Expanded Well Aware programs to the following disease states: COPD, low back pain and asthma
- Enhanced the following service and clinical areas:
 - Improved Vermont member satisfaction with PPO plan from 74% to 77%
 - Continued centralization of appeals processing within National Appeals Unit
 - Designated integrated claim and call teams co-located in the service centers. The teams provide faster issue resolution and a more “end to end” account service experience.
 - Improved Well Aware diabetes and cardiac clinical outcomes
 - Improved asthma medication compliance by 17% points and reduced hospitalizations and emergency room visits for members by 50%
 - Increased member outreach and enrollment in Well Aware programs
 - Enhanced depression screening tool for Well Aware programs and added stress management screening for COPD and Asthma
 - Reduced the risk of cardiovascular events by 35% for members who met their LDL goals through improved cholesterol medication compliance
 - Improved dental provider network access by adding over 10,000 general dentists and over 2,000 specialists to the PPO network

Your Role

CIGNA HealthCare values your input and suggestions to improve care to our members. Your participation in plan surveys gives us feedback on plan performance and policy developments. You have the right to provide feedback in



developing plan policy and may be able to volunteer to participate in preventive health care work groups and/or surveys. Should you wish to provide feedback to the Quality Management Department, or to receive more information about the CIGNA HealthCare Quality Management Program, the annual program evaluation or other current preventive health measures, please call the number on your HealthCare ID Card.

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YOUR ACCOUNT NUMBER IS THE 7-DIGIT POLICY NUMBER SHOWN ON YOUR BENEFIT IDENTIFICATION CARD.

- PROMPT FILING OF ANY REQUIRED CLAIM FORMS RESULTS IN FASTER PAYMENT OF YOUR CLAIMS.

WARNING: Any person who knowingly presents a false or fraudulent claim for payment of a loss or benefit is guilty of a crime and may be subject to fines and confinement in prison.

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NOTICE

Please see our website at www.CIGNA.com for the most current listing of formulary drugs or call the Member Services number on the back of your ID card.

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Accident and Health Provisions

Claims

Notice of Claim

Written notice of claim must be given to CG within 30 days after the occurrence or start of the loss on which claim is based. If notice is not given in that time, the claim will not be invalidated or reduced if it is shown that written notice was given as soon as was reasonably possible.

Claim Forms

When CG receives the notice of claim, it will give to the claimant, or to the Policyholder for the claimant, the claim forms which it uses for filing proof of loss. If the claimant does not get these claim forms within 15 days after CG receives notice of claim, he will be considered to meet the proof of loss requirements of the policy if he submits written proof of loss within 90 days after the date of loss. This proof must describe the occurrence, character and extent of the loss for which claim is made.

Proof of Loss

Written proof of loss must be given to CG within 90 days after the date of the loss for which claim is made. If written proof of loss is not given in that time, the claim will not be invalidated or reduced if it is shown that written proof of loss was given as soon as was reasonably possible.

Physical Examination

CG, at its own expense, will have the right to examine any person for whom claim is pending as often as it may reasonably require.

Legal Actions

Where CG has followed the terms of the policy, no action at law or in equity will be brought to recover on the policy until at least 60 days after proof of loss has been filed with CG. No action will be brought at all unless brought within 3 years after the time within which proof of loss is required.

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How To File Your Claim

The prompt filing of any required claim form will result in faster payment of your claim.

You may get the required claim forms from your Benefit Plan Administrator. All fully completed claim forms and bills should be sent directly to your servicing CG Claim Office.

Depending on your Group Insurance Plan benefits, file your claim forms as described below.

Hospital Confinement

If possible, get your Group Medical Insurance claim form before you are admitted to the Hospital. This form will make your admission easier and any cash deposit usually required will be waived.

If you have a Benefit Identification Card, present it at the admission office at the time of your admission. The card tells the Hospital to send its bills directly to CG.

Doctor's Bills and Other Medical Expenses

The first Medical Claim should be filed as soon as you have incurred covered expenses. Itemized copies of your bills should be sent with the claim form. If you have any additional bills after the first treatment, file them periodically.

CLAIM REMINDERS

- BE SURE TO USE YOUR MEMBER ID AND ACCOUNT NUMBER WHEN YOU FILE CG'S CLAIM FORMS, OR WHEN YOU CALL YOUR CG CLAIM OFFICE.

YOUR MEMBER ID IS THE ID SHOWN ON YOUR BENEFIT IDENTIFICATION CARD.



Who Is Eligible

For Employee Insurance

You will become eligible for insurance on the day you complete the waiting period if:

- you are in a Class of Eligible Employees; and
- you are an eligible, full time Employee; and
- you normally work an amount of hours as determined by your Employer.

If you were previously insured and your insurance ceased, you must satisfy the New Employee Group waiting period to become insured again. If your insurance ceased because you were no longer employed in a Class of Eligible Employees, you are not required to satisfy any waiting period if you again become a member of a Class of Eligible Employees within one year after your insurance ceased.

Initial Employee Group: You are in the Initial Employee Group if you are in the employ of an Employer on the Participation Date of the Employer.

New Employee Group: You are in the New Employee Group if your employment with an Employer starts after the Participation Date of that Employer.

Waiting Period

Initial Employee Group: None

New Employee Group: First of the month following your date of hire.

Classes of Eligible Employees

Each Employee as reported to the insurance company by your Employer.

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You will become insured on your first day of eligibility, following your election, if you are in Active Service on that date, or if you are not in Active Service on that date due to your health status. However, you will not be insured for any loss of life, dismemberment or loss of income coverage until you are in Active Service.

Late Entrant - Employee

You are a Late Entrant if:

- you elect the insurance more than 30 days after you become eligible; or
- you again elect it after you cancel your payroll deduction.

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Employee Insurance

This plan is offered to you as an Employee. To be insured, you will have to pay part of the cost.

Effective Date of Your Insurance

You will become insured on the date you elect the insurance by signing an approved payroll deduction form, but no earlier than the date you become eligible. If you are a Late Entrant, your insurance will not become effective until CG agrees to insure you. You will not be denied enrollment for Medical Insurance due to your health status.



PREFERRED PROVIDER MEDICAL BENEFITS

The Schedule

For You

Preferred Provider Medical Benefits provide coverage for care In-Network and Out-of-Network. To receive Preferred Provider Medical Benefits, you may be required to pay a portion of the Covered Expenses for services and supplies. That portion is the Copayment, Deductible or Coinsurance.

If you are unable to locate an In-Network Provider in your area who can provide you with a service or supply that is covered under this plan, you must call the number on the back of your I.D. card to obtain authorization for Out-of-Network Provider coverage. If you obtain authorization for services provided by an Out-of-Network Provider, benefits for those services will be covered at the In-Network benefit level.

Coinsurance

The term Coinsurance means the percentage of charges for Covered Expenses that an insured person is required to pay under the plan.

Copayments/Deductibles

Copayments are expenses to be paid by you for the services received. Deductibles are also expenses to be paid by you. Deductible amounts are separate from and not reduced by Copayments. Copayments and Deductibles are in addition to any Coinsurance. Once the Deductible maximum in The Schedule has been reached you and your family need not satisfy any further medical deductible for the rest of that year.



PREFERRED PROVIDER MEDICAL BENEFITS

The Schedule

Out-of -Pocket Expenses

Out-of-Pocket Expenses are Covered Expenses incurred for In-Network and Out-of-Network charges that are not paid by the benefit plan because of any Coinsurance.

Charges will not accumulate toward the Out-of-Pocket Maximum for Covered Expenses incurred for:

- Mental Health and Substance Abuse treatment.
- non-compliance penalties.
- provider charges in excess of the Maximum Reimbursable Charge.

When the Out-of-Pocket Maximum shown in The Schedule is reached, Injury and Sickness benefits are payable at 100% except for:

- Mental Health and Substance Abuse treatment.
- non-compliance penalties.
- provider charges in excess of the Maximum Reimbursable Charge.

Accumulation of Plan Deductibles and Out-of-Pocket Maximums

Deductibles and Out-of-Pocket Maximums will accumulate in one direction (e.g. Out-of-Network will accumulate to In-Network). All other plan maximums and service-specific maximums (dollar and occurrence) cross-accumulate between In- and Out-of-Network unless otherwise noted.

Multiple Surgical Reduction

Multiple surgeries performed during one operating session result in payment reduction of 50% to the surgery of lesser charge. The most expensive procedure is paid as any other surgery.



PREFERRED PROVIDER MEDICAL BENEFITS

The Schedule

Assistant Surgeon and Co-Surgeon Charges

Assistant Surgeon

The maximum amount payable will be limited to charges made by an assistant surgeon that do not exceed 20 percent of the surgeon's allowable charge. (For purposes of this limitation, allowable charge means the amount payable to the surgeon prior to any reductions due to coinsurance or deductible amounts.)

Co-Surgeon

The maximum amount payable will be limited to charges made by co-surgeons that do not exceed 20 percent of the surgeon's allowable charge plus 20 percent. (For purposes of this limitation, allowable charge means the amount payable to the surgeons prior to any reductions due to coinsurance or deductible amounts.)



BENEFIT HIGHLIGHTS	IN-NETWORK	OUT-OF-NETWORK
Lifetime Maximum	Unlimited	
Coinsurance Levels	100%	100% of the Maximum Reimbursable Charge
Maximum Reimbursable Charge Maximum Reimbursable Charge is determined based on the lesser of the provider's normal charge for a similar service or supply; or A percentile of charges made by providers of such service or supply in the geographic area where the service is received. These charges are compiled in a database we have selected. Note: The provider may bill you for the difference between the provider's normal charge and the Maximum Reimbursable Charge, in addition to applicable deductibles, copayments and coinsurance.	Not Applicable	80th Percentile



BENEFIT HIGHLIGHTS	IN-NETWORK	OUT-OF-NETWORK
<p>Calendar Year Deductible</p> <p>Individual</p> <p>Family Maximum</p> <p>Family Maximum Calculation</p> <p>Individual Calculation: Family members meet only their individual deductible and then their claims will be covered under the plan coinsurance; if the family deductible has been met prior to their individual deductible being met, their claims will be paid at the plan coinsurance.</p>	<p>\$100 per person</p> <p>\$300 per family</p>	<p>\$100 per person</p> <p>\$300 per family</p>
<p>Out-of-Pocket Maximum</p> <p>Individual</p> <p>Family Maximum</p> <p>Family Maximum Calculation</p> <p>Individual Calculation: Family members meet only their individual Out-of-Pocket and then their claims will be covered at 100%; if the family Out-of-Pocket has been met prior to their individual Out-of-Pocket being met, their claims will be paid at 100%.</p>	<p>\$500 per person</p> <p>Not Applicable</p>	<p>\$500 per person</p> <p>Not Applicable</p>



BENEFIT HIGHLIGHTS	IN-NETWORK	OUT-OF-NETWORK
Physician's Services		
Primary Care Physician's Office visit	No charge after \$20 per office visit copay	No charge after \$20 per office visit deductible
Specialty Care Physician's Office Visits Consultant and Referral Physician's Services Note: OB/GYN provider is considered a Specialist.	No charge after \$20 Specialist per office visit copay	No charge after \$20 per office visit deductible
Surgery Performed In the Physician's Office	No charge after the \$20 PCP or \$20 Specialist per office visit copay	No charge after \$20 per office visit deductible
Second Opinion Consultations (provided on a voluntary basis)	No charge after the \$20 PCP or \$20 Specialist per office visit copay	No charge after \$20 per office visit deductible
Allergy Treatment/Injections	No charge	100%
Allergy Serum (dispensed by the physician in the office)	No charge	100%
Preventive Care		
Routine Preventive Care		
Calendar Year Maximum through age 2 (including immunizations): Unlimited		
Calendar Year Maximum for ages 3 and above (including immunizations): Unlimited		
Note:		
Well-woman OB/GYN visits will be considered a Specialist visit.		



BENEFIT HIGHLIGHTS	IN-NETWORK	OUT-OF-NETWORK
<p>Physician's Office Visit</p> <p>Immunizations</p>	<p>No charge after the \$20 PCP or \$20 Specialist per office visit copay</p> <p>No charge</p>	<p>No charge after \$20 per office visit deductible</p> <p>No charge</p>
<p>Mammograms, PSA, Pap Smear</p>	<p>100% if billed by an independent diagnostic facility or outpatient hospital.</p> <p>Note: The associated wellness exam will be covered at no charge after the \$20 PCP or \$20 Specialist per visit copay.</p>	<p>100%</p>
<p>Inpatient Hospital - Facility Services</p> <p>Semi-Private Room and Board</p> <p>Private Room</p> <p>Special Care Units (ICU/CCU)</p>	<p>100%</p> <p>Limited to the semi-private room negotiated rate</p> <p>Limited to the semi-private room negotiated rate</p> <p>Limited to the negotiated rate</p>	<p>100%</p> <p>Limited to the semi-private room rate</p> <p>Limited to the semi-private room rate</p> <p>Limited to the ICU/CCU daily room rate</p>
<p>Outpatient Facility Services</p> <p>Operating Room, Recovery Room, Procedures Room, Treatment Room and Observation Room.</p>	<p>100%</p>	<p>100%</p>



BENEFIT HIGHLIGHTS	IN-NETWORK	OUT-OF-NETWORK
Inpatient Hospital Physician's Visits/Consultations	100%	100%
Inpatient Hospital Professional Services Surgeon Radiologist Pathologist Anesthesiologist	100%	100%
Outpatient Professional Services Surgeon Radiologist Pathologist Anesthesiologist	100%	100%



BENEFIT HIGHLIGHTS	IN-NETWORK	OUT-OF-NETWORK
<p>Emergency and Urgent Care Services</p> <p>Physician’s Office Visit</p> <p>Hospital Emergency Room</p> <p>Outpatient Professional services (radiology, pathology and ER Physician)</p> <p>Urgent Care Facility or Outpatient Facility</p> <p>X-ray and/or Lab performed at the Emergency Room/Urgent Care Facility (billed by the facility as part of the ER/UC visit)</p> <p>Independent x-ray and/or Lab Facility in conjunction with an ER visit</p> <p>Advanced Radiological Imaging (i.e. MRIs, MRAs, CAT Scans, PET Scans etc.)</p> <p>Ambulance</p>	<p>No charge after the \$20 PCP or \$20 Specialist per office visit copay</p> <p>100%</p> <p>100%</p> <p>100%</p> <p>100%</p> <p>100%</p> <p>100%</p> <p>100%</p> <p>80% after plan deductible</p>	<p>No charge after \$20 per office visit deductible</p> <p>100%</p> <p>100%</p> <p>100%</p> <p>100%</p> <p>100%</p> <p>100%</p> <p>80% after plan deductible</p>
<p>Inpatient Services at Other Health Care Facilities</p> <p>Includes Skilled Nursing Facility, Rehabilitation Hospital and Sub-Acute Facilities</p> <p>Calendar Year Maximum: 60 days combined</p>	<p>100%</p>	<p>100%</p>



BENEFIT HIGHLIGHTS	IN-NETWORK	OUT-OF-NETWORK
<p>Laboratory and Radiology Services (includes pre-admission testing)</p> <p>Physician’s Office Visit</p> <p>Outpatient Hospital Facility</p> <p>Independent X-ray and/or Lab Facility</p>	<p>No charge after the \$20 PCP or \$20 Specialist per visit copay</p> <p>100%</p> <p>100%</p>	<p>No charge after the \$20 per visit deductible</p> <p>100%</p> <p>100%</p>
<p>Advanced Radiological Imaging (i.e. MRIs, MRAs, CAT Scans and PET Scans)</p> <p>The scan copay/deductible applies per type of scan per day</p> <p>Inpatient Facility</p> <p>Outpatient Facility</p> <p>Physician’s Office Visit</p>	<p>100%</p> <p>100%</p> <p>No charge</p>	<p>100%</p> <p>100%</p> <p>No charge</p>
<p>Outpatient Short-Term Rehabilitative Therapy and Chiropractic Services</p> <p>Calendar Year Maximum: 60 days for all therapies combined</p> <p>Includes:</p> <p>Physical Therapy</p> <p>Speech Therapy</p> <p>Occupational Therapy</p> <p>Pulmonary Rehab</p> <p>Cognitive Therapy</p>	<p>No charge</p>	<p>No charge</p>



BENEFIT HIGHLIGHTS	IN-NETWORK	OUT-OF-NETWORK
<p>Chiropractic Therapy (includes Chiropractors) (subject to medical necessity)</p> <p>Calendar Year Maximum: Unlimited</p>	No charge	No charge
<p>Cardiac Rehabilitation</p> <p>Maximum: 36 days per Calendar Year</p>	No charge after the \$20 PCP or \$20 Specialist per visit copay	No charge after the \$20 per visit deductible
<p>Home Health Care</p> <p>Calendar Year Maximum: Unlimited (includes outpatient private nursing when approved as medically necessary)</p>	100%	100%
<p>Hospice</p> <p>Inpatient Services</p> <p>Outpatient Services (same coinsurance level as Home Health Care)</p>	<p>100%</p> <p>100%</p>	<p>100%</p> <p>100%</p>



BENEFIT HIGHLIGHTS	IN-NETWORK	OUT-OF-NETWORK
<p>Bereavement Counseling Services provided as part of Hospice Care</p> <p>Inpatient</p> <p>Outpatient</p> <p>Services provided by Mental Health Professional</p>	<p>100%</p> <p>100%</p> <p>Covered under Mental Health Benefit</p>	<p>100%</p> <p>100%</p> <p>Covered under Mental Health Benefit</p>
<p>Maternity Care Services</p> <p>Initial Visit to Confirm Pregnancy</p> <p>Note: OB/GYN provider is considered a Specialist.</p> <p>All subsequent Prenatal Visits, Postnatal Visits and Physician's Delivery Charges (i.e. global maternity fee)</p> <p>Physician's Office Visits in addition to the global maternity fee when performed by an OB/GYN or Specialist</p> <p>Delivery - Facility (Inpatient Hospital, Birthing Center)</p>	<p>No charge after the \$20 PCP or \$20 Specialist per visit copay</p> <p>100%</p> <p>No charge after the \$20 PCP or \$20 Specialist per visit copay</p> <p>100%</p>	<p>No charge after the \$20 per visit deductible</p> <p>100%</p> <p>No charge after the \$20 per visit deductible</p> <p>100%</p>



BENEFIT HIGHLIGHTS	IN-NETWORK	OUT-OF-NETWORK
Abortion Includes elective and non-elective procedures		
Physician's Office Visit	No charge after the \$20 PCP or \$20 Specialist per visit copay	No charge after the \$20 per visit deductible
Inpatient Facility	100%	100%
Outpatient Facility	100%	100%
Physician's Services	100%	100%



BENEFIT HIGHLIGHTS	IN-NETWORK	OUT-OF-NETWORK
<p>Family Planning Services</p> <p>Office Visits, Lab and Radiology Tests and Counseling</p> <p>Note: The standard benefit will include coverage for contraceptive devices (e.g. Depo-Provera and Intrauterine Devices (IUDs). Diaphragms will also be covered when services are provided in the physician's office.</p> <p>Surgical Sterilization Procedures for Vasectomy/Tubal Ligation</p> <p>Inpatient Facility</p> <p>Outpatient Facility</p> <p>Physician's Services</p> <p>Physician's Office Visit</p>	<p>No charge after the \$20 PCP or \$20 Specialist per office visit copay</p> <p>100%</p> <p>100%</p> <p>100%</p> <p>No charge after the \$20 PCP or \$20 Specialist per visit copay</p>	<p>No charge after the \$20 per visit deductible</p> <p>100%</p> <p>100%</p> <p>100%</p> <p>No charge after the \$20 per visit deductible</p>



BENEFIT HIGHLIGHTS	IN-NETWORK	OUT-OF-NETWORK
<p>Reversal of Voluntary Sterilization Maximum: 1 per lifetime</p> <p>Physician’s Office Visit</p> <p>Inpatient Facility</p> <p>Outpatient Facility</p> <p>Physician’s Services</p>	<p>No charge after the \$20 PCP or \$20 Specialist per visit copay</p> <p>100%</p> <p>100%</p> <p>100%</p>	<p>No charge after the \$20 per visit deductible</p> <p>100%</p> <p>100%</p> <p>100%</p>
<p>Infertility Treatment Coverage will be provided for the following services:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Testing and treatment services performed in connection with an underlying medical condition. • Testing performed specifically to determine the cause of infertility. • Treatment and/or procedures performed specifically to restore fertility (e.g. procedures to correct an infertility condition). • Artificial Insemination <p>Surgical Treatment: Limited to procedures for the correction of infertility (excludes In-vitro, GIFT, ZIFT, etc.)</p>		
<p>Physician’s Office Visit (Lab and Radiology Tests, Counseling)</p> <p>Inpatient Facility</p> <p>Outpatient Facility</p> <p>Physician's Services</p>	<p>No charge after the \$20 PCP or \$20 Specialist per visit copay</p> <p>100%</p> <p>100%</p> <p>100%</p>	<p>No charge after the \$20 per visit deductible</p> <p>100%</p> <p>100%</p> <p>100%</p>
<p>Organ Transplants Includes all medically appropriate, non-experimental transplants</p>		



BENEFIT HIGHLIGHTS	IN-NETWORK	OUT-OF-NETWORK
Physician's Office Visit	No charge after the \$20 PCP or \$20 Specialist per office visit copay	No charge after the \$20 per visit deductible
Inpatient Facility	100%	100%
Physician's Services	100%	100%
		Out of Network Transplant services will be subject to the following maximums: Heart - \$150,000 Liver - \$230,000 Bone / Marrow - \$130,000 Heart / Lung - \$185,000 Lung - \$185,000 Pancreas - \$50,000 Kidney - \$80,000 Kidney / Pancreas - \$80,000
Lifetime Travel Maximum	\$10,000	Not Applicable



BENEFIT HIGHLIGHTS	IN-NETWORK	OUT-OF-NETWORK
<p>Durable Medical Equipment (No charge for Diabetic Equipment) Calendar Year Maximum: Unlimited</p>	<p>80% after plan deductible</p>	<p>80% after plan deductible</p>
<p>External Prosthetic Appliances Calendar Year Maximum: Unlimited</p>	<p>80% after plan deductible</p>	<p>80% after plan deductible</p>
<p>Nutritional Evaluation Calendar Year Maximum: 3 visits per person, however the three visit limit will not apply to treatment of diabetes. Physician's Office Visit Inpatient Facility Outpatient Facility Physician's Services</p>	<p>No charge after the \$20 PCP or \$20 Specialist per office visit copay 100% 100% 100%</p>	<p>No charge after the \$20 per visit deductible 100% 100% 100%</p>



BENEFIT HIGHLIGHTS	IN-NETWORK	OUT-OF-NETWORK
<p>Dental Care Limited to charges made for a continuous course of dental treatment started within six months of an injury to sound, natural teeth.</p> <p>Physician’s Office Visit</p> <p>Inpatient Facility</p> <p>Outpatient Facility</p> <p>Physician's Services</p>	<p>No charge after the \$20 PCP or \$20 Specialist per visit copay</p> <p>100%</p> <p>100%</p> <p>100%</p>	<p>No charge after the \$20 per visit deductible</p> <p>100%</p> <p>100%</p> <p>100%</p>
<p>Oral Surgical Procedures</p> <p>Physician’s Office Visit</p> <p>Inpatient Facility</p> <p>Outpatient Facility</p> <p>Physician's Services</p>	<p>No charge after the \$20 PCP or \$20 Specialist per visit copay</p> <p>100%</p> <p>100%</p> <p>100%</p>	<p>No charge after the \$20 per visit deductible</p> <p>100%</p> <p>100%</p> <p>100%</p>
<p>Wigs</p> <p>Allowance of up to \$650 of billed charges at 100%</p>	<p>100%</p>	<p>100%</p>
<p>Routine Foot Disorders</p>	<p>Not covered except for services associated with foot care for diabetes and peripheral vascular disease.</p>	<p>Not covered except for services associated with foot care for diabetes and peripheral vascular disease.</p>



BENEFIT HIGHLIGHTS	IN-NETWORK	OUT-OF-NETWORK
<p>Mental Health and Substance Abuse</p> <p>Mental Health and Substance Abuse Inpatient</p> <p>Calendar Year Maximum: Unlimited</p> <p>Acute: based on a ratio of 1:1 Partial: based on a ratio of 2:1 Residential: based on a ratio of 2:1</p> <p>Mental Health and Substance Abuse Outpatient</p> <p>Calendar Year Maximum: Unlimited</p> <p>Mental Health Outpatient Group Therapy (One group therapy session equals one individual therapy session)</p> <p>Mental Health and Substance Abuse Intensive Outpatient</p> <p>Calendar Year Maximum: Up to 3 programs</p>	<p>100%</p> <p>No charge after \$20 per office visit copay</p> <p>No charge after \$20 per visit copay</p> <p>100% no deductible</p>	<p>100%</p> <p>No charge after the \$20 per visit deductible</p> <p>No charge after the \$20 per visit deductible</p> <p>100% no deductible</p>



Preferred Provider Medical Benefits

Certification Requirements - Out-of-Network

For You

Pre-Admission Certification/Continued Stay Review for Hospital Confinement

Pre-Admission Certification (PAC) and Continued Stay Review (CSR) refer to the process used to certify the Medical Necessity and length of a Hospital Confinement when you require treatment in a Hospital:

- as a registered bed patient;
- for a Partial Hospitalization for the treatment of Mental Health or Substance Abuse;
- for Mental Health or Substance Abuse Residential Treatment Services.

You should request PAC prior to any non-emergency treatment in a Hospital described above. In the case of an emergency admission, you should contact the Review Organization within 48 hours after the admission. For an admission due to pregnancy, you should call the Review Organization by the end of the third month of pregnancy. CSR should be requested, prior to the end of the certified length of stay, for continued Hospital Confinement.

Covered Expenses incurred will be reduced by 50% for Hospital charges made for each separate admission to the Hospital:

- unless PAC is received: (a) prior to the date of admission; or (b) in the case of an emergency admission, within 48 hours after the date of admission.

Covered Expenses incurred for which benefits would otherwise be payable under this plan for the charges listed below will not include:

- Hospital charges for Bed and Board, for treatment listed above for which PAC was performed, which are made for any day in excess of the number of days certified through PAC or CSR; and
- any Hospital charges for treatment listed above for which PAC was requested, but which was not certified as Medically Necessary.

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PAC and CSR are performed through a utilization review program by a Review Organization with which CG has contracted.

In any case, those expenses incurred for which payment is excluded by the terms set forth above will not be considered as expenses incurred for the purpose of any other part of this plan, except for the "Coordination of Benefits" section.

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Prior Authorization/Pre-Authorized

The term Prior Authorization means the approval that a Participating Provider must receive from the Review Organization, prior to services being rendered, in order for certain services and benefits to be covered under this policy.

Services that require Prior Authorization include, but are not limited to:

- inpatient Hospital services;
- inpatient services at any participating Other Health Care Facility;
- residential treatment;
- intensive outpatient programs;
- nonemergency ambulance; or
- transplant services.

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Covered Expenses

The term Covered Expenses means the expenses incurred by or on behalf of a person for the charges listed below if they are incurred after he becomes insured for these benefits. Expenses incurred for such charges are considered Covered Expenses to the extent that the services or supplies provided are recommended by a Physician, and are Medically Necessary for the care and treatment of an Injury or a Sickness, as determined by CG. **Any applicable Copayments, Deductibles or limits are shown in The Schedule.**

Covered Expenses

- charges made by a Hospital, on its own behalf, for Bed and Board and other Necessary Services and Supplies; except that for any day of Hospital Confinement, Covered Expenses will not include that portion of charges for Bed and Board which is more than the Bed and Board Limit shown in The Schedule.
- charges for licensed ambulance service to or from the nearest Hospital where the needed medical care and treatment can be provided.



- charges made by a Hospital, on its own behalf, for medical care and treatment received as an outpatient.
- charges made by a Free-Standing Surgical Facility, on its own behalf for medical care and treatment.
- charges made on its own behalf, by an Other Health Care Facility, including a Skilled Nursing Facility, a Rehabilitation Hospital or a subacute facility for medical care and treatment; except that for any day of Other Health Care Facility confinement, Covered Expenses will not include that portion of charges which are in excess of the Other Health Care Facility Daily Limit shown in The Schedule.
- charges made for Emergency Services and Urgent Care.
- charges made by a Physician or a Psychologist for professional services.
- charges made by a Nurse, other than a member of your family, for professional nursing service.

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- charges made for anesthetics and their administration; diagnostic x-ray and laboratory examinations; x-ray, radium, and radioactive isotope treatment; chemotherapy; blood transfusions; oxygen and other gases and their administration.
- charges made for oral surgical procedures including removal of partial bony impacted tooth, removal of a complete bony impacted tooth, complete with unusual surgical complications.

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- charges made for an annual Papanicolaou laboratory screening test.
- charges made for an annual prostate-specific antigen test (PSA).
- charges for appropriate counseling, medical services connected with surgical therapies, including vasectomy and tubal ligation.

- charges made for laboratory services, radiation therapy and other diagnostic and therapeutic radiological procedures.
- charges made for Family Planning, including medical history, physical exam, related laboratory tests, medical supervision in accordance with generally accepted medical practices, other medical services, information and counseling on contraception, implanted/injected contraceptives.
- office visits, tests and counseling for Family Planning services are subject to the Preventive Care Maximum shown in the Schedule.
- charges made for Routine Preventive Care from age 3 including immunizations, not to exceed the maximum shown in the Schedule. Routine Preventive Care means health care assessments, wellness visits and any related services.
- charges made for visits for routine preventive care of a Dependent child during the first two years of that Dependent child's life, including immunizations.

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- charges made for or in connection with mammograms for breast cancer screenings not to exceed an annual mammogram for women age 50 or over; or one annually for women less than age 50 upon recommendation of a Physician.
- charges for inpatient maternity and newborn care. The length of stay for the mother will be based on the health of the mother and newborn, the ability and confidence of the mother to care for her newborn, the adequacy of support at home and access to appropriate follow-up care. If a newborn is discharged in less than 24 hours, that newborn must be examined by a Physician either in a home, Hospital, or clinic within 24 hours of discharge. The first visit may also be by phone call, and if it is, then a home health care visit will also be covered within 48 hours of discharge. The mother will have follow-up care available for a maximum of 6 post-partum weeks.
- charges for medical foods and low protein modified food products prescribed for Medically Necessary treatment of inherited metabolic diseases. Coverage includes no less than \$2,500 per year.

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- charges made for the Medically Necessary treatment of the bones and joints of the face, neck and head resulting from



accident, trauma, congenital defect, developmental defect or pathology.

- prescription contraceptive methods approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, including prescription drugs and devices. Voluntary sterilization is also covered.

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- Charges made for medical and surgical services for the treatment or control of clinically severe obesity. Clinically severe obesity is defined by the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute (NHLBI) as a Body Mass Index (BMI) of 40 or greater without comorbidities, or a BMI of 35-39 with comorbidities. The following items are specifically excluded:
 - Medical and surgical services to alter appearances or physical changes that are the result of any medical or surgical services performed for the treatment or control of obesity or clinically severe obesity that are cosmetic and not otherwise Medically Necessary; and
 - Weight loss programs, other than Physician-supervised weight loss programs required by CG in order to clinically qualify for potential bariatric surgery.
 - Charges for reversal of male and female voluntary sterilization procedures
 - Charges for wigs

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- orthognathic surgery to repair or correct a severe facial deformity or disfigurement that orthodontics alone can not correct, provided:
 - the deformity or disfigurement is accompanied by a documented clinically significant functional impairment, and there is a reasonable expectation that the procedure will result in meaningful functional improvement; or
 - the orthognathic surgery is Medically Necessary as a result of tumor, trauma, disease or;
 - the orthognathic surgery is performed prior to age 19 and is required as a result of severe congenital facial deformity or congenital condition.

Repeat or subsequent orthognathic surgeries for the same condition are covered only when the previous orthognathic surgery met the above requirements, and there is a high probability of significant additional improvement as determined by the utilization review Physician.

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The following benefits will apply to insulin-using and insulin-dependent diabetics, gestational diabetics and noninsulin-dependent diabetics, when treatment is prescribed by a licensed health care professional:

- charges for Durable Medical Equipment related to diabetes, including: glucometers; blood glucose meters for the legally blind; insulin pumps; infusion devices and related accessories, including those adaptable for the legally blind, after review for Medical Necessity; and glucagon emergency kits. A special maximum will not apply.
- charges for insulin; syringes; prefilled insulin cartridges for the blind; oral blood sugar control agents; glucose test strips; visual reading ketone strips; urine test strips; lancets; and alcohol swabs.
- charges for training by a certified registered or licensed health care professional with recent education in diabetes management, limited to the following:
 - (a) Medically Necessary visits when diabetes is diagnosed;
 - (b) visits following a Physician’s diagnosis of a significant change in the symptoms or conditions that warrant changes in self-management;
 - (c) visits when reeducation or refresher training is prescribed by a health care practitioner with authorizing authority; and
 - (d) medical nutrition therapy related to diabetes management.

Comprehensive diabetes self-management education, survival skills diabetes self-management education, and customized diabetes self-management education will be covered.

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Genetic Testing

- charges made for genetic testing that uses a proven testing method for the identification of genetically-linked inheritable disease. Genetic testing is covered only if:
 - a person has symptoms or signs of a genetically-linked inheritable disease;



- it has been determined that a person is at risk for carrier status as supported by existing peer-reviewed, evidence-based, scientific literature for the development of a genetically-linked inheritable disease when the results will impact clinical outcome; or

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- the therapeutic purpose is to identify specific genetic mutation that has been demonstrated in the existing peer-reviewed, evidence-based, scientific literature to directly impact treatment options.

Pre-implantation genetic testing, genetic diagnosis prior to embryo transfer, is covered when either parent has an inherited disease or is a documented carrier of a genetically-linked inheritable disease.

Genetic counseling is covered if a person is undergoing approved genetic testing, or if a person has an inherited disease and is a potential candidate for genetic testing. Genetic counseling is limited to 3 visits per calendar year for both pre- and postgenetic testing.

Nutritional Evaluation

- charges made for nutritional evaluation and counseling when diet is a part of the medical management of a documented organic disease.

Internal Prosthetic/Medical Appliances

- charges made for internal prosthetic/medical appliances that provide permanent or temporary internal functional supports for nonfunctional body parts are covered. Medically Necessary repair, maintenance or replacement of a covered appliance is also covered.

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Cancer Clinical Trials

Routine patient care services directly associated with a patient’s participation in a phase I, II, III or IV approved cancer clinical trial.

An “approved cancer clinical trial” is an organized, systematic, scientific study of therapies, tests, or other clinical interventions for purposes of treatment, palliation, or prevention of cancer in human beings.

The approved trial must:

- seek to answer a credible and specific medical or scientific question for the purpose of advancing cancer care;
- enroll only those patients for whom there is no clearly superior, noninvestigational treatment alternative;

- have available clinical or preclinical data that provides a reasonable expectation that the treatment obtained in the approved trial will be at least as effective as the noninvestigational alternative;
- be conducted under the auspices of one of the following Vermont cancer care providers: Vermont Cancer Center at Fletcher Allen Health Care, the Norris Cotton Cancer Center at Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center, or approved clinical trials being administered by a Vermont hospital and its affiliated, qualified Vermont cancer care providers;
- be conducted by a facility and personnel capable of conducting such a trial by virtue of experience, training and volume of patients treated to maintain such expertise;
- be conducted under the auspices of a peer-reviewed protocol that has been approved by one of the following entities: (a) one of the National Institutes of Health (NIH); (b) an NIH-affiliated cooperative group that is a formal network of facilities that collaborate on research projects and have an established NIH-approved peer-review program operating within the group; (c) the FDA in the form of an investigational new drug application or exemption; or (d) the federal department of Veterans Affairs or Defense.

“Routine patient care services” are any Covered Expenses under this plan, including any Medically Necessary health care service that is incurred as a result of the treatment being provided to the patient for the purposes of the approved cancer clinical trial. Routine patient care services do not include the following:

- the cost of investigational new drugs that have not been approved for market for any indication by the FDA, or the costs of any drug being studied under an FDA-approved investigational new drug exemption for the purpose of expanding the drug’s labeled indications.
- the costs of nonhealth care services that may be required as a result of the treatment being provided for the purposes of the approved cancer clinical trial.
- the costs of the services that are clearly inconsistent with widely accepted and established regional or national standards of care for a particular diagnosis and performed specifically to meet the requirements of the approved cancer clinical trial.

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- the costs of any tests or services performed specifically to meet the needs of the approved cancer clinical trial protocol.
- the costs of running the approved cancer clinical trial and collecting and analyzing data.



- the costs associated with managing the research associated with the approved clinical trial.
- the costs for noninvestigational treatments or services that would not otherwise be covered under the patient’s health benefit plan.
- any product or service paid for by the trial sponsor.

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Home Health Services

- charges made for Home Health Services when you: (a) require skilled care; (b) are unable to obtain the required care as an ambulatory outpatient; and (c) do not require confinement in a Hospital or Other Health Care Facility.

Home Health Services are provided only if CG has determined that the home is a medically appropriate setting. If you are a minor or an adult who is dependent upon others for nonskilled care and/or custodial services (e.g., bathing, eating, toileting), Home Health Services will be provided for you only during times when there is a family member or care giver present in the home to meet your nonskilled care and/or custodial services needs.

Home Health Services are those skilled health care services that can be provided during visits by Other Health Care Professionals. The services of a home health aide are covered when rendered in direct support of skilled health care services provided by Other Health Care Professionals. A visit is defined as a period of 2 hours or less, with the exception of covered visits by a home health aide, which are defined as a period of 4 hours or less. Home Health Services are subject to a maximum of 16 hours in total per day. Necessary consumable medical supplies and home infusion therapy administered or used by Other Health Care Professionals in providing Home Health Services are covered. Home Health Services do not include services by a person who is a member of your family or who normally resides in your house or your Dependent's house even if that person is an Other Health Care Professional. Skilled nursing services or private duty nursing services provided in the home are subject to the Home Health Services benefit terms, conditions, and benefit limitations. Physical, occupational, and other Short-Term Rehabilitative Therapy services provided in the home are not subject to the Home Health Services benefit limitations in the Schedule, but are subject to the benefit limitations described under Short-term Rehabilitative Therapy Maximum shown in The Schedule.

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Hospice Care Services

- charges made for a person who has been diagnosed as having six months or fewer to live, due to Terminal Illness, for the following Hospice Care Services provided under a Hospice Care Program:
 - by a Hospice Facility for Bed and Board and Services and Supplies;
 - by a Hospice Facility for services provided on an outpatient basis;
 - by a Physician for professional services;
 - by a Psychologist, social worker, family counselor or ordained minister for individual and family counseling;
 - for pain relief treatment, including drugs, medicines and medical supplies;
 - by an Other Health Care Facility for:
 - part-time or intermittent nursing care by or under the supervision of a Nurse;
 - part-time or intermittent services of an Other Health Care Professional;

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- physical, occupational and speech therapy;
- medical supplies; drugs and medicines lawfully dispensed only on the written prescription of a Physician; and laboratory services; but only to the extent such charges would have been payable under the policy if the person had remained or been Confined in a Hospital or Hospice Facility.

The following charges for Hospice Care Services are not included as Covered Expenses:

- for the services of a person who is a member of your family who normally resides in your house or your Dependent's house;
- for any period when you or your Dependent is not under the care of a Physician;
- for services or supplies not listed in the Hospice Care Program;
- for any curative or life-prolonging procedures;
- to the extent that any other benefits are payable for those expenses under the policy;
- for services or supplies that are primarily to aid you or your Dependent in daily living;

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Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services

Mental Health Services are services that are required to treat a disorder that impairs the behavior, emotional reaction or thought processes. In determining benefits payable, charges made for the treatment of any physiological conditions related to Mental Health will not be considered to be charges made for treatment of Mental Health.

Substance Abuse is defined as the psychological or physical dependence on alcohol or other mind-altering drugs that requires diagnosis, care, and treatment. In determining benefits payable, charges made for the treatment of any physiological conditions related to rehabilitation services for alcohol or drug abuse or addiction will not be considered to be charges made for treatment of Substance Abuse.

Inpatient Mental Health Services

Services that are provided by a Hospital while you are Confined in a Hospital for the treatment and evaluation of Mental Health. Inpatient Mental Health Services include Partial Hospitalization and Mental Health Residential Treatment Services.

Inpatient Mental Health services are exchangeable with **Partial Hospitalization** sessions when services are provided for not less than 4 hours and not more than 12 hours in any 24-hour period. The exchange for services will be two Partial Hospitalization sessions are equal to one day of inpatient care.

Mental Health Residential Treatment Services are services provided by a Hospital for the evaluation and treatment of the psychological and social functional disturbances that are a result of subacute Mental Health conditions.

Mental Health Residential Treatment services are exchanged with Inpatient Mental Health services at a rate of two days of Mental Health Residential Treatment being equal to one day of Inpatient Mental Health Treatment.

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Mental Health Residential Treatment Center means an institution which (a) specializes in the treatment of psychological and social disturbances that are the result of Mental Health conditions; (b) provides a subacute, structured, psychotherapeutic treatment program, under the supervision of Physicians; (c) provides 24-hour care, in which a person lives in an open setting; and (d) is licensed in accordance with the laws of the appropriate legally authorized agency as a residential treatment center.

A person is considered confined in a Mental Health Residential Treatment Center when she/he is a registered bed patient in a Mental Health Residential Treatment Center upon the recommendation of a Physician.

Outpatient Mental Health Services

Services of Providers who are qualified to treat Mental Health when treatment is provided on an outpatient basis, while you are not Confined in a Hospital, and is provided in an individual, group or Mental Health Intensive Outpatient Therapy Program. Covered services include, but are not limited to, outpatient treatment of conditions such as: anxiety or depression which interfere with daily functioning; emotional adjustment or concerns related to chronic conditions, such as psychosis or depression; emotional reactions associated with marital problems or divorce; child/adolescent problems of conduct or poor impulse control; affective disorders; suicidal or homicidal threats or acts; eating disorders; or acute exacerbation of chronic Mental Health conditions (crisis intervention and relapse prevention) and outpatient testing and assessment.

A Mental Health Intensive Outpatient Therapy Program consists of distinct levels or phases of treatment that are provided by a certified/licensed Mental Health program. Intensive Outpatient Therapy Programs provide a combination of individual, family and/or group therapy in a day, totaling nine or more hours in a week. Mental Health Intensive Outpatient Therapy Program services are exchanged with Outpatient Mental Health services at a rate of one visit of Mental Health Intensive Outpatient Therapy being equal to one visit of Outpatient Mental Health Services.

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Inpatient Substance Abuse Rehabilitation Services

Services provided for rehabilitation, while you are Confined in a Hospital, when required for the diagnosis and treatment of abuse or addiction to alcohol and/or drugs. Inpatient Substance Abuse Services include Partial Hospitalization sessions and Residential Treatment services.

Inpatient Substance Abuse services are exchangeable with **Partial Hospitalization** sessions when services are provided for not less than 4 hours and not more than 12 hours in any 24-hour period. The exchange for services will be two Partial Hospitalization sessions are equal to one day of inpatient care.

Substance Abuse Residential Treatment Services are services provided by a Hospital for the evaluation and treatment of the psychological and social functional disturbances that are a result of subacute Substance Abuse conditions.

Substance Abuse Residential Treatment services are exchanged with Inpatient Substance Abuse services at a rate of two days of Substance Abuse Residential Treatment being equal to one day of Inpatient Substance Abuse Treatment.



Substance Abuse Residential Treatment Center means an institution which (a) specializes in the treatment of psychological and social disturbances that are the result of Substance Abuse; (b) provides a subacute, structured, psychotherapeutic treatment program, under the supervision of Physicians; (c) provides 24-hour care, in which a person lives in an open setting; and (d) is licensed in accordance with the laws of the appropriate legally authorized agency as a residential treatment center.

A person is considered confined in a Substance Abuse Residential Treatment Center when she/he is a registered bed patient in a Substance Abuse Residential Treatment Center upon the recommendation of a Physician.

Outpatient Substance Abuse Rehabilitation Services

Services provided for the diagnosis and treatment of abuse or addiction to alcohol and/or drugs, while you or your Dependent is not Confined in a Hospital, including outpatient rehabilitation in an individual, or a Substance Abuse Intensive Outpatient Therapy Program.

A Substance Abuse Intensive Outpatient Therapy Program consists of distinct levels or phases of treatment that are provided by a certified/licensed Substance Abuse program. Intensive Outpatient Therapy Programs provide a combination of individual, family and/or group therapy in a day, totaling nine, or more hours in a week. Substance Abuse Intensive Outpatient Therapy Program services are exchanged with Outpatient Substance Abuse services at a rate of one visit of Substance Abuse Intensive Outpatient Therapy being equal to one visit of Outpatient Substance Abuse Rehabilitation Services.

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Substance Abuse Detoxification Services

Detoxification and related medical ancillary services are provided when required for the diagnosis and treatment of addiction to alcohol and/or drugs. CG will decide, based on the Medical Necessity of each situation, whether such services will be provided in an inpatient or outpatient setting.

Exclusions

The following are specifically excluded from Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services:

- any court ordered treatment or therapy, or any treatment or therapy ordered as a condition of parole, probation or custody or visitation evaluations unless Medically Necessary and otherwise covered under this policy or agreement.

- treatment of disorders which have been diagnosed as organic mental disorders associated with permanent dysfunction of the brain.
- developmental disorders, including but not limited to, developmental reading disorders, developmental arithmetic disorders, developmental language disorders or developmental articulation disorders.
- counseling for activities of an educational nature.
- counseling for borderline intellectual functioning.
- counseling for occupational problems.
- counseling related to consciousness raising.
- vocational or religious counseling.
- I.Q. testing.
- custodial care, including but not limited to geriatric day care.
- psychological testing on children requested by or for a school system.
- occupational/recreational therapy programs even if combined with supportive therapy for age-related cognitive decline.

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Durable Medical Equipment

- charges made for purchase or rental of Durable Medical Equipment that is ordered or prescribed by a Physician and provided by a vendor approved by CG for use outside a Hospital or Other Health Care Facility. Coverage for repair, replacement or duplicate equipment is provided only when required due to anatomical change and/or reasonable wear and tear. All maintenance and repairs that result from a person’s misuse are the person’s responsibility. Coverage for Durable Medical Equipment is limited to the lowest-cost alternative as determined by the utilization review Physician.

Durable Medical Equipment is defined as items which are designed for and able to withstand repeated use by more than one person; customarily serve a medical purpose; generally are not useful in the absence of Injury or Sickness; are appropriate for use in the home; and are not disposable. Such equipment includes, but is not limited to, crutches, hospital beds, respirators, wheel chairs, and dialysis machines.

Durable Medical Equipment items that are not covered include but are not limited to those that are listed below:

- **Bed Related Items:** bed trays, over the bed tables, bed wedges, pillows, custom bedroom equipment, mattresses,



including nonpower mattresses, custom mattresses and posturepedic mattresses.

- **Bath Related Items:** bath lifts, nonportable whirlpools, bathtub rails, toilet rails, raised toilet seats, bath benches, bath stools, hand held showers, paraffin baths, bath mats, and spas.
- **Chairs, Lifts and Standing Devices:** computerized or gyroscopic mobility systems, roll about chairs, geriatric chairs, hip chairs, seat lifts (mechanical or motorized), patient lifts (mechanical or motorized – manual hydraulic lifts are covered if patient is two-person transfer), and auto tilt chairs.
- **Fixtures to Real Property:** ceiling lifts and wheelchair ramps.
- **Car/Van Modifications.**
- **Air Quality Items:** room humidifiers, vaporizers, air purifiers and electrostatic machines.
- **Blood/Injection Related Items:** blood pressure cuffs, centrifuges, nova pens and needleless injectors.
- **Other Equipment:** heat lamps, heating pads, cryounits, cryotherapy machines, electronic-controlled therapy units, ultraviolet cabinets, sheepskin pads and boots, postural drainage board, AC/DC adaptors, enuresis alarms, magnetic equipment, scales (baby and adult), stair gliders, elevators, saunas, any exercise equipment and diathermy machines.

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External Prosthetic Appliances and Devices

- charges made or ordered by a Physician for: the initial purchase and fitting of external prosthetic appliances and devices available only by prescription which are necessary for the alleviation or correction of Injury, Sickness or congenital defect. Coverage for External Prosthetic Appliances is limited to the most appropriate and cost effective alternative as determined by the utilization review Physician.

External prosthetic appliances and devices shall include prostheses/prosthetic appliances and devices, orthoses and orthotic devices; braces; and splints.

Prostheses/Prosthetic Appliances and Devices

Prostheses/prosthetic appliances and devices are defined as fabricated replacements for missing body parts. Prostheses/prosthetic appliances and devices include, but are not limited to:

- basic limb prostheses;
- terminal devices such as hands or hooks; and
- speech prostheses.

Orthoses and Orthotic Devices

Orthoses and orthotic devices are defined as orthopedic appliances or apparatuses used to support, align, prevent or correct deformities. Coverage is provided for custom foot orthoses and other orthoses as follows:

- Nonfoot orthoses – only the following nonfoot orthoses are covered:
 - rigid and semirigid custom fabricated orthoses,
 - semirigid prefabricated and flexible orthoses; and
 - rigid prefabricated orthoses including preparation, fitting and basic additions, such as bars and joints.
- Custom foot orthoses – custom foot orthoses are only covered as follows:
 - for persons with impaired peripheral sensation and/or altered peripheral circulation (e.g. diabetic neuropathy and peripheral vascular disease);
 - when the foot orthosis is an integral part of a leg brace and is necessary for the proper functioning of the brace;
 - when the foot orthosis is for use as a replacement or substitute for missing parts of the foot (e.g. amputated toes) and is necessary for the alleviation or correction of Injury, Sickness or congenital defect; and
 - for persons with neurologic or neuromuscular condition (e.g. cerebral palsy, hemiplegia, spina bifida) producing spasticity, malalignment, or pathological positioning of the foot and there is reasonable expectation of improvement.

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The following are specifically excluded orthoses and orthotic devices:

- prefabricated foot orthoses;
- cranial banding and/or cranial orthoses. Other similar devices are excluded except when used postoperatively for synostotic plagiocephaly. When used for this indication, the cranial orthosis will be subject to the limitations and maximums of the External Prosthetic Appliances and Devices benefit;
- orthosis shoes, shoe additions, procedures for foot orthopedic shoes, shoe modifications and transfers;
- orthoses primarily used for cosmetic rather than functional reasons; and
- orthoses primarily for improved athletic performance or sports participation.



Braces

A Brace is defined as an orthosis or orthopedic appliance that supports or holds in correct position any movable part of the body and that allows for motion of that part.

The following braces are specifically excluded: Copes scoliosis braces.

Splints

A Splint is defined as an appliance for preventing movement of a joint or for the fixation of displaced or movable parts.

Coverage for replacement of external prosthetic appliances and devices is limited to the following:

- Replacement due to regular wear. Replacement for damage due to abuse or misuse by the person will not be covered.
- Replacement will be provided when anatomic change has rendered the external prosthetic appliance or device ineffective. Anatomic change includes significant weight gain or loss, atrophy and/or growth.
- Coverage for replacement is limited as follows:
 - No more than once every 24 months for persons 19 years of age and older and
 - No more than once every 12 months for persons 18 years of age and under.
 - Replacement due to a surgical alteration or revision of the site.

The following are specifically excluded external prosthetic appliances and devices:

- External and internal power enhancements or power controls for prosthetic limbs and terminal devices; and
- Myoelectric prostheses peripheral nerve stimulators.

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Infertility Services

- charges made for services related to diagnosis of infertility and treatment of infertility once a condition of infertility has been diagnosed. Services include, but are not limited to: approved surgeries and other therapeutic procedures that have been demonstrated in existing peer-reviewed, evidence-based, scientific literature to have a reasonable likelihood of resulting in pregnancy; laboratory tests; sperm washing or preparation; and diagnostic evaluations.

Infertility is defined as the inability of opposite sex partners to achieve conception after one year of unprotected intercourse; or the inability of a woman to achieve conception after six trials of artificial insemination over a one-year period. This benefit includes diagnosis and treatment of both male and

female infertility. The following are specifically excluded infertility services:

- Infertility drugs;
- In vitro fertilization (IVF); gamete intrafallopian transfer (GIFT); zygote intrafallopian transfer (ZIFT) and variations of these procedures;
- Infertility services when the infertility is caused by or related to voluntary sterilization;
- Donor charges and services;
- Cryopreservation of donor sperm and eggs; and
- Any experimental, investigational or unproven infertility procedures or therapies.

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Short-Term Rehabilitative Therapy and Chiropractic Care Services

- charges made for Short-term Rehabilitative Therapy that is part of a rehabilitative program, including physical, speech, occupational, cognitive, osteopathic manipulative, cardiac rehabilitation and pulmonary rehabilitation therapy, when provided in the most medically appropriate setting. Also included are services that are provided by a chiropractic Physician when provided in an outpatient setting. Services of a chiropractic Physician include the conservative management of acute neuromusculoskeletal conditions through manipulation and ancillary physiological treatment that is rendered to restore motion, reduce pain and improve function.

The following limitations apply to Short-term Rehabilitative Therapy and Chiropractic Care Services:

- To be covered all therapy services must be restorative in nature. Restorative Therapy services are services that are designed to restore levels of function that had previously existed but that have been lost as a result of Injury or Sickness. Restorative Therapy services do not include therapy designed to acquire levels of function that had not been previously achieved prior to the Injury or Sickness.
- Services are not covered if they are custodial, training, educational or developmental in nature.
- Occupational therapy is provided only for purposes of enabling persons to perform the activities of daily living after an Injury or Sickness.

Short-term Rehabilitative Therapy and Chiropractic Care Services that are not covered include but are not limited to:

- sensory integration therapy, group therapy; treatment of dyslexia; behavior modification or myofunctional therapy for dysfluency, such as stuttering or other involuntarily



acted conditions without evidence of an underlying medical condition or neurological disorder;

- treatment for functional articulation disorder such as correction of tongue thrust, lisp, verbal apraxia or swallowing dysfunction that is not based on an underlying diagnosed medical condition or Injury;

The following are specifically excluded from Chiropractic Care Services:

- services of a chiropractor which are not within his scope of practice, as defined by state law;
- charges for care not provided in an office setting;
- vitamin therapy.

A separate Copayment will apply to the services provided by each provider.

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Transplant Services

- charges made for human organ and tissue transplant services which include solid organ and bone marrow/stem cell procedures at designated facilities throughout the United States or its territories. This coverage is subject to the following conditions and limitations.

Transplant services include the recipient’s medical, surgical and Hospital services; inpatient immunosuppressive medications; and costs for organ or bone marrow/stem cell procurement. Transplant services are covered only if they are required to perform any of the following human to human organ or tissue transplants: allogeneic bone marrow/stem cell, autologous bone marrow/stem cell, cornea, heart/lung, kidney, kidney/pancreas, liver, lung, pancreas or intestine which includes small bowel, liver or multiple viscera.

All Transplant services, other than cornea, are payable at 100% when received at CIGNA LIFESOURCE Transplant Network® Facilities. Cornea transplants are not covered at CIGNA LIFESOURCE Transplant Network® facilities.

Transplant services, including cornea, when received from Participating Provider facilities other than CIGNA LIFESOURCE Transplant Network® facilities are payable at the In-Network level. Transplant services received at any other facilities are not covered.

Coverage for organ procurement costs are limited to costs directly related to the procurement of an organ, from a cadaver or a live donor. Organ procurement costs shall consist of surgery necessary for organ removal, organ transportation and the transportation, hospitalization and surgery of a live donor. Compatibility testing undertaken prior to procurement is covered if Medically Necessary.

Costs related to the search for, and identification of a bone marrow or stem cell donor for an allogeneic transplant are also covered.

Transplant Travel Services

Charges made for reasonable travel expenses incurred by you in connection with a preapproved organ/tissue transplant are covered subject to the following conditions and limitations. Transplant travel benefits are not available for cornea transplants. Benefits for transportation, lodging and food are available to you only if you are the recipient of a preapproved organ/tissue transplant from a designated CIGNA LIFESOURCE Transplant Network® facility. The term recipient is defined to include a person receiving authorized transplant related services during any of the following: (a) evaluation, (b) candidacy, (c) transplant event, or (d) post-transplant care. Travel expenses for the person receiving the transplant will include charges for: transportation to and from the transplant site (including charges for a rental car used during a period of care at the transplant facility); lodging while at, or traveling to and from the transplant site; and food while at, or traveling to and from the transplant site.

In addition to your coverage for the charges associated with the items above, such charges will also be considered covered travel expenses for one companion to accompany you. The term companion includes your spouse, a member of your family, your legal guardian, or any person not related to you, but actively involved as your caregiver. The following are specifically excluded travel expenses:

travel costs incurred due to travel within 60 miles of your home; laundry bills; telephone bills; alcohol or tobacco products; and charges for transportation that exceed coach class rates.

These benefits are only available when the covered person is the recipient of an organ transplant. No benefits are available when the covered person is a donor.

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Breast Reconstruction and Breast Prostheses

- charges made for reconstructive surgery following a mastectomy; benefits include: (a) surgical services for reconstruction of the breast on which surgery was performed; (b) surgical services for reconstruction of the nondiseased breast to produce symmetrical appearance; (c) postoperative breast prostheses; and (d) mastectomy bras and external prosthetics, limited to the lowest cost alternative available that meets external prosthetic placement needs. During all stages of mastectomy, treatment of physical complications, including lymphedema therapy, are covered.



Reconstructive Surgery

- charges made for reconstructive surgery or therapy to repair or correct a severe physical deformity or disfigurement which is accompanied by functional deficit; (other than abnormalities of the jaw or conditions related to TMJ disorder and for newborns or following a mastectomy) provided that: (a) the surgery or therapy restores or improves function; (b) reconstruction is required as a result of Medically Necessary, noncosmetic surgery; or (c) the surgery or therapy is required as a result of the congenital absence or agenesis (lack of formation or development) of a body part. Repeat or subsequent surgeries for the same condition are covered only when there is the probability of significant additional improvement as determined by the utilization review Physician.

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Prescription Drug Benefits

- charges made for Prescription Drugs, subject to the Deductibles, Coinsurance and Limits shown in the Medical Schedule, except that the following Prescription Drugs, by way of example, but not of limitation are excluded:
 - drugs or medications available over the counter that do not require a prescription by federal or state law, and any drug or medication that is equivalent (in strength, regardless of form) to an over-the-counter drug or medication;
 - any drugs that are labeled as experimental or investigational;
 - Food and Drug (FDA) approved prescription drugs used for purposes other than those approved by the FDA unless the drug is recognized for the treatment of the particular indication in one of the standard reference compendia (The United States Pharmacopeia Drug Information, The American Medical Association Drug Evaluations; or The American Hospital Formulary Service Drug Information) or in medical literature. Medical literature means scientific studies published in a peer-reviewed national professional medical journal;
 - prescription vitamins (other than prenatal vitamins), dietary supplements, and fluoride products;
 - prescription drugs used for cosmetic purposes such as drugs used to reduce wrinkles, drugs to promote hair growth as well as drugs used to control perspiration and fade cream products;
 - diet pills or appetite suppressants (anorectics);
 - prescription smoking cessation products; or

- any non-Prescription drugs.

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Medical Conversion Privilege

For You

When a person's Medical Expense Insurance ceases, he may be eligible to be insured under an individual policy of medical care benefits (called the Converted Policy). A Converted Policy will be issued by CG only to a person who is Entitled to Convert, and only if he applies in writing and pays the first premium for the Converted Policy to CG within 31 days after the date his insurance ceases.

Employees Entitled to Convert

You are Entitled to Convert Medical Expense Insurance for yourself when your insurance ceased.:

- you have been insured for at least three consecutive months under the policy or under it and a prior policy issued to the Policyholder.
- your insurance ceased because you were no longer in Active Service or no longer eligible for Medical Expense Insurance.
- you are not eligible for Medicare.
- you would not be Overinsured.

If you retire you may apply for a Converted Policy within 31 days after your retirement date in place of any continuation of your insurance that may be available under this plan when you retire, if you are otherwise Entitled to Convert.

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Overinsured

A person will be considered Overinsured if either of the following occurs:

- His insurance under this plan is replaced by similar group coverage within 31 days.
- The benefits under the Converted Policy, combined with Similar Benefits, result in an excess of insurance based on CG's underwriting standards for individual policies. Similar Benefits are: (a) those for which the person is covered by another hospital, surgical or medical expense insurance policy, or a hospital, or medical service subscriber contract, or a medical practice or other prepayment plan or by any other plan or program; (b) those for which the person is



eligible, whether or not covered, under any plan of group coverage on an insured or uninsured basis; or (c) those available for the person by or through any state, provincial or federal law.

Converted Policy

The Converted Policy will be one of CG's current offerings at the time the first premium is received based on its rules for Converted Policies. It will comply with the laws of the jurisdiction where the group medical policy is issued. However, if the applicant for the Converted Policy resides elsewhere, the Converted Policy will be on a form which meets the conversion requirements of the jurisdiction where he resides. The Converted Policy offering may include medical benefits on a group basis. The Converted Policy need not provide major medical coverage unless it is required by the laws of the jurisdiction in which the Converted Policy is issued.

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The Converted Policy will be issued to you if you are Entitled to Convert, insuring you. If you are not Entitled to Convert and your spouse and children are, it will be issued to the spouse, covering all such Dependents. Otherwise, a Converted Policy will be issued to each Dependent who is Entitled to Convert. The Converted Policy will take effect on the day after the person's insurance under this plan ceases. The premium on its effective date will be based on: (a) class of risk and age; and (b) benefits.

The Converted Policy may not exclude any pre-existing condition not excluded by this plan. During the first 12 months the Converted Policy is in effect, the amount payable under it will be reduced so that the total amount payable under the Converted Policy and the Medical Benefits Extension of this plan will not be more than the amount that would have been payable under this plan if the person's insurance had not ceased. After that, the amount payable under the Converted Policy will be reduced by any amount still payable under the Medical Benefits Extension of this plan.

CG or the Policyholder will give you, on request, further details of the Converted Policy.

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Prescription Drug Benefits

The Schedule

For You

This plan provides Prescription Drug benefits for Prescription Drugs and Related Supplies provided by Pharmacies as shown in this Schedule. To receive Prescription Drug Benefits, you may be required to pay a portion of the Covered Expenses for Prescription Drugs and Related Supplies for each 30-day supply at a retail pharmacy or each 90-day supply at a mail order pharmacy. That portion is the Copayment, Deductible or Coinsurance.

Copayments/Deductibles

Copayments are expenses to be paid by you for covered Prescription Drugs and Related Supplies. Deductibles are also expenses to be paid by you or your. Deductible amounts are separate from and not reduced by Copayments. Copayments and Deductibles are in addition to any Coinsurance.

Calendar Year Deductible

Deductibles are expenses to be paid by you for Covered Prescription Drugs. These Deductibles are in addition to any copayments or coinsurance. Once the Deductible maximum shown in The Schedule has been reached you and your family need not satisfy any further Prescription Drug Deductible for the rest of that year.



BENEFIT HIGHLIGHTS	PARTICIPATING PHARMACY	Non-PARTICIPATING PHARMACY
<p>Calendar Year Deductible</p> <p>Individual</p> <p>Family</p>	<p>\$ 50 per person</p> <p>Not Applicable</p>	<p>Not Applicable</p> <p>Not Applicable</p>
<p>Prescription Drugs</p> <p>Generic* drugs on the Prescription Drug List</p>	<p>No charge after \$5 per prescription order or refill</p>	<p>In-network coverage only</p>
<p>Brand-Name* drugs designated as preferred on the Prescription Drug List with no Generic equivalent</p>	<p>No charge after \$10 per prescription order or refill</p>	<p>In-network coverage only</p>
<p>Brand-Name* drugs with a Generic equivalent and drugs designated as non-preferred on the Prescription Drug List</p>	<p>No charge after \$25 per prescription order or refill</p>	<p>In-network coverage only</p>
<p>*Designated as per generally-accepted industry sources and adopted by CG</p>		
<p>Mail-Order Drugs</p> <p>Generic* drugs on the Prescription Drug List</p>	<p>No charge after \$10 per prescription order or refill</p>	<p>In-network coverage only</p>
<p>Brand-Name* drugs designated as preferred on the Prescription Drug List with no Generic equivalent</p>	<p>No charge after \$20 per prescription order or refill</p>	<p>In-network coverage only</p>



BENEFIT HIGHLIGHTS	PARTICIPATING PHARMACY	Non-PARTICIPATING PHARMACY
Brand-Name* drugs with a Generic equivalent and drugs designated as non-preferred on the Prescription Drug List	No charge after \$50 per prescription order or refill	In-network coverage only
* Designated as per generally-accepted industry sources and adopted by CG		



Prescription Drug Benefits

For You

Covered Expenses

If you or any one of your, while insured for Prescription Drug Benefits, incurs expenses for charges made by a Pharmacy, for Medically Necessary Prescription Drugs or Related Supplies ordered by a Physician, CG will provide coverage for those expenses as shown in the Schedule. Coverage also includes Medically Necessary Prescription Drugs and Related Supplies dispensed for a prescription issued to you or your Dependents by a licensed dentist for the prevention of infection or pain in conjunction with a dental procedure.

When you or a Dependent is issued a prescription for Medically Necessary Prescription Drugs or Related Supplies as part of the rendering of Emergency Services and that prescription cannot reasonably be filled by a Participating Pharmacy, the prescription will be covered by CG, as if filled by a Participating Pharmacy.

Limitations

Each Prescription Order or refill shall be limited as follows:

- up to a consecutive 30-day supply, at a retail Pharmacy, unless limited by the drug manufacturer's packaging; or
- up to a consecutive 90-day supply at a mail-order Participating Pharmacy, unless limited by the drug manufacturer's packaging; or
- to a dosage and/or dispensing limit as determined by the P&T Committee.

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Coverage for certain Prescription Drugs and Related Supplies requires your Physician to obtain authorization prior to prescribing. If your Physician wishes to request coverage for Prescription Drugs or Related Supplies for which prior authorization is required, your Physician may call or complete the appropriate prior authorization form and fax it to CG to request prior authorization for coverage of the Prescription Drugs or Related Supplies. Your Physician should make this request before writing the prescription.

If the request is approved, your Physician will receive confirmation. The authorization will be processed in our claim system to allow you to have coverage for those Prescription Drugs or Related Supplies. The length of the authorization will depend on the diagnosis and Prescription Drugs or

Related Supplies. When your Physician advises you that coverage for the Prescription Drugs or Related Supplies has been approved, you should contact the Pharmacy to fill the prescription(s).

If the request is denied, your Physician and you will be notified that coverage for the Prescription Drugs or Related Supplies is not authorized.

If you disagree with a coverage decision, you may appeal that decision in accordance with the provisions of the Policy, by submitting a written request stating why the Prescription Drugs or Related Supplies should be covered.

If you have questions about a specific prior authorization request, you should call Member Services at the toll-free number on the ID card.

All drugs newly approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) are designated as either non-Preferred or non-Prescription Drug List drugs until the P & T Committee clinically evaluates the Prescription Drug for a different designation.

Prescription Drugs that represent an advance over available therapy according to the FDA will be reviewed by the P&T Committee within six months after FDA approval.

Prescription Drugs that appear to have therapeutic qualities similar to those of an already marketed drug according to the FDA, will not be reviewed by the P&T Committee for at least six months after FDA approval. In the case of compelling clinical data, an ad hoc group will be formed to make an interim decision on the merits of a Prescription Drug.

Your Payments

Coverage for Prescription Drugs and Related Supplies purchased at a Pharmacy is subject to the Copayment or Coinsurance shown in the Schedule, after you have satisfied your Prescription Drug Deductible, if applicable. Please refer to the Schedule for any required Copayments, Coinsurance, Deductibles or Maximums if applicable.

When a treatment regimen contains more than one type of Prescription Drug which are packaged together for your convenience, a Copayment will apply to each Prescription Drug.

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Exclusions

No payment will be made for the following expenses:

- drugs available over the counter that do not require a prescription by federal or state law;
- any drug that is a pharmaceutical alternative to an over-the-counter drug other than insulin;
- a drug class in which at least one of the drugs is available over the counter and the drugs in the class are deemed to be therapeutically equivalent as determined by the P&T Committee;
- injectable infertility drugs and any injectable drugs that require Physician supervision and are not typically considered self-administered drugs. The following are examples of Physician supervised drugs: Injectables used to treat hemophilia and RSV (respiratory syncytial virus), chemotherapy injectables and endocrine and metabolic agents.
- any drugs that are experimental or investigational as described under the Medical “Exclusions” section of your certificate.
- Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approved drugs used for purposes other than those approved by the FDA unless the drug is recognized for the treatment of the particular indication in one of the standard reference compendia (The United States Pharmacopeia Drug Information, The American Medical Association Drug Evaluations; or The American Hospital Formulary Service Drug Information) or in medical literature. Medical literature means scientific studies published in a peer-reviewed national professional medical journal;
- prescription and nonprescription supplies (such as ostomy supplies), devices, and appliances other than Related Supplies;
- implantable contraceptive products;
- prescription vitamins (other than prenatal vitamins), dietary supplements, and fluoride products;
- drugs used for cosmetic purposes such as drugs used to reduce wrinkles, drugs to promote hair growth as well as drugs used to control perspiration and fade cream products;
- diet pills or appetite suppressants (anorectics);
- immunization agents, biological products for allergy immunization, biological sera, blood, blood plasma and other blood products or fractions and medications used for travel prophylaxis;
- replacement of Prescription Drugs and Related Supplies due to loss or theft;
- drugs used to enhance athletic performance;

- drugs which are to be taken by or administered to you while you are a patient in a licensed Hospital, Skilled Nursing Facility, rest home or similar institution which operates on its premises or allows to be operated on its premises a facility for dispensing pharmaceuticals;
- prescriptions more than one year from the original date of issue.

Other limitations are shown in the Medical “Exclusions” section.

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Reimbursement/Filing a Claim

When you purchase your Prescription Drugs or Related Supplies through a retail Participating Pharmacy, you pay any applicable Copayment, Coinsurance or Deductible shown in the Schedule at the time of purchase. You do not need to file a claim form.

To purchase Prescription Drugs or Related Supplies from a mail-order Participating Pharmacy, see your mail-order drug introductory kit for details, or contact member services for assistance.

See your Employer's Benefit Plan Administrator to obtain the appropriate claim form.

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Exclusions, Expenses Not Covered and General Limitations

Additional coverage limitations determined by plan or provider type are shown in the Schedule. Payment for the following is specifically excluded from this plan:

- expenses for supplies, care, treatment, or surgery that are not Medically Necessary.
- to the extent that you are in any way paid or entitled to payment for those expenses by or through a public program, other than Medicaid.
- to the extent that payment is unlawful where the person resides when the expenses are incurred.
- charges made by a Hospital owned or operated by or which provides care or performs services for, the United States Government, if such charges are directly related to a military-service-connected Injury or Sickness.



- for or in connection with an Injury or Sickness which is due to war, declared or undeclared.
- charges which you are not obligated to pay or for which you are not billed or for which you would not have been billed except that they were covered under this plan.
- assistance in the activities of daily living, including but not limited to eating, bathing, dressing or other Custodial Services or self-care activities, homemaker services and services primarily for rest, domiciliary or convalescent care.
- for or in connection with experimental, investigational or unproven services.

Experimental, investigational and unproven services are medical, surgical, diagnostic, psychiatric, substance abuse or other health care technologies, supplies, treatments, procedures, drug therapies or devices that are determined by the utilization review Physician to be:

- not demonstrated, through existing peer-reviewed, evidence-based, scientific literature to be safe and effective for treating or diagnosing the condition or sickness for which its use is proposed;
- not approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) or other appropriate regulatory agency to be lawfully marketed for the proposed use;
- the subject of review or approval by an Institutional Review Board for the proposed use except as provided in the “Clinical Trials” section of this plan; or
- the subject of an ongoing phase I, II or III clinical trial, except as provided in the “Clinical Trials” section of this plan.
- cosmetic surgery and therapies. Cosmetic surgery or therapy is defined as surgery or therapy performed to improve or alter appearance or self-esteem or to treat psychological symptomatology or psychosocial complaints related to one’s appearance.
- regardless of clinical indication for macromastia or gynecomastia surgeries; surgical treatment of varicose veins; abdominoplasty/panniculectomy; rhinoplasty; blepharoplasty; redundant skin surgery; removal of skin tags; acupressure; craniosacral/cranial therapy; dance therapy, movement therapy; applied kinesiology; rolfing; prolotherapy; and extracorporeal shock wave lithotripsy (ESWL) for musculoskeletal and orthopedic conditions.
- for or in connection with treatment of the teeth or periodontium unless such expenses are incurred for: (a) charges made for a continuous course of dental treatment started within six months of an Injury to sound natural teeth; (b) charges made by a Hospital for Bed and Board or Necessary Services and Supplies; (c) charges made by a Free-Standing Surgical Facility or the outpatient department of a Hospital in connection with surgery; or (d) charges

made by a Physician for any of the following Surgical Procedures: excision of epulis; excision of unerupted impacted tooth, including removal of alveolar bone and sectioning of tooth; removal of residual root (when performed by a Dentist other than the one who extracted the tooth); intraoral drainage of acute alveolar abscess with cellulitis; alveolectomy; gingivectomy, for gingivitis or periodontitis.

- for medical and surgical services, initial and repeat, intended for the treatment or control of obesity other than clinically severe obesity, including: medical and surgical services to alter appearance or physical changes that are the result of any surgery performed for the management of obesity or clinically severe obesity; and weight loss programs or treatments, whether prescribed or recommended by a Physician or under medical supervision.
- unless otherwise covered in this plan, for reports, evaluations, physical examinations, or hospitalization not required for health reasons including, but not limited to, employment, insurance or government licenses, and court-ordered, forensic or custodial evaluations.
- court-ordered treatment or hospitalization, unless such treatment is prescribed by a Physician and listed as covered in this plan.
- transsexual surgery including medical or psychological counseling and hormonal therapy in preparation for, or subsequent to, any such surgery.
- any medications, drugs, services or supplies for the treatment of male or female sexual dysfunction such as, but not limited to, treatment of erectile dysfunction (including penile implants), anorgasm, and premature ejaculation.
- nonmedical counseling or ancillary services, including but not limited to Custodial Services, education, training, vocational rehabilitation, behavioral training, biofeedback, neurofeedback, hypnosis, sleep therapy, employment counseling, back school, return to work services, work hardening programs, driving safety, and services, training, educational therapy or other nonmedical ancillary services for learning disabilities, developmental delays, autism or mental retardation.
- therapy or treatment intended primarily for the purpose of enhancing job, school, athletic or recreational performance, including but not limited to routine, long term, or non-Medically Necessary care.
- consumable medical supplies other than ostomy supplies and urinary catheters. Excluded supplies include, but are not limited to bandages and other disposable medical supplies, skin preparations and test strips, except as specified in the “Home Health Services” or “Breast Reconstruction and Breast Prostheses” sections of this plan.



- private Hospital rooms, unless determined by CG to be Medically Necessary, or private duty nursing, except as provided under the **Home Health Services** provision.
- personal or comfort items such as personal care kits provided on admission to a Hospital, television, telephone, newborn infant photographs, complimentary meals, birth announcements, and other articles which are not for the specific treatment of an Injury or Sickness.
- artificial aids including, but not limited to, corrective orthopedic shoes, arch supports, elastic stockings, garter belts, corsets, dentures and wigs.
- hearing aids, including but not limited to semi-implantable hearing devices, audiant bone conductors and Bone Anchored Hearing Aids (BAHAs). A hearing aid is any device that amplifies sound.
- aids or devices that assist with nonverbal communications, including but not limited to communication boards, prerecorded speech devices, laptop computers, desktop computers, Personal Digital Assistants (PDAs), Braille typewriters, visual alert systems for the deaf and memory books.
- medical benefits for eyeglasses, contact lenses or examinations for prescription or fitting thereof, except that Covered Expenses will include the purchase of the first pair of eyeglasses, lenses, frames or contact lenses that follows keratoconus or cataract surgery.
- charges made for or in connection with routine refractions, eye exercises and for surgical treatment for the correction of a refractive error, including radial keratotomy, when eyeglasses or contact lenses may be worn.
- treatment by acupuncture.
- all noninjectable prescription drugs, injectable prescription drugs that do not require Physician supervision and are typically considered self-administered drugs, as covered under a Prescription Drug benefit, nonprescription drugs, and investigational and experimental drugs, except as provided in this plan.
- routine foot care, including the paring and removing of corns and calluses or trimming of nails. However, services associated with foot care for diabetes and peripheral vascular disease are covered when Medically Necessary.
- membership costs or fees associated with health clubs, weight loss programs and smoking cessation programs.
- genetic screening or pre-implantations genetic screening. General population-based genetic screening is a testing method performed in the absence of any symptoms or any significant, proven risk factors for genetically linked inheritable disease.
- dental implants for any condition.
- fees associated with the collection or donation of blood or blood products, except for autologous donation in anticipation of scheduled services where in the utilization review Physician's opinion the likelihood of excess blood loss is such that transfusion is an expected adjunct to surgery.
- blood administration for the purpose of general improvement in physical condition.
- cost of biologicals that are immunizations or medications or to protect against occupational hazards and risks.
- cosmetics, dietary supplements and health and beauty aids.
- nutritional supplements and formulae except for infant formula needed for the treatment of inborn errors of metabolism.
- for or in connection with an Injury or Sickness arising out of, or in the course of, any employment for wage or profit.
- telephone, e-mail, and Internet consultations, and telemedicine.
- massage therapy.
- for charges which would not have been made if the person had no insurance.
- to the extent that they are more than Maximum Reimbursable Charges.
- expenses incurred outside the United States or Canada, unless you are a U.S. or Canadian resident and the charges are incurred while traveling on business or for pleasure.
- charges made by any covered provider who is a member of your family family.
- to the extent of the exclusions imposed by any certification requirement shown in this plan.

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Pre-existing Condition Limitations

No payment will be made for Covered Expenses for or in connection with an Injury or a Sickness which is a Pre-existing Condition, unless those expenses are incurred after a continuous one-year period during which a person is satisfying a waiting period and/or is insured for these benefits.

Pre-existing Condition

A Pre-existing Condition is an Injury or a Sickness for which a person receives treatment, incurs expenses or receives a diagnosis from a Physician during the 90 days before the earlier of the date a person begins an eligibility waiting period, or becomes insured for these benefits.



Exceptions to Pre-existing Condition Limitation

Pregnancy, and genetic information with no related treatment, will not be considered Pre-existing Conditions.

A newborn child, an adopted child, or a child placed for adoption before age 18 will not be subject to any Pre-existing Condition limitation if such child was covered within 31 days of birth, adoption or placement for adoption. Such waiver will not apply if 63 days elapse between coverage during a prior period of Creditable Coverage and coverage under this plan.

Credit for Coverage Under Prior Plan

If a person was previously covered under a plan which qualifies as Creditable Coverage, the following will apply, provided he notifies the Employer of such prior coverage, and fewer than 63 days elapse between coverage under the prior plan and coverage under this plan, exclusive of any waiting period.

CG will reduce any Pre-existing Condition limitation period under this policy by the number of days of prior Creditable Coverage you had under a creditable health plan or policy.

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Coordination of Benefits

This section applies if you are covered under more than one Plan and determines how benefits payable from all such Plans will be coordinated. You should file all claims with each Plan.

Definitions

For the purposes of this section, the following terms have the meanings set forth below:

Plan

Any of the following that provides benefits or services for medical care or treatment:

- (1) Group insurance and/or group-type coverage, whether insured or self-insured which neither can be purchased by the general public, nor is individually underwritten, including closed panel coverage.
- (2) Coverage under Medicare and other governmental benefits as permitted by law, excepting Medicaid and Medicare supplement policies.
- (3) Medical benefits coverage of group, group-type, and individual automobile contracts.

Each Plan or part of a Plan which has the right to coordinate benefits will be considered a separate Plan.

Closed Panel Plan

A Plan that provides medical or dental benefits primarily in the form of services through a panel of employed or

contracted providers, and that limits or excludes benefits provided by providers outside of the panel, except in the case of emergency or if referred by a provider within the panel.

Primary Plan

The Plan that determines and provides or pays benefits without taking into consideration the existence of any other Plan.

Secondary Plan

A Plan that determines, and may reduce its benefits after taking into consideration, the benefits provided or paid by the Primary Plan. A Secondary Plan may also recover from the Primary Plan the Reasonable Cash Value of any services it provided to you.

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Allowable Expense

A necessary, reasonable and customary service or expense, including deductibles, coinsurance or copayments, that is covered in full or in part by any Plan covering you. When a Plan provides benefits in the form of services, the Reasonable Cash Value of each service is the Allowable Expense and is a paid benefit.

Examples of expenses or services that are not Allowable Expenses include, but are not limited to the following:

- (1) An expense or service or a portion of an expense or service that is not covered by any of the Plans is not an Allowable Expense.
- (2) If you are confined to a private Hospital room and no Plan provides coverage for more than a semiprivate room, the difference in cost between a private and semiprivate room is not an Allowable Expense.
- (3) If you are covered by two or more Plans that provide services or supplies on the basis of reasonable and customary fees, any amount in excess of the highest reasonable and customary fee is not an Allowable Expense.
- (4) If you are covered by one Plan that provides services or supplies on the basis of reasonable and customary fees and one Plan that provides services and supplies on the basis of negotiated fees, the Primary Plan's fee arrangement shall be the Allowable Expense.
- (5) If your benefits are reduced under the Primary Plan (through the imposition of a higher copayment amount, higher coinsurance percentage, a deductible and/or a penalty) because you did not comply with Plan provisions or because you did not use a preferred provider, the amount of the reduction is not an Allowable Expense.



Such Plan provisions include second surgical opinions and precertification of admissions or services.

Claim Determination Period

A calendar year, but does not include any part of a year during which you are not covered under this policy or any date before this section or any similar provision takes effect.

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Reasonable Cash Value

An amount which a duly licensed provider of health care services usually charges patients and which is within the range of fees usually charged for the same service by other health care providers located within the immediate geographic area where the health care service is rendered under similar or comparable circumstances.

Order of Benefit Determination Rules

A Plan that does not have a coordination of benefits rule consistent with this section shall always be the Primary Plan. If the Plan does have a coordination of benefits rule consistent with this section, the first of the following rules that applies to the situation is the one to use:

- (1) The Plan that covers you as an enrollee or an employee shall be the Primary Plan and the Plan that covers you as a Dependent shall be the Secondary Plan;

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- (2) The Plan that covers you as an active employee (or as that employee's Dependent) shall be the Primary Plan and the Plan that covers you as laid-off or retired employee (or as that employee's Dependent) shall be the secondary Plan. If the other Plan does not have a similar provision and, as a result, the Plans cannot agree on the order of benefit determination, this paragraph shall not apply.
- (3) The Plan that covers you under a right of continuation which is provided by federal or state law shall be the Secondary Plan and the Plan that covers you as an active employee or retiree (or as that employee's Dependent) shall be the Primary Plan. If the other Plan does not have a similar provision and, as a result, the Plans cannot agree on the order of benefit determination, this paragraph shall not apply.
- (4) If one of the Plans that covers you is issued out of the state whose laws govern this Policy, and determines the order of benefits based upon the gender of a parent, and as a result, the Plans do not agree on the order of benefit determination, the Plan with the gender rules shall determine the order of benefits.

If none of the above rules determines the order of benefits, the Plan that has covered you for the longer period of time shall be primary.

When coordinating benefits with Medicare, this Plan will be the Secondary Plan and determine benefits after Medicare, where permitted by the Social Security Act of 1965, as amended. However, when more than one Plan is secondary to Medicare, the benefit determination rules identified above, will be used to determine how benefits will be coordinated.

Effect on the Benefits of This Plan

If this Plan is the Secondary Plan, this Plan may reduce benefits so that the total benefits paid by all Plans during a Claim Determination Period are not more than 100% of the total of all Allowable Expenses.

The difference between the amount that this Plan would have paid if this Plan had been the Primary Plan, and the benefit payments that this Plan had actually paid as the Secondary Plan, will be recorded as a benefit reserve for you. CG will use this benefit reserve to pay any Allowable Expense not otherwise paid during the Claim Determination Period.

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As each claim is submitted, CG will determine the following:

- (1) CG's obligation to provide services and supplies under this policy;
- (2) whether a benefit reserve has been recorded for you; and
- (3) whether there are any unpaid Allowable Expenses during the Claims Determination Period.

If there is a benefit reserve, CG will use the benefit reserve recorded for you to pay up to 100% of the total of all Allowable Expenses. At the end of the Claim Determination Period, your benefit reserve will return to zero and a new benefit reserve will be calculated for each new Claim Determination Period.

Recovery of Excess Benefits

If CG pays charges for benefits that should have been paid by the Primary Plan, or if CG pays charges in excess of those for which we are obligated to provide under the Policy, CG will have the right to recover the actual payment made or the Reasonable Cash Value of any services.

CG will have sole discretion to seek such recovery from any person to, or for whom, or with respect to whom, such services were provided or such payments made by any insurance company, healthcare plan or other organization. If we request, you must execute and deliver to us such instruments and documents as we determine are necessary to secure the right of recovery.



Right to Receive and Release Information

CG, without consent or notice to you, may obtain information from and release information to any other Plan with respect to you in order to coordinate your benefits pursuant to this section. You must provide us with any information we request in order to coordinate your benefits pursuant to this section. This request may occur in connection with a submitted claim; if so, you will be advised that the "other coverage" information, (including an Explanation of Benefits paid under the Primary Plan) is required before the claim will be processed for payment. If no response is received within 90 days of the request, the claim will be denied. If the requested information is subsequently received, the claim will be processed.

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Medicare Eligibles

CG will pay as the Secondary Plan as permitted by the Social Security Act of 1965 as amended for the following:

- (a) a former Employee who is eligible for Medicare and whose insurance is continued for any reason as provided in this plan;
- (b) an Employee whose Employer and each other Employer participating in the Employer's plan have fewer than 100 Employees and that Employee is eligible for Medicare due to disability;
- (c) an Employee of an Employee of an Employer who has fewer than 20 Employees, if that person is eligible for Medicare due to age;
- (d) an Employee, retired Employee, who is eligible for Medicare due to End Stage Renal Disease after that person has been eligible for Medicare for 30 months;

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CG will assume the amount payable under:

- Part A of Medicare for a person who is eligible for that Part without premium payment, but has not applied, to be the amount he would receive if he had applied.
- Part B of Medicare for a person who is entitled to be enrolled in that Part, but is not, to be the amount he would receive if he were enrolled.
- Part B of Medicare for a person who has entered into a private contract with a provider, to be the amount he would receive in the absence of such private contract.

A person is considered eligible for Medicare on the earliest date any coverage under Medicare could become effective for him.

This reduction will not apply to any Employee or any former Employee unless he is listed under (a) through (d) above.

Domestic Partners

Under federal law, the Medicare Secondary Payer Rules do not apply to Domestic Partners covered under a group health plan. Therefore, Medicare is always the Primary Plan for a person covered as a Domestic Partner, and CIGNA is the Secondary Plan.

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Expenses For Which A Third Party May Be Liable

This policy does not cover expenses for which another party may be responsible as a result of having caused or contributed to the Injury or Sickness. If you incur a Covered Expense for which, in the opinion of CG, another party may be liable:

1. CG shall, to the extent permitted by law, be subrogated to all rights, claims or interests which you may have against such party and shall automatically have a lien upon the proceeds of any recovery by you from such party to the extent of any benefits paid under the Policy. You or your



representative shall execute such documents as may be required to secure CG's subrogation rights.

2. Alternatively, CG may, at its sole discretion, pay the benefits otherwise payable under the Policy. However, you must first agree in writing to refund to CG the lesser of:
 - a. the amount actually paid for such Covered Expenses by CG; or
 - b. the amount you actually receive from the third party for such Covered Expenses;

at the time that the third party's liability is determined and satisfied, whether by settlement, judgment, arbitration or award or otherwise.

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Payment of Benefits

To Whom Payable

All Medical Benefits are payable to you. However, at the option of CG, all or any part of them may be paid directly to the person or institution on whose charge claim is based.

Medical Benefits are not assignable unless agreed to by CG. CG may, at its option, make payment to you for the cost of any Covered Expenses received by you from a Non-Participating Provider even if benefits have been assigned.

When benefits are paid to you are responsible for reimbursing the Provider. If any person to whom benefits are payable is a minor or, in the opinion of CG, is not able to give a valid receipt for any payment due him, such payment will be made to his legal guardian. If no request for payment has been made by his legal guardian, CG may, at its option, make payment to the person or institution appearing to have assumed his custody and support.

If you die while any of these benefits remain unpaid, CG may choose to make direct payment to any of your following living relatives: spouse, mother, father, child or children, brothers or sisters; or to the executors or administrators of your estate.

Payment as described above will release CG from all liability to the extent of any payment made.

Time of Payment

Benefits will be paid by CG when it receives due proof of loss.

Recovery of Overpayment

When an overpayment has been made by CG, CG will have the right at any time to: (a) recover that overpayment from the person to whom or on whose behalf it was made; or (b) offset the amount of that overpayment from a future claim payment.

Calculation of Covered Expenses

CG, in its discretion, will calculate Covered Expenses following evaluation and validation of all provider billings in accordance with:

- the methodologies in the most recent edition of the Current Procedural terminology.
- the methodologies as reported by generally recognized professionals or publications.

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Termination of Insurance

Employees

Your insurance will cease on the earliest date below:

- the date you cease to be in a Class of Eligible Employees or cease to qualify for the insurance.
- the last day for which you have made any required contribution for the insurance.
- the date the policy is canceled.
- the last day of the calendar month in which your Active Service ends except as described below.

Any continuation of insurance must be based on a plan which precludes individual selection.

Temporary Layoff or Leave of Absence

If your Active Service ends due to temporary layoff or leave of absence, your insurance will be continued until the date your Employer: (a) stops paying premium for you; or (b) otherwise cancels your insurance. However, your insurance will not be continued for more than 60 days past the date your Active Service ends.

Injury or Sickness

If your Active Service ends due to an Injury or Sickness, your insurance will be continued while you remain totally and continuously disabled as a result of the Injury or Sickness. However, the insurance will not continue past the date your Employer stops paying premium for you or otherwise cancels the insurance.

Retirement

If your Active Service ends because you retire, your insurance will be continued until the date on which your Employer stops paying premium for you or otherwise cancels the insurance.

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Additional Provisions for Continuation

The Policyholder will notify you of the right to elect continuation. Such person, within 60 days after (a) the date the insurance would otherwise cease, or (b) the date he is given notice of the right of continuation, whichever is sooner, may then elect such continuation in writing and by paying the required contribution to the Policyholder.

The provisions of the section entitled "Conversion Privilege" will apply following the termination of insurance.

The terms of this Special Continuation of Medical Insurance will not reduce any continuation of insurance otherwise provided.

If, on the day before the Effective Date of this policy, medical coverage was being continued for a person under a group medical plan offered by the Policyholder and replaced by this policy, that person's coverage will be continued for the remaining portion of his period of continuation under this policy, subject to the terms of this section. However, the benefits payable under this policy will be the benefits of the prior group medical plan reduced by any benefits still payable under that prior plan.

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Medical Benefits Extension

Upon Policy Cancellation

If the Medical Benefits under this plan cease for you due to cancellation of the policy, and you are Totally Disabled on that date due to an Injury or Sickness, Medical Benefits will be paid for Covered Expenses incurred in connection with that Injury or Sickness. However, no benefits will be paid after the earliest of:

- the date you exceed the Maximum Benefit, if any, shown in the Schedule;
- the date you are covered for medical benefits under another group policy;
- the date you are no longer Totally Disabled;
- 12 months from the date your Medical Benefits cease; or
- 12 months from the date the policy is canceled.

Totally Disabled

You will be considered Totally Disabled if, because of an Injury or a Sickness:

- you are unable to perform the basic duties of your occupation; and

- you are not performing any other work or engaging in any other occupation for wage or profit.

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Federal Requirements

The following pages explain your rights and responsibilities under federal laws and regulations. Some states may have similar requirements. If a similar provision appears elsewhere in this booklet, the provision which provides the better benefit will apply.

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Notice of Provider Directory/Networks

Notice Regarding Provider/Pharmacy Directories and Provider/Pharmacy Networks

If your Plan utilizes a network of Providers/Pharmacies, you will automatically and without charge, receive a separate listing of Participating Providers/Pharmacies.

You may also have access to a list of Providers who participate in the network by visiting www.cigna.com; mycigna.com or by calling the toll-free telephone number on your ID card.

Your Participating Provider/Pharmacy networks consist of a group of local medical practitioners, and Hospitals, of varied specialties as well as general practice or a group of local Pharmacies who are employed by or contracted with CIGNA HealthCare.

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Special Enrollment Rights Under the Health Insurance Portability & Accountability Act (HIPAA)

If you experience a special enrollment event as described below, you may be entitled to enroll in the Plan outside of a designated enrollment period upon the occurrence of one of the special enrollment events listed below. If you are already enrolled in the Plan, you may request enrollment for you under a different option offered by the Employer for which you are currently eligible. If you are not already enrolled in the Plan, you must request special enrollment for yourself. The special enrollment events include:

- **Loss of eligibility for other coverage (excluding continuation coverage).** If coverage was declined under



this Plan due to coverage under another plan, and eligibility for the other coverage is lost, you and all of your eligible Dependent(s) may request special enrollment in this Plan. If required by the Plan, when enrollment in this Plan was previously declined, it must have been declined in writing with a statement that the reason for declining enrollment was due to other health coverage. This provision applies to loss of eligibility as a result of any of the following:

- divorce or legal separation;
- death of the Employee;
- termination of employment;
- reduction in work hours to below the minimum required for eligibility;
- the other plan no longer offers any benefits to a class of similarly situated individuals.
- **Termination of employer contributions (excluding continuation coverage).** If a current or former employer ceases all contributions toward the Employee's or Dependent's other coverage, special enrollment may be requested in this Plan for you and all of your eligible Dependent(s).
- **Exhaustion of COBRA or other continuation coverage.** Special enrollment may be requested in this Plan for you and all of your eligible Dependent(s) upon exhaustion of COBRA or other continuation coverage. If you or your Dependent(s) elect COBRA or other continuation coverage following loss of coverage under another plan, the COBRA or other continuation coverage must be exhausted before any special enrollment rights exist under this Plan. An individual is considered to have exhausted COBRA or other continuation coverage only if such coverage ceases: (a) due to failure of the employer or other responsible entity to remit premiums on a timely basis; (b) when the person no longer resides or works in the other plan's service area and there is no other COBRA or continuation coverage available under the plan; or (c) when the individual incurs a claim that would meet or exceed a lifetime maximum limit on all benefits and there is no other COBRA or other continuation coverage available to the individual. This does not include termination of an employer's limited period of contributions toward COBRA or other continuation coverage as provided under any severance or other agreement.

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Special enrollment must be requested within 30 days after the occurrence of the special enrollment event

Individuals who enroll in the Plan due to a special enrollment event will not be considered Late Entrants. Any Pre-existing Condition limitation will be applied upon enrollment, reduced

by prior Creditable Coverage, but will not be extended as for a Late Entrant.

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Effect of Section 125 Tax Regulations on This Plan

Your Employer has chosen to administer this Plan in accordance with Section 125 regulations of the Internal Revenue Code. Per this regulation, you may agree to a pretax salary reduction put toward the cost of your benefits. Otherwise, you will receive your taxable earnings as cash (salary).

A. Coverage Elections

Per Section 125 regulations, you are generally allowed to enroll for or change coverage only before each annual benefit period. However, exceptions are allowed if your Employer agrees and you enroll for or change coverage within 30 days of the following:

- the date you meet the Special Enrollment criteria described above; or
- the date you meet the criteria shown in the following Sections B through F.

B. Change of Status

A change in status is defined as:

- (a) change in legal marital status due to marriage, death of a spouse, divorce, annulment or legal separation;
- (b) change in employment status of Employee, due to termination or start of employment, strike, lockout, beginning or end of unpaid leave of absence, including under the Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA), or change in worksite;
- (c) changes in employment status of Employee, resulting in eligibility or ineligibility for coverage;
- (d) change in residence of Employee, to a location outside of the Employer's network service area; and

C. Court Order

A change in coverage due to and consistent with a court order of the Employee.

D. Medicare or Medicaid Eligibility/Entitlement

The Employee cancels or reduces coverage due to entitlement to Medicare or Medicaid, or enrolls or increases coverage due to loss of Medicare or Medicaid eligibility.



E. Change in Cost of Coverage

If the cost of benefits increases or decreases during a benefit period, your Employer may, in accordance with plan terms, automatically change your elective contribution.

When the change in cost is significant, you may either increase your contribution or elect less-costly coverage. When a significant overall reduction is made to the benefit option you have elected, you may elect another available benefit option. When a new benefit option is added, you may change your election to the new benefit option.

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Coverage for Maternity Hospital Stay

Group health plans and health insurance issuers offering group health insurance coverage generally may not, under a federal law known as the “Newborns’ and Mothers’ Health Protection Act”: restrict benefits for any Hospital length of stay in connection with childbirth for the mother or newborn child to less than 48 hours following a vaginal delivery, or less than 96 hours following a cesarean section; or require that a provider obtain authorization from the plan or insurance issuer for prescribing a length of stay not in excess of the above periods. The law generally does not prohibit an attending provider of the mother or newborn, in consultation with the mother, from discharging the mother or newborn earlier than 48 or 96 hours, as applicable.

Please review this Plan for further details on the specific coverage available to you.

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Women’s Health and Cancer Rights Act (WHCRA)

Do you know that your plan, as required by the Women’s Health and Cancer Rights Act of 1998, provides benefits for mastectomy-related services including all stages of reconstruction and surgery to achieve symmetry between the breasts, prostheses, and complications resulting from a mastectomy, including lymphedema? Call Member Services at the toll free number listed on your ID card for more information.

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Group Plan Coverage Instead of Medicaid

If your income does not exceed 100% of the official poverty line and your liquid resources are at or below twice the Social Security income level, the state may decide to pay premiums for this coverage instead of for Medicaid, if it is cost effective. This includes premiums for continuation coverage required by federal law.

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Pre-Existing Conditions Under the Health Insurance Portability & Accountability Act (HIPAA)

A federal law known as the Health Insurance Portability & Accountability Act (HIPAA) establishes requirements for Pre-existing Condition limitation provisions in health plans. Following is an explanation of the requirements and limitations under this law.

A. Pre-Existing Condition Limitation

Under HIPAA, a Pre-existing Condition limitation is a limitation or exclusion of benefits relating to a condition based on the fact that the condition was present before the effective date of coverage under the plan, whether or not any medical advice, diagnosis, care, or treatment was recommended or received before that date. A Pre-existing Condition limitation is permitted under group health plans, provided it is applied only to a physical or mental condition for which medical advice, diagnosis, care, or treatment was recommended or received within the 6-month period (or a shorter period as applies under the plan) ending on the enrollment date. Plan provisions may vary. Please refer to the section entitled “Exclusions, Expenses Not Covered and General Limitations” for the specific Pre-existing Condition limitation provision which applies under this Plan, if any.

B. Exceptions to Pre-existing Condition Limitation

Pregnancy, and genetic information with no related treatment, will not be considered Pre-existing Conditions.

A newborn child, an adopted child, or a child placed for adoption before age 18 will not be subject to any Pre-existing Condition limitation if such child was covered under any creditable coverage within 30 days of birth, adoption or placement for adoption. Such waiver will not apply if 63 days or more elapse between coverage under the prior creditable coverage and coverage under this Plan.



C. Credit for Coverage Under Prior Plan

If you were previously covered under a plan which qualifies as Creditable Coverage, CG will reduce any Pre-existing Condition limitation period under this policy by the number of days of prior Creditable Coverage you had under the prior plan(s). However, credit is available only if you notify the Employer of such prior coverage, and fewer than 63 days elapse between coverage under the prior plan and coverage under this Plan, exclusive of any waiting period. Credit will be given for coverage under all prior Creditable Coverage, provided fewer than 63 days elapsed between coverage under any two plans.

D. Certificate of Prior Creditable Coverage

You must provide proof of your prior Creditable Coverage in order to reduce a Pre-Existing Condition limitation period. You should submit proof of prior coverage with your enrollment material. A certificate of prior Creditable Coverage, or other proofs of coverage which need to be submitted outside the standard enrollment form process for any reason, may be sent directly to: Eligibility Services, CIGNA HealthCare, P.O.Box 9077, Melville, NY 11747-9077. You should contact the Plan Administrator or a CIGNA Customer Service Representative if assistance is needed to obtain proof of prior Creditable Coverage. Once your prior coverage records are reviewed and credit is calculated, you will receive a notice of any remaining Pre-existing Condition limitation period.

E. Creditable Coverage

Creditable Coverage will include coverage under any of the following: A self-insured employer group health plan; Individual or group health insurance indemnity or HMO plans; Part A or Part B of Medicare; Medicaid, except coverage solely for pediatric vaccines; A health plan for certain members of the uniformed armed services and their, including the Commissioned Corps of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and of the Public Health Service; A medical care program of the Indian Health Service or of a tribal organization; A state health benefits risk pool; The Federal Employees Health Benefits Program; A public health plan established by a State, the U.S. government, or a foreign country; the Peace Corps Act; Or a State Children’s Health Insurance Program.

F. Obtaining a Certificate of Creditable Coverage Under This Plan

Upon loss of coverage under this Plan, a Certificate of Creditable Coverage will be mailed to each terminating individual at the last address on file. You may also request a Certificate of Creditable Coverage, without charge, at any time while enrolled in the Plan and for 24 months following termination of coverage. You may need this document as evidence of your prior coverage to reduce any pre-existing

condition limitation period under another plan, to help you get special enrollment in another plan, or to obtain certain types of individual health coverage even if you have health problems. To obtain a Certificate of Creditable Coverage, contact the Plan Administrator or call the toll-free customer service number on the back of your ID card.

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Requirements of Medical Leave Act of 1993 (FMLA)

Any provisions of the policy that provide for: (a) continuation of insurance during a leave of absence; and (b) reinstatement of insurance following a return to Active Service; are modified by the following provisions of the federal Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993, where applicable:

A. Continuation of Health Insurance During Leave

Your health insurance will be continued during a leave of absence if:

- that leave qualifies as a leave of absence under the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993; and
- you are an eligible Employee under the terms of that Act.

The cost of your health insurance during such leave must be paid, whether entirely by your Employer or in part by you and your Employer.

B. Reinstatement of Canceled Insurance Following Leave

Upon your return to Active Service following a leave of absence that qualifies under the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993, any canceled insurance (health, life or disability) will be reinstated as of the date of your return.

You will not be required to satisfy any eligibility or benefit waiting period or the requirements of any Pre-existing Condition limitation to the extent that they had been satisfied prior to the start of such leave of absence.

Your Employer will give you detailed information about the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993.

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Uniformed Services Employment and Re-Employment Rights Act of 1994 (USERRA)

The Uniformed Services Employment and Re-employment Rights Act of 1994 (USERRA) sets requirements for continuation of health coverage and re-employment in regard to an Employee’s military leave of absence. These



requirements apply to medical and dental coverage for you. They do not apply to any Life, Short-term or Long-term Disability or Accidental Death & Dismemberment coverage you may have.

A. Continuation of Coverage

For leaves of less than 31 days, coverage will continue as described in the Termination section regarding Leave of Absence.

For leaves of 31 days or more, you may continue coverage for yourself as follows:

You may continue benefits by paying the required premium to your Employer, until the earliest of the following:

- 24 months from the last day of employment with the Employer;
- the day after you fail to return to work; and
- the date the policy cancels.

Your Employer may charge you and your Dependents up to 102% of the total premium.

Following continuation of health coverage per USERRA requirements, you may convert to a plan of individual coverage according to any "Conversion Privilege" shown in your certificate.

B. Reinstatement of Benefits (applicable to all coverages)

If your coverage ends during the leave of absence because you do not elect USERRA or an available conversion plan at the expiration of USERRA and you are reemployed by your current Employer, coverage for you and your Dependents may be reinstated if (a) you gave your Employer advance written or verbal notice of your military service leave, and (b) the duration of all military leaves while you are employed with your current Employer does not exceed 5 years.

You and your Dependents will be subject to only the balance of a Pre-Existing Condition Limitation (PCL) or waiting period that was not yet satisfied before the leave began. However, if an Injury or Sickness occurs or is aggravated during the military leave, full Plan limitations will apply.

Any 63-day break in coverage rule regarding credit for time accrued toward a PCL waiting period will be waived.

If your coverage under this plan terminates as a result of your eligibility for military medical and dental coverage and your order to active duty is canceled before your active duty service commences, these reinstatement rights will continue to apply.

COBRA Continuation Rights Under Federal Law

For You

What is COBRA Continuation Coverage?

Under federal law, you must be given the opportunity to continue health insurance when there is a "qualifying event" that would result in loss of coverage under the Plan. You will be permitted to continue the same coverage under which you were covered on the day before the qualifying event occurred, unless you move out of that plan's coverage area or the plan is no longer available. You and/or your Dependents cannot change coverage options until the next open enrollment period.

When is COBRA Continuation Available?

For you and your Dependents, COBRA continuation is available for up to 18 months from the date of the following qualifying events if the event would result in a loss of coverage under the Plan:

- your termination of employment for any reason, other than gross misconduct, or
- your reduction in work hours.

For your Dependents, COBRA continuation coverage is available for up to 36 months from the date of the following qualifying events if the event would result in a loss of coverage under the Plan:

- your death;
- your divorce or legal separation; or
- for a Dependent child, failure to continue to qualify as a Dependent under the Plan.

Who is Entitled to COBRA Continuation?

Only a "qualified beneficiary" (as defined by federal law) may elect to continue health insurance coverage. A qualified beneficiary may include the following individuals who were covered by the Plan on the day the qualifying event occurred: you, your spouse, and your Dependent children. Each qualified beneficiary has their own right to elect or decline COBRA continuation coverage even if you decline or are not eligible for COBRA continuation.



The following individuals are not qualified beneficiaries for purposes of COBRA continuation: domestic partners, same sex spouses, grandchildren (unless adopted by you), stepchildren (unless adopted by you). Although these individuals do not have an independent right to elect COBRA continuation coverage, if you elect COBRA continuation coverage for yourself, you may also cover your Dependents even if they are not considered qualified beneficiaries under COBRA. However, such individuals' coverage will terminate when your COBRA continuation coverage terminates.

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Disability Extension

If, after electing COBRA continuation coverage due to your termination of employment or reduction in work hours, you are determined by the Social Security Administration (SSA) to be totally disabled under title II or XVI of the SSA, you have elected COBRA continuation coverage may extend such continuation for an additional 11 months, for a maximum of 29 months from the initial qualifying event.

To qualify for the disability extension, all of the following requirements must be satisfied:

1. SSA must determine that the disability occurred prior to or within 60 days after the disabled individual elected COBRA continuation coverage; and
2. A copy of the written SSA determination must be provided to the Plan Administrator within 60 calendar days after the date the SSA determination is made AND before the end of the initial 18-month continuation period.

If the SSA later determines that the individual is no longer disabled, you must notify the Plan Administrator within 30 days after the date the final determination is made by SSA. The 11-month disability extension will terminate for all covered persons on the first day of the month that is more than 30 days after the date the SSA makes a final determination that the disabled individual is no longer disabled.

All causes for "Termination of COBRA Continuation" listed below will also apply to the period of disability extension.

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Termination of COBRA Continuation

COBRA continuation coverage will be terminated upon the occurrence of any of the following:

- the end of the COBRA continuation period of 18, 29 or 36 months, as applicable;
- failure to pay the required premium within 30 calendar days after the due date;

- cancellation of the Employer's policy with CIGNA;
- after electing COBRA continuation coverage, a qualified beneficiary enrolls in Medicare (Part A, Part B, or both);
- after electing COBRA continuation coverage, a qualified beneficiary becomes covered under another group health plan, unless the qualified beneficiary has a condition for which the new plan limits or excludes coverage under a pre-existing condition provision. In such case coverage will continue until the earliest of: (a) the end of the applicable maximum period; (b) the date the pre-existing condition provision is no longer applicable; or (c) the occurrence of an event described in one of the first three bullets above; or
- any reason the Plan would terminate coverage of a participant or beneficiary who is not receiving continuation coverage (e.g., fraud).

Moving Out of Employer's Service Area or Elimination of a Service Area

If you move out of the Employer's service area or the Employer eliminates a service area in your location, your COBRA continuation coverage under the plan will be limited to out-of-network coverage only. In-network coverage is not available outside of the Employer's service area. If the Employer offers another benefit option through CIGNA or another carrier which can provide coverage in your location, you may elect COBRA continuation coverage under that option.

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Employer's Notification Requirements

Your Employer is required to provide you with the following notices:

- An initial notification of COBRA continuation rights must be provided within 90 days after your (or your spouse's) coverage under the Plan begins (or the Plan first becomes subject to COBRA continuation requirements, if later). If you experience a qualifying event before the end of that 90-day period, the initial notice must be provided within the time frame required for the COBRA continuation coverage election notice as explained below.
- A COBRA continuation coverage election notice must be provided to you within the following timeframes:
 - (a) if the Plan provides that COBRA continuation coverage and the period within which an Employer must notify the Plan Administrator of a qualifying event starts upon the loss of coverage, 44 days after loss of coverage under the Plan;
 - (b) if the Plan provides that COBRA continuation coverage and the period within which an Employer must notify the



Plan Administrator of a qualifying event starts upon the occurrence of a qualifying event, 44 days after the qualifying event occurs; or

- (c) in the case of a multi-employer plan, no later than 14 days after the end of the period in which Employers must provide notice of a qualifying event to the Plan Administrator.

How to Elect COBRA Continuation Coverage

The COBRA coverage election notice will list the individuals who are eligible for COBRA continuation coverage and inform you of the applicable premium. The notice will also include instructions for electing COBRA continuation coverage. You must notify the Plan Administrator of your election no later than the due date stated on the COBRA election notice. If a written election notice is required, it must be post-marked no later than the due date stated on the COBRA election notice. If you do not make proper notification by the due date shown on the notice, you will lose the right to elect COBRA continuation coverage. If you reject COBRA continuation coverage before the due date, you may change your mind as long as you furnish a completed election form before the due date.

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How Much Does COBRA Continuation Coverage Cost?

If the Employee alone elects COBRA continuation coverage, the Employee will be charged 102% (or 150%) of the active Employee premium.

When and How to Pay COBRA Premiums

First payment for COBRA continuation

If you elect COBRA continuation coverage, you do not have to send any payment with the election form. However, you must make your first payment no later than 45 calendar days after the date of your election. (This is the date the Election Notice is postmarked, if mailed.) If you do not make your first payment within that 45 days, you will lose all COBRA continuation rights under the Plan.

Subsequent payments

After you make your first payment for COBRA continuation coverage, you will be required to make subsequent payments of the required premium for each additional month of coverage. Payment is due on the first day of each month. If you make a payment on or before its due date, your coverage under the Plan will continue for that coverage period without any break.

Grace periods for subsequent payments

Although subsequent payments are due by the first day of the month, you will be given a grace period of 30 days after the

first day of the coverage period to make each monthly payment. Your COBRA continuation coverage will be provided for each coverage period as long as payment for that coverage period is made before the end of the grace period for that payment. However, if your payment is received after the due date, your coverage under the Plan may be suspended during this time. Any providers who contact the Plan to confirm coverage during this time may be informed that coverage has been suspended. If payment is received before the end of the grace period, your coverage will be reinstated back to the beginning of the coverage period. This means that any claim you submit for benefits while your coverage is suspended may be denied and may have to be resubmitted once your coverage is reinstated. If you fail to make a payment before the end of the grace period for that coverage period, you will lose all rights to COBRA continuation coverage under the Plan.

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You Must Give Notice of Certain Qualifying Events

If you experience one of the following qualifying events, you must notify the Plan Administrator within 60 calendar days after the later of the date the qualifying event occurs or the date coverage would cease as a result of the qualifying event:

COBRA Continuation for Retirees Following Employer’s Bankruptcy

If you are covered as a retiree, and a proceeding in bankruptcy is filed with respect to the Employer under Title 11 of the United States Code, you may be entitled to COBRA continuation coverage. If the bankruptcy results in a loss of coverage for you, your Dependents or your surviving spouse within one year before or after such proceeding, you and your covered Dependents will become COBRA qualified beneficiaries with respect to the bankruptcy. You will be entitled to COBRA continuation coverage until your death. Your surviving spouse and covered Dependent children will be entitled to COBRA continuation coverage for up to 36 months following your death. However, COBRA continuation coverage will cease upon the occurrence of any of the events listed under “Termination of COBRA Continuation” above.

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Trade Act of 2002

The Trade Act of 2002 created a new tax credit for certain individuals who become eligible for trade adjustment assistance and for certain retired Employees who are receiving pension payments from the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation (PBGC) (eligible individuals). Under the new tax



provisions, eligible individuals can either take a tax credit or get advance payment of 65% of premiums paid for qualified health insurance, including continuation coverage. If you have questions about these new tax provisions, you may call the Health Coverage Tax Credit Customer Contact Center toll-free at 1-866-628-4282. TDD/TYY callers may call toll-free at 1-866-626-4282. More information about the Trade Act is also available at www.doleta.gov/tradeact/2002act_index.asp.

In addition, if you initially declined COBRA continuation coverage and, within 60 days after your loss of coverage under the Plan, you are deemed eligible by the U.S. Department of Labor or a state labor agency for trade adjustment assistance (TAA) benefits and the tax credit, you may be eligible for a special 60 day COBRA election period. The special election period begins on the first day of the month that you become TAA-eligible. If you elect COBRA coverage during this special election period, COBRA coverage will be effective on the first day of the special election period and will continue for 18 months, unless you experience one of the events discussed under "Termination of COBRA Continuation" above. Coverage will not be retroactive to the initial loss of coverage. If you receive a determination that you are TAA-eligible, you must notify the Plan Administrator immediately.

Conversion Available Following Continuation

If your COBRA continuation ends due to the expiration of the maximum 18-, 29- or 36-month period, whichever applies, you may be entitled to convert to the coverage in accordance with the Medical Conversion benefit then available to Employees. Please refer to the section titled "Conversion Privilege" for more information.

Interaction With Other Continuation Benefits

You may be eligible for other continuation benefits under state law. Refer to the Termination section for any other continuation benefits.

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Notice of an Appeal or a Grievance

The appeal or grievance provision in this certificate may be superseded by the law of your state. Please see your explanation of benefits for the applicable appeal or grievance procedure.

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The Following Will Apply To Residents Of Vermont

When You Have A Complaint Or An Appeal

For the purposes of this section, any reference to "you," "your" or "Member" also refers to a representative or provider designated by you to act on your behalf, unless otherwise noted.

We want you to be completely satisfied with the care you receive. That is why we have established a process for addressing your concerns and solving your problems.

Start with Member Services

We are here to listen and help. If you have a concern regarding a person, a service, the quality of care, or contractual benefits, you can call our toll-free number and explain your concern to one of our Customer Service representatives. You can also express that concern in writing. Please call or write to us at the following:

Customer Services Toll-Free Number or address that appears on your Benefit Identification card, explanation of benefits or claim form.

We will do our best to resolve the matter on your initial contact. If we need more time to review or investigate your concern, we will get back to you as soon as possible, but in any case within 30 days.

If you are not satisfied with the results of a coverage decision, you can start the appeals procedure.

Appeals Procedure

CG has a two step appeals procedure for coverage decisions. To initiate an appeal, you must submit a request for an appeal in writing within 365 days of receipt of a denial notice. You should state the reason why you feel your appeal should be approved and include any information supporting your appeal. If you are unable or choose not to write, you may ask to register your appeal by telephone. Call or write to us at the toll-free number or address on your Benefit Identification card, explanation of benefits or claim form.

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Level One Appeal For Mental Health/Substance Abuse Issues

Your appeal will be reviewed and the decision made by someone not involved in the initial decision. Appeals involving Medical Necessity or clinical appropriateness will be considered by a health care professional.



For level-one appeals, we will respond in writing with a decision within 10 calendar days.

You may request that the appeal process be expedited for an emergency. An emergency means a condition or illness of an individual which, if not treated immediately, presents a serious risk of harm to the individual, to others or to property. When an appeal is expedited, we will respond orally with a decision within 24 hours followed up in writing.

Level One Appeal For Non-Mental Health/Substance Abuse Issues

Your appeal will be reviewed and the decision made by someone not involved in the initial decision. Appeals involving Medical Necessity or clinical appropriateness will be considered by a health care professional.

For level-one appeals, we will respond in writing with a decision within 15 calendar days after we receive an appeal for a required preservice or concurrent care coverage determination (decision). We will respond within 30 calendar days after we receive an appeal for a postservice coverage determination. If more time or information is needed to make the determination, we will notify you in writing to request an extension of up to 15 calendar days and to specify any additional information needed to complete the review.

You may request that the appeal process be expedited if the appeal is for urgently needed care. Urgently needed care means those health care services that are necessary to treat a condition or Sickness of a person that if not treated within 24 hours presents serious risk of harm. When an appeal is expedited, we will respond orally with a decision within 72 hours followed up in writing.

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Voluntary Level Two Appeal For Mental Health/Substance Abuse Issues

If you are dissatisfied with our level one appeal decision, you may request a voluntary second review. To start a level two appeal, follow the same process required for a level one appeal.

Most requests for a second review will be conducted by the Appeals Committee, which consists of at least three people. Anyone involved in the prior decision may not vote on the Committee. For appeals involving Medical Necessity or clinical appropriateness, the Committee will consult with at least one Physician reviewer in the same or similar specialty as the care under consideration, as determined by CG's Physician reviewer. You may present your situation to the Committee in person or by conference call.

For level two appeals we will acknowledge in writing that we have received your request and schedule a Committee review.

The Committee review will be completed within 10 calendar days. You will be notified in writing of the Committee's decision within five working days after the Committee meeting, and within the Committee review time frames above if the Committee does not approve the requested coverage.

You may request that the appeal process be expedited for an emergency. An emergency means a condition or Sickness of a person which, if not treated immediately, presents a serious risk of harm to the person, to others or to property. When an appeal is expedited, we will respond orally with a decision within 24 hours followed up in writing.

Level Two Appeal For Non-Mental Health/Substance Abuse Issues

If you are dissatisfied with our level one appeal decision, you may request a second review. To start a level two appeal, follow the same process required for a level one appeal.

Most requests for a second review will be conducted by the Appeals Committee, which consists of at least three people. Anyone involved in the prior decision may not vote on the Committee. For appeals involving Medical Necessity or clinical appropriateness, the Committee will consult with at least one Physician reviewer in the same or similar specialty as the care under consideration, as determined by CG's Physician reviewer. You may present your situation to the Committee in person or by conference call.

For level two appeals we will acknowledge in writing that we have received your request and schedule a Committee review. For required preservice and concurrent care coverage determinations, the Committee review will be completed within 15 calendar days. For postservice claims, the Committee review will be completed within 30 calendar days. If more time or information is needed to make the determination, we will notify you in writing to request an extension of up to 15 calendar days and to specify any additional information needed by the Committee to complete the review. You will be notified in writing of the Committee's decision within five working days after the Committee meeting, and within the Committee review time frames above if the Committee does not approve the requested coverage.

You may request that the appeal process be expedited if the appeal is for urgently needed care. Urgently needed care means those health care services that are necessary to treat a condition or Sickness of a person that if not treated within 24 hours presents serious risk of harm. When an appeal is expedited, we will respond orally with a decision within 48 hours followed up in writing.

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External Review Procedure For Mental Health/Substance Abuse Issues

If you are dissatisfied with either a Level One Appeal decision or a voluntary Level Two Appeal decision related to Medical Necessity or clinical appropriateness, you may request an External Review of your issue by an Independent Panel of Mental Health Care Providers (IP). To start the External Review by an IP, you, your mental health care provider or your representative on your behalf, must file a written request with CG and the IP. You must include your consent for CG to release confidential patient files to the IP. The IP address is:

Independent Panel of Mental Health Care Providers
Department of Banking, Insurance and Securities
89 Main Street, Drawer 20
Montpelier, VT 05620-3101
802.828.3301

When CG receives your request for an External Review, CG will send the file supporting the initial decision and the appeal decision(s) to the IP within: (a) 24 hours of receiving the request in emergency situations; and (b) within five working days of receiving the request in all other situations.

The IP may address inquiries to any of the parties (you, your mental health care provider or your authorized representative, or CG) and may set a reasonable time period for a response. If CG does not provide all necessary information in the required time periods, the delay will result in a presumption in your favor and will not delay the IP’s review of the issue. The IP also has the authority to request any or all of the parties to meet with the IP. The IP will make its review decision within: (a) 24 hours of receiving all necessary information in emergency situations; and (b) within 15 working days in all other situations. The IP will send its decision by mail or facsimile to CG and to the person who filed the request for External Review. Emergency decisions will be communicated by telephone, facsimile or delivered by express mail as appropriate. CG is required to abide by IP’s decision. If you have a complaint about a matter that is not related to Medical Necessity or clinical appropriateness, you may file a consumer complaint with the Insurance Consumer Services Division at the following address:

Insurance Consumer Services Division
Department of Banking, Insurance and Securities
89 Main Street, Drawer 20
Montpelier, VT 05620-3101
802.828.3302

External Appeal Procedure For Non-Mental Health/Substance Abuse Issues

If you have exhausted CG’s internal appeal process, you may request an External Review of your issue by an Independent Review Organization (IRO). You (or your authorized representative or your provider on your behalf) may file a

written request for External Review within 90 days from the date you receive CG’s final, written appeal decision. The written request for External Review must be filed with the Division of Health Care Administration at the following address:

Division of Health Care Administration
External Appeals Program
89 Main Street, Drawer 20
Montpelier, VT 05620-3601

The insured must file on a form provided by the Division and include the \$25 fee or a request for a waiver or reduction of the fee, general release of medical records relevant to the appeal, identification of insurer and a statement that all internal appeals have been exhausted. An oral request will also be accepted if made within the 90-day period provided that the request is confirmed in writing on the state request form within 10 calendar days. The External Appeal program is a voluntary program.

Once notified by the Division that the External Appeal has been accepted for review by an IRO, CG must submit all information relevant to the appeal, including: (a) the review criteria used in making the decision; (b) copies of any applicable policies or procedures; and (c) copies of all medical records considered in making the decision in the appeal process. CG may request an extension of up to 10 days to submit information and documentation, granted by the Division for good case.

CG must pay the costs of the External Appeal to the Division within 30 days of notification of the reasonable and necessary costs of the review by the IRO.

The Division will provide the request form for an External Appeal, and will assist you in filing a written request. An oral request will also be accepted if made within the 90-day period provided that the request is confirmed in writing on the state request form within 10 calendar days. Within five working days of receiving the External Appeal request the Division will process the form and materials, and accept the appeal for review by an IRO after determining: (a) that you are or were insured; (b) the service is a covered service under the plan; (c) the External Appeal involves an appealable decision; (d) you have exhausted the internal process; and (e) all information has been provided.

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External Appeal Procedure for Non-Mental Health/Substance Abuse Issues

The Vermont Division of Health Care Administration (“Division”) will notify you when the External Appeal submission is complete, and whether the External Appeal has



been accepted for review by an IRO. CG must submit any required documentation within 10 calendar days from the date CG receives the request notice. CG may request a 10-calendar day extension for good cause. You may have an extension for any reason.

The Division shall provide copies of documentation (and follow-up information) to you and to CG; each will have three working days to file responsive documentation with the Division.

The Division will assign the External Appeal on a rotating basis to an IRO for clinical review.

The Division will review the determination of the IRO and then issue the determination to you and to CG, which will be binding on CG but not on you.

The IRO will conduct a full review, and may request any additional information from you, CG, or the Division. The IRO will complete the review, and forward its written determination to the Division within: (a) five calendar days from receipt if the External Appeal involves emergency or urgently needed care; and (b) 30 calendar days from receipt for all other External Appeal requests. The IRO's written determination will include the clinical rationale for the determination. The IRO may request an extension from the Commissioner.

Appeal to the State of Vermont

You have the right to contact the Vermont Department of Banking, Insurance, Securities and Health Care Administration for assistance at any time. The Department may be contacted at the following address and telephone number:

Vermont Department of Banking, Insurance,
Securities and Health Care Administration
89 Main Street - Drawer 20
Montpelier, Vermont 05620-3601
1-802-828-2900
1-800-631-7788

Other Consumer Assistance Organizations:
Office of Health Care Ombudsman: 1-800-917-7787
A free statewide program to help Vermonters resolve problems and complaints with their health insurance.

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Applies to All Issues

Notice of Benefit Determination on Appeal

Every notice of a determination on appeal will be provided in writing or electronically and, if an adverse determination, will include: (1) the specific reason or reasons for the adverse determination; (2) reference to the specific plan provisions on

which the determination is based; (3) a statement that the claimant is entitled to receive, upon request and free of charge, reasonable access to and copies of all documents, records, and other Relevant Information as defined; (4) a statement describing any voluntary appeal procedures offered by the plan and the claimant's right to bring an action under ERISA section 502(a); (5) upon request and free of charge, a copy of any internal rule, guideline, protocol or other similar criterion that was relied upon in making the adverse determination regarding your appeal, and an explanation of the scientific or clinical judgment for a determination that is based on a Medical Necessity, experimental treatment or other similar exclusion or limit.

You also have the right to bring a civil action under Section 502(a) of ERISA if you are not satisfied with the decision on review. You or your plan may have other voluntary alternative dispute resolution options such as Mediation. One way to find out what may be available is to contact your local U.S. Department of Labor office and your state insurance regulatory agency. You may also contact the Plan Administrator.

Relevant Information

Relevant Information is any document, record, or other information which (a) was relied upon in making the benefit determination; (b) was submitted, considered, or generated in the course of making the benefit determination, without regard to whether such document, record, or other information was relied upon in making the benefit determination; (c) demonstrates compliance with the administrative processes and safeguards required by federal law in making the benefit determination; or (d) constitutes a statement of policy or guidance with respect to the plan concerning the denied treatment option or benefit or the claimant's diagnosis, without regard to whether such advice or statement was relied upon in making the benefit determination.

Legal Action

If your plan is governed by ERISA, you have the right to bring a civil action under Section 502(a) of ERISA if you are not satisfied with the outcome of the Appeals Procedure. In most instances, you may not initiate a legal action against CG until you have completed the Level One and Level Two Appeal processes. If your Appeal is expedited, there is no need to complete the Level Two process prior to bringing legal action.

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Definitions

Active Service

You will be considered in Active Service:

- on any of your Employer's scheduled work days if you are performing the regular duties of your work on a full-time basis on that day either at your Employer's place of business or at some location to which you are required to travel for your Employer's business.
- on a day which is not one of your Employer's scheduled work days if you were in Active Service on the preceding scheduled work day.

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Bed and Board

The term Bed and Board includes all charges made by a Hospital on its own behalf for room and meals and for all general services and activities needed for the care of registered bed patients.

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Charges

The term "charges" means the actual billed charges; except when the provider has contracted directly or indirectly with CG for a different amount.

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Custodial Services

Any services that are of a sheltering, protective, or safeguarding nature. Such services may include a stay in an institutional setting, at-home care, or nursing services to care for someone because of age or mental or physical condition. This service primarily helps the person in daily living. Custodial care also can provide medical services, given mainly to maintain the person's current state of health. These services cannot be intended to greatly improve a medical condition; they are intended to provide care while the patient cannot care for himself or herself. Custodial Services include but are not limited to:

- Services related to watching or protecting a person;
- Services related to performing or assisting a person in performing any activities of daily living, such as: (a) walking, (b) grooming, (c) bathing, (d) dressing, (e) getting in or out of bed, (f) toileting, (g) eating, (h) preparing foods, or (i) taking medications that can be self administered, and

- Services not required to be performed by trained or skilled medical or paramedical personnel.

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Emergency Services

Emergency services are medical, psychiatric, surgical, Hospital and related health care services and testing, including ambulance service, which are required to treat a sudden, unexpected onset of a bodily Injury or serious Sickness which could reasonably be expected by a prudent layperson to result in serious medical complications, loss of life or permanent impairment to bodily functions in the absence of immediate medical attention. Examples of emergency situations include uncontrolled bleeding, seizures or loss of consciousness, shortness of breath, chest pains or severe squeezing sensations in the chest, suspected overdose of medication or poisoning, sudden paralysis or slurred speech, burns, cuts and broken bones. The symptoms that led you to believe you needed emergency care, as coded by the provider and recorded by the Hospital on the UB92 claim form, or its successor, or the final diagnosis, whichever reasonably indicated an emergency medical condition, will be the basis for the determination of coverage, provided such symptoms reasonably indicate an emergency.

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Employee

The term Employee means a full-time employee of the Employer who is currently in Active Service. The term does not include employees who are part-time or temporary.

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Employer

The term Employer means an employer participating in the fund which is established under the agreement of Trust for the purpose of providing insurance.

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Expense Incurred

An expense is incurred when the service or the supply for which it is incurred is provided.

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Free-Standing Surgical Facility

The term Free-standing Surgical Facility means an institution which meets all of the following requirements:

- it has a medical staff of Physicians, Nurses and licensed anesthesiologists;
- it maintains at least two operating rooms and one recovery room;
- it maintains diagnostic laboratory and x-ray facilities;
- it has equipment for emergency care;
- it has a blood supply;
- it maintains medical records;
- it has agreements with Hospitals for immediate acceptance of patients who need Hospital Confinement on an inpatient basis; and
- it is licensed in accordance with the laws of the appropriate legally authorized agency.

DFS682

Hospice Care Program

The term Hospice Care Program means:

- a coordinated, interdisciplinary program to meet the physical, psychological, spiritual and social needs of dying persons and their families;
- a program that provides palliative and supportive medical, nursing and other health services through home or inpatient care during the illness;
- a program for persons who have a Terminal Illness and for the families of those persons.

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Hospice Care Services

The term Hospice Care Services means any services provided by: (a) a Hospital, (b) a Skilled Nursing Facility or a similar institution, (c) a Home Health Care Agency, (d) a Hospice Facility, or (e) any other licensed facility or agency under a Hospice Care Program.

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Hospice Facility

The term Hospice Facility means an institution or part of it which:

- primarily provides care for Terminally Ill patients;
- is accredited by the National Hospice Organization;
- meets standards established by CG; and
- fulfills any licensing requirements of the state or locality in which it operates.

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Hospital

The term Hospital means:

- an institution licensed as a hospital, which: (a) maintains, on the premises, all facilities necessary for medical and surgical treatment; (b) provides such treatment on an inpatient basis, for compensation, under the supervision of Physicians; and (c) provides 24-hour service by Registered Graduate Nurses;
- an institution which qualifies as a hospital, a psychiatric hospital or a tuberculosis hospital, and a provider of services under Medicare, if such institution is accredited as a hospital by the Joint Commission on the Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations; or
- an institution which: (a) specializes in treatment of Mental Health and Substance Abuse or other related illness; (b) provides residential treatment programs; and (c) is licensed in accordance with the laws of the appropriate legally authorized agency.

The term Hospital will not include an institution which is primarily a place for rest, a place for the aged, or a nursing home.

DFS1693

Hospital Confinement or Confined in a Hospital

A person will be considered Confined in a Hospital if he is:

- a registered bed patient in a Hospital upon the recommendation of a Physician;
- receiving treatment for Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services in a Partial Hospitalization program;
- receiving treatment for Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services in a Mental Health or Substance Abuse Residential Treatment Center.

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Injury

The term Injury means an accidental bodily injury.

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Maximum Reimbursable Charge - Medical

The Maximum Reimbursable Charge for covered services is determined based on the lesser of:

- the provider’s normal charge for a similar service or supply; or
- a policyholder-selected percentile of charges made by providers of such service or supply in the geographic area where it is received as compiled in a database selected by CG.

The percentile used to determine the Maximum Reimbursable Charge is listed in The Schedule.

The Maximum Reimbursable Charge is subject to all other benefit limitations and applicable coding and payment methodologies determined by CG. Additional information about how CG determines the Maximum Reimbursable Charge is available upon request.

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Medicaid

The term Medicaid means a state program of medical aid for needy persons established under Title XIX of the Social Security Act of 1965 as amended.

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Medically Necessary/Medical Necessity

Health care services which are determined by CG to: (a) be consistent with generally accepted practice parameters as recognized by health care providers in the same or similar general specialty as typically treats or manages the diagnosis or condition; (b) help restore or maintain the person’s health; (c) prevent deterioration of or palliate the person’s condition; or (d) prevent the reasonably likely onset of a health problem or detect an incipient problem. Health care services shall also include diagnostic testing, preventive services and aftercare appropriate in terms of type, amount, frequency, level, setting, and duration to the person’s diagnosis or condition.

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Medicare

The term Medicare means the program of medical care benefits provided under Title XVIII of the Social Security Act of 1965 as amended.

DFS149

Necessary Services and Supplies

The term Necessary Services and Supplies includes:

- any charges, except charges for Bed and Board, made by a Hospital on its own behalf for medical services and supplies actually used during Hospital Confinement;
- any charges, by whomever made, for licensed ambulance service to or from the nearest Hospital where the needed medical care and treatment can be provided; and
- any charges, by whomever made, for the administration of anesthetics during Hospital Confinement.

The term Necessary Services and Supplies will not include any charges for special nursing fees, dental fees or medical fees.

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Nurse

The term Nurse means a Registered Graduate Nurse, a Licensed Practical Nurse or a Licensed Vocational Nurse who has the right to use the abbreviation "R.N.," "L.P.N." or "L.V.N."

DFS155

Other Health Care Facility

The term Other Health Care Facility means a facility other than a Hospital or hospice facility. Examples of Other Health Care Facilities include, but are not limited to, licensed skilled nursing facilities, rehabilitation Hospitals and subacute facilities.

DFS1686

Other Health Professional

The term Other Health Professional means an individual other than a Physician who is licensed or otherwise authorized under the applicable state law to deliver medical services and supplies. Other Health Professionals include, but are not



limited to physical therapists, registered nurses and licensed practical nurses.

DFS1685

Participating Pharmacy

The term Participating Pharmacy means a retail pharmacy with which Connecticut General Life Insurance Company has contracted to provide prescription services to insureds; or a designated mail-order pharmacy with which CG has contracted to provide mail-order prescription services to insureds.

DFS1937

Participating Provider

The term Participating Provider means a hospital, a Physician or any other health care practitioner or entity that has a direct or indirect contractual arrangement with CIGNA to provide covered services with regard to a particular plan under which the participant is covered.

DFS1910

Participation Date

The term Participation Date means the later of:

- The Effective Date of the policy; or
- The date on which your Employer becomes a participant in the plan of insurance authorized by the agreement of Trust.

DFS245

Pharmacy

The term Pharmacy means a retail pharmacy, or a mail-order pharmacy.

DFS1934

Pharmacy & Therapeutics (P & T) Committee

A committee of CG Participating Providers, Medical Directors and Pharmacy Directors which regularly reviews Prescription Drugs and Related Supplies for safety and efficacy. The P&T Committee evaluates Prescription Drugs and Related Supplies for potential addition to or deletion from the Prescription Drug

List and may also set dosage and/or dispensing limits on Prescription Drugs and Related Supplies.

DFS1919

Physician

The term Physician means a licensed medical practitioner who is practicing within the scope of his license and who is licensed to prescribe and administer drugs or to perform surgery. It will also include any other licensed medical practitioner whose services are required to be covered by law in the locality where the policy is issued if he is:

- operating within the scope of his license; and
- performing a service for which benefits are provided under this plan when performed by a Physician.

DFS164

Prescription Drug

Prescription Drug means; (a) a drug which has been approved by the Food and Drug Administration for safety and efficacy; (b) certain drugs approved under the Drug Efficacy Study Implementation review; or (c) drugs marketed prior to 1938 and not subject to review, and which can, under federal or state law, be dispensed only pursuant to a Prescription Order.

DFS1708

Prescription Drug List

Prescription Drug List means a listing of approved Prescription Drugs and Related Supplies. The Prescription Drugs and Related Supplies included in the Prescription Drug List have been approved in accordance with parameters established by the P&T Committee. The Prescription Drug List is regularly reviewed and updated.

DFS1924

Prescription Order

Prescription Order means the lawful authorization for a Prescription Drug or Related Supply by a Physician who is duly licensed to make such authorization within the course of such Physician's professional practice or each authorized refill thereof.

DFS1711



Psychologist

The term Psychologist means a person who is licensed or certified as a clinical psychologist. Where no licensure or certification exists, the term Psychologist means a person who is considered qualified as a clinical psychologist by a recognized psychological association. It will also include any other licensed counseling practitioner whose services are required to be covered by law in the locality where the policy is issued if he is:

- operating within the scope of his license; and
- performing a service for which benefits are provided under this plan when performed by a Psychologist.

DFS170

Related Supplies

Related Supplies means diabetic supplies (insulin needles and syringes, lancets and glucose test strips), needles and syringes for injectables covered under the pharmacy plan, and spacers for use with oral inhalers.

DFS1710

Review Organization

The term Review Organization refers to an affiliate of CG or another entity to which CG has delegated responsibility for performing utilization review services. The Review Organization is an organization with a staff of clinicians which may include Physicians, Registered Graduate Nurses, licensed mental health and substance abuse professionals, and other trained staff members who perform utilization review services.

DFS1688

Sickness – For Medical Insurance

The term Sickness means a physical or mental illness. It also includes pregnancy. Expenses incurred for routine Hospital and pediatric care of a newborn child prior to discharge from the Hospital nursery will be considered to be incurred as a result of Sickness.

DFS531

Skilled Nursing Facility

The term Skilled Nursing Facility means a licensed institution (other than a Hospital, as defined) which specializes in:

- physical rehabilitation on an inpatient basis; or
 - skilled nursing and medical care on an inpatient basis;
- but only if that institution: (a) maintains on the premises all facilities necessary for medical treatment; (b) provides such treatment, for compensation, under the supervision of Physicians; and (c) provides Nurses' services.

DFS193

Terminal Illness

A Terminal Illness will be considered to exist if a person becomes terminally ill with a prognosis of six months or less to live, as diagnosed by a Physician.

DFS197

Urgent Care

Urgent Care is medical, surgical, Hospital or related health care services and testing which are not Emergency Services, but which are determined by CG, in accordance with generally accepted medical standards, to have been necessary to treat a condition requiring prompt medical attention. This does not include care that could have been foreseen before leaving the immediate area where you ordinarily receive and/or were scheduled to receive services. Such care includes, but is not limited to, dialysis, scheduled medical treatments or therapy, or care received after a Physician's recommendation that the insured should not travel due to any medical condition.

DFS1534