Rhode Island HealthPact Plan

Certificate of Coverage

UnitedHealthcare of New England, Inc.

Certificate of Coverage is Part of Policy

This Certificate of Coverage (Certificate) is part of the Policy that is a legal document between UnitedHealthcare of New England, Inc. and the Enrolling Group to provide Benefits to Covered Persons, subject to the terms, conditions, exclusions and limitations of the Policy. We issue the Policy based on the Enrolling Group's application and payment of the required Policy Charges.

In addition to this Certificate the Policy includes:

- The Group Policy.
- The Schedule of Benefits.
- The Enrolling Group’s application.
- Riders.
- Amendments.

You can review the Policy at the office of the Enrolling Group during regular business hours.

Changes to the Document

We may from time to time modify this Certificate by attaching legal documents called Riders and/or Amendments that may change certain provisions of the Certificate. When that happens we will send you a new Certificate, Rider or Amendment pages.

No one can make any changes to the Policy unless those changes are in writing.

Other Information You Should Have

We have the right to change, interpret, modify, withdraw or add Benefits, or to terminate the Policy, as permitted by law, without your approval.

On its effective date this Certificate replaces and overrules any Certificate that we may have previously issued to you. This Certificate will in turn be overruled by any Certificate we issue to you in the future.

The Policy will take effect on the date specified in the Policy. Coverage under the Policy will begin at 12:01 a.m. and end at 12:00 midnight in the time zone of the Enrolling Group's location. The Policy will remain in effect as long as the Policy Charges are paid when they are due, subject to termination of the Policy.

We are delivering the Policy in the State of Rhode Island. The Policy is governed by ERISA unless the Enrolling Group is not an employee welfare benefit plan as defined by ERISA. To the extent that state law applies, the laws of the State of Rhode Island are the laws that govern the Policy.
Introduction to Your Certificate

We are pleased to provide you with this Certificate. This Certificate and the other Policy documents describe your Benefits, as well as your rights and responsibilities, under the Policy. For both the Advantage and Basic Plans, this Policy provides coverage for Benefits received from Network Providers only. Except for those services outlined in Section 5: How to File a Claim, Benefits are not available for services received from Non-Network Providers.

Advantage Plan and Basic Plan

This Certificate of Coverage provides for two separate levels of benefits - the Advantage Plan and the Basic Plan. Under the Advantage Plan you will receive a higher level of Benefits than under the Basic Plan. The financial responsibility for Covered Health Services is outlined in the Schedule of Benefits.

In order to enroll in the Advantage Plan and receive the higher level of benefits, you must comply with certain wellness requirements which are outlined below. If you do not comply with all the wellness requirements you will be enrolled in the Basic Plan and will have a greater financial responsibility for Covered Health Services.

Initial Enrollment Period

You will be enrolled in the Advantage Plan upon your initial enrollment if all of the following requirements are met:

- Selection of Primary Physician for all Covered Persons to be designated on the enrollment application; and
- Completion of a Health Risk Assessment (HRA) twenty-one days prior to the effective date of the HealthPact Plan for the Subscriber and Covered Dependents over twelve years of age; and
- Participation in disease management and/or case management programs if We identify you as a Covered Person who would benefit from these programs; and
- Completion of a signed HealthPact Pledge acknowledgement for participation in applicable wellness programs as follows:
  - participation in a smoking cessation program if you or any of your Covered Dependents over twelve years of age are smokers (if non-smokers, a commitment to remain smoke-free);
  - participation in weight loss/weight management programs by you and/or your Covered Dependents over twelve years of age if recommended by your Primary Physician (if you or your Covered Dependents are currently at a healthy weight, a commitment to remain at a healthy weight);
  - confirmation that you and your Covered Dependents over twelve years of age have an acceptable Body Mass Index (BMI). To determine if you have an acceptable BMI, contact your Primary Physician. You can also calculate your BMI by using the BMI calculator on the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention website at http://www.cdc.gov/nccdphp/dnpa/bmi/.

Please Note: If these requirements are not completed by either you or your Covered Dependents (as applicable), you and your Covered Dependents will be enrolled in the Basic Plan. Once enrolled in the Basic Plan, you will not be permitted to enroll in the Advantage Plan until the date of your next group renewal.

Subsequent Enrollment Periods

You will be eligible for continued enrollment in the Advantage Plan on the date of your group renewal if you comply with all of the following wellness requirements within the timeframes noted below:

- Maintenance of a Primary Physician on record with us; and

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- An annual physical examination within eight calendar months after the group's effective date; and
- Completion of the HealthPact Participation Commitment letter within eight calendar months after the group's effective date; and
- Submission within eight calendar months following the group's effective date of a PCP Checklist completed by your Primary Physician for you and any of your Covered Dependents age twelve or older; and
- Completion of the HRA Form twenty-one days prior to your effective date which confirms that you and your Covered Dependents over the age of eighteen have complied with your Primary Physician's recommendations regarding smoking cessation and weight management; and
- You and/or any of your Covered Dependents that were identified for participation in disease management and/or case management programs have met the program participation standards that We identified; and
- Completion of any additional requirements as determined by the Rhode Island Office of the Health Insurance Commissioner (OHIC) by regulation.

Please Note: If these requirements are not completed by either you or your Covered Dependents (as applicable), you and your Covered Dependents will be enrolled in the Basic Plan. Once enrolled in the Basic Plan, you will not be permitted to enroll in the Advantage Plan until the date of your next group renewal.

How to Use this Document
We encourage you to read your Certificate and any attached Riders and/or Amendments carefully.

We especially encourage you to review the Benefit limitations of this Certificate by reading the attached Schedule of Benefits along with Section 1: Covered Health Services and Section 2: Exclusions and Limitations. You should also carefully read Section 8: General Legal Provisions to better understand how this Certificate and your Benefits work. You should call us if you have questions about the limits of the coverage available to you.

Many of the sections of the Certificate are related to other sections of the document. You may not have all of the information you need by reading just one section. We also encourage you to keep your Certificate and Schedule of Benefits and any attachments in a safe place for your future reference.

If there is a conflict between this Certificate and any summaries provided to you by the Enrolling Group, this Certificate will control.

Please be aware that your Physician is not responsible for knowing or communicating your Benefits.

Information about Defined Terms
Because this Certificate is part of a legal document, we want to give you information about the document that will help you understand it. Certain capitalized words have special meanings. We have defined these words in Section 9: Defined Terms. You can refer to Section 9: Defined Terms as you read this document to have a clearer understanding of your Certificate.

When we use the words "we," "us," and "our" in this document, we are referring to UnitedHealthcare of New England, Inc. When we use the words "you" and "your," we are referring to people who are Covered Persons, as that term is defined in Section 9: Defined Terms.

Don't Hesitate to Contact Us
Throughout the document you will find statements that encourage you to contact us for further information. Whenever you have a question or concern regarding your Benefits, please call us using the telephone number for Customer Care listed on your ID card. It will be our pleasure to assist you.
Your Responsibilities

Be Enrolled and Pay Required Contributions
Benefits are available to you only if you are enrolled for coverage under the Policy. Your enrollment options, and the corresponding dates that coverage begins, are listed in Section 3: When Coverage Begins. To be enrolled with us and receive Benefits, both of the following apply:

- Your enrollment must be in accordance with the Policy issued to your Enrolling Group, including the eligibility requirements.
- You must qualify as a Subscriber or his or her Dependent as those terms are defined in Section 9: Defined Terms.

Your Enrolling Group may require you to make certain payments to them, in order for you to remain enrolled under the Policy and receive Benefits. If you have questions about this, contact your Enrolling Group.

Comply with Wellness Requirements to Receive the Highest Level of Benefits
As outlined the Introduction to your Certificate Section of this document, in order to receive coverage under the Advantage Plan, you must comply with certain wellness requirements. If you do not comply with these wellness requirements, you will receive benefits under the Basic Plan which will subject you to higher levels of cost sharing. If you have questions about the wellness requirements please call us using the telephone number for Customer Care listed on your ID card.

Be Aware this Benefit Plan Does Not Pay for All Health Services
Your right to Benefits is limited to Covered Health Services. The extent of this Benefit plan’s payments for Covered Health Services and any obligation that you may have to pay for a portion of the cost of those Covered Health Services is set forth in the Schedule of Benefits.

Decide What Services You Should Receive
Care decisions are between you and your Physicians. We do not make decisions about the kind of care you should or should not receive.

Choose Your Physician
It is your responsibility to select the health care professionals who will deliver care to you. We arrange for Physicians and other health care professionals and facilities to participate in a Network. Our credentialing process confirms public information about the professionals’ and facilities’ licenses and other credentials, but does not assure the quality of their services. These professionals and facilities are independent practitioners and entities that are solely responsible for the care they deliver.

In addition, in order to enroll in the Advantage Plan and receive a higher level of benefits, you must select a Primary Physician. While you are required to select a Primary Physician, you still may seek specialty care without a referral from the Primary Physician. If you do not select a Primary Physician you will be enrolled in the Basic Plan which will subject you to higher levels of cost sharing.

Pay Your Share
You must pay a Copayment and/or Coinsurance for most Covered Health Services. These payments are due at the time of service or when billed by the Physician, provider or facility. Copayment and Coinsurance amounts are listed in the Schedule of Benefits. You must also pay any amount that exceeds Eligible Expenses.
Pay the Cost of Excluded Services
You must pay the cost of all excluded services and items. Review Section 2: Exclusions and Limitations to become familiar with this Benefit plan’s exclusions.

Show Your ID Card
You should show your identification (ID) card every time you request health services. If you do not show your ID card, the provider may fail to bill the correct entity for the services delivered, and any resulting delay may mean that you will be unable to collect any Benefits otherwise owed to you.

File Claims with Complete and Accurate Information
If you receive specific Covered Health Services from a non-Network provider, as described in Section 5: How to File a Claim, you are responsible for requesting payment from us. You must file the claim in a format that contains all of the information we require, as also described in Section 5: How to File a Claim.

Use Your Prior Health Care Coverage
If you have prior coverage that, as required by state law, extends benefits for a particular condition or a disability, we will not pay Benefits for health services for that condition or disability until the prior coverage ends. We will pay Benefits as of the day your coverage begins under this Benefit plan for all other Covered Health Services that are not related to the condition or disability for which you have other coverage.
Our Responsibilities

Determine Benefits
We make administrative decisions regarding whether this Benefit plan will pay for any portion of the cost of a health care service you intend to receive or have received. Our decisions are for payment purposes only. We do not make decisions about the kind of care you should or should not receive. You and your providers must make those treatment decisions.

We have the discretion to do the following:

- Interpret Benefits and the other terms, limitations and exclusions set out in this Certificate, the Schedule of Benefits, and any Riders and/or Amendments.
- Make factual determinations relating to Benefits.

We may delegate this discretionary authority to other persons or entities that may provide administrative services for this Benefit plan, such as claims processing. The identity of the service providers and the nature of their services may be changed from time to time in our discretion. In order to receive Benefits, you must cooperate with those service providers.

Pay for Our Portion of the Cost of Covered Health Services
We pay Benefits for Covered Health Services as described in Section 1: Covered Health Services and in the Schedule of Benefits, unless the service is excluded in Section 2: Exclusions and Limitations. This means we only pay our portion of the cost of Covered Health Services. It also means that not all of the health care services you receive may be paid for (in full or in part) by this Benefit plan.

Pay Network Providers
It is the responsibility of Network Physicians and facilities to file for payment from us. When you receive Covered Health Services from Network providers, you do not have to submit a claim to us.

Pay for Covered Health Services Provided by Non-Network Providers for both the Advantage and Basic Plans, this Policy provides coverage for Benefits received from Network Providers only. Benefits are not available for services received from Non-Network Providers except as follows:

- Emergency Health Services
- We specifically approve the use of a Non-Network Provider for Covered Health Services
- Covered Health Services are rendered by a Non-Network Provider at a Network Facility outside of your control
- Hearing aid services, in accordance with Rhode Island General Law §27-20-46
- Hair prosthetics (wigs), in accordance with Rhode Island General Law §27-20-53.

If you receive care from a Non-Network Provider you are responsible for paying all charges from that Non-Network Provider. If the services are Covered Health Services and are rendered within the limited circumstances described above, we will reimburse you up to the Non-Network Provider's charge or the maximum benefit, less any copayments, deductibles or coinsurance which may apply to the Covered Health Service.

Review and Determine Benefits in Accordance with our Reimbursement Policies
We develop our reimbursement policy guidelines, in our sole discretion, in accordance with one or more of the following methodologies:
• As indicated in the most recent edition of the Current Procedural Terminology (CPT), a publication of the American Medical Association, and/or the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).
• As reported by generally recognized professionals or publications.
• As used for Medicare.
• As determined by medical staff and outside medical consultants pursuant to other appropriate sources or determinations that we accept.

Following evaluation and validation of certain provider billings (e.g., error, abuse and fraud reviews), our reimbursement policies are applied to provider billings. We share our reimbursement policies with Physicians and other providers in our Network through our provider website. Network Physicians and providers may not bill you for the difference between their contract rate (as may be modified by our reimbursement policies) and the billed charge. However, non-Network providers are not subject to this prohibition, and may bill you for any amounts we do not pay, including amounts that are denied because one of our reimbursement policies does not reimburse (in whole or in part) for the service billed. You may obtain copies of our reimbursement policies for yourself or to share with your non-Network Physician or provider by going to www.myuhc.com or by calling Customer Care at the telephone number on your ID card. Please remember, services rendered by Non-Network Providers are generally not Covered Health Services under this policy, except as stated otherwise in Section 5: How to File a Claim

Offer Health Education Services to You

From time to time, we may provide you with access to information about additional services that are available to you, such as disease management programs, health education, and patient advocacy.

• Additionally your membership in the Rhode Island HealthPact Plan gives you the ability to be rewarded with more affordable coverage under the Advantage Plan design by adopting healthier behaviors and complying with the wellness requirements outlined in the Introduction to Your Certificate Section. If you do not participate in these programs you will not be enrolled in the Advantage Plan and will be enrolled in the Basic Plan. Under the Basic Plan you will be responsible for higher levels of cost sharing.
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Section 1: Covered Health Services

Benefits for Covered Health Services

Benefits are available only if all of the following are true:

- Covered Health Services are received from Network Providers while the Policy is in effect. As described in Section 5: How to File a Claim, there are limited circumstances in which Benefits will be paid for Covered Health Services received from a Non-Network Provider. This applies to both the Advantage Plan and Basic Plan.
- Covered Health Services are received prior to the date that any of the individual termination conditions listed in Section 4: When Coverage Ends occurs.
- The person who receives Covered Health Services is a Covered Person and meets all eligibility requirements specified in the Policy.

This section describes Covered Health Services for which Benefits are available. Please refer to the attached Schedule of Benefits for details about:

- The amount you must pay for these Covered Health Services (including any Annual Deductible, Copayment and/or Coinsurance).
- Any limit that applies to these Covered Health Services (including visit, day and dollar limits on services, any Annual Maximum Benefit, and/or any Maximum Policy Benefit).
- Any limit that applies to the amount you are required to pay in a year (Out-of-Pocket Maximum).
- Any responsibility you have for notifying us or obtaining prior authorization.

Please note that in listing services or examples, when we say "this includes," it is not our intent to limit the description to that specific list. When we do intend to limit a list of services or examples, we state specifically that the list "is limited to."

1. Ambulance Services

Emergency ambulance transportation by a licensed ambulance service to the nearest Hospital where Emergency Health Services can be performed. Emergency ambulance services are Covered when provided by either Network or Non-Network Providers.

Non-Emergency ambulance transportation by a licensed ambulance service (either ground or air ambulance, as we determine appropriate) between facilities when the transport is any of the following:

- From a non-Network Hospital to a Network Hospital.
- To a Hospital that provides a higher level of care that was not available at the original Hospital.
- To a more cost-effective acute care facility.
- From an acute facility to a sub-acute setting.

2. Congenital Heart Disease Surgeries

Congenital heart disease (CHD) surgeries which are ordered by a Physician. CHD surgical procedures include, but are not limited to, surgeries to treat conditions such as coarctation of the aorta, aortic stenosis, tetralogy of fallot, transposition of the great vessels, and hypoplastic left or right heart syndrome.

Surgery may be performed as open or closed surgical procedures or may be performed through interventional cardiac catheterization.

We have specific guidelines regarding Benefits for CHD services. Contact us at the telephone number on your ID card for information about these guidelines.
3. Dental Services - Accident Only
Dental services when all of the following are true:

- Treatment is necessary because of accidental damage.
- Dental services are received from a Doctor of Dental Surgery or Doctor of Medical Dentistry.
- The dental damage is severe enough that initial contact with a Physician or dentist occurred within 72 hours of the accident. (You may request an extension of this time period provided that you do so within 60 days of the Injury and if extenuating circumstances exist due to the severity of the Injury.)

Please note that dental damage that occurs as a result of normal activities of daily living or extraordinary use of the teeth is not considered having occurred as an accident. Benefits are not available for repairs to teeth that are damaged as a result of such activities.

Dental services to repair damage caused by accidental Injury must conform to the following time-frames:

- Treatment is started within three months of the accident, unless extenuating circumstances exist (such as prolonged hospitalization or the presence of fixation wires from fracture care).
- Treatment must be completed within 12 months of the accident.

Benefits for treatment of accidental Injury are limited to the following:

- Emergency examination.
- Necessary diagnostic X-rays.
- Endodontic (root canal) treatment.
- Temporary splinting of teeth.
- Prefabricated post and core.
- Simple minimal restorative procedures (fillings).
- Extractions.
- Post-traumatic crowns if such are the only clinically acceptable treatment.
- Replacement of lost teeth due to the Injury by implant, dentures or bridges.

4. Diabetes Services
Diabetes Self-Management and Training/Diabetic Eye Examinations/Foot Care

Outpatient self-management training for the treatment of diabetes, education and medical nutrition therapy services. Diabetes outpatient self-management training, education and medical nutrition therapy services must be ordered by a Physician and provided by appropriately licensed or registered healthcare professionals.

Please Note: In order to receive the Advantage Plan level of benefits and reduce your cost shares, you must comply with the wellness requirements, including disease management, that are outlined in the Introduction to Your Certificate Section. If you do not meet these requirements you will be enrolled in the Basic Plan and will be responsible for higher levels of cost sharing.

Benefits under this section also include medical eye examinations (dilated retinal examinations) and preventive foot care for Covered Persons with diabetes.

Diabetic Self-Management Items

Insulin pumps and supplies for the management and treatment of diabetes, based upon the medical needs of the Covered Person. An insulin pump is subject to all the conditions of coverage stated under Durable Medical Equipment. Benefits for blood glucose monitors, insulin syringes with needles, blood glucose and urine test strips, ketone test strips and tablets and lancets and lancet devices and other diabetic self-management items are described under the Outpatient Prescription Drug Rider.
5. Durable Medical Equipment
Durable Medical Equipment that meets each of the following criteria:

- Ordered or provided by a Physician for outpatient use primarily in a home setting.
- Used for medical purposes.
- Not consumable or disposable except as needed for the effective use of covered Durable Medical Equipment.
- Not of use to a person in the absence of a disease or disability.

Benefits under this section include Durable Medical Equipment provided to you by a Physician. If more than one piece of Durable Medical Equipment can meet your functional needs, Benefits are available only for the equipment that meets the minimum specifications for your needs. If you rent or purchase a piece of Durable Medical Equipment that exceeds this guideline, you will be responsible for any cost difference between the piece you rent or purchase and the piece we have determined is the most cost-effective.

Examples of Durable Medical Equipment include:

- Equipment to assist mobility, such as a standard wheelchair.
- A standard Hospital-type bed.
- Oxygen and the rental of equipment to administer oxygen (including tubing, connectors and masks).
- Delivery pumps for tube feedings (including tubing and connectors).
- Braces, including necessary adjustments to shoes to accommodate braces. Braces that stabilize an injured body part and braces to treat curvature of the spine are considered Durable Medical Equipment and are a Covered Health Service. Braces that straighten or change the shape of a body part are orthotic devices, and are excluded from coverage, except as described under Orthotic Devices in Section 1: Covered Health Services. Dental braces are also excluded from coverage.
- Therapeutic/molded shoes for the prevention of amputation for Covered Persons with diabetes.
- Mechanical equipment necessary for the treatment of chronic or acute respiratory failure (except that air-conditioners, humidifiers, dehumidifiers, air purifiers and filters, and personal comfort items are excluded from coverage).
- Burn garments.
- Insulin pumps and all related necessary supplies as described under Diabetes Services.

Benefits under this section do not include any device, appliance, pump, machine, stimulator, or monitor that is fully implanted into the body.

We will decide if the equipment should be purchased or rented.

Benefits are available for repairs and replacement, except that:

- Benefits for repair and replacement do not apply to damage due to misuse, malicious breakage or gross neglect.
- Benefits are not available to replace lost or stolen items.

6. Emergency Health Services - Outpatient
Services that are required to stabilize or initiate treatment in an Emergency. Emergency Health Services must be received on an outpatient basis at a Hospital or Alternate Facility. Benefits for Emergency Health Services will be provided for services rendered by either a Network Provider or a Non-Network Provider.
Benefits under this section include the facility charge, supplies and all professional services required to stabilize your condition and/or initiate treatment. This includes placement in an observation bed for the purpose of monitoring your condition (rather than being admitted to a Hospital for an Inpatient Stay).

Benefits under this section are not available for services to treat a condition that does not meet the definition of an Emergency.

7. Home Health Care
Services received from a Home Health Agency that are both of the following:

- Ordered by a Physician.
- Provided in your home by a registered nurse, or provided by either a home health aide or licensed practical nurse and supervised by a registered nurse.

Benefits are available only when the Home Health Agency services are provided on a part-time, Intermittent Care schedule and when skilled care is required.

Benefits are available for the following services:

- Physical therapy.
- Occupational therapy.
- Speech therapy.
- Respiratory services.
- Medical social work.
- Nutritional counseling services.
- Prescription drugs and medications.
- Medical and surgical supplies.
- Minor equipment such as commodes and walkers.
- Laboratory and X-ray services, EEG and EKG evaluations.

Skilled care is skilled nursing, skilled teaching, and skilled rehabilitation services when all of the following are true:

- It must be delivered or supervised by licensed technical or professional medical personnel in order to obtain the specified medical outcome, and provide for the safety of the patient.
- It is ordered by a Physician.
- It is not delivered for the purpose of assisting with activities of daily living, including but not limited to dressing, feeding, bathing or transferring from a bed to a chair.
- It requires clinical training in order to be delivered safely and effectively.
- It is not Custodial Care.

We will determine if Benefits are available by reviewing both the skilled nature of the service and the need for Physician-directed medical management. A service will not be determined to be "skilled" simply because there is not an available caregiver.

8. Hospice Care
Hospice care that is recommended by a Physician. Hospice care is an integrated program that provides comfort and support services for the terminally ill. Hospice care includes physical, psychological, social and spiritual care for the terminally ill person and short-term grief counseling for immediate family...
members while the Covered Person is receiving hospice care. Benefits are available when hospice care is received from a licensed hospice agency.

Please contact us for more information regarding our guidelines for hospice care. You can contact us at the telephone number on your ID card.

9. Hospital - Inpatient Stay
Services and supplies provided during an Inpatient Stay in a Hospital. Benefits are available for:

- Supplies and non-Physician services received during the Inpatient Stay.
- Room and board in a Semi-private Room (a room with two or more beds).
- Physician services for anesthesiologists, Emergency room Physicians, consulting Physicians, pathologists and radiologists. (Benefits for other Physician services are described under Physician Fees for Surgical and Medical Services.)

For Benefits related to mastectomy, we will pay Benefits for an Inpatient Stay of at least:

- 48 hours following a mastectomy.
- 24 hours following an axillary node dissection.

If the patient agrees, the attending provider may discharge the patient earlier than these minimum time frames, in which case Benefits will include a minimum of one home visit conducted by a physician or registered nurse.

10. Lab, X-Ray and Diagnostics - Outpatient
Services for Sickness and Injury-related diagnostic purposes, received on an outpatient basis at a Hospital or Alternate Facility or in a Physician's office include, but are not limited to:

- Lab and radiology/X-ray.
- Mammography.

Benefits under this section include:

- The facility charge and the charge for supplies and equipment.
- Physician services for anesthesiologists, pathologists and radiologists. (Benefits for other Physician services are described under Physician Fees for Surgical and Medical Services.)

Lab, X-ray and diagnostic services for preventive care are described under Preventive Care Services.

11. Lab, X-Ray and Major Diagnostics - CT, PET Scans, MRI, MRA and Nuclear Medicine - Outpatient
Services for CT scans, PET scans, MRI, MRA, nuclear medicine, and major diagnostic services received on an outpatient basis at a Hospital or Alternate Facility or in a Physician's office.

Benefits under this section include:

- The facility charge and the charge for supplies and equipment.
- Physician services for anesthesiologists, pathologists and radiologists. (Benefits for other Physician services are described under Physician Fees for Surgical and Medical Services.)

12. Ostomy Supplies
Benefits for ostomy supplies are limited to the following:

- Pouches, face plates and belts.
- Irrigation sleeves, bags and catheters.
• Skin barriers. 
Benefits are not available for deodorants, filters, lubricants, tape, appliance cleaners, adhesive, adhesive remover, or other items not listed above.

13. Pharmaceutical Products - Outpatient 
Pharmaceutical Products that are administered on an outpatient basis in a Hospital, Alternate Facility, Physician's office, or in a Covered Person's home.

Benefits under this section are provided only for Pharmaceutical Products which, due to their characteristics (as determined by us), must typically be administered or directly supervised by a qualified provider or licensed/certified health professional. Benefits under this section do not include medications that are typically available by prescription order or refill at a pharmacy.

14. Physician Fees for Surgical and Medical Services 
Physician fees for surgical procedures and other medical care received on an outpatient or inpatient basis in a Hospital, Skilled Nursing Facility, Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility or Alternate Facility, or for Physician house calls.

When these services are performed in a Physician's office, Benefits are described under Physician's Office Services - Sickness and Injury.

15. Physician's Office Services - Sickness and Injury 
Services provided in a Physician's office for the diagnosis and treatment of a Sickness or Injury. Benefits are provided under this section regardless of whether the Physician's office is free-standing, located in a clinic or located in a Hospital.

Covered Health Services include medical education services that are provided in a Physician's office by appropriately licensed or registered healthcare professionals when both of the following are true:
• Education is required for a disease in which patient self-management is an important component of treatment.
• There exists a knowledge deficit regarding the disease which requires the intervention of a trained health professional.

Please Note: In order to receive the Advantage Plan level of benefits and reduce your cost shares, you must comply with the wellness requirements, including disease management, that are outlined in the Introduction to Your Certificate Section. If you do not meet these requirements you will be enrolled in the Basic Plan and will be responsible for higher levels of cost sharing.

Covered Health Services for Preventive Care provided in a Physician's office are described under Preventive Care Services.

When a test is performed or a sample is drawn in the Physician's office and then sent outside the Physician's office for analysis or testing, Benefits for lab, radiology/X-rays and other diagnostic services that are performed outside the Physician's office are described in Lab, X-ray and Diagnostics - Outpatient.

16. Pregnancy - Maternity Services 
Benefits for Pregnancy include all maternity-related medical services for prenatal care, postnatal care, delivery, and any related complications. This includes newborn screening tests for metabolic, endocrine and hemoglobinopathy disorders.

Both before and during a Pregnancy, Benefits include the services of a genetic counselor when provided or referred by a Physician. These Benefits are available to all Covered Persons in the immediate family. Covered Health Services include related tests and treatment.

We also have special prenatal programs to help during Pregnancy. They are completely voluntary and there is no extra cost for participating in the program. To sign up, you should notify us during the first
trimester, but no later than one month prior to the anticipated childbirth. It is important that you notify us regarding your Pregnancy. Your notification will open the opportunity to become enrolled in prenatal programs designed to achieve the best outcomes for you and your baby.

We will pay Benefits for an Inpatient Stay of at least:

- 48 hours for the mother and newborn child following a normal vaginal delivery.
- 96 hours for the mother and newborn child following a cesarean section delivery.

If the mother agrees, the attending provider may discharge the mother and/or the newborn child earlier than these minimum time frames.

17. Preventive Care Services

Services for preventive medical care provided on an outpatient basis at a Physician's office, an Alternate Facility or a Hospital. Examples of preventive medical care are:

Physician office services:

- Routine physical examinations.
- Pediatric preventive care as recommended by the committee on practice and ambulatory medicine of the American Academy of Pediatrics when delivered, supervised, prescribed, or recommended by a physician and rendered to a child from birth through age nineteen.
- Immunizations.
- Hearing screening.

Lab, X-ray or other preventive tests:

- Screening mammography - at a minimum, 2 per year for women who have been treated for breast cancer or who are genetically determined to be at high risk of developing breast cancer in accordance with guidelines established by the American Cancer Society.
- Screening colonoscopy or sigmoidoscopy.
- Cervical cancer screening.
- Prostate and Colorectal cancer screening in accordance with guidelines established by the American Cancer Society.
- Bone mineral density tests.
- Pap smears.
- Blood lead tests for children under 6 years of age.

18. Prosthetic Devices

External prosthetic devices that replace a limb or a body part, limited to:

- Artificial arms, legs, feet and hands.
- Artificial face, eyes, ears and noses.
- Speech aid prosthetics and tracheo-esophageal voice prosthetics.
- Breast prosthesis as required by the Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act of 1998. Benefits include mastectomy bras and lymphedema stockings for the arm.

Benefits under this section are provided only for external prosthetic devices and do not include any device that is fully implanted into the body other than breast prostheses.

If more than one prosthetic device can meet your functional needs, Benefits are available only for the prosthetic device that meets the minimum specifications for your needs. If you purchase a prosthetic
device that exceeds these minimum specifications, we will pay only the amount that we would have paid for the prosthetic that meets the minimum specifications, and you will be responsible for paying any difference in cost.

The prosthetic device must be ordered or provided by, or under the direction of a Physician.

Benefits are available for repairs and replacement, except that:

- There are no Benefits for repairs due to misuse, malicious damage or gross neglect.
- There are no Benefits for replacement due to misuse, malicious damage, gross neglect or for lost or stolen prosthetic devices.

19. Reconstructive Procedures

Reconstructive procedures when the primary purpose of the procedure is either to treat a medical condition or to improve or restore physiologic function. Reconstructive procedures include surgery or other procedures which are associated with an Injury, Sickness or Congenital Anomaly. The primary result of the procedure is not a changed or improved physical appearance.

Cosmetic Procedures are excluded from coverage. Procedures that correct an anatomical Congenital Anomaly without improving or restoring physiologic function are considered Cosmetic Procedures. The fact that a Covered Person may suffer psychological consequences or socially avoidant behavior as a result of an Injury, Sickness or Congenital Anomaly does not classify surgery (or other procedures done to relieve such consequences or behavior) as a reconstructive procedure.

Please note that Benefits for reconstructive procedures include breast reconstruction following a mastectomy, and reconstruction of the non-affected breast to achieve symmetry. Other services required by the Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act of 1998, including breast prostheses and treatment of complications, are provided in the same manner and at the same level as those for any other Covered Health Service. You can contact us at the telephone number on your ID card for more information about Benefits for mastectomy-related services.

20. Rehabilitation Services - Outpatient Therapy

Short-term outpatient rehabilitation services, limited to:

- Physical therapy.
- Occupational therapy.
- Speech therapy.
- Pulmonary rehabilitation therapy.
- Cardiac rehabilitation therapy.
- Post-cochlear implant aural therapy.

Rehabilitation services must be performed by a Physician or by a licensed therapy provider. Benefits under this section include rehabilitation services provided in a Physician's office or on an outpatient basis at a Hospital or Alternate Facility.

Please note that we will pay Benefits for speech therapy for the treatment of disorders of speech, language, voice, communication and auditory processing only when the disorder results from Injury, stroke, cancer, Congenital Anomaly, or autism spectrum disorders.

21. Scopic Procedures - Outpatient Diagnostic and Therapeutic

Diagnostic and therapeutic scopic procedures and related services received on an outpatient basis at a Hospital or Alternate Facility or in a Physician's office.

Diagnostic scopic procedures are those for visualization, biopsy and polyp removal. Examples of diagnostic scopic procedures include colonoscopy, sigmoidoscopy, and endoscopy.
Please note that Benefits under this section do not include surgical scopic procedures, which are for the purpose of performing surgery. Benefits for surgical scopic procedures are described under Surgery - Outpatient. Examples of surgical scopic procedures include arthroscopy, laparoscopy, bronchoscopy, hysteroscopy.

Benefits under this section include:

- The facility charge and the charge for supplies and equipment.
- Physician services for anesthesiologists, pathologists and radiologists. (Benefits for other Physician services are described under Physician Fees for Surgical and Medical Services.)

When these services are performed for preventive screening purposes, Benefits are described under Preventive Care Services.

22. Skilled Nursing Facility/Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility Services

Services and supplies provided during an Inpatient Stay in a Skilled Nursing Facility or Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility. Benefits are available for:

- Supplies and non-Physician services received during the Inpatient Stay.
- Room and board in a Semi-private Room (a room with two or more beds).
- Physician services for anesthesiologists, consulting Physicians, pathologists and radiologists. (Benefits for other Physician services are described under Physician Fees for Surgical and Medical Services.)

Please note that Benefits are available only if both of the following are true:

- If the initial confinement in a Skilled Nursing Facility or Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility was or will be a cost effective alternative to an Inpatient Stay in a Hospital.
- You will receive skilled care services that are not primarily Custodial Care.

Skilled care is skilled nursing, skilled teaching, and skilled rehabilitation services when all of the following are true:

- It must be delivered or supervised by licensed technical or professional medical personnel in order to obtain the specified medical outcome, and provide for the safety of the patient.
- It is ordered by a Physician.
- It is not delivered for the purpose of assisting with activities of daily living, including but not limited to dressing, feeding, bathing or transferring from a bed to a chair.
- It requires clinical training in order to be delivered safely and effectively.

We will determine if Benefits are available by reviewing both the skilled nature of the service and the need for Physician-directed medical management. A service will not be determined to be "skilled" simply because there is not an available caregiver.

Benefits can be denied or shortened for Covered Persons who are not progressing in goal-directed rehabilitation services or if discharge rehabilitation goals have previously been met.

23. Surgery - Outpatient

Surgery and related services received on an outpatient basis at a Hospital or Alternate Facility or in a Physician's office.

Benefits under this section include certain scopic procedures. Examples of surgical scopic procedures include arthroscopy, laparoscopy, bronchoscopy, hysteroscopy.

Benefits under this section include:

- The facility charge and the charge for supplies and equipment.
24. Therapeutic Treatments - Outpatient

Therapeutic treatments received on an outpatient basis at a Hospital or Alternate Facility or in a Physician's office, including but not limited to dialysis (both hemodialysis and peritoneal dialysis), intravenous chemotherapy or other intravenous infusion therapy and radiation oncology.

Covered Health Services include medical education services that are provided on an outpatient basis at a Hospital or Alternate Facility by appropriately licensed or registered healthcare professionals when both of the following are true:

- Education is required for a disease in which patient self-management is an important component of treatment.
- There exists a knowledge deficit regarding the disease which requires the intervention of a trained health professional.

Please Note: In order to receive the Advantage Plan level of benefits and reduce your cost shares, you must comply with the wellness requirements, including disease management, that are outlined in the Introduction to Your Certificate Section. If you do not meet these requirements you will be enrolled in the Basic Plan and will be responsible for higher levels of cost sharing.

Benefits under this section include:

- The facility charge and the charge for related supplies and equipment.
- Physician services for anesthesiologists, pathologists and radiologists. Benefits for other Physician services are described under Physician Fees for Surgical and Medical Services.

25. Transplantation Services

Organ and tissue transplants when ordered by a Physician. Benefits are available for transplants when the transplant meets the definition of a Covered Health Service, and is not an Experimental or Investigational or Unproven Service.

Examples of transplants for which Benefits are available include bone marrow, heart, heart/lung, lung, kidney, kidney/pancreas, liver, liver/small bowel, pancreas, small bowel and cornea. Benefits are available for human leukocyte antigen testing or histocompatibility locus antigen testing that is necessary to establish bone marrow transplant donor suitability, including testing for A, B, or DR antigens, or any combination of those tests.

Donor costs that are directly related to organ removal are Covered Health Services for which Benefits are payable through the organ recipient's coverage under the Policy.

We have specific guidelines regarding Benefits for transplant services. Contact us at the telephone number on your ID card for information about these guidelines.

26. Urgent Care Center Services

Covered Health Services received at an Urgent Care Center. When services to treat urgent health care needs are provided in a Physician's office, Benefits are available as described under Physician's Office Services - Sickness and Injury.

27. Clinical Trials - Cancer Therapies

Routine patient care costs incurred during participation in a qualifying clinical trial for the treatment of cancer.
Patient care costs for investigational treatment and associated protocol related patient care incurred during participation in a qualifying clinical trial for the treatment of cancer if all of the following requirements are met:

- The treatment is being conducted in a Phase II, III or IV cancer clinical trial.
- The clinical trial is sponsored and provided by a cancer center that has been designated by the National Cancer Institute (NCI) as a Clinical Cancer Center or Comprehensive Cancer Center or is sponsored by any of the following:
  - National Institutes of Health (NIH) in cooperation with the National Cancer Institute (NCI), community clinical oncology programs.
  - The federal Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for the purpose of an investigational new drug application.
  - The U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs.
  - A qualified non-governmental research entity as identified in the NCI's cancer center support grants.
- The proposed therapy must have been reviewed and approved by a qualified institutional review board.
- The facility and personnel providing the treatment must be capable of providing the treatment by virtue of their experience, training and volume of patients treated to maintain expertise.
- The patients receiving the investigational treatment must meet all protocol requirements.
- There must be no clearly superior non-investigational approach.
- The available clinical or preclinical data must provide a reasonable expectation that the treatment will be at least as worthwhile as the non-investigational alternative.

Benefits are not provided for that part of a Phase II clinical trial that is ordinarily paid for by one of the following:

- A national agency such as the National Cancer Institute, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs or the Department of Defense.
- Commercial organizations such as biotechnical, pharmaceutical or the medical device industry, either with or without the state.
- Any other governmental or non-governmental source that customarily pays for all or part of a Phase II clinical trial.

28. Early Intervention Services

Preventive and primary services for a Dependent child younger than three years of age who is certified by the Rhode Island Department of Human Services as eligible for early intervention services. Covered Health Services include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Occupational therapy.
- Speech therapy.
- Physical therapy.
- Nursing care.
- Nutritional services.
- Psychological counseling.
- Assistive technology services and devices consistent with early intervention programs approved by the Department of Health.
Early intervention services must be provided by a licensed provider designated by the Department of Human Services as an "early intervention provider" and who works in early intervention programs approved by the Department of Health.

29. Hearing Aids
Hearing aids which are required for the correction of a hearing impairment (a reduction in the ability to perceive sound which may range from slight to complete deafness). Hearing aids are electronic amplifying devices designed to bring sound more effectively into the ear. A hearing aid consists of a microphone, amplifier and receiver.

Benefits are available for a hearing aid that is purchased as a result of a written recommendation by a Network or a non-Network Physician. Benefits are provided for the hearing aid and for charges for associated fitting and testing. Benefits are not provided for batteries, cords, and other assistive listening devices such as FM systems.

30. Infertility Services
Services for the treatment of infertility when provided by or under the direction of a Physician. To be eligible for Benefits, the Covered Person must meet all of the following:

- Have failed to achieve or sustain a Pregnancy during a period of 1 year for an otherwise presumably healthy woman between the ages of 25 and 42 years.
- Have infertility that is not related to voluntary sterilization or failed reversal of voluntary sterilization.

31. Lyme Disease Treatment
Patient care services provided for the treatment of chronic lyme disease to the same extent as Benefits would be provided for the treatment of other conditions, including evaluation, diagnostic testing, and long-term antibiotic treatment when ordered by a Physician who has made a thorough evaluation of the patient's symptoms, diagnostic test results, and response to treatment. Patient care services provided for the treatment of chronic lyme disease will not be denied solely because such services may be characterized as unproven, experimental or investigational in nature if Benefits are generally provided for such services for the treatment of conditions other than chronic lyme disease.

32. Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services - Inpatient and Intermediate
Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services received on an inpatient or Intermediate Care basis in a Hospital or an Alternate Facility and community residential care services for the treatment of Substance Abuse disorders.

- The Mental Health/Substance Abuse Designee, who will authorize the services, will determine the appropriate setting for the treatment. If an Inpatient Stay is required, it is covered on a Semi-private Room basis.

Community residential care services for Substance Abuse treatment are limited to 30 days per year. Substance Abuse Services for detoxification are limited to 5 detoxification occurrences or 30 days per year, whichever comes first.

Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services must be provided by or under the direction of the Mental Health/Substance Abuse Designee. Referrals to a Mental Health or Substance Abuse Services provider are at the discretion of the Mental Health/Substance Abuse Designee, who is responsible for coordinating all of your care. Contact the Mental Health/Substance Abuse Designee regarding Benefits for Inpatient/Intermediate Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services.

33. Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services - Outpatient
Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services received on an outpatient basis in a provider's office or at an Alternate Facility, including:
• Mental health, substance abuse and chemical dependency evaluations and assessment.
• Diagnosis.
• Treatment planning.
• Referral services.
• Medication management.
• Short-term individual, family and group therapeutic services (including intensive outpatient therapy).
• Crisis intervention.

Mental Health Services are limited to 30 visits per year. Substance Abuse Services are limited to 30 hours per year.

Referrals to a Mental Health or Substance Abuse Services provider are at the discretion of the Mental Health/Substance Abuse Designee, who is responsible for coordinating all of your care. Contact the Mental Health/Substance Abuse Designee regarding Benefits for outpatient Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services.

34. Mental Health Services - Outpatient Child and Family Intensive Treatment

Mental Health Services for an Enrolled Dependent child provided on an intensive outpatient basis in a provider’s office, at an Alternate Facility, or at the Enrolled Dependent child’s home. Benefits for intensive outpatient treatment are available, as determined by the Mental Health/Substance Abuse Designee, only when standard outpatient treatment has not been effective or is determined to be insufficient and/or inappropriate to treat the Enrolled Dependent child’s condition:

Intensive outpatient treatment includes:
• Short-term individual, family and group therapeutic services, including intensive outpatient therapy for the Enrolled Dependent child and his/her family members.
• Medication management.
• Case management coordination.

Services are limited to 6 hours per week to a maximum of 10 weeks per year. One week of treatment, regardless of the number of hours, equals 1 visit.

Referrals for intensive outpatient treatment to a Mental Health provider are at the sole discretion of the Mental Health/Substance Abuse Designee, who is responsible for coordinating all of your care. Contact the Mental Health/Substance Abuse Designee regarding Benefits for child and family intensive outpatient treatment Mental Health Services.

35. Orthotic Devices

Orthotic Devices that support, correct or alleviate neuromuscular or musculoskeletal dysfunction, disease, injury or deformity, limited to custom fabricated, medically appropriate braces or supports that are:
• Ordered or provided by a Physician for outpatient use.
• Used for medical purposes.
• Not of use to a person in the absence of a disease or disability.

If more than one orthotic device can meet your functional needs, Benefits are available only for the Orthotic Device that meets the minimum specifications for your needs. If you rent or purchase an Orthotic Device that exceeds this guideline, you will be responsible for any cost difference between the piece you rent or purchase and the piece we have determined is the most cost-effective.

We will decide if the Orthotic Device should be purchased or rented.
Benefits are available for repairs and replacement, except that:

- Benefits for repair and replacement do not apply to damage due to misuse, malicious breakage or gross neglect.
- Benefits are not available to replace lost or stolen items.

36. Tobacco Cessation Treatment - Outpatient
Tobacco Cessation counseling sessions received on an outpatient basis in a qualified provider's office or facility, or received from a qualified provider via a telephone counseling program. Services are limited to eight, 30-minute Tobacco Cessation counseling sessions each year.

Benefits for Prescription Drug Products are available for tobacco cessation when prescribed by an Authorized Prescriber and when used in combination with the annual outpatient tobacco cessation counseling sessions described above. Benefits for Prescription Drug Products for smoking cessation include any Prescription Drug Product that is approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) as Nicotine Replacement Therapy.

For purposes of this benefit, "Authorized Prescriber" means a prescriber who holds prescriptive privileges in the state in which the person is licensed. "Nicotine Replacement Therapy" means a Prescription Drug Product that is used to deliver nicotine to an individual attempting to cease the use of tobacco products and is obtained under a prescription written by an Authorized Prescriber. Nicotine Replacement Therapy includes over-the-counter nicotine replacement therapy products.

37. Wigs
Scalp hair prosthesis for hair loss suffered due to treatment for any form of cancer or leukemia. Benefits are available from either a Network or Non-Network Provider and are limited to $350 per year.
Section 2: Exclusions and Limitations

How We Use Headings in this Section
To help you find specific exclusions more easily, we use headings (for example A. Alternative Treatments below). The headings group services, treatments, items, or supplies that fall into a similar category. Actual exclusions appear underneath headings. A heading does not create, define, modify, limit or expand an exclusion. All exclusions in this section apply to you.

For both the Advantage and Basic Plans, this Policy provides coverage for Benefits received from Network Providers only with the exception of those services described in as described in Section 5: How to File a Claim.

We do not Pay Benefits for Exclusions
We will not pay Benefits for any of the services, treatments, items or supplies described in this section, even if either of the following is true:

- It is recommended or prescribed by a Physician.
- It is the only available treatment for your condition.

The services, treatments, items or supplies listed in this section are not Covered Health Services, except as may be specifically provided for in Section 1: Covered Health Services or through a Rider to the Policy.

Benefit Limitations
When Benefits are limited within any of the Covered Health Service categories described in Section 1: Covered Health Services, those limits are stated in the corresponding Covered Health Service category in the Schedule of Benefits. Limits may also apply to some Covered Health Services that fall under more than one Covered Health Service category. When this occurs, those limits are also stated in the Schedule of Benefits under the heading Benefit Limits. Please review all limits carefully, as we will not pay Benefits for any of the services, treatments, items or supplies that exceed these Benefit limits.

Please note that in listing services or examples, when we say "this includes," it is not our intent to limit the description to that specific list. When we do intend to limit a list of services or examples, we state specifically that the list "is limited to."

A. Alternative Treatments
1. Acupressure and acupuncture.
2. Aromatherapy.
3. Hypnotism.
4. Massage therapy.
5. Rolfing.
6. Art therapy, music therapy, dance therapy, horseback therapy and other forms of alternative treatment as defined by the National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine (NCCAM) of the National Institutes of Health. This exclusion does not apply to osteopathic care for which Benefits are provided as described in Section 1: Covered Health Services.

B. Dental
1. Dental care (which includes dental X-rays, supplies and appliances and all associated expenses, including hospitalizations and anesthesia).
   This exclusion does not apply to accident-related dental services for which Benefits are provided as described under Dental Services - Accident Only in Section 1: Covered Health Services.
This exclusion does not apply to dental care (oral examination, X-rays, extractions and non-surgical elimination of oral infection) required for the direct treatment of a medical condition for which Benefits are available under the Policy, limited to:

- Transplant preparation.
- Prior to the initiation of immunosuppressive drugs.
- The direct treatment of cancer or cleft palate.

Dental care that is required to treat the effects of a medical condition, but that is not necessary to directly treat the medical condition, is excluded. Examples include treatment of dental caries resulting from dry mouth after radiation treatment or as a result of medication.

Endodontics, periodontal surgery and restorative treatment are excluded.

2. Preventive care, diagnosis, treatment of or related to the teeth, jawbones or gums. Examples include:
   - Extraction, restoration and replacement of teeth.
   - Medical or surgical treatments of dental conditions.
   - Services to improve dental clinical outcomes.

This exclusion does not apply to accident-related dental services for which Benefits are provided as described under Dental Services - Accident Only in Section 1: Covered Health Services.

3. Dental implants, bone grafts, and other implant-related procedures. This exclusion does not apply to accident-related dental services for which Benefits are provided as described under Dental Services - Accident Only in Section 1: Covered Health Services.

4. Dental braces (orthodontics).

5. Treatment of congenitally missing, malpositioned, or supernumerary teeth, even if part of a Congenital Anomaly.

C. Devices and Appliances

1. Devices used specifically as safety items or to affect performance in sports-related activities.

2. Orthotic appliances that straighten or re-shape a body part. Examples include foot orthotics, cranial banding and some types of braces, including over-the-counter orthotic braces. This exclusion does not apply to Covered Health Services as described under Orthotic Devices in Section 1: Covered Health Services.

3. The following items are excluded, even if prescribed by a Physician:
   - Blood pressure cuff/monitor.
   - Enuresis alarm.
   - Home coagulation testing equipment.
   - Non-wearable external defibrillator.
   - Trusses.
   - Ultrasonic nebulizers.
   - Ventricular assist devices.

4. Devices and computers to assist in communication and speech except for speech aid prosthetics and tracheo-esophageal voice prosthetics.

5. Oral appliances for snoring.

6. Repairs to prosthetic devices due to misuse, malicious damage or gross neglect.
7. Replacement of prosthetic devices due to misuse, malicious damage or gross neglect or to replace lost or stolen items.

D. Drugs
1. Prescription drug products for outpatient use that are filled by a prescription order or refill.
2. Self-injectable medications. This exclusion does not apply to medications which, due to their characteristics (as determined by us), must typically be administered or directly supervised by a qualified provider or licensed/certified health professional in an outpatient setting.
3. Non-injectable medications given in a Physician's office. This exclusion does not apply to non-injectable medications that are required in an Emergency and consumed in the Physician's office.
4. Over-the-counter drugs and treatments.
5. Growth hormone therapy.

E. Experimental or Investigational or Unproven Services
Experimental or Investigational and Unproven Services and all services related to Experimental or Investigational and Unproven Services are excluded. The fact that an Experimental or Investigational or Unproven Service, treatment, device or pharmacological regimen is the only available treatment for a particular condition will not result in Benefits if the procedure is considered to be Experimental or Investigational or Unproven in the treatment of that particular condition.

This exclusion does not apply to Covered Health Services provided during a clinical trial for which Benefits are provided as described under Clinical Trials - Cancer Therapies in Section 1: Covered Health Services.

F. Foot Care
1. Routine foot care. Examples include the cutting or removal of corns and calluses. This exclusion does not apply to preventive foot care for Covered Persons with diabetes for which Benefits are provided as described under Diabetes Services in Section 1: Covered Health Services.
2. Nail trimming, cutting, or debriding.
3. Hygienic and preventive maintenance foot care. Examples include:
   - Cleaning and soaking the feet.
   - Applying skin creams in order to maintain skin tone.
   This exclusion does not apply to preventive foot care for Covered Persons who are at risk of neurological or vascular disease arising from diseases such as diabetes.
4. Treatment of flat feet.
5. Treatment of subluxation of the foot.
6. Shoes except as described under Durable Medical Equipment in Section 1: Covered Health Services.
7. Shoe orthotics.
8. Shoe inserts.

G. Medical Supplies
1. Prescribed or non-prescribed medical supplies and disposable supplies. Examples include:
   - Elastic stockings.
• Ace bandages.
• Gauze and dressings.
• Urinary catheters.

This exclusion does not apply to:

• Disposable supplies necessary for the effective use of Durable Medical Equipment for which Benefits are provided as described under Durable Medical Equipment in Section 1: Covered Health Services.
• Diabetic supplies for which Benefits are provided as described under Diabetes Services in Section 1: Covered Health Services.
• Ostomy supplies for which Benefits are provided as described under Ostomy Supplies in Section 1: Covered Health Services.

2. Tubings and masks except when used with Durable Medical Equipment as described under Durable Medical Equipment in Section 1: Covered Health Services.

H. Mental Health/Substance Abuse

1. Services performed in connection with conditions not classified in the current edition of either the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of the American Psychiatric Association or the International Classification of Disease Manual (ICO) published by the World Health Organization

2. Treatment for mental retardation, learning disorders, motor skills disorders, communication disorders and mental disorders classified as "V" codes.

3. Services utilizing methadone treatment as maintenance, L.A.A.M. (1-Alpha-Acetyl-Methadol), Cyclazocine, or their equivalents.

4. Residential treatment services except as provided for Substance Abuse Services as described under Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services - Inpatient and Intermediate in Section 1: Covered Health Services.

5. Services or supplies for the diagnosis or treatment of Mental Illness, alcoholism or substance abuse disorders that, in the reasonable judgment of the Mental Health/Substance Abuse Designee, are not medically necessary.

I. Nutrition

1. Individual and group nutritional counseling, except as described under Diabetes Services in Section 1: Covered Health Services. This exclusion does not apply to medical nutritional education services that are provided by appropriately licensed or registered health care professionals when both of the following are true:

• Nutritional education is required for a disease in which patient self-management is an important component of treatment.
• There exists a knowledge deficit regarding the disease which requires the intervention of a trained health professional.

Please Note: In order to receive the Advantage Plan level of benefits and reduce your cost shares, you must comply with the wellness requirements, including disease management, that are outlined in the Introduction to Your Certificate Section. If you do not meet these requirements you will be enrolled in the Basic Plan and will be responsible for higher levels of cost sharing.

2. Enteral feedings, even if the sole source of nutrition.

3. Infant formula and donor breast milk.
4. Nutritional or cosmetic therapy using high dose or mega quantities of vitamins, minerals or elements, and other nutrition-based therapy. Examples include supplements, electrolytes, and foods of any kind (including high protein foods and low carbohydrate foods).

J. Personal Care, Comfort or Convenience
1. Television.
2. Telephone.
4. Guest service.
5. Supplies, equipment and similar incidental services and supplies for personal comfort. Examples include:
   - Air conditioners, air purifiers and filters, dehumidifiers.
   - Batteries and battery chargers.
   - Breast pumps.
   - Car seats.
   - Chairs, bath chairs, feeding chairs, toddler chairs, chair lifts, recliners.
   - Electric scooters.
   - Exercise equipment.
   - Home modifications such as elevators, handrails and ramps.
   - Hot tubs.
   - Humidifiers.
   - Jacuzzis.
   - Mattresses.
   - Medical alert systems.
   - Motorized beds.
   - Music devices.
   - Personal computers.
   - Pillows.
   - Power-operated vehicles.
   - Radios.
   - Saunas.
   - Stair lifts and stair glides.
   - Strollers.
   - Safety equipment.
   - Speech generating devices.
   - Treadmills.
   - Vehicle modifications such as van lifts.
   - Video players.
   - Whirlpools.
K. Physical Appearance

1. Cosmetic Procedures. See the definition in Section 9: Defined Terms. Examples include:
   - Pharmacological regimens, nutritional procedures or treatments.
   - Scar or tattoo removal or revision procedures (such as salabrasion, chemosurgery and other such skin abrasion procedures).
   - Skin abrasion procedures performed as a treatment for acne.
   - Liposuction or removal of fat deposits considered undesirable, including fat accumulation under the male breast and nipple.
   - Treatment for skin wrinkles or any treatment to improve the appearance of the skin.
   - Treatment for spider veins.
   - Hair removal or replacement by any means.

2. Replacement of an existing breast implant if the earlier breast implant was performed as a Cosmetic Procedure. Note: Replacement of an existing breast implant is considered reconstructive if the initial breast implant followed mastectomy. See Reconstructive Procedures in Section 1: Covered Health Services.

3. Treatment of benign gynecomastia (abnormal breast enlargement in males).

4. Breast reduction except as coverage is required by the Women's Health and Cancer Right's Act of 1998 for which Benefits are described under Reconstructive Procedures in Section 1: Covered Health Services.

5. Physical conditioning programs such as athletic training, body-building, exercise, fitness, flexibility, and diversion or general motivation.

6. Wigs regardless of the reason for the hair loss, except for scalp hair prosthesis as described under Wigs in Section 1: Covered Health Services.

L. Procedures and Treatments

1. Excision or elimination of hanging skin on any part of the body. Examples include plastic surgery procedures called abdominoplasty or abdominal panniculectomy, and brachioplasty.

2. Medical and surgical treatment of excessive sweating (hyperhidrosis).

3. Medical and surgical treatment for snoring, except when provided as a part of treatment for documented obstructive sleep apnea.

4. Speech therapy except as required for treatment of a speech impediment or speech dysfunction that results from Injury, stroke, cancer, Congenital Anomaly, or autism spectrum disorders.

5. Psychosurgery.

6. Sex transformation operations.

7. Physiological modalities and procedures that result in similar or redundant therapeutic effects when performed on the same body region during the same visit or office encounter.

8. Biofeedback.

9. Chiropractic treatment (the therapeutic application of chiropractic manipulative treatment with or without ancillary physiologic treatment and/or rehabilitative methods rendered to restore/improve motion, reduce pain and improve function).

10. Services for the evaluation and treatment of temporomandibular joint syndrome (TMJ), whether the services are considered to be medical or dental in nature.


**M. Providers**
1. Services performed by a provider who is a family member by birth or marriage. Examples include a spouse, brother, sister, parent or child. This includes any service the provider may perform on himself or herself.

2. Services performed by a provider with your same legal residence.

3. Services provided at a free-standing or Hospital-based diagnostic facility without an order written by a Physician or other provider. Services which are self-directed to a free-standing or Hospital-based diagnostic facility. Services ordered by a Physician or other provider who is an employee or representative of a free-standing or Hospital-based diagnostic facility, when that Physician or other provider:
   - Has not been actively involved in your medical care prior to ordering the service, or
   - Is not actively involved in your medical care after the service is received.

This exclusion does not apply to mammography.

4. Foreign language and sign language interpreters.

5. Services performed by a Non-Network Provider are not covered for the Advantage and Basic Plans, with the exception of those services described in as described in Section 5: How to File a Claim.

**N. Reproduction**
1. The following infertility treatment-related services:
   - Cryo-preservation and other forms of preservation of reproductive materials.
   - Long-term storage of reproductive materials such as sperm, eggs, embryos, ovarian tissue, and testicular tissue.
   - Donor services.

2. Surrogate parenting, donor eggs, donor sperm and host uterus.

3. The reversal of voluntary sterilization.

4. Maternity related medical services for Enrolled Dependent children.

**O. Services Provided under another Plan**
1. Health services for which other coverage is required by federal, state or local law to be purchased or provided through other arrangements. Examples include coverage required by workers' compensation, no-fault auto insurance, or similar legislation.

   If coverage under workers' compensation or similar legislation is optional for you because you could elect it, or could have it elected for you, Benefits will not be paid for any Injury, Sickness or Mental Illness that would have been covered under workers' compensation or similar legislation had that coverage been elected.

2. Health services for treatment of military service-related disabilities, when you are legally entitled to other coverage and facilities are reasonably available to you.

3. Health services while on active military duty.
P. Transplants
1. Health services for organ and tissue transplants, except those described under Transplantation Services in Section 1: Covered Health Services.
2. Health services connected with the removal of an organ or tissue from you for purposes of a transplant to another person. (Donor costs that are directly related to organ removal are payable for a transplant through the organ recipient's Benefits under the Policy.)
3. Health services for transplants involving permanent mechanical or animal organs.
4. Transplant services that are not performed at a Designated Facility. This exclusion does not apply to cornea transplants.

Q. Travel
1. Health services provided in a foreign country, unless required as Emergency Health Services.
2. Travel or transportation expenses, even though prescribed by a Physician. Some travel expenses related to Covered Health Services received from a Designated Facility or Designated Physician may be reimbursed at our discretion.

R. Types of Care
1. Multi-disciplinary pain management programs provided on an inpatient basis.
2. Custodial Care.
3. Domiciliary care.
4. Private duty nursing. This means nursing care that is provided to a patient on a one-to-one basis by licensed nurses in an inpatient or home setting when any of the following are true:
   - No skilled services are identified.
   - Skilled nursing resources are available in the facility.
   - The skilled care can be provided by a Home Health Agency on a per visit basis for a specific purpose.
5. Respite care.
6. Rest cures.
7. Services of personal care attendants.
8. Work hardening (individualized treatment programs designed to return a person to work or to prepare a person for specific work).

S. Vision
1. Purchase cost and fitting charge for eye glasses and contact lenses.
2. Routine vision examinations, including refractive examinations to determine the need for vision correction.
3. Implantable lenses used only to correct a refractive error (such as Intacs corneal implants).
4. Eye exercise therapy.
5. Surgery that is intended to allow you to see better without glasses or other vision correction. Examples include radial keratotomy, laser, and other refractive eye surgery.

T. All Other Exclusions
1. Health services and supplies that do not meet the definition of a Covered Health Service - see the definition in Section 9: Defined Terms.
2. Physical, psychiatric or psychological exams, testing, vaccinations, immunizations or treatments that are otherwise covered under the Policy when:
   - Required solely for purposes of career, school, sports or camp, travel, employment, insurance, marriage or adoption.
   - Related to judicial or administrative proceedings or orders.
   - Conducted for purposes of medical research.
   - Required to obtain or maintain a license of any type.
3. Health services received as a result of war or any act of war, whether declared or undeclared or caused during service in the armed forces of any country.
4. Health services received after the date your coverage under the Policy ends. This applies to all health services, even if the health service is required to treat a medical condition that arose before the date your coverage under the Policy ended.
5. Health services for which you have no legal responsibility to pay, or for which a charge would not ordinarily be made in the absence of coverage under the Policy.
6. Charges in excess of Eligible Expenses or in excess of any specified limitation.
7. Long term (more than 30 days) storage. Examples include cryopreservation of tissue, blood and blood products.
8. Autopsy.
Section 3: When Coverage Begins

How to Enroll
Eligible Persons must complete an enrollment form. The Enrolling Group will give the necessary forms to you. The Enrolling Group will then submit the completed forms to us, along with any required Premium. We will not provide Benefits for health services that you receive before your effective date of coverage.

If You Are Hospitalized When Your Coverage Begins
If you are an inpatient in a Hospital, Skilled Nursing Facility or Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility on the day your coverage begins, we will pay Benefits for Covered Health Services that you receive on or after your first day of coverage related to that Inpatient Stay as long as you receive Covered Health Services in accordance with the terms of the Policy. These Benefits are subject to any prior carrier's obligations under state law or contract.

You should notify us of your hospitalization within 48 hours of the day your coverage begins, or as soon as is reasonably possible. Network Benefits are available only if you receive Covered Health Services from Network providers.

Who is Eligible for Coverage
The Enrolling Group determines who is eligible to enroll under the Policy and who qualifies as a Dependent.

Eligible Person
Eligible Person usually refers to an employee or member of the Enrolling Group who meets the eligibility rules. When an Eligible Person actually enrolls, we refer to that person as a Subscriber. For a complete definition of Eligible Person, Enrolling Group and Subscriber, see Section 9: Defined Terms.

Eligible Persons must reside or work within the Service Area.

If both spouses are Eligible Persons of the Enrolling Group, each may enroll as a Subscriber or be covered as an Enrolled Dependent of the other, but not both.

Dependent
Dependent generally refers to the Subscriber's spouse and children. When a Dependent actually enrolls, we refer to that person as an Enrolled Dependent. For a complete definition of Dependent and Enrolled Dependent, see Section 9: Defined Terms.

Dependents of an Eligible Person may not enroll unless the Eligible Person is also covered under the Policy.

If both parents of a Dependent child are enrolled as a Subscriber, only one parent may enroll the child as a Dependent.

When to Enroll and When Coverage Begins
Except as described below, Eligible Persons may not enroll themselves or their Dependents.

Initial Enrollment Period
When the Enrolling Group purchases coverage under the Policy from us, the Initial Enrollment Period is the first period of time when Eligible Persons can enroll themselves and their Dependents.

Coverage begins on the date identified in the Policy if we receive the completed enrollment form and any required Premium within 31 days of the date the Eligible Person becomes eligible to enroll.
Open Enrollment Period
The Enrolling Group determines the Open Enrollment Period. During the Open Enrollment Period, Eligible Persons can enroll themselves and their Dependents.

Coverage begins on the date identified by the Enrolling Group if we receive the completed enrollment form and any required Premium within 31 days of the date the Eligible Person becomes eligible to enroll.

New Eligible Persons
Coverage for a new Eligible Person and his or her Dependents begins on the date agreed to by the Enrolling Group if we receive the completed enrollment form and any required Premium within 31 days of the date the new Eligible Person first becomes eligible.

Adding New Dependents
Subscribers may enroll Dependents who join their family because of any of the following events:

- Birth.
- Legal adoption.
- Placement for adoption.
- Marriage.
- Legal guardianship.
- Court or administrative order.

Coverage for the Dependent begins on the date of the event if we receive the completed enrollment form and any required Premium within 31 days of the event that makes the new Dependent eligible.

Special Enrollment Period
An Eligible Person and/or Dependent may also be able to enroll during a special enrollment period. A special enrollment period is not available to an Eligible Person and his or her Dependents if coverage under the prior plan was terminated for cause, or because premiums were not paid on a timely basis.

An Eligible Person and/or Dependent does not need to elect COBRA continuation coverage to preserve special enrollment rights. Special enrollment is available to an Eligible Person and/or Dependent even if COBRA is not elected.

A special enrollment period applies to an Eligible Person and any Dependents when one of the following events occurs:

- Birth.
- Legal adoption.
- Placement for adoption.
- Marriage.

A special enrollment period also applies for an Eligible Person and/or Dependent who did not enroll during the Initial Enrollment Period or Open Enrollment Period if the following are true:

- The Eligible Person and/or Dependent had existing health coverage under another plan at the time they had an opportunity to enroll during the Initial Enrollment Period or Open Enrollment Period; and
- Coverage under the prior plan ended because of any of the following:
  - Loss of eligibility (including, but not limited to, legal separation, divorce or death).
The employer stopped paying the contributions. This is true even if the Eligible Person and/or Dependent continues to receive coverage under the prior plan and to pay the amounts previously paid by the employer.

In the case of COBRA continuation coverage, the coverage ended.

The Eligible Person and/or Dependent no longer lives or works in an HMO service area if no other benefit option is available.

The plan no longer offers benefits to a class of individuals that include the Eligible Person and/or Dependent.

An Eligible Person and/or Dependent incurs a claim that would exceed a lifetime limit on all benefits.

When an event takes place (for example, a birth or marriage), coverage begins on the date of the event if we receive the completed enrollment form and any required Premium within 31 days of the event.

For an Eligible Person and/or Dependent who did not enroll during the Initial Enrollment Period or Open Enrollment Period because they had existing health coverage under another plan, coverage begins on the day immediately following the day coverage under the prior plan ends. Coverage will begin only if we receive the completed enrollment form and any required Premium within 31 days of the date coverage under the prior plan ended.
Section 4: When Coverage Ends

General Information about When Coverage Ends
We may discontinue this Benefit plan and/or all similar benefit plans at any time for the reasons explained in the Policy, as permitted by law.

Your entitlement to Benefits automatically ends on the date that coverage ends, even if you are hospitalized or are otherwise receiving medical treatment on that date.

When your coverage ends, we will still pay claims for Covered Health Services that you received before the date on which your coverage ended. However, once your coverage ends, we will not pay claims for any health services received after that date (even if the medical condition that is being treated occurred before the date your coverage ended).

Unless otherwise stated, an Enrolled Dependent's coverage ends on the date the Subscriber's coverage ends.

Please note that for Covered Persons who are subject to the Extended Coverage for Total Disability provision later in this section, entitlement to Benefits ends as described in that section.

Events Ending Your Coverage
Coverage ends on the earliest of the dates specified below:

- The Entire Policy Ends
  Your coverage ends on the date the Policy ends. In the event the entire Policy ends, the Enrolling Group is responsible for notifying you that your coverage has ended.

- You No Longer Reside or Work within the Service Area
  Your coverage ends on the [date][last day of the calendar month in which] you no longer reside or work in the Service Area. Coverage will end on the date of that move, even if you do not notify us. (This does not apply to an Enrolled Dependent child for whom the Subscriber is required to provide health insurance coverage through a Qualified Medical Child Support Order or other court or administrative order.) The Subscriber or the Enrolling Group must notify us if you move from the Service Area.

- You Are No Longer Eligible
  Your coverage ends on the [date][last day of the calendar month in which] you are no longer eligible to be a Subscriber or Enrolled Dependent. Please refer to Section 9: Defined Terms for complete definitions of the terms "Eligible Person," "Subscriber," "Dependent" and "Enrolled Dependent."

- We Receive Notice to End Coverage
  Your coverage ends on the [date][last day of the calendar month in which] we receive written notice from the Enrolling Group instructing us to end your coverage, or the date requested in the notice, if later. The Enrolling Group is responsible for providing written notice to us to end your coverage.

- Subscriber Retires or Is Pensioned
  Your coverage ends the [date][last day of the calendar month in which] the Subscriber is retired or receiving benefits under the Enrolling Group's pension or retirement plan. The Enrolling Group is responsible for providing written notice to us to end your coverage.

  This provision applies unless a specific coverage classification is designated for retired or pensioned persons in the Enrolling Group's application, and only if the Subscriber continues to meet any applicable eligibility requirements. The Enrolling Group can provide you with specific information about what coverage is available for retirees.
Other Events Ending Your Coverage

When any of the following happen, we will provide written notice to the Subscriber that coverage has ended on the date we identify in the notice:

- Fraud, Misrepresentation or False Information
  Fraud or misrepresentation, or the Subscriber knowingly gave us false material information. Examples include false information relating to residence and/or employment within the Service Area and false information relating to another person's eligibility or status as a Dependent.
  During the first two years the Policy is in effect, we have the right to demand that you pay back all Benefits we paid to you, or paid in your name, during the time you were incorrectly covered under the Policy.

- Material Violation
  There was a material violation of the terms of the Policy.

- Threatening Behavior
  You committed acts of physical or verbal abuse that pose a threat to our staff.

Coverage for a Disabled Dependent Child

If you have an unmarried child of any age who is medically certified as disabled and is chiefly dependent on you for support and care because of a mental or physical impairment which can be expected to result in death or can be expected to last for a continuous period of not less than 12 months, that child may be an eligible Enrolled Dependent under the terms of the Policy.

If you have a child that you believe is a Disabled Dependent, you will need to furnish us with proof of the medical certification of disability. We may require that a Physician chosen by us examine the child. We will pay for that examination.

Coverage will continue as long as the Enrolled Dependent is medically certified as disabled and dependent unless coverage is otherwise terminated in accordance with the terms of the Policy.

We may continue to ask you for proof that the child continues to be disabled and dependent. Such proof might include medical examinations at our expense. However, we will not ask for this information more than once a year.

Extended Coverage for Total Disability

Coverage for a Covered Person who is Totally Disabled on the date the entire Policy is terminated will not end automatically. We will temporarily extend the coverage, only for treatment of the condition causing the Total Disability. Benefits will be paid until the earlier of either of the following:

- The Total Disability ends.
- Twelve months from the date coverage would have ended when the entire Policy was terminated.
- The date maximum benefits under the Policy have been received.

Continuation of Coverage and Conversion

If your coverage ends under the Policy, you may be entitled to elect continuation coverage (coverage that continues on in some form) in accordance with federal or state law.

Continuation coverage under COBRA (the federal Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act) is available only to Enrolling Groups that are subject to the terms of COBRA. You can contact your plan administrator to determine if your Enrolling Group is subject to the provisions of COBRA.
If you selected continuation coverage under a prior plan which was then replaced by coverage under the Policy, continuation coverage will end as scheduled under the prior plan or in accordance with federal or state law, whichever is earlier.

We are not the Enrolling Group's designated "plan administrator" as that term is used in federal law, and we do not assume any responsibilities of a "plan administrator" according to federal law.

We are not obligated to provide continuation coverage to you if the Enrolling Group or its plan administrator fails to perform its responsibilities under federal law. Examples of the responsibilities of the Enrolling Group or its plan administrator are:

- Notifying you in a timely manner of the right to elect continuation coverage.
- Notifying us in a timely manner of your election of continuation coverage.

Qualifying Events for Continuation Coverage under State Law

Coverage must have ended due to one of the following qualifying events:

- Involuntary layoff.
- Death.
- The workplace ceasing to exist.
- The permanent reduction in the size of the workforce.

Notification Requirements and Election Period for Continuation Coverage under State Law

The Enrolling Group will provide you with written notification of the right to continuation coverage when coverage ends under the Policy. You must elect continuation coverage within 30 days of receiving this notification. You should obtain an election form from the Enrolling Group or the employer and, once election is made, forward all monthly Premiums to the Enrolling Group for payment to us. For enrolling groups with 50 or fewer employees, you may forward monthly premiums directly to us.

Terminating Events for Continuation Coverage under State Law

Continuation coverage under the Policy will end on the earliest of the following dates:

- The date you move outside the Service Area.
- 18 months from the date your continuation began.
- The date coverage ends for failure to make timely payment of the Premium.
- The date coverage ends because you violate a material condition of the Policy.
- The date coverage is or could be obtained under any other group health plan.
- The last day of a time period equal to the length of your continuous employment with the Enrolling Group.
- The date the Policy ends.

Continuation Coverage under State Law for After Judgment Absolute of Divorce or of Separate Support

Continuation coverage under state law is provided to the spouse of a Subscriber in the event of a judgment for divorce if the order for continuation coverage is included in the judgment.

Continuation coverage under the Policy will end on the earliest of the following dates:

- The date coverage ends for the Subscriber.
• The date of the remarriage of either the Subscriber or the spouse.
• The date as provided in the judgment.

Conversion

If your coverage terminates under the Policy and you have been continuously covered under the Policy (and any group policy it replaces) for at least three months immediately prior to termination, you may apply for conversion coverage without furnishing evidence of insurability, except under the following circumstances:

• The Policy is terminated in its entirety or with respect to an insured class;
• Your coverage terminated because you failed to pay any required contribution to the Premium;
• Your coverage under the Policy is replaced with similar group coverage within 31 days of termination of coverage under the Policy; or
• You engage in fraud or material misrepresentation in applying for the conversion coverage.

Application and payment of the initial Premium must be made within 31 days after coverage ends under the Policy. Conversion coverage will be issued in accordance with the terms and conditions in effect at the time of application. Conversion coverage may be substantially different from coverage provided under the Policy.

You will be given written notice of the conversion privilege at least 15 days prior to the expiration of the 31 day conversion period. If you are not given notice of the conversion privilege, you will have an additional period within which to exercise the conversion privilege. This additional period shall expire 15 days after you have been given the notice, or 90 days after termination of your coverage under the Policy, whichever comes earlier.

Written notice presented to you by the Enrolling Group, or mailed by the Enrolling Group, to your last known address shall constitute the giving of notice for the purpose of this provision. If you are permitted an additional period for conversion, and if written application for the conversion coverage, with the initial premium, is made within the additional period, the effective date of the conversion coverage will be the day following termination of coverage under the Policy.

You will receive no less than 30 days' notice from us that a child covered as a Dependent is about to lose his or her coverage as a result of reaching the maximum age for a Dependent child. The child may continue to be covered if you send us documentation that the child is a Full-time or Part-time Student. The child may purchase a conversion policy if he or she is not a Full-time or Part-time Student.
Section 5: How to File a Claim

If You Receive Covered Health Services from a Network Provider
We pay Network providers directly for your Covered Health Services. If a Network provider bills you for any Covered Health Service, contact us. However, you are responsible for meeting any applicable Annual Deductible and for paying any required Copayments and Coinsurance to a Network provider at the time of service, or when you receive a bill from the provider.

If You Receive Covered Health Services from a Non-Network Provider
For both the Advantage and Basic Plans, this Policy provides coverage for Benefits received from Network Providers only. Benefits are not available for services received from Non-Network Providers except as follows:

• Emergency Health Services
• We specifically approve the use of a Non-Network Provider for Covered Health Services
• Covered Health Services are rendered by a Non-Network Provider at a Network Facility outside of your control
• Hearing aid services, in accordance with Rhode Island General Law §27-20-46
• Hair prosthetics (wigs), in accordance with Rhode Island General Law §27-20-53.

If you receive care from a Non-Network Provider you are responsible for paying all charges from that Non-Network Provider. If the services are Covered Health Services and are rendered within the limited circumstances described above, we will reimburse you up to the Non-Network Provider's charge or the maximum benefit, less any copayments, deductibles or coinsurance which may apply to the Covered Health Service.

When you receive any of the above Covered Health Services from a non-Network provider, you are responsible for requesting payment from us. You must file the claim in a format that contains all of the information we require, as described below.

There are no claim forms to fill out other than the bill from the provider, but your request for payment must contain all of the required information as described below.

You should submit a request for payment of Benefits within 90 days after the date of service. Failure to submit the request within this time will not invalidate or reduce any claim if it was not reasonably possible to submit the request during that time, provided the request is furnished as soon as reasonably possible and in no event, except in the absence of legal capacity of the claimant, later than one year from the date. If you don't provide this information to us within one year of the date a request for payment of Benefits is required, Benefits for that health service will be denied or reduced. This time limit does not apply if you are legally incapacitated. If your claim relates to an Inpatient Stay, the date of service is the date your Inpatient Stay ends.

Required Information
When you or your Network Provider requests payment of Benefits from us, we must be provided with all of the following information:

• The Subscriber's name and address.
• The patient's name and age.
• The number stated on your ID card.
• The name and address of the provider of the service(s).
• The name and address of any ordering Physician.
• A diagnosis from the Physician.
• An itemized bill from your provider that includes the Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) codes or a description of each charge.
• The date the Injury or Sickness began.
• A statement indicating either that you are, or you are not, enrolled for coverage under any other health insurance plan or program. If you are enrolled for other coverage you must include the name of the other carrier(s).

Payment of Benefits
We will pay Benefits within the time frames shown below after we receive a request for payment that includes all required information:

• 30 days after we receive a request submitted by electronic means.
• 40 days after we receive a request submitted by other than electronic means.

Requests for payment that include all required information which are not paid within these time frames will include an overdue payment of interest at the rate of 12% per annum. If we deny or need more information to process payment, we will notify you with the reason or request within 30 calendar days of receipt of the claim.

You may not assign your Benefits under the Policy to a non-Network provider without our consent. When an assignment is not obtained, we will send the reimbursement directly to you (the Subscriber) for you to reimburse them upon receipt of their bill. We may, however, in our discretion, pay a non-Network provider directly for services rendered to you. In the case of any such assignment of Benefits or payment to a non-Network provider, we reserve the right to offset Benefits to be paid to the provider by any amounts that the provider owes us.

When you assign your Benefits under the Policy to a non-Network provider with our consent, and the non-Network provider submits a claim for payment, you and the non-Network provider represent and warrant the following:

• The Covered Health Services were actually provided.
• The Covered Health Services were medically appropriate.
Section 6: Questions, Complaints and Appeals

To resolve a question, complaint, or appeal, just follow these steps:

What to Do if You Have a Question

Contact Customer Care at the telephone number shown on your ID card. Customer Care representatives are available to take your call during regular business hours, Monday through Friday.

What to Do if You Have a Complaint

Contact Customer Care at the telephone number shown on your ID card. Customer Care representatives are available to take your call during regular business hours, Monday through Friday.

If you would rather send your complaint to us in writing, the Customer Care representative can provide you with the appropriate address.

If the Customer Care representative cannot resolve the issue to your satisfaction over the phone, he/she can help you prepare and submit a written complaint. We will notify you of our decision regarding your complaint within 60 days of receiving it.

How to Appeal a Claim Decision

Post-service Claims

Post-service claims are those claims that are filed for payment of Benefits after medical care has been received.

Pre-service Requests for Benefits

Pre-service requests for Benefits are those requests that require notification or benefit confirmation prior to receiving medical care.

How to Request an Appeal

If you disagree with either a pre-service request for Benefits determination or post-service claim determination, you, your authorized representative, or your provider, can contact us in writing to formally request an appeal.

Your request for an appeal should include:

- The patient's name and the identification number from the ID card.
- The date(s) of medical service(s).
- The provider's name.
- The reason you believe the claim should be paid.
- Any documentation or other written information to support your request for claim payment.

Your first appeal request must be submitted to us within 180 days after you receive the denial of a pre-service request for Benefits or the claim denial. Information about this process will be included in the final determination letter sent from us.

Appeal Process

A qualified individual who was not involved in the decision being appealed will be appointed to decide the appeal. If your appeal is related to clinical matters, the review will be done in consultation with a health care professional with appropriate expertise in the field, who was not involved in the prior determination. We may consult with, or seek the participation of, medical experts as part of the appeal resolution process.
process. You consent to this referral and the sharing of pertinent medical claim information. We will not make an adverse determination until an appropriately qualified licensed practitioner has spoken with your attending or ordering physician. We will make no less than the minimum number of documented attempts required by state law to reach your attending physician before reaching a determination. Upon request and free of charge, you have the right to reasonable access to and copies of all documents, records, and other information relevant to your claim for Benefits.

**Appeals Determinations**

**Pre-service Requests for Benefits and Post-service Claim Appeals**

For procedures associated with urgent requests for Benefits, see Urgent Appeals That Require Immediate Action below.

You will be provided written or electronic notification of the decision on your appeal as follows:

- For appeals of pre-service requests for Benefits as identified above, the first level appeal will be conducted and you will be notified of the decision within 15 days from receipt of a request with all the necessary information for appeal of a denied request for Benefits. If you are not satisfied with the first level appeal decision, you have the right to request a second level appeal. Your second level appeal request must be submitted to us within 60 days from receipt of the first level appeal decision. The second level appeal will be conducted and you will be notified of the decision within 15 days from receipt of a request with all the necessary information for review of the first level appeal decision.

- For appeals of post-service claims as identified above, the first level appeal will be conducted and you will be notified of the decision within 30 days from receipt of a request for appeal of a denied claim. If you are not satisfied with the first level appeal decision, you have the right to request a second level appeal. Your second level appeal request must be submitted to us within 60 days from receipt of the first level appeal decision. The second level appeal will be conducted and you will be notified of the decision within 30 days from receipt of a request with all the necessary information for review of the first level appeal decision.

Please note that our decision is based only on whether or not Benefits are available under the Policy for the proposed treatment or procedure. We don't determine whether the pending health service is necessary or appropriate. That decision is between you and your Physician.

**Urgent Appeals that Require Immediate Action**

Your appeal may require immediate action if a delay in treatment could significantly increase the risk to your health, or the ability to regain maximum function, or cause severe pain. In these urgent situations:

- The appeal does not need to be submitted in writing. You or your Physician should call us as soon as possible.

- We will provide you with a written or electronic determination within 72 hours following receipt of your request with all the necessary information for review of the determination, taking into account the seriousness of your condition.

- If we need more information from your Physician to make a decision, we will notify you of the decision by the end of the next business day following receipt of the required information.

The appeal process for urgent situations does not apply to prescheduled treatments, therapies or surgeries.

**Voluntary External Review Program**

After you exhaust the appeal process, if we make a final determination to deny Benefits, you may choose to participate in our voluntary external review program. This program only applies if our decision is based on either of the following:
• Clinical reasons.
• The exclusion for Experimental or Investigational or Unproven Services.

The external review program is not available if our coverage determinations are based on Benefit exclusions or defined Benefit limits.

Contact us at the telephone number shown on your ID card for more information on the voluntary external review program.
Section 7: Coordination of Benefits

Benefits When You Have Coverage under More than One Plan
This section describes how Benefits under the Policy will be coordinated with those of any other plan that provides benefits to you. The language in this section is from model laws drafted by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC) and represents standard industry practice for coordinating benefits.

When Coordination of Benefits Applies
This coordination of benefits (COB) provision applies when a person has health care coverage under more than one Plan. Plan is defined below.

The order of benefit determination rules below govern the order in which each Plan will pay a claim for benefits. The Plan that pays first is called the Primary Plan. The Primary Plan must pay benefits in accordance with its policy terms without regard to the possibility that another Plan may cover some expenses. The Plan that pays after the Primary Plan is the Secondary Plan. The Secondary Plan may reduce the benefits it pays so that payments from all Plans do not exceed 100% of the total Allowable Expense.

Definitions
For purposes of this section, terms are defined as follows:

A. A Plan is any of the following that provides benefits or services for medical, pharmacy or dental care or treatment. If separate contracts are used to provide coordinated coverage for members of a group, the separate contracts are considered parts of the same plan and there is no COB among those separate contracts.

1. Plan includes: group and non-group insurance contracts, health maintenance organization (HMO) contracts, closed panel plans or other forms of group or group-type coverage (whether insured or uninsured); medical care components of long-term care contracts, such as skilled nursing care; medical benefits under group or individual automobile contracts; and Medicare or any other federal governmental plan, as permitted by law.

2. Plan does not include: hospital indemnity coverage insurance or other fixed indemnity coverage; accident only coverage; specified disease or specified accident coverage; limited benefit health coverage, as defined by state law; school accident type coverage; benefits for non-medical components of long-term care policies; Medicare supplement policies; Medicaid policies; or coverage under other federal governmental plans, unless permitted by law.

Each contract for coverage under 1. or 2. above is a separate Plan. If a Plan has two parts and COB rules apply only to one of the two, each of the parts is treated as a separate Plan.

B. This Plan means, in a COB provision, the part of the contract providing the health care benefits to which the COB provision applies and which may be reduced because of the benefits of other plans. Any other part of the contract providing health care benefits is separate from This Plan. A contract may apply one COB provision to certain benefits, such as dental benefits, coordinating only with similar benefits, and may apply another COB provision to coordinate other benefits.

C. The order of benefit determination rules determine whether This Plan is a Primary Plan or Secondary Plan when the person has health care coverage under more than one Plan. When This Plan is primary, it determines payment for its benefits first before those of any other Plan without considering any other Plan's benefits. When This Plan is secondary, it determines its benefits after those of another Plan and may reduce the benefits it pays so that all Plan benefits do not exceed 100% of the total Allowable Expense.
D. Allowable Expense is a health care expense, including deductibles, coinsurance and copayments, that is covered at least in part by any Plan covering the person. When a Plan provides benefits in the form of services, the reasonable cash value of each service will be considered an Allowable Expense and a benefit paid. An expense that is not covered by any Plan covering the person is not an Allowable Expense. In addition, any expense that a provider by law or in accordance with a contractual agreement is prohibited from charging a covered person is not an Allowable Expense.

The following are examples of expenses or services that are not Allowable Expenses:

1. The difference between the cost of a semi-private hospital room and a private room is not an Allowable Expense unless one of the Plans provides coverage for private hospital room expenses.

2. If a person is covered by two or more Plans that compute their benefit payments on the basis of usual and customary fees or relative value schedule reimbursement methodology or other similar reimbursement methodology, any amount in excess of the highest reimbursement amount for a specific benefit is not an Allowable Expense.

3. If a person is covered by two or more Plans that provide benefits or services on the basis of negotiated fees, an amount in excess of the highest of the negotiated fees is not an Allowable Expense.

4. If a person is covered by one Plan that calculates its benefits or services on the basis of usual and customary fees or relative value schedule reimbursement methodology or other similar reimbursement methodology and another Plan that provides its benefits or services on the basis of negotiated fees, the Primary Plan's payment arrangement shall be the Allowable Expense for all Plans. However, if the provider has contracted with the Secondary Plan to provide the benefit or service for a specific negotiated fee or payment amount that is different than the Primary Plan's payment arrangement and if the provider's contract permits, the negotiated fee or payment shall be the Allowable Expense used by the Secondary Plan to determine its benefits.

5. The amount of any benefit reduction by the Primary Plan because a Covered Person has failed to comply with the Plan provisions is not an Allowable Expense. Examples of these types of plan provisions include second surgical opinions, precertification of admissions, and preferred provider arrangements.

E. Closed Panel Plan is a Plan that provides health care benefits to Covered Persons primarily in the form of services through a panel of providers that have contracted with or are employed by the Plan, and that excludes benefits for services provided by other providers, except in cases of emergency or referral by a panel member.

F. Custodial Parent is the parent awarded custody by a court decree or, in the absence of a court decree, is the parent with whom the child resides more than one half of the calendar year excluding any temporary visitation.

**Order of Benefit Determination Rules**

When a person is covered by two or more Plans, the rules for determining the order of benefit payments are as follows:

A. The Primary Plan pays or provides its benefits according to its terms of coverage and without regard to the benefits under any other Plan.

B. Except as provided in the next paragraph, a Plan that does not contain a coordination of benefits provision that is consistent with this provision is always primary unless the provisions of both Plans state that the complying plan is primary.

Coverage that is obtained by virtue of membership in a group that is designed to supplement a part of a basic package of benefits and provides that this supplementary coverage shall be in excess of any other parts of the Plan provided by the contract holder. Examples of these types of situations...
are major medical coverages that are superimposed over base plan hospital and surgical benefits, and insurance type coverages that are written in connection with a Closed Panel Plan to provide out-of-network benefits.

C. A Plan may consider the benefits paid or provided by another Plan in determining its benefits only when it is secondary to that other Plan.

D. Each Plan determines its order of benefits using the first of the following rules that apply:

1. Non-Dependent or Dependent. The Plan that covers the person other than as a dependent, for example as an employee, member, policyholder, subscriber or retiree is the Primary Plan and the Plan that covers the person as a dependent is the Secondary Plan. However, if the person is a Medicare beneficiary and, as a result of federal law, Medicare is secondary to the Plan covering the person as a dependent; and primary to the Plan covering the person as other than a dependent (e.g. a retired employee); then the order of benefits between the two Plans is reversed so that the Plan covering the person as an employee, member, policyholder, subscriber or retiree is the Secondary Plan and the other Plan is the Primary Plan.

2. Dependent Child Covered Under More Than One Coverage Plan. Unless there is a court decree stating otherwise, plans covering a dependent child shall determine the order of benefits as follows:

   a) For a dependent child whose parents are married or are living together, whether or not they have ever been married:
      (1) The Plan of the parent whose birthday falls earlier in the calendar year is the Primary Plan; or
      (2) If both parents have the same birthday, the Plan that covered the parent longest is the Primary Plan.

   b) For a dependent child whose parents are divorced or separated or are not living together, whether or not they have ever been married:
      (1) If a court decree states that one of the parents is responsible for the dependent child's health care expenses or health care coverage and the Plan of that parent has actual knowledge of those terms, that Plan is primary. If the parent with responsibility has no health care coverage for the dependent child's health care expenses, but that parent's spouse does, that parent's spouse's plan is the Primary Plan. This shall not apply with respect to any plan year during which benefits are paid or provided before the entity has actual knowledge of the court decree provision.
      (2) If a court decree states that both parents are responsible for the dependent child's health care expenses or health care coverage, the provisions of subparagraph a) above shall determine the order of benefits.
      (3) If a court decree states that the parents have joint custody without specifying that one parent has responsibility for the health care expenses or health care coverage of the dependent child, the provisions of subparagraph a) above shall determine the order of benefits.
      (4) If there is no court decree allocating responsibility for the child's health care expenses or health care coverage, the order of benefits for the child are as follows:
         (a) The Plan covering the Custodial Parent.
         (b) The Plan covering the Custodial Parent's spouse.
         (c) The Plan covering the non-Custodial Parent.
         (d) The Plan covering the non-Custodial Parent's spouse.
c) For a dependent child covered under more than one plan of individuals who are not the parents of the child, the order of benefits shall be determined, as applicable, under subparagraph a) or b) above as if those individuals were parents of the child.

3. Active Employee or Retired or Laid-off Employee. The Plan that covers a person as an active employee, that is, an employee who is neither laid off nor retired is the Primary Plan. The same would hold true if a person is a dependent of an active employee and that same person is a dependent of a retired or laid-off employee. If the other Plan does not have this rule, and, as a result, the Plans do not agree on the order of benefits, this rule is ignored. This rule does not apply if the rule labeled D.1. can determine the order of benefits.

4. COBRA or State Continuation Coverage. If a person whose coverage is provided pursuant to COBRA or under a right of continuation provided by state or other federal law is covered under another Plan, the Plan covering the person as an employee, member, subscriber or retiree or covering the person as a dependent of an employee, member, subscriber or retiree is the Primary Plan, and the COBRA or state or other federal continuation coverage is the Secondary Plan. If the other Plan does not have this rule, and as a result, the Plans do not agree on the order of benefits, this rule is ignored. This rule does not apply if the rule labeled D.1. can determine the order of benefits.

5. Longer or Shorter Length of Coverage. The Plan that covered the person as an employee, member, policyholder, subscriber or retiree longer is the Primary Plan and the Plan that covered the person the shorter period of time is the Secondary Plan.

6. If the preceding rules do not determine the order of benefits, the Allowable Expenses shall be shared equally between the Plans meeting the definition of Plan. In addition, This Plan will not pay more than it would have paid had it been the Primary Plan.

Effect on the Benefits of This Plan
A. When This Plan is secondary, it may reduce its benefits so that the total benefits paid or provided by all Plans are not more than the total Allowable Expenses. In determining the amount to be paid for any claim, the Secondary Plan will calculate the benefits it would have paid in the absence of other health care coverage and apply that calculated amount to any Allowable Expense under its Plan that is unpaid by the Primary Plan. The Secondary Plan may then reduce its payment by the amount so that, when combined with the amount paid by the Primary Plan, the total benefits paid or provided by all Plans for the claim do not exceed the total Allowable Expense for that claim. In addition, the Secondary Plan shall credit to its plan deductible any amounts it would have credited to its deductible in the absence of other health care coverage.

B. If a Covered Person is enrolled in two or more Closed Panel Plans and if, for any reason, including the provision of service by a non-panel provider, benefits are not payable by one Closed Panel Plan, COB shall not apply between that Plan and other Closed Panel Plans.

Right to Receive and Release Needed Information
Certain facts about health care coverage and services are needed to apply these COB rules and to determine benefits payable under This Plan and other Plans. We may get the facts we need from, or give them to, other organizations or persons for the purpose of applying these rules and determining benefits payable under This Plan and other Plans covering the person claiming benefits.

We need not tell, or get the consent of, any person to do this. Each person claiming benefits under This Plan must give us any facts we need to apply those rules and determine benefits payable. If you do not provide us the information we need to apply these rules and determine the Benefits payable, your claim for Benefits will be denied.

Payments Made
A payment made under another Plan may include an amount that should have been paid under This Plan. If it does, we may pay that amount to the organization that made the payment. That amount will
then be treated as though it were a benefit paid under This Plan. We will not have to pay that amount again. The term "payment made" includes providing benefits in the form of services, in which case "payment made" means reasonable cash value of the benefits provided in the form of services.

**Right of Recovery**

If the amount of the payments we made is more than we should have paid under this COB provision, we may recover the excess from one or more of the persons we have paid or for whom we have paid; or any other person or organization that may be responsible for the benefits or services provided for you. The "amount of the payments made" includes the reasonable cash value of any benefits provided in the form of services.

**When Medicare is Secondary**

If you have other health insurance which is determined to be primary to Medicare, then Benefits payable under This Plan will be based on Medicare’s reduced benefits. In no event will the combined benefits paid under these coverages exceed the total Medicare Eligible Expense for the service or item.
Section 8: General Legal Provisions

Your Relationship with Us

In order to make choices about your health care coverage and treatment, we believe that it is important for you to understand how we interact with your Enrolling Group's Benefit plan and how it may affect you. We help finance or administer the Enrolling Group's Benefit plan in which you are enrolled. We do not provide medical services or make treatment decisions. This means:

- We do not decide what care you need or will receive. You and your Physician make those decisions.
- We communicate to you decisions about whether the Enrolling Group’s Benefit plan will cover or pay for the health care that you may receive. The plan pays for Covered Health Services, which are more fully described in this Certificate.
- The plan may not pay for all treatments you or your Physician may believe are necessary. If the plan does not pay, you will be responsible for the cost.

We may use individually identifiable information about you to identify for you (and you alone) procedures, products or services that you may find valuable. We will use individually identifiable information about you as permitted or required by law, including in our operations and in our research. We will use de-identified data for commercial purposes including research.

Please refer to our Notice of Privacy Practices for details.

Our Relationship with Providers and Enrolling Groups

The relationships between us and Network providers and Enrolling Groups are solely contractual relationships between independent contractors. Network providers and Enrolling Groups are not our agents or employees. Neither we nor any of our employees are agents or employees of Network providers or the Enrolling Groups.

We do not provide health care services or supplies, nor do we practice medicine. Instead, we arrange for health care providers to participate in a Network and we pay Benefits. Network providers are independent practitioners who run their own offices and facilities. Our credentialing process confirms public information about the providers’ licenses and other credentials, but does not assure the quality of the services provided. They are not our employees nor do we have any other relationship with Network providers such as principal-agent or joint venture. We are not liable for any act or omission of any provider.

We are not considered to be an employer for any purpose with respect to the administration or provision of benefits under the Enrolling Group's Benefit plan. We are not responsible for fulfilling any duties or obligations of an employer with respect to the Enrolling Group's Benefit plan.

The Enrolling Group is solely responsible for all of the following:

- Enrollment and classification changes (including classification changes resulting in your enrollment or the termination of your coverage).
- The timely payment of the Policy Charge to us.
- Notifying you of the termination of the Policy.

When the Enrolling Group purchases the Policy to provide coverage under a benefit plan governed by the Employee Retirement Income Security Act (“ERISA”), 29 U.S.C. §1001 et seq., we are not the plan administrator or named fiduciary of the benefit plan, as those terms are used in ERISA. If you have questions about your welfare benefit plan, you should contact the Enrolling Group. If you have any questions about this statement or about your rights under ERISA, contact the nearest area office of the Employee Benefits Security Administration, U. S. Department of Labor.
Your Relationship with Providers and Enrolling Groups
The relationship between you and any provider is that of provider and patient.

- You are responsible for choosing your own provider.
- You are responsible for paying, directly to your provider, any amount identified as a member responsibility, including Copayments, Coinsurance, any Annual Deductible and any amount that exceeds Eligible Expenses.
- You are responsible for paying, directly to your provider, the cost of any non-Covered Health Service.
- You must decide if any provider treating you is right for you. This includes Network providers you choose and providers to whom you have been referred.
- You must decide with your provider what care you should receive.
- Your provider is solely responsible for the quality of the services provided to you.

The relationship between you and the Enrolling Group is that of employer and employee, Dependent or other classification as defined in the Policy.

Notice
When we provide written notice regarding administration of the Policy to an authorized representative of the Enrolling Group, that notice is deemed notice to all affected Subscribers and their Enrolled Dependents. The Enrolling Group is responsible for giving notice to you.

Statements by Enrolling Group or Subscriber
All statements made by the Enrolling Group or by a Subscriber shall, in the absence of fraud, be deemed representations and not warranties. We will not use any statement made by the Enrolling Group to void the Policy after it has been in force for a period of two years.

Incentives to Providers
We pay Network providers through various types of contractual arrangements, some of which may include financial incentives to promote the delivery of health care in a cost efficient and effective manner. These financial incentives are not intended to affect your access to health care.

Examples of financial incentives for Network providers are:

- Bonuses for performance based on factors that may include quality, member satisfaction, and/or cost-effectiveness.
- Capitation - a group of Network providers receives a monthly payment from us for each Covered Person who selects a Network provider within the group to perform or coordinate certain health services. The Network providers receive this monthly payment regardless of whether the cost of providing or arranging to provide the Covered Person's health care is less than or more than the payment.

We use various payment methods to pay specific Network providers. From time to time, the payment method may change. If you have questions about whether your Network provider's contract with us includes any financial incentives, we encourage you to discuss those questions with your provider. You may also contact us at the telephone number on your ID card. We can advise whether your Network provider is paid by any financial incentive, including those listed above; however, the specific terms of the contract, including rates of payment, are confidential and cannot be disclosed.
Incentives to You
Sometimes we may offer coupons or other incentives to encourage you to participate in various wellness programs or certain disease management programs.

- Additionally your membership in the Rhode Island HealthPact Plan gives you the ability to be rewarded with more affordable coverage under the Advantage Plan design by adopting healthier behaviors and complying with the wellness requirements outlined in the Introduction to Your Certificate Section. If you do not participate in these programs you will not be enrolled in the Advantage Plan and will be enrolled in the Basic Plan. Under the Basic Plan you will be responsible for higher levels of cost sharing.

Rebates and Other Payments
We may receive rebates for certain drugs that are administered to you in your home or in a Physician's office, or at a Hospital or Alternate Facility. This includes rebates for those drugs that are administered to you before you meet any applicable Annual Deductible. We do not pass these rebates on to you, nor are they applied to any Annual Deductible or taken into account in determining your Copayments or Coinsurance.

Interpretation of Benefits
We have the sole and exclusive discretion to do all of the following:

- Interpret Benefits under the Policy.
- Interpret the other terms, conditions, limitations and exclusions set out in the Policy, including this Certificate, the Schedule of Benefits, and any Riders and/or Amendments.
- Make factual determinations related to the Policy and its Benefits.

We may delegate this discretionary authority to other persons or entities that provide services in regard to the administration of the Policy.

In certain circumstances, for purposes of overall cost savings or efficiency, we may, in our discretion, offer Benefits for services that would otherwise not be Covered Health Services. The fact that we do so in any particular case shall not in any way be deemed to require us to do so in other similar cases.

Administrative Services
We may, in our sole discretion, arrange for various persons or entities to provide administrative services in regard to the Policy, such as claims processing. The identity of the service providers and the nature of the services they provide may be changed from time to time in our sole discretion. We are not required to give you prior notice of any such change, nor are we required to obtain your approval. You must cooperate with those persons or entities in the performance of their responsibilities.

Amendments to the Policy
To the extent permitted by law we reserve the right, in our sole discretion and without your approval, to change, interpret, modify, withdraw or add Benefits or terminate the Policy.

Any provision of the Policy which, on its effective date, is in conflict with the requirements of state or federal statutes or regulations (of the jurisdiction in which the Policy is delivered) is hereby amended to conform to the minimum requirements of such statutes and regulations.

No other change may be made to the Policy unless it is made by an Amendment or Rider which has been signed by one of our officers. All of the following conditions apply:

- Amendments to the Policy are effective 31 days after we send written notice to the Enrolling Group.
- Riders are effective on the date we specify.
• No agent has the authority to change the Policy or to waive any of its provisions.
• No one has authority to make any oral changes or amendments to the Policy.

Information and Records

We may use your individually identifiable health information to administer the Policy and pay claims, to identify procedures, products, or services that you may find valuable, and as otherwise permitted or required by law. We may request additional information from you to decide your claim for Benefits. We will keep this information confidential. We may also use your de-identified data for commercial purposes, including research, as permitted by law. More detail about how we may use or disclose your information is found in our Notice of Privacy Practices.

By accepting Benefits under the Policy, you authorize and direct any person or institution that has provided services to you to furnish us with all information or copies of records relating to the services provided to you. We have the right to request this information at any reasonable time. This applies to all Covered Persons, including Enrolled Dependents whether or not they have signed the Subscriber’s enrollment form. We agree that such information and records will be considered confidential.

We have the right to release any and all records concerning health care services which are necessary to implement and administer the terms of the Policy, for appropriate medical review or quality assessment, or as we are required to do by law or regulation. During and after the term of the Policy, we and our related entities may use and transfer the information gathered under the Policy in a de-identified format for commercial purposes, including research and analytic purposes. Please refer to our Notice of Privacy Practices.

For complete listings of your medical records or billing statements we recommend that you contact your health care provider. Providers may charge you reasonable fees to cover their costs for providing records or completing requested forms.

If you request medical forms or records from us, we also may charge you reasonable fees to cover costs for completing the forms or providing the records.

In some cases, as permitted by law, we will designate other persons or entities to request records or information from or related to you, and to release those records as necessary. Our designees have the same rights to this information as we have.

Examined of Covered Persons

In the event of a question or dispute regarding your right to Benefits, we may require that a Network Physician of our choice examine you at our expense.

Workers' Compensation not Affected

Benefits provided under the Policy do not substitute for and do not affect any requirements for coverage by workers' compensation insurance.

Subrogation and Reimbursement

Subrogation is the substitution of one person or entity in the place of another with reference to a lawful claim, demand or right. Immediately upon paying or providing any Benefit, we shall be subrogated to and shall succeed to all rights of recovery, under any legal theory of any type for the reasonable value of any services and Benefits we provided to you, from any or all of the following listed below.

In addition to any subrogation rights and in consideration of the coverage provided by this Certificate, we shall also have an independent right to be reimbursed by you for the reasonable value of any services and Benefits we provide to you, from any or all of the following listed below.

• Third parties, including any person alleged to have caused you to suffer injuries or damages.
• Your employer.
• Any person or entity who is or may be obligated to provide benefits or payments to you, including benefits or payments for underinsured or uninsured motorist protection, no-fault or traditional auto insurance, medical payment coverage (auto, homeowners or otherwise), workers' compensation coverage, other insurance carriers or third party administrators.

• Any person or entity who is liable for payment to you on any equitable or legal liability theory.

These third parties and persons or entities are collectively referred to as "Third Parties."

You agree as follows:

• That you will cooperate with us in protecting our legal and equitable rights to subrogation and reimbursement, including, but not limited to:
  ▪ providing any relevant information requested by us,
  ▪ signing and/or delivering such documents as we or our agents reasonably request to secure the subrogation and reimbursement claim,
  ▪ responding to requests for information about any accident or injuries,
  ▪ making court appearances, and
  ▪ obtaining our consent or our agents’ consent before releasing any party from liability or payment of medical expenses.

• That failure to cooperate in this manner shall be deemed a breach of contract, and may result in the termination of health benefits or the instigation of legal action against you.

• That we have the authority and discretion to resolve all disputes regarding the interpretation of the language stated herein.

• That no court costs or attorneys' fees may be deducted from our recovery without our express written consent; any so-called "Fund Doctrine" or "Common Fund Doctrine" or "Attorney's Fund Doctrine" shall not defeat this right, and we are not required to participate in or pay court costs or attorneys' fees to the attorney hired by you to pursue your damage/personal injury claim.

• That regardless of whether you have been fully compensated or made whole, we may collect from you the proceeds of any full or partial recovery that you or your legal representative obtain, whether in the form of a settlement (either before or after any determination of liability) or judgment, with such proceeds available for collection to include any and all amounts earmarked as non-economic damage settlement or judgment.

• That benefits paid by us may also be considered to be benefits advanced.

• That you agree that if you receive any payment from any potentially responsible party as a result of an injury or illness, whether by settlement (either before or after any determination of liability), or judgment, you will serve as a constructive trustee over the funds, and failure to hold such funds in trust will be deemed as a breach of your duties hereunder.

• That you or an authorized agent, such as your attorney, must hold any funds due and owing us, as stated herein, separately and alone, and failure to hold funds as such will be deemed as a breach of contract, and may result in the termination of health benefits or the instigation of legal action against you.

• That we may set off from any future benefits otherwise provided by us the value of benefits paid or advanced under this section to the extent not recovered by us.

• That you will not accept any settlement that does not fully compensate or reimburse us without our written approval, nor will you do anything to prejudice our rights under this provision.

• That you will assign to us all rights of recovery against Third Parties, to the extent of the reasonable value of services and Benefits we provided, plus reasonable costs of collection.
• That our rights will be considered as the first priority claim against Third Parties, including tortfeasors from whom you are seeking recovery, to be paid before any other of your claims are paid.

• That we may, at our option, take necessary and appropriate action to preserve our rights under these subrogation provisions, including filing suit in your name, which does not obligate us in any way to pay you part of any recovery we might obtain.

• That we shall not be obligated in any way to pursue this right independently or on your behalf.

• That in the case of your wrongful death, the provisions of this section will apply to your estate, the personal representative of your estate, and your heirs.

• That the provisions of this section apply to the parents, guardian, or other representative of a Dependent child who incurs a Sickness or Injury caused by a Third Party. If a parent or guardian may bring a claim for damages arising out of a minor's Injury, the terms of this subrogation and reimbursement clause shall apply to that claim.

Refund of Overpayments
If we pay Benefits for expenses incurred on account of a Covered Person, that Covered Person, or any other person or organization that was paid, must make a refund to us if any of the following apply:

• All or some of the expenses were not paid by the Covered Person or did not legally have to be paid by the Covered Person.

• All or some of the payment we made exceeded the Benefits under the Policy.

• All or some of the payment was made in error.

The refund equals the amount we paid in excess of the amount we should have paid under the Policy. If the refund is due from another person or organization, the Covered Person agrees to help us get the refund when requested.

If the Covered Person, or any other person or organization that was paid, does not promptly refund the full amount, we may reduce the amount of any future Benefits for the Covered Person that are payable under the Policy. The reductions will equal the amount of the required refund. We may have other rights in addition to the right to reduce future benefits.

Limitation of Action
You cannot bring any legal action against us to recover reimbursement prior to the expiration of sixty days after a request for benefits has been filed and no such action can be brought at all unless brought within three years from the expiration of time to submit a request for benefits.

Entire Policy
The Policy issued to the Enrolling Group, including this Certificate, the Schedule of Benefits, the Enrolling Group's application, and any Riders and/or Amendments, constitutes the entire Policy.
Section 9: Defined Terms

Alternate Facility - a health care facility that is not a Hospital and that provides one or more of the following services on an outpatient basis, as permitted by law:

- Surgical services.
- Emergency Health Services.
- Rehabilitative, laboratory, diagnostic or therapeutic services.

An Alternate Facility may also provide Mental Health Services or Substance Abuse Services on an outpatient or inpatient basis.

Amendment - any attached written description of additional or alternative provisions to the Policy. Amendments are effective only when signed by us. Amendments are subject to all conditions, limitations and exclusions of the Policy, except for those that are specifically amended.

Annual Deductible - this is the amount of Eligible Expenses you must pay for Covered Health Services per year before we will begin paying for Benefits. The amount that is applied to the Annual Deductible is calculated on the basis of Eligible Expenses. The Annual Deductible does not include any amount that exceeds Eligible Expenses. Refer to the Schedule of Benefits to determine whether or not your Benefit plan is subject to payment of an Annual Deductible and for details about how the Annual Deductible applies.

Assisted Reproductive Technology (ART) - the comprehensive term for procedures involving the manipulation of human reproductive materials (such as sperm, eggs, and/or embryos) to achieve Pregnancy. Examples of such procedures are:

- In vitro fertilization (IVF).
- Gamete intrafallopian transfer (GIFT).
- Pronuclear stage tubal transfer (PROST).
- Tubal embryo transfer (TET).
- Zygote intrafallopian transfer (ZIFT).

Benefits - your right to payment for Covered Health Services that are available under the Policy. Your right to Benefits is subject to the terms, conditions, limitations and exclusions of the Policy, including this Certificate, the Schedule of Benefits, and any attached Riders and/or Amendments.

Coinsurance - the charge, stated as a percentage of Eligible Expenses, that you are required to pay for certain Covered Health Services.

Congenital Anomaly - a physical developmental defect that is present at the time of birth, and that is identified within the first twelve months of birth.

Copayment - the charge, stated as a set dollar amount, that you are required to pay for certain Covered Health Services.

Please note that for Covered Health Services, you are responsible for paying the lesser of the following:

- The applicable Copayment.
- The Eligible Expense.

Cosmetic Procedures - procedures or services that change or improve appearance without significantly improving physiological function, as determined by us.

Covered Health Service(s) - those health services, including services, supplies, or Pharmaceutical Products, which we determine to be all of the following:
• Provided for the purpose of preventing, diagnosing or treating a Sickness, Injury, Mental Illness, substance abuse, or their symptoms.

• Consistent with nationally recognized scientific evidence as available, and prevailing medical standards and clinical guidelines as described below.

• Not provided for the convenience of the Covered Person, Physician, facility or any other person.

• Described in this Certificate of Coverage under Section 1: Covered Health Services and in the Schedule of Benefits.

• Not otherwise excluded in this Certificate of Coverage under Section 2: Exclusions and Limitations.

In applying the above definition, "scientific evidence" and "prevailing medical standards" shall have the following meanings:

• "Scientific evidence" means the results of controlled clinical trials or other studies published in peer-reviewed, medical literature generally recognized by the relevant medical specialty community.

• "Prevailing medical standards and clinical guidelines" means nationally recognized professional standards of care including, but not limited to, national consensus statements, nationally recognized clinical guidelines, and national specialty society guidelines.

We maintain clinical protocols that describe the scientific evidence, prevailing medical standards and clinical guidelines supporting our determinations regarding specific services. These clinical protocols (as revised from time to time), are available to Covered Persons on www.myuhc.com or by calling Customer Care at the telephone number on your ID card, and to Physicians and other health care professionals on UnitedHealthcareOnline.

Covered Person - either the Subscriber or an Enrolled Dependent, but this term applies only while the person is enrolled under the Policy. References to "you" and "your" throughout this Certificate are references to a Covered Person.

Custodial Care - services that are any of the following:

• Non-health-related services, such as assistance in activities of daily living (examples include feeding, dressing, bathing, transferring and ambulating).

• Health-related services which do not seek to cure, or which are provided during periods when the medical condition of the patient who requires the service is not changing.

• Services that do not require continued administration by trained medical personnel in order to be delivered safely and effectively.

Dependent - the Subscriber's legal spouse or an unmarried dependent child of the Subscriber or the Subscriber's spouse. The term child includes any of the following:

• A natural child.

• A stepchild.

• A legally adopted child.

• A child placed for adoption.

• A child for whom legal guardianship has been awarded to the Subscriber or the Subscriber's spouse.

To be eligible for coverage under the Policy, a Dependent must reside within the Service Area or reside with the Subscriber who works within the Service Area.

The definition of Dependent is subject to the following conditions and limitations:

• A Dependent includes any unmarried dependent child under 19 years of age.
• A Dependent includes an unmarried dependent child who is 19 years of age or older, but less than 25 years of age only if you furnish evidence upon our request, satisfactory to us, of all the following conditions:
  ▪ The child must not be regularly employed on a full-time basis.
  ▪ The child must be a Full-time or Part-time Student.
  ▪ The child must be primarily dependent upon the Subscriber for support and maintenance.

• A Dependent includes an unmarried dependent child of any age who is or becomes disabled and dependent upon the Subscriber.

The Subscriber must reimburse us for any Benefits that we pay for a child at a time when the child did not satisfy these conditions.

A Dependent also includes a child for whom health care coverage is required through a Qualified Medical Child Support Order or other court or administrative order, even if the child does not reside within the Service Area. The Enrolling Group is responsible for determining if an order meets the criteria of a Qualified Medical Child Support Order.

A Dependent does not include anyone who is also enrolled as a Subscriber. No one can be a Dependent of more than one Subscriber.

Durable Medical Equipment - medical equipment that is all of the following:
• Can withstand repeated use.
• Is not disposable.
• Is used to serve a medical purpose with respect to treatment of a Sickness, Injury or their symptoms.
• Is generally not useful to a person in the absence of a Sickness, Injury or their symptoms.
• Is appropriate for use, and is primarily used, within the home.
• Is not implantable within the body.

Eligible Expenses - for Covered Health Services, incurred while the Policy is in effect, Eligible Expenses are determined by us as stated below and as detailed in the Schedule of Benefits.

Eligible Expenses are determined solely in accordance with our reimbursement policy guidelines. We develop our reimbursement policy guidelines, in our discretion, following evaluation and validation of all provider billings in accordance with one or more of the following methodologies:
• As indicated in the most recent edition of the Current Procedural Terminology (CPT), a publication of the American Medical Association, and/or the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).
• As reported by generally recognized professionals or publications.
• As used for Medicare.
• As determined by medical staff and outside medical consultants pursuant to other appropriate source or determination that we accept.

Eligible Person - an employee of the Enrolling Group or other person whose connection with the Enrolling Group meets the eligibility requirements specified in both the application and the Policy. An Eligible Person must reside and/or work within the Service Area.

Emergency - the sudden onset of a medical or mental condition that the absence of immediate medical attention could reasonably be expected to result in placing the patient's health in serious jeopardy, serious impairment to bodily or mental functions, or serious dysfunction of any bodily organ or part.
Emergency Health Services - health care services and supplies necessary for the treatment of an Emergency. Benefits for Emergency Health Services are provided for both Network and Non-Network Providers.

Enrolled Dependent - a Dependent who is properly enrolled under the Policy.

Enrolling Group - the employer, or other defined or otherwise legally established group, to whom the Policy is issued.

Experimental or Investigational Service(s) - medical, surgical, diagnostic, psychiatric, substance abuse or other health care services, technologies, supplies, treatments, procedures, drug therapies, medications or devices that, at the time we make a determination regarding coverage in a particular case, are determined to be any of the following:

- Not approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to be lawfully marketed for the proposed use and not identified in the American Hospital Formulary Service or the United States Pharmacopoeia Dispensing Information as appropriate for the proposed use, except that coverage is provided for a drug which has been prescribed for treatment of cancer even if the drug has not been approved by the FDA for that indication, if the drug is recognized for the treatment of that indication:
  - In one of the following established reference compendia:
    - The U.S. Pharmacopoeia Drug Information Guide for the Health Care Professional (USPDI);
    - The American Medical Association's Drug Evaluations (AMADE); or
    - The American Society of Hospital Pharmacists' American Hospital Formulary Service Drug Information (AHES-DI).
  - In published scientific studies published in at least two (2) articles from major peer-reviewed medical journals that present data supporting the proposed off-label use or uses as generally safe and effective.

  However, there is no coverage for any drug when the FDA has determined its use to be contraindicated.

- Subject to review and approval by any institutional review board for the proposed use. (Devices which are FDA approved under the Humanitarian Use Device exemption are not considered to be Experimental or Investigational.)

- The subject of an ongoing clinical trial that meets the definition of a Phase 1, 2 or 3 clinical trial set forth in the FDA regulations, regardless of whether the trial is actually subject to FDA oversight.

Exceptions:

- Clinical trials for which Benefits are available as described under Clinical Trials - Cancer Therapies in Section 1: Covered Health Services.

- Life-Threatening Sickness or Condition. If you have a life-threatening Sickness or condition (one that is likely to cause death within one year of the request for treatment) we may, in our discretion, consider an otherwise Experimental or Investigational Service to be a Covered Health Service for that Sickness or condition. Prior to such a consideration, we must first establish that there is sufficient evidence to conclude that, albeit unproven, the service has significant potential as an effective treatment for that Sickness or condition, and that the service would be provided under standards equivalent to those defined by the National Institutes of Health.

Full-time or Part-time Student - a person who is enrolled in and attending, full-time or part-time, a recognized course of study or training at a post-secondary educational institution including, but not limited to:

- An accredited college or university.
A licensed vocational school, technical school, cosmetology school, automotive school or similar training school.

For purposes of this defined term, "part-time" means enrolled in at least four credits or two courses in a program leading to a degree or certificate from a post-secondary educational institution. In cases where traditionally structured classes or credits are not offered, the student must be enrolled in at least four hours of education per week. Full-time Student status is determined in accordance with the standards set forth by the educational institution. You are no longer a Full-time or Part-time Student at the end of the calendar year during which you graduate or otherwise cease to be enrolled and in attendance at the institution on a full-time or part-time basis.

You continue to be a Full-time or Part-time Student during periods of regular vacation established by the institution. If you do not continue as a Full-time or Part-time Student immediately following the period of vacation, the Full-time or Part-time Student designation will end as described above.

Health Risk Assessment (HRA) - a confidential questionnaire designed to gather health wellness information. Questions included in this HRA include topics such as personal health, lifestyle choices that impact your health and personal attitudes towards life and work. Each person who completes the HRA will receive a personalized individual health risk summary. Results from the HRA may be used to identify Covered Persons for participation in disease and/or case management programs. You and your Covered Dependents age eighteen and older must complete the HRA and return it to Us in order to comply with the wellness requirements for the Advantage Plan.

Home Health Agency - a program or organization authorized by law to provide health care services in the home.

Hospital - an institution that is operated as required by law and that meets both of the following:

- It is primarily engaged in providing health services, on an inpatient basis, for the acute care and treatment of injured or sick individuals. Care is provided through medical, diagnostic and surgical facilities, by or under the supervision of a staff of Physicians.

- It has 24-hour nursing services.

A Hospital is not primarily a place for rest, Custodial Care or care of the aged and is not a nursing home, convalescent home or similar institution.

Initial Enrollment Period - the initial period of time during which Eligible Persons may enroll themselves and their Dependents under the Policy.

Injury - bodily damage other than Sickness, including all related conditions and recurrent symptoms.

Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility - a Hospital (or a special unit of a Hospital that is designated as an Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility) that provides rehabilitation health services (physical therapy, occupational therapy and/or speech therapy) on an inpatient basis, as authorized by law.

Inpatient Stay - an uninterrupted confinement that follows formal admission to a Hospital, Skilled Nursing Facility or Inpatient Rehabilitation Facility.

Intermediate Care - Mental Health/Substance Abuse treatment that encompasses the following:

- Care at a partial hospital/day treatment program, which is a freestanding or Hospital-based program that provides services for at least 20 hours per week.

- Care through an intensive outpatient program, which is a freestanding or Hospital-based program that provides services for at least nine hours per week. This encompasses half-day (i.e. less than four hours per day) partial Hospital programs.

Intermittent Care - skilled nursing care that is provided or needed either:

- Fewer than seven days each week; or

- Fewer than eight hours each day for periods of 21 days or less.
Exceptions may be made in exceptional circumstances when the need for additional care is finite and predictable.

Late Enrollee - an Eligible Person or Dependent who enrolls for coverage under the Policy at a time other than the following:

- During the Initial Enrollment Period.
- During an Open Enrollment Period.
- During a special enrollment period as described in Section 3: When Coverage Begins.
- Within 31 days of the date a new Eligible Person first becomes eligible.

Maximum Policy Benefit - for Benefit plans that have a Maximum Policy Benefit, this is the maximum amount that we will pay for Benefits during the entire period of time that you are enrolled under the Policy issued to the Enrolling Group. Refer to the Schedule of Benefits to determine whether or not your Benefit plan is subject to a Maximum Policy Benefit and for details about how the Maximum Policy Benefit applies.

Medicare - Parts A, B, C and D of the insurance program established by Title XVIII, United States Social Security Act, as amended by 42 U.S.C. Sections 1394, et seq. and as later amended.

Mental Health Services - Covered Health Services for the diagnosis and treatment of Mental Illnesses. The fact that a condition is listed in the current Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of the American Psychiatric Association does not mean that treatment for the condition is a Covered Health Service.

Mental Health/Substance Abuse Designee - the organization or individual, designated by us, that provides or arranges Mental Health Services and Substance Abuse Services for which Benefits are available under the Policy.

Mental Illness - those mental health or psychiatric diagnostic categories that are listed in the current Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of the American Psychiatric Association or the International Classification of Disease Manual of the World Health Organization, unless those services are specifically excluded under the Policy. Mental Illness does not include mental retardation, learning disorders, motor skills disorders, communication disorders or mental disorders classified as "V" codes.

Network - when used to describe a provider of health care services, this means a provider that has a participation agreement in effect (either directly or indirectly) with us or with our affiliate to participate in our Network; however, this does not include those providers who have agreed to discount their charges for Covered Health Services. Our affiliates are those entities affiliated with us through common ownership or control with us or with our ultimate corporate parent, including direct and indirect subsidiaries.

A provider may enter into an agreement to provide only certain Covered Health Services, but not all Covered Health Services, or to be a Network provider for only some of our products. In this case, the provider will be a Network provider for the Covered Health Services and products included in the participation agreement, and a non-Network provider for other Covered Health Services and products. The participation status of providers will change from time to time.

Network Benefits - the description of how Benefits are paid for Covered Health Services provided by Network providers. Refer to the Schedule of Benefits to determine whether or not your Benefit plan offers Network Benefits and for details about how Network Benefits apply.

Non-Network Benefits - this is the description of services provided by non-Network providers. Neither the Advantage Plan nor the Basic Plan provides Coverage for Non-Network Benefits except as outlined in as described in Section 5: How to File a Claim.

Open Enrollment Period - a period of time that follows the Initial Enrollment Period during which Eligible Persons may enroll themselves and Dependents under the Policy. The Enrolling Group determines the period of time that is the Open Enrollment Period.
Orthotic Device - a custom fabricated brace or support that is designed based on medical appropriateness. The term Orthotic Device does not include prefabricated or direct-formed orthotics or assistive technology devices.

Out-of-Pocket Maximum - this is the maximum amount you pay every year. Refer to the Schedule of Benefits for details about how the Out-of-Pocket Maximum applies.

PCP Checklist - a health questionnaire to be completed by your Primary Physician during an annual examination. The PCP Checklist will capture information related to participation in smoking cessation or weight management programs. You and your Covered Dependents age twelve and older must return a completed PCP Checklist to Us in order to comply with the wellness requirements for the Advantage Plan.

Pharmaceutical Product(s) - FDA-approved prescription pharmaceutical products administered in connection with a Covered Health Service by a Physician or other health care provider within the scope of the provider's license, and not otherwise excluded under the Policy.

Physician - any Doctor of Medicine or Doctor of Osteopathy who is properly licensed and qualified by law.

Please Note: Any podiatrist, dentist, psychologist, chiropractor, optometrist, licensed mid-wife, nurse, nurse anesthetist, nurse first assistant, nurse practitioner, marriage and family therapist, mental health counselor, or other provider who acts within the scope of his or her license will be considered on the same basis as a Physician. The fact that we describe a provider as a Physician does not mean that Benefits for services from that provider are available to you under the Policy.

Policy - the entire agreement issued to the Enrolling Group that includes all of the following:

- The Group Policy.
- This Certificate.
- The Schedule of Benefits.
- The Enrolling Group's application.
- Riders.
- Amendments.

These documents make up the entire agreement that is issued to the Enrolling Group.

Policy Charge - the sum of the Premiums for all Subscribers and Enrolled Dependents enrolled under the Policy.

Pregnancy - includes all of the following:

- Prenatal care.
- Postnatal care.
- Childbirth.
- Any complications associated with Pregnancy.

Pre-implantation Genetic Diagnosis (PGD) - a screening test typically performed in conjunction with in vitro fertilization (IVF) in which one or two cells are removed from an embryo to be screened for genetic abnormalities.

Premium - the periodic fee required for each Subscriber and each Enrolled Dependent, in accordance with the terms of the Policy.

Primary Physician - a Physician who has a majority of his or her practice in general pediatrics, internal medicine, obstetrics/gynecology, family practice or general medicine. In order to enroll in the Advantage Plan and receive the higher level of benefits, you and your Covered Dependents must select a Primary Physician. If you or your Covered Dependents do not select a Primary Physician you will be enrolled in the Basic Plan and will be responsible for higher cost sharing.
Rider - any attached written description of additional Covered Health Services not described in this Certificate. Covered Health Services provided by a Rider may be subject to payment of additional Premiums. Riders are effective only when signed by us and are subject to all conditions, limitations and exclusions of the Policy except for those that are specifically amended in the Rider.

Semi-private Room - a room with two or more beds. When an Inpatient Stay in a Semi-private Room is a Covered Health Service, the difference in cost between a Semi-private Room and a private room is a Benefit only when a private room is necessary in terms of generally accepted medical practice, or when a Semi-private Room is not available.

Service Area - the geographic area we serve, which has been approved by the appropriate regulatory agency. Contact us to determine the exact geographic area we serve. The Service Area may change from time to time.

Sickness - physical illness, disease or Pregnancy. The term Sickness as used in this Certificate does not include Mental Illness or substance abuse, regardless of the cause or origin of the Mental Illness or substance abuse.

Skilled Nursing Facility - a Hospital or nursing facility that is licensed and operated as required by law.

Specialist Physician - a Physician who has a majority of his or her practice in areas other than general pediatrics, internal medicine, obstetrics/gynecology, family practice or general medicine.

Subscriber - an Eligible Person who is properly enrolled under the Policy. The Subscriber is the person (who is not a Dependent) on whose behalf the Policy is issued to the Enrolling Group.

Substance Abuse Services - Covered Health Services for the diagnosis and treatment of alcoholism and substance abuse disorders that are listed in the current Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of the American Psychiatric Association or the International Classification of Disease Manual of the World Health Organization, unless those services are specifically excluded. The fact that a disorder is listed in the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of the American Psychiatric Association or the International Classification of Disease Manual of the World Health Organization does not mean that treatment of the disorder is a Covered Health Service.

Total Disability or Totally Disabled - a Subscriber's inability to perform all of the substantial and material duties of his or her regular employment or occupation; and a Dependent's inability to perform the normal activities of a person of like age and sex.

Transitional Care - Mental Health/Substance Abuse Services that are provided through transitional living facilities, group homes and supervised apartments that provide 24-hour supervision that are either:

- Sober living arrangements such as drug-free housing, alcohol/drug halfway houses. These are transitional, supervised living arrangements that provide stable and safe housing, an alcohol/drug-free environment and support for recovery. A sober living arrangement may be utilized as an adjunct to ambulatory treatment when treatment doesn't offer the intensity and structure needed to assist the Covered Person with recovery.

- Supervised living arrangement which are residences such as transitional living facilities, group homes and supervised apartments that provide members with stable and safe housing and the opportunity to learn how to manage their activities of daily living. Supervised living arrangements may be utilized as an adjunct to ambulatory treatment when treatment doesn't offer the intensity and structure needed to assist the Covered Person with recovery.

Unproven Service(s) - services, including medications, that are determined not to be effective for treatment of the medical condition and/or not to have a beneficial effect on health outcomes due to insufficient and inadequate clinical evidence from well-conducted randomized controlled trials or cohort studies in the prevailing published peer-reviewed medical literature.

- Well-conducted randomized controlled trials. (Two or more treatments are compared to each other, and the patient is not allowed to choose which treatment is received.)
• Well-conducted cohort studies. (Patients who receive study treatment are compared to a group of patients who receive standard therapy. The comparison group must be nearly identical to the study treatment group.)

We have a process by which we compile and review clinical evidence with respect to certain health services. From time to time, we issue medical and drug policies that describe the clinical evidence available with respect to specific health care services. These medical and drug policies are subject to change without prior notice. You can view these policies at www.myuhc.com.

Please note:
• If you have a life-threatening Sickness or condition (one that is likely to cause death within one year of the request for treatment) we may, in our discretion, consider an otherwise Unproven Service to be a Covered Health Service for that Sickness or condition. Prior to such a consideration, we must first establish that there is sufficient evidence to conclude that, albeit unproven, the service has significant potential as an effective treatment for that Sickness or condition, and that the service would be provided under standards equivalent to those defined by the National Institutes of Health.

• We may, in our discretion, consider an otherwise Unproven Service to be a Covered Health Service for a Covered Person with a Sickness or Injury that is not life-threatening. For that to occur, all of the following conditions must be met:
  ▪ If the service is one that requires review by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), it must be FDA-approved.
  ▪ It must be performed by a Physician and in a facility with demonstrated experience and expertise.
  ▪ The Covered Person must consent to the procedure acknowledging that we do not believe that sufficient clinical evidence has been published in peer-reviewed medical literature to conclude that the service is safe and/or effective.
  ▪ At least two studies must be available in published peer-reviewed medical literature that would allow us to conclude that the service is promising but unproven.
  ▪ The service must be available from a Network Physician and/or a Network facility.

The decision about whether such a service can be deemed a Covered Health Service is solely at our discretion. Other apparently similar promising but unproven services may not qualify.

Urgent Care Center - a facility that provides Covered Health Services that are required to prevent serious deterioration of your health, and that are required as a result of an unforeseen Sickness, Injury, or the onset of acute or severe symptoms.