The actual on exchange policy issued may vary from the samples provided based upon final plan selection or other factors. If there is any conflict between the samples provided and the policy that is issued, the issued policy will control.

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INDIVIDUAL HMO MEDICAL POLICY HUMANA HEALTH PLAN, INC.

Humana Health Plan, Inc. 500 West Main Street Louisville, KY 40202

Policyholder: [John Doe]

Policy number: [12345]

Effective date: [January 1, 2016] as of 12:01 a.m.

Premium amount: \$[xxxx] monthly

PLEASE READ THIS POLICY CAREFULLY

This is a legal contract between the *policyholder* and Humana Health Plan, Inc. and is delivered in and governed by the laws of Kentucky.

We issue coverage on an equal access basis to *covered persons* without regard to race, color, national origin, religion, disability, age, sex, gender identity, or sexual orientation.

Humana Health Plan, Inc. agrees to pay benefits for *services* rendered to *covered persons* who are named in the "Schedule of Benefits", subject to all the terms of this *policy*. We reserve the right to interpret the terms of this *policy* to determine the benefits payable hereunder.

This *policy* is issued in consideration of the *policyholder's* application, a copy of which is attached and made a part of this *policy*, and the *policyholder's* payment of premium as provided under this *policy*. **Omissions or misstatements in the application may cause** *your policy* **to be voided and claims to be reduced or denied if the information is fraudulent or is material to the assumed risk.** Please check *your* application for errors and write to *us* if any information is not correct or is incomplete. If *you* purchased *your* coverage through the *marketplace*, please contact the *marketplace* for any information that is not correct or complete.

This *policy* and the insurance it provides become effective 12:01 a.m. (*your* time) on the *effective date* stated above. This *policy* and the insurance it provides terminate at 12:00 midnight (*your* time) on the date of termination. The provisions stated above and on the following pages are part of this *policy*.

Renewability

This *policy* remains in effect at the option of the *policyholder* except as provided in the "Renewability of Insurance and Termination" section of this *policy*.

Right to return policy

You have the right to return this *policy* within 10 calendar days after the day we mailed this *policy* to you. If you choose to return this *policy* to us within the 10 day period, we will refund any premium that you have paid. If you return this *policy* within the 10 day period, it will be void and we will have no liability under any of the terms or provisions of this *policy*. There will be no coverage for any claims incurred.

[Signature of Officer]

Bruce Broussard President



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INTRODUCTION

As you read through this policy, you will notice that certain words and phrases are printed in *italics*. An *italicized* word may have a different meaning in the context of this *policy* than it does in general usage. Please check the "Definitions" section for the meanings of *italicized* words.

This *policy* provides *you* with detailed information regarding *your* coverage. It explains what is covered and what is not covered. It also identifies *your* duties and how much *you* must pay when obtaining *services*. Although *your* coverage is broad in scope it is important to remember that *your* coverage has limitations and exclusions. Be sure to read *your policy* carefully <u>before</u> using *your* benefits.

This *policy* should be read in its entirety. Since many of the provisions of this *policy* are related, *you* should read the entire *policy* to get a full understanding of *your* coverage.

Please note that provisions and conditions of this *policy* apply to *you* and to each of *your covered dependents*.

This *policy* overrides and replaces any health policy or certificate previously issued to *you* by *us*.

If you have any questions about this policy, please call the telephone number on your ID card.

This policy requires that each covered person select a primary care physician who will be responsible for providing primary medical care and helping to guide any care received from other medical care providers. This policy also requires that a referral be obtained from the primary care physician before receiving medical care from any medical care provider other than the primary care physician, an in-network urgent care center or an in-network retail clinic. If a referral is not obtained prior to receiving services, such services will not be a covered expense. See the "Access to Care" section for a description of these policy requirements.

How to find an in-network provider

An online directory of *in-network providers* is available to *you* via www.humana.com at the time *you* apply for coverage. This directory is subject to change at any time. Due to the possibility of *in-network providers* changing status, please check the online directory of *in-network providers* prior to obtaining *services*. If *you* do not have access to the online directory, call the telephone number on *your ID card* prior to *services* being rendered or to request a copy of a directory to be sent to *you* via e-mail or regular U.S. mail.

Use of in-network providers

In-network providers have agreed to provide covered expenses at lower costs. A covered person must pay any copayment, deductible or coinsurance they owe to the in-network provider. The in-network provider will accept a covered person's copayment, deductible or coinsurance and the amount we pay as the full payment for the covered expenses incurred. A covered person is not responsible for charges over the maximum allowable fee. A covered person is responsible for payment of all non-covered services.

Be sure to determine if the provider is an *in-network provider* before receiving *services* from them. *We* offer many medical plans, and a provider who participates in one plan may not necessarily be an *in-network provider* for this *policy*.

Selecting a primary care physician

Each *covered person* on this *policy* must choose a *primary care physician* who will be responsible for providing primary medical care and helping to guide any care received from other medical care providers. If a *covered person* fails to select a *primary care physician*, one will be assigned by *us*. A *covered person* may choose an *in-network provider* who practices in the areas of family practice, general practice or internal medicine as their *primary care physician*. An in-network pediatrician may also be chosen as the *primary care physician* for each child.

Role of the primary care physician

A covered person's primary care physician is responsible for providing primary medical care and helping to guide any care they receive from other medical care providers, including specialty care physicians. Referrals to specialty care physicians are required by us and must be received prior to services being received.

When a primary care physician is not available

When a *covered person*'s *primary care physician* is unavailable, a *covered person* may need to obtain *services* from the *in-network provider* designated by their *primary care physician* to provide patient care when the *primary care physician* is not available. Please be sure to discuss these arrangements with the *primary care physician*.

Seeing a specialist

All medical needs should be discussed with the *primary care physician*. If a *covered person* and their *primary care physician* determine that there is a need to see a *specialty care physician*, *you* and *your primary care physician* should determine the most appropriate in-network *specialty care physician*. In order for *services* received from a *specialty care physician* to be considered *covered expenses* a referral is required. The referral must be approved by *us* prior to the *services* being rendered. *Your primary care physician* should initiate a request for a referral with *us* which includes the name of the *specialty care physician you* will be utilizing. *Services* received without the required *primary care physician* referral or received prior to *our* approval of the referral will not be considered *covered expenses* and no benefits will be payable.

Open access to specialists

We allow open access to chiropractors and certain *specialty care physicians* without a referral from a *primary care physician*. Specialty care physician services include obstetrical and gynecological services from an in-network *healthcare practitioner* and require no *preauthorization* from us.

A *primary care physician* treating a *covered person* who has a chronic, disabling, congenital, or life threatening condition may authorize a referral to an in-network *specialty care physician* for up to 12 months or for the contract period, whichever is shorter. Under this referral arrangement the *covered person* will have direct access to the in-network *specialty care physician*, without the need of further contact or referral by the *primary care physician*.

We do require *preauthorization* for certain *services*. Visit *our* Website at www.humana.com or call the telephone number on *your ID card* for a list of *services* that require *preauthorization*. See the "Utilization Management" section for information on *preauthorization*.

Preauthorization of services does not necessarily mean that a provider is in the network. You can reduce your out-of-pocket expense by ensuring that all providers you receive services from are in-network providers.

Second opinion

We will provide a *covered person* with access to a consultation with an *in-network provider* for a second opinion. Obtaining the second opinion will not cost a *covered person* more than the *covered person*'s normal cost sharing limits. Second opinions require *preauthorization* in accordance with the "Utilization Management" section of this *policy*.

Seeking emergency care services

If you need emergency care:

- 1. Go to the nearest in-network *hospital* emergency room; or
- 2. Find the nearest *hospital* emergency room if *your* condition does not allow time to locate an innetwork *hospital*.

You, or someone on your behalf, must call us within 48 hours after your admission to a hospital for emergency care. If your condition does not allow you to call us within 48 hours after your admission, contact us as soon as your condition allows.

If you seek *emergency care* at an out-of-network *hospital*, arrangements will be made to transfer you to an in-network *hospital* after your condition is *medically stable*. *Medically stable* means that you can be transported by ambulance with no expected increase in morbidity or mortality, as determined by us and your attending *healthcare practitioner*.

If we deem a transfer is appropriate and the transfer does not take place, benefits will be denied for your continued hospital confinement at the out-of-network hospital. If you refuse to be transferred, benefits will denied from the date your condition is medically stable.

You must see an *in-network provider* for any follow-up care to receive benefits at the *in-network provider* medical payment level as shown on the "Schedule of Benefits". These services are subject to any applicable *copayment*, *deductible*, and *coinsurance*. Follow up care from an *out-of-network provider* will not be covered.

Seeking urgent care services

The steps for seeking urgent care services are as follows:

- 1. Contact the *primary care physician* or the *in-network provider* designated by the *primary care physician* to provide patient care when *the primary care physician* is not available.
- 2. If the *primary care physician* is unavailable, *you* may go to an *urgent care center* that is an *innetwork provider*. *You* can obtain the names of *in-network provider urgent care centers* by accessing our online directory of *in-network providers* on *our* Website at www.humana.com or by calling *us*.
- 3. You must receive any follow-up services from the primary care physician or an in-network provider.
- 4. You must pay any applicable deductible, copayment, and coinsurance required for urgent care.

Services provided by an out-of-network urgent care center are not covered expenses under this policy.

Use of out-of-network providers

No benefits are available for *services* from an *out-of-network provider* that are not authorized in advance by *us*. If seeing an *out-of-network provider* is determined to be necessary, an authorization must be obtained from *us*. This authorization must be obtained prior to seeking *services*, unless such authorization cannot be reasonably obtained. Only those *services* authorized by *us* to be provided by an *out-of-network provider* will be *covered expenses*.

Not all *healthcare practitioners* who provide *services* at in-network *hospitals* are in-network *healthcare practitioners*. If *services* are provided by out-of-network pathologists, anesthesiologists, radiologists, and emergency room physicians at an in-network *hospital*, we will pay for those *services* at the *in-network provider* benefit level. Out-of-network *healthcare practitioners* may require payment from *you* for any amount not paid by *us*. If possible, *you* may want to verify whether *services* are available from in-network *healthcare practitioners*.

It is *your* responsibility to verify the network participation status of all providers prior to receiving all non-emergency *services*. *You* should verify network participation status, only from *us*, by either accessing *your* network information on *our* Website at www.humana.com or calling the telephone number on *your ID card*. *We* are not responsible for the accuracy or inaccuracy of network participation representations made by any *primary care physician*, *specialty care physician*, *hospital* or other provider whether contracted with *us* or not. This means that even if the in-network *primary care physician*, *specialty care physician* or other provider recommends that *services* be received from another provider or entity, it is *your* responsibility to verify the network participation status of that entity before receiving such *services*. If *you* do not, and the entity is not an *in-network provider* (regardless of what the referring provider may have told *you*), *you* will be responsible for all costs incurred.

Continuity of care

In the event of a *special circumstance*, a *healthcare practitioner* may request, with the concurrence of the *covered person* or another authorized person, that the *covered person* be permitted to continue treatment under the *healthcare practitioner*'s care even when the *healthcare practitioner* is no longer participating in the network, unless the *healthcare practitioner* has been terminated for a reason related to quality. The treating *healthcare practitioner* must agree to care for the *covered person* under the same guidelines and payment schedule as required by *us*, and must report to *us* on the care being provided.

Special circumstance means a circumstance in which a *covered person* has a disability, congenital condition, life threatening illness, or is past the 24th week of pregnancy where disruption of the continuity of care would cause medical harm.

Coverage for *services* provided by a terminated or non-renewed *healthcare practitioner* for ongoing treatment of a *covered person* with a *special circumstance* will not extend beyond:

- 1. The 90th day after the effective date of the termination or nonrenewal;
- 2. Nine months in the case of a *covered person* who, at the time of the termination, has been diagnosed with terminal illness; or
- 3. The delivery of a child, immediate postpartum care, and examination within the first six weeks following delivery.

UTILIZATION MANAGEMENT

Preauthorization for medical services and prior authorization for prescription drugs

Preauthorization and prior authorization is a confirmation and determination of medical necessity only and is NOT a guarantee of coverage for or the payment of the medical service or prescription drug reviewed. For prescription drugs, it is a confirmation of the dosage, quantity, and duration as appropriate for the covered person's age, diagnosis, and gender. For all medical services, it is a confirmation of medical necessity only.

Utilization management means a system for reviewing the appropriate and efficient allocation of healthcare *services* under this *policy* according to specified guidelines, in order to recommend or determine whether, or to what extent, a healthcare *service* given or proposed to be given to a *covered person* should or will be reimbursed, covered, paid for or otherwise provided under this *policy*. This may include preadmission certification, the application of practice guidelines, continued stay review, discharge planning, *preauthorization*, and retrospective review.

All benefits payable under this *policy* must be for medical *services* or *prescription* drugs that are *medically necessary* or for preventive *services* as stated in this *policy*. *Preauthorization* by *us* is required for certain medical *services* and *prior authorization* by *us* is required for certain *prescription* drugs, medicines or medications, including *specialty drugs*. Certain *prescription* drugs, medicines or medication, including *specialty drugs*, may also require *step therapy*. Visit *our* Website at www.humana.com or call the telephone number on *your ID card* to obtain a list of medical *services* that require *preauthorization* or a list of *prescription* drugs, medicines or medications, including *specialty drugs*, that require *prior authorization* and/or *step therapy*. These lists are subject to change. Coverage provided in the past for medical *services* that did not receive or require *preauthorization* and coverage in the past for *prescription* drugs, medicines or medications, including *specialty drugs*, that did not receive or require *prior authorization* and/or *step therapy* is not a guarantee of future coverage of the same medical *service* or *prescription* drug, medicine, medication or *specialty drug*.

Your healthcare practitioner must contact our Clinical Pharmacy Review by calling the number on your ID card to request and receive our approval for prescription drugs, medicine or medication including specialty drugs that require prior authorization and/or step therapy. Benefits are payable only if approved by us.

You are responsible for informing your healthcare practitioner of the preauthorization and prior authorization requirements. You or your healthcare practitioner must contact us by telephone, electronically or in writing to request the appropriate authorization. Your ID card will show the healthcare practitioner the telephone number to call to request authorization. No benefits are payable for medical services or prescription drugs that are not covered expenses.

When *preauthorization* is required for a *confinement*, *we* will notify the *covered person's healthcare* practitioner within 24 hours of receiving the request, unless additional information is required. Such information will be obtained and notification will be given to the *covered person's healthcare* practitioner within an additional 24 hours. When the preauthorization is required for treatment during a confinement, we will review the necessary information and notify the *covered person's healthcare* practitioner within 24 hours of receiving the request.

UTILIZATION MANAGEMENT

When *preauthorization* is required for *services* other than a *confinement* or treatment for a *confinement*, we will review all the necessary information, make the initial determination and notify the *covered* person's healthcare practitioner within two working days of receiving the request. We will provide written or *electronic* confirmation of the determination to you or the *covered person* and the *covered person*'s healthcare practitioner. In the case of an adverse determination, the written notification will be given within 24 hours or the next working day.

In the case of an emergency *hospital* admission, *we* will complete the review and will provide notification within 24 hours of *our* receipt of the request. If notification was verbal, it will be followed by written notification.

Reduction of payment

If *preauthorization* or *prior authorization* is not obtained from *us* prior to *services* being rendered the following penalties will apply:

- 1. No benefits will be paid for:
 - a. Any transplant *services* that are not authorized by *us* prior to the transplant evaluation, testing, preparative treatment or donor search;
 - b. *Prescription* drugs, medicines, and medications, including *specialty drugs* as identified on the *drug list* on *our* Website at www.humana.com that require *prior authorization*; or
 - c. Services provided by an out-of-network provider except as expressly provided in this policy.
- 2. Benefits will be reduced for otherwise *covered expenses* by \$500.00 if authorization is not obtained from *us* prior to *services* being rendered for:
 - a. Durable medical equipment; or
 - b. Services from:
 - i. A home healthcare provider;
 - ii. Skilled nursing facility;
 - iii. Hospice facility; or
 - iv. Other medical *services* and *prescription* drugs, medicines, and medications including *specialty drugs* listed in *our* Website at www.humana.com.

You will be financially responsible for medical services and prescription drugs, medicines, and medications, including specialty drugs that are not covered under this policy due to failure to obtain preauthorization or prior authorization from us. The reduced amount, or any portion thereof, will not count toward satisfying any applicable copayment, deductible, coinsurance or out-of-pocket limit.

We will not reduce or deny payment for a service under this provision if:

- 1. The *covered person's healthcare practitioner*, during normal business hours, contacts *us* on the day the *covered person* is expected to be discharged to request review of the *covered person's* continued hospitalization and *we* fail to provide a utilization review decision within 24 hours of the request; or
- 2. Prior to the time upon which any previous authorization will expire; or the *covered person's healthcare practitioner* makes at least three documented attempts during a four consecutive hour period to contact *us* during normal business hours to request:
 - a. Review of a continued hospital stay;
 - b. Preauthorization of treatment for a covered person who is already hospitalized; or
 - c. Retrospective review of an emergency *hospital* admission where the *covered person* remains hospitalized at the time the review requested is made; and
- 3. We fail to be accessible via a toll-free telephone line for 40 hours per week during normal business hours.

Benefits are payable only if the *services* are *covered expenses*, and subject to specific conditions, exclusions and limitations, and applicable maximums of this *policy*. A *covered expense* is deemed to be incurred on the date a *covered service* is performed or furnished.

If you incur non-covered expenses, whether from an in-network provider or out-of-network provider, you are responsible for making the full payment to the healthcare provider. The fact that a healthcare practitioner has performed or prescribed a medically appropriate service or the fact that it may be the only available treatment for a bodily injury or sickness, does not mean that the service is covered under this policy.

We will pay benefits for *covered expenses* as stated in the "Schedule of Benefits" and this *policy* section, and according to the "General Exclusions" and "Prescription Drug Exclusions" sections and any amendments that may modify *your* benefits which are part of *your policy*. All benefits we pay will be subject to the *maximum allowable fee* and all conditions, exclusions and limitations, and applicable maximums of this *policy*.

Upon a *covered person* receiving a *service*, we will determine if such *service* qualifies as a *covered expense*. After determining that the *service* is a *covered expense*, we will pay benefits as follows:

- 1. We will determine the total *maximum allowable fee* for eligible *covered expenses* incurred related to a particular *service*.
- 2. If you are required to pay a *copayment we* will subtract that amount from the *maximum allowable fee* for eligible *covered expenses* incurred.
- 3. If you are required to meet a *deductible* and you have not met the *deductible* requirement, we will subtract any amounts you are required to pay as part of your *deductible* from the *maximum allowable* fee for the eligible covered expenses incurred.
- 4. If you have not yet incurred enough *coinsurance* expenses, if applicable, to equal the amount of the *out-of-pocket limit we* will subtract any *coinsurance* amounts you must pay from the *maximum allowable fee* for eligible *covered expenses incurred*.
- 5. We will make payment for the remaining eligible *covered expenses* incurred to *you* or *your* servicing provider.

The bill you receive for services from out-of-network providers may be significantly higher than the maximum allowable fee. In addition to any applicable out-of-pocket deductible, copayments, coinsurance or out-of-pocket limit, you are responsible for the difference between the maximum allowable fee and the amount the out-of-network provider bills you for the services. Any amount you pay to the out-of-network provider in excess of the maximum allowable fee will not apply to your out-of-pocket limit or deductible.

Refer to the "General Exclusions" and "Prescription Drug Exclusions" sections in this policy. All terms and provisions of this policy, including the preauthorization and prior authorization requirements specified in this policy are applicable to covered expenses.

Ambulance (licensed air and ground)

Licensed ambulance service as follows:

- 1. From the scene of a medical emergency to the nearest appropriate medical facility equipped to provide treatment for *emergency care*; and
- 2. When required by *us* to transfer a *covered person* to the nearest appropriate medical facility equipped to provide the *medically necessary services*.

Autism services

The following services for covered persons who have been diagnosed with an autism spectrum disorder:

- 1. Assessments, evaluations or tests performed for diagnosis;
- 2. Habilitative or rehabilitative services;
- 3. Applied behavioral analysis;
- 4. Pharmacy services (covered under the pharmacy benefit);
- 5. Psychiatric and psychological services;
- 6. Respite care; and
- 7. Therapeutic services.

Autism spectrum disorder means a physical, mental, or cognitive illness or disorder which includes any of the pervasive developmental disorders as defined by the most recent edition of the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders, published by the American Psychiatric Association, including Autistic disorder, Asperger's disorder, and Pervasive Developmental disorder Not Otherwise Specified.

Applied behavior analysis means the design, implementation, and evaluation of environmental modifications, using behavioral stimuli and consequences, to produce socially significant improvement in human behavior, including the use of direct observation, measurement, and functional analysis of the relationship between environment and behavior.

Bone mass measurement

Bone density testing for female *covered persons* ages 35 years and older to obtain baseline data for the purposes of early detection of osteoporosis when ordered by an in-network *healthcare practitioner*.

Clinical trial

Routine costs for a *covered person* participating in an approved Phase I, II, III or IV clinical trial.

Routine costs include *services* that are otherwise a *covered expense* if the *covered person* was not participating in a clinical trial.

Routine costs do not include services that are:

- 1. Experimental, investigational or for research purposes;
- 2. Provided only for data collection and analysis that is not directly related to the clinical management of the *covered person*; or
- 3. Inconsistent with widely accepted and established standards of care for a diagnosis.

The *covered person* must be eligible to participate in a clinical trial, according to the trial protocol and:

- 1. Referred by a *healthcare practitioner*; or
- 2. Provide medical and scientific information supporting their participation in the clinical trial is appropriate.

For the routine costs to be considered a *covered expense*, the approved clinical trial must be a Phase I, II, III or IV clinical trial for the treatment of cancer or a life-threatening condition and is:

- 1. Federally funded or approved by the appropriate Federal agency;
- 2. A study or investigation that is conducted under an investigational new drug application reviewed by the Federal Food and Drug Administration; or
- 3. The study or investigation is a drug trial that is exempt from having such an investigational new drug application.

Dental services

- 1. Treatment for a *dental injury* to a *sound natural tooth*. Treatment must begin within 90 days from the date of the *dental injury* and be completed within 12 months from the first date of *service* for treatment of the *dental injury*. We limit *covered expenses* to the least expensive *service* that we determine will produce professionally adequate results.
- 2. Certain oral surgical operations:
 - a. Excisions of tumors and cysts of the jaws, cheeks, lips, tongue, roof and floor of the mouth and related biopsy of bone, tooth or related tissues when such conditions require pathological examinations:
 - b. *Services* required to correct accidental injuries of the jaws, cheeks, lips, tongue, roof and floor of the mouth;
 - c. Reduction of fractures and dislocation of the jaw;
 - d. External incision and drainage of abscess:
 - e. External incision of cellulites;
 - f. Incision and closure of accessory sinuses, salivary glands or ducts; and
 - g. Cutting of the tissue in the midline of the tongue (Frenectomy).
- 3. General anesthesia and *hospital* or *free standing surgical facility services* required in connection with dental procedures for *covered persons* under age nine, or as necessary due to:
 - a. A serious mental condition or significant behavioral problem which causes the inability to cooperate during dental *services* in a location other than a *hospital* or *free standing surgical facility*; or
 - b. A serious physical condition which causes the *covered person*'s airway, breathing, or circulation to be compromised during dental *services* performed in a location other than a *hospital* or *free standing surgical facility*, when certified by the treating *dentist* or admitting *healthcare practitioner*.

Diabetes services

The following services for a covered person with diabetes:

- 1. Routine eye exams;
- 2. Routine foot care; and
- 3. Outpatient self-management training and education, including medical nutritional therapy prescribed by a *healthcare practitioner* for the treatment of:
 - a. Insulin-dependent diabetes;
 - b. Insulin-using diabetes;
 - c. Gestational diabetes; and
 - d. Non-insulin using diabetes.

Prescription drugs for the treatment of diabetes are explained under the "Prescription drug" provision.

Durable medical equipment and medical supplies

The following equipment or devices specifically designed and intended for the care and treatment of a *bodily injury* or *sickness*:

- 1. Non-motorized wheelchair;
- 2. Hospital bed;
- 3. Ventilator:
- 4. Hospital type equipment;
- 5. Oxygen and rental of equipment for its administration;
- 6. Initial permanent prosthetic devices or supplies including limbs and eyes. The prosthetic devices for a lost limb or absent limb must be necessary to provide or to restore their minimal basic function. Replacement of prosthetic devices is a *covered expense* when the replacement is due to pathological changes or growth;
- 7. Orthotics used to support, align, prevent or correct deformities. Orthotic devices may be replaced up to once per year per *covered person* when *medically necessary* as determined by *us. Covered expense* does not include dental braces or oral and dental splints and appliances unless custom made for the treatment of documented obstructive sleep apnea;
- 8. Initial contact lenses or eyeglasses following cataract *surgery*;
- 9. Casts, splints (other than dental), trusses, braces (other than orthodontic), and crutches;
- 10. Wigs following cancer treatment (not to exceed one per calendar year);
- 11. The following special supplies up to a 30-day supply for the initial order or a subsequent refill, when prescribed by the *healthcare practitioner*:
 - a. Surgical dressings;
 - b. Catheters;
 - c. Colostomy bags, rings, and belts;
 - d. Flotation pads;
 - e. Equipment prescribed by a healthcare practitioner for the treatment of diabetes; and
- 12. Other *durable medical equipment*. Visit *our* Website at www.humana.com or call the telephone number on *your ID card* to obtain a list of *durable medical equipment*.

If the equipment and device include comfort or convenience items or features that exceed what is *medically necessary* in the situation or needed to treat the condition, reimbursement will be based on the *maximum allowable fee* for a standard item that is a *covered expense*, serves the same purpose and is *medically necessary*. Any expense that exceeds the *maximum allowable fee* for the standard item that is a *covered service* is the *covered person's* responsibility. For example, the reimbursement for a motorized wheelchair will be limited to the reimbursement for a standard wheelchair, when a standard wheelchair adequately accommodates the condition.

If the *covered person* chooses to upgrade the equipment or device, they will be responsible for the price difference between the cost of the standard item and the cost of the upgraded item.

Costs for these items will be limited to the lesser of the rental cost or the purchase price, as decided by *us*. If *we* determine the lesser cost is the purchase option, any amount paid as rent for such *durable medical equipment* shall be credited toward the purchase price.

No benefits will be provided for, or on account of:

- 1. Repair or maintenance of the *durable medical equipment*, orthotic, or prosthetic, except as determined by *us*; or
- 2. Duplicate or similar rentals of *durable medical equipment*, as determined by us.

Emergency services

- 1. A hospital for the emergency room and ancillary services; and
- 2. An emergency room *healthcare practitioner* for *outpatient services* for treatment and stabilization of an emergency medical condition.

If *emergency services* are obtained through an *out-of-network provider*, benefits will be provided at the in-network medical payment level as shown on the "Schedule of Benefits" subject to any applicable *copayment*, *deductible*, and *coinsurance*.

If you need emergency services:

- 1. Go to the nearest in-network *hospital* emergency room; or
- 2. Find the nearest *hospital* emergency room if *your* condition does not allow time to locate an innetwork *hospital*.

We cover *emergency care* including emergency department screening and stabilization *services* provided by both *in-network* and *out-of-network providers* without *preauthorization* for symptoms and conditions that reasonably appear to a prudent layperson to require *emergency care*. We will not deny the *emergency care* or alter the level of coverage or cost-sharing requirements for any condition or conditions that constitute an emergency medical condition.

Upon a request for *preauthorization* of post-stabilization treatment by an *out-of-network provider*, we will provide approval or denial within two hours from the time request is made and all relevant information is provided to *us*. *Our* failure to make a determination within two hours will constitute an authorization for the *out-of-network provider* to provide the medical *services* for which *preauthorization* was sought. In this situation, the *out-of-network provider* providing *emergency care services*, post-stabilization treatment, or both, will be paid at a rate negotiated between the *out-of-network provider* and *us*.

You, or someone on your behalf, must call us within 48 hours after your admission to a hospital for emergency services. If your condition does not allow you to call us within 48 hours after your admission, contact us as soon as your condition allows.

If you seek emergency services at an out-of-network hospital, arrangements will be made to transfer you to an in-network hospital after your condition is medically stable. Medically stable means that you can be transported by ambulance with no expected increase in morbidity or mortality, as determined by us and your attending healthcare practitioner.

If we deem a transfer is appropriate and the transfer does not take place, benefits will be denied for your continued hospital confinement at the out-of-network hospital. If you refuse to be transferred, benefits will be denied from the date your condition is medically stable.

You must see an *in-network provider* for any follow-up care to receive benefits at the *in-network provider* medical payment level as shown on the "Schedule of Benefits" subject to any applicable *copayment*, *deductible*, and *coinsurance*.

Habilitative services

Habilitative services ordered and performed by a healthcare practitioner for a covered person with a developmental delay or defect or congenital anomaly, to learn or improve skills and functioning for daily living for the following:

- 1. Physical therapy services;
- 2. Occupational therapy services;
- 3. Spinal manipulations, adjustments, and modalities;
- 4. Speech therapy or speech pathology services; and
- 5. Audiology services.

No benefits will be provided for, or on account of group physical, occupational or speech therapy *services*.

These services are subject to an annual visit limit as shown on the "Schedule of Benefits".

Healthcare treatment facility services

- 1. Daily room and board up to the semi-private room rate for each day of *confinement*;
- 2. Confinement in a critical care or intensive care unit;
- 3. Operating room;
- 4. Ancillary services (such as surgical dressings, supplies, casts, and splints);
- 5. Blood and blood plasma which is not replaced by donation;
- 6. Administration of blood and blood products including blood extracts or derivatives;
- 7. Other healthcare treatment facility charges;
- 8. Drugs and medicines that are provided or administered to the *covered person* while *confined* in a *hospital* or *skilled nursing facility*;
- 9. Regularly scheduled treatment such as dialysis, chemotherapy, inhalation therapy or radiation therapy in a *healthcare treatment facility* as ordered by the *covered person's healthcare practitioner*; and
- 10. Outpatient services in a hospital or free standing surgical facility. The covered expense will be limited to the average semi-private room rate when the covered person is in observation status.

Healthcare practitioner services

- 1. Healthcare practitioner visits;
- 2. Diagnostic laboratory and radiology tests;
- 3. Second surgical opinions;
- 4. *Surgery*. If several *surgeries* are performed during one operation, *covered services* will be subject to the *maximum allowable fee* for the most complex procedure. For each additional procedure *we* will allow:
 - a. 50% of maximum allowable fee for the secondary procedure; and
 - b. 25% of maximum allowable fee for the third and subsequent procedures.
 - If two surgeons work together as primary surgeons performing distinct parts of a single reportable procedure, we will allow each surgeon 62.5% of the maximum allowable fee for the procedure;
- 5. Surgical *services* rendered by a surgical assistant and/or assistant surgeon when *medically necessary*. Surgical assistants and/or assistant surgeon will be allowed at 20% of the *covered expense* for *surgery*;
- 6. Surgical *services rendered by* a physician assistant (P.A.), registered nurse (R.N.), or a certified operating room technician when *medically necessary*. Physician assistants (P.A.), registered nurses (R.N.), and certified operating room technicians will be allowed at 10% of the *covered expense* for the *surgery*;
- 7. Anesthesia administered by a *healthcare practitioner* or certified registered anesthetist attendant to a *surgery*;
- 8. Services of a pathologist;
- 9. Services of a radiologist;
- 10. Allergy injections, therapy, testing, and serum. Therapy and testing for treatment of allergies must be approved by the American Academy of Allergy and Immunology or the Department of Health and Human Services or any of its offices or agencies; and
- 11. Injections other than allergy.

A *healthcare practitioner's* office visit includes only the following *services* performed on the same day or during the same encounter:

- 1. Taking a history;
- 2. Performing an examination;
- 3. Making a diagnosis or medical decision; and
- 4. Administering allergy shots.

Covered expense during a healthcare practitioner's office visit for charges incurred for advanced imaging, pulmonary function studies, cardiac catheterization, electrocardiogram (EKG), electroencephalogram (EEG) are not subject to the office visit copayment. Benefits will be provided at the medical payment level as shown on the "Schedule of Benefits" subject to any applicable deductible and coinsurance.

Services for mental health are explained under the "Mental health" provision.

Hearing care services

Hearing care services ordered and performed by a healthcare practitioner for the following:

- 1. Hearing aids. Limited to one hearing aid per hearing impaired ear every 36 months; and
- 2. Cochlear implants when provided to a *covered person* diagnosed with a profound hearing impairment.

No benefits will be provided if a *covered person* filed a claim for a hearing aid with any health benefit plan within three years prior to the date of the claim under this *policy*.

Home healthcare

Services provided by a *home healthcare agency* at the *covered person's* home. All home healthcare *services* must be provided on a part-time or intermittent basis in conjunction with a *home healthcare plan*.

No benefits will be provided for, or on account of:

- 1. Charges for mileage or travel time to and from the *covered person's* home;
- 2. Wage or shift differentials for any representative of a home healthcare agency;
- 3. Charges for supervision of home healthcare agencies;
- 4. Charges for services of a home health aide;
- 5. Custodial care; and
- 6. Provision or administration of self-administered injectable drugs

These services are subject to an annual visit limit as shown on the "Schedule of Benefits".

Hospice care

Covered expenses for services provided under a hospice care program furnished in a hospice facility or in the covered person's home by a hospice care agency in accordance with Medicare guidelines. A healthcare practitioner must certify that the covered person is terminally ill with a life expectancy of six months or less:

- 1. Room and board in a *hospice facility*, when it is for management of acute pain or for an acute phase of chronic symptom management;
- 2. Other services;
- 3. Part-time nursing care provided by or supervised by a *nurse* for up to eight hours per day;
- 4. Counseling for the *hospice patient* and his/her *immediate family members* by a licensed clinical social worker or pastoral counselor;
- 5. Medical social services for the *hospice patient* or his/her *immediate family members* under the direction of a *healthcare practitioner* including:
 - a. Assessment of social, emotional, and medical needs and the home and family situation; and
 - b. Identification of the community resources available;
- 6. Psychological and dietary counseling;
- 7. Physical therapy;
- 8. Private-duty nursing;
- 9. Part-time home health aide services for up to eight hours in any one day;
- 10. Medical supplies, drugs, and medicines prescribed by a *healthcare practitioner* for *palliative care*; and
- 11. Bereavement counseling for the immediate family, for up to one year, following the death of the *hospice patient*.

No benefits will be provided for, or on account of:

- 1. Private-duty nursing when *confined* in a *hospice facility*;
- 2. *Services* relating to a *confinement* that is not for management of acute pain control or other treatment for an acute phase of chronic symptom management;
- 3. Funeral arrangements;
- 4. Services by volunteers or persons who do not regularly charge for their services;
- 5. Financial or legal counseling, including estate planning or drafting of a will;
- 6. Homemaker or caretaker services, including:
 - a. Sitter or companion services;
 - b. Housecleaning;
 - c. Household maintenance;
- 7. Services of a social worker other than a licensed clinical social worker; and
- 8. Services by a licensed pastoral counselor to a member of his/her congregation.

For this benefit only, *immediate family member* is considered to be the *covered person's* parent, *domestic partner*, spouse, and children or step-children.

Counseling services and medical social services are subject to annual *benefit maximums* as shown on the "Schedule of Benefits".

Maternity services

- 1. Complications of pregnancy;
- 2. Prenatal care;
- 3. A minimum of 48 hours following an uncomplicated vaginal delivery and 96 hours following an uncomplicated caesarean section delivery. If an earlier discharge is consistent with the most current protocols and guidelines of the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists or the American Academy of Pediatrics and is consented to by the mother and the attending *healthcare practitioner*, a post-discharge office visit to the *healthcare practitioner* or a *home healthcare visit* within the first 48 hours after discharge is also covered, subject to the terms of this *policy*; and
- 4. Postpartum care.

Mental health

Covered expenses are charges made by a:

- 1. Healthcare practitioner;
- 2. Partial hospitalization program;
- 3. Residential treatment center:
- 4. Hospital: or
- 5. Healthcare treatment facility. A healthcare treatment facility does not include a halfway house.

Covered expenses include psychological testing. *Services* for neuropsychological testing are explained under the "Healthcare practitioner services" provision.

Inpatient care for mental health

Covered expenses are expenses incurred for:

- 1. Inpatient services including room and board; and
- 2. Healthcare practitioner visits.

Outpatient care and office services for mental health

Covered expenses while not confined in a hospital or healthcare treatment facility are expenses incurred for:

- 1. Office exams or consultations including laboratory tests and x-rays; and
- 2. Therapy.

No benefits will be provided for, or on account of:

- 1. A halfway house; or
- 2. Court-ordered mental health services unless medically necessary.

Newborn services

Covered expenses for a covered dependent newborn child include the following:

- 1. Routine well newborn care for the first 48 hours or 96 hours following birth for:
 - a. Hospital charges for routine nursery care;
 - b. Healthcare practitioner's charges for circumcision of the newborn child; and
 - c. *Healthcare practitioner's* charges for routine examination of the newborn before release from the *hospital*;
- 2. Bodily injury or sickness;
- 3. Care and treatment for premature birth; and
- 4. Medically diagnosed birth defects and abnormalities.

Services for routine well newborn care for the first 48 hours or 96 hours following birth are explained under the "Newborn services" provision. *Services* for routine well newborn and well-baby care after the first 48 hours or 96 hours following birth are explained under the "Preventive medical services" provision.

Occupational coverage

Services provided in connection with a sickness or bodily injury arising out of, or sustained in the course of any occupation, employment or activity for compensation, profit or gain.

Services are only covered when a covered person is not entitled to file a claim for Workers' Compensation or similar benefits and the covered person is recognized under state law as:

- 1. A sole proprietor in a proprietorship;
- 2. A partner in a partnership; or
- 3. An executive officer in a corporation.

Benefits will not be provided for, or on account of a *sickness* or *bodily injury* eligible for benefits under Workers' Compensation, Employers Liability or similar laws even when a claim for benefits is not filed.

Outpatient therapies and rehabilitative services

Outpatient services ordered and performed by a healthcare practitioner for the following:

- 1. *Services* for:
 - a. Documented loss of physical function;
 - b. Pain; or
 - c. Developmental delay or defect;
- 2. Physical therapy *services*;
- 3. Occupational therapy services;
- 4. Spinal manipulations, adjustments, and modalities;
- 5. Speech therapy or speech pathology services;
- 6. Cognitive rehabilitation services;
- 7. Audiology therapy services;
- 8. Radiation therapy services;
- 9. Pulmonary rehabilitation services;
- 10. Chemotherapy;
- 11. Cardiac rehabilitation services; and
- 12. Orthoptic training (eye exercises) for *covered persons* through the end of the month in which he/she attains age of 21.

The expectation must exist that the therapy will result in a measurable improvement in the level of functioning within a reasonable period of time and the therapy is not considered *maintenance care*, as determined by *us*.

No benefits will be provided for, or on account of group physical, occupational or speech therapy *services*.

These services are subject to an annual visit limit as shown on the "Schedule of Benefits".

Prescription drugs

Benefits may be subject to dispensing limits, prior authorization or step therapy requirements, if any.

Covered prescription drugs that are included on the drug list are:

- 1. Drugs, medicines, medications or *specialty drugs* that under Federal or state law may be dispensed only by *prescription* from a *healthcare practitioner*;
- 2. Drugs, medicines, medications or specialty drugs that are included on the drug list;
- 3. Insulin and diabetic supplies;
- 4. Hypodermic needles or syringes or other methods of delivery when prescribed by a *healthcare* practitioner for use with insulin or *self-administered injectable drugs*. (Hypodermic needles, syringes, and other methods of delivery used in conjunction with covered drugs may be available at no cost to the *covered person*);
- 5. Self administered injectable drugs approved by us;
- 6. Drugs, medicines or medications on the Preventive Medication Coverage *drug list* with a *prescription* from a *healthcare practitioner*;
- 7. Enteral formulas and nutritional supplements for the treatment of phenylketonuria (PKU) or other inherited metabolic diseases, or as otherwise determined by *us*;
- 8. Spacers and/or peak flow meters for the treatment of asthma;

- 9. One additional bottle of *prescription* eye drops every three months subject to the following:
 - a. The eye drops are included on the *drug list*;
 - b. The additional bottle is necessary for use in a day care center or school; and
 - c. The initial *prescription* includes the request for the additional bottle and states that the additional bottle is for use in a day care center or school; and
- 10. Human milk fortifier products when prescribed for the prevention of necrotizing enterocolitis and administered under the direction of a *healthcare practitioner*.

Regardless of any other provisions of this *policy*, *we* may decline coverage or, if applicable, exclude from the *drug list* any and all *prescriptions* until the conclusion of a review period not to exceed six months following FDA approval for the use and release of the *prescription* into the market.

If the dispensing *pharmacy's* charge is less than the *prescription* drug *copayment*, the *covered person* will be responsible for the dispensing *pharmacy* charge amount.

The amount paid by *us* to the dispensing *pharmacy* may not reflect the ultimate cost to *us* for the drug. A covered person's cost share is made on a per *prescription* fill or refill basis and will not be adjusted if *we* receive any retrospective volume discounts or *prescription* drug rebates.

Some retail *pharmacies* participate in *our* program which allows a *covered person* to receive a 90-day supply of a *prescription* fill or refill except for *specialty drugs* or *self-administered injectable drugs* which are limited to a maximum of a 30-day supply. The cost is three times the applicable *copayment* and/or *coinsurance* as shown on the "Schedule of Benefits", after any applicable *deductible* is met.

No benefits are available for prescriptions purchased at an *out-of-network pharmacy*.

If a covered person requests a brand-name drug when a generic drug is available, the covered person's cost share is greater. The covered person is responsible for the applicable brand-name drug copayment or coinsurance and 100% of the difference between the amount we would have paid the dispensing pharmacy for the brand-name drug and the amount we would have paid the dispensing pharmacy for the generic drug. If the prescribing healthcare practitioner determines that the brand-name drug is medically necessary, the covered person is only responsible for the applicable copayment or coinsurance of the brand-name drug limit. If the cost share that is applicable to a covered person's claim is waived by the pharmacy or a provider, the covered person is required to inform us. Any amount thus waived and not paid by the covered person would not apply to any out-of-pocket limit.

Preventive medical services

Services for well child and adult care preventive medical services. Preventive medical services under this policy are the recommended preventive services identified on the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Website at www.healthcare.gov on the date a covered person receives services. The recommended preventive medical services are subject to change. A covered person may obtain the current list of preventive services at www.healthcare.gov or by calling the telephone number on your ID card prior to receiving a preventive medical service.

Covered expenses for preventive medical services include the following:

- 1. Evidence-based items or *services* that have in effect a rating of A or B in the current recommendations of the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force (USPSTF);
- 2. Immunizations for routine use in children, adolescents, and adults that have in effect a recommendation from the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) of the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) that are listed on the Immunization Schedules of the CDC;

- 3. Evidence-informed preventive care and screenings provided for in the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) guidelines for infants, children, adolescents, and women;
- 4. Current recommendations of the USPSTF regarding breast cancer screening, mammography, and prevention (does not include recommendations issued in or around November 2009); and
- 5. Colorectal screening examinations and tests that are administered at a frequency identified in the most recent version of the American Cancer Society guidelines for colorectal cancer screening for *covered persons*:
 - a. 50 years of age or older; or
 - b. Less than 50 years of age and at high risk for colorectal cancer according to current colorectal cancer screening guidelines of the American Cancer Society.

Reconstructive surgery

Reconstructive surgery is payable only if the sickness or bodily injury necessitating the reconstructive surgery procedure would have been a covered expense under this policy.

We will provide benefits for covered expenses incurred for the following:

- 1. To restore function for conditions resulting from a *bodily injury*;
- 2. That is incidental to or follows a covered *surgery* resulting from *sickness* or a *bodily injury* of the involved part if trauma, infection or other disease occurred;
- 3. Following a *medically necessary* mastectomy. *Reconstructive surgery* includes all stages and revisions of reconstruction of the breast on which the mastectomy has been performed, reconstruction of the other breast to establish symmetry, and physical complications in all stages of mastectomy, including lymphedemas;
- 4. Because of a congenital sickness or anomaly of a dependent child that resulted in a functional defect;
- 5. Hemangiomas and port wine stains of the head and neck of a covered person under age 19;
- 6. Limb deformities such as club hand, club foot, syndactyly (webbed digits), polydactyly (supernumerary digits), and macrodactylia;
- 7. Otoplasty when performed to improve hearing by directing sound to the ear canal when ears are absent or deformed from trauma, surgery, disease, or congenital defect; and
- 8. Tongue release when a *covered person* is diagnosed as tongue tied.

No benefits are available for *surgery* or treatment to change the texture or appearance of the skin or to change the size, shape or appearance of facial or body features (including a *covered person's* nose, eyes, ears, cheeks, chin, chest or breasts).

Cosmetic *services* and *services* for complications from cosmetic *services* are not covered regardless of whether the initial *surgery* occurred while the *covered person* was covered under this *policy* or under any prior coverage.

Skilled nursing facility and rehabilitation services

Covered expenses include those incurred for daily room and board, general nursing services for each day of confinement, and rehabilitation services, rendered while confined in a sub-acute rehabilitation facility or skilled nursing facility, provided the covered person is under the regular care of a healthcare practitioner who has reviewed and approved the confinement.

Services in a sub-acute rehabilitation facility or skilled nursing facility must be:

- 1. Provided in lieu of care in a hospital; or
- 2. For the same condition that required *confinement* in a *hospital*. The *covered person* must enter the *sub-acute rehabilitation facility* or *skilled nursing facility* within 14 days after discharge from the *hospital*.

Coverage for *sub-acute rehabilitation facility* or *skilled nursing facility* will cease when measurable and significant progress toward expected and reasonable outcomes has been achieved or has plateaued as determined by *us*.

Rehabilitation services include but are not limited to:

- 1. Treatment of complications of the condition that required an inpatient *hospital* stay;
- 2. Physical therapy, occupational therapy, respiratory therapy, and speech therapy; and
- 3. The evaluation of the need for the *services* listed above.

Confinement in a skilled nursing facility is limited to an annual maximum as shown on the "Schedule of Benefits".

Specialty drug medical benefit

Benefits may be subject to dispensing limits, prior authorization or step therapy requirements, if any.

Covered specialty drugs included on our specialty drug list when given during a:

- 1. Healthcare practitioner's office visit;
- 2. Home healthcare visit;
- 3. *Hospital*;
- 4. Free-standing surgical facility visit;
- 5. *Urgent care center* visit;
- 6. Skilled nursing facility;
- 7. Emergency room; or
- 8. Ambulance.

No benefits will be provided for, or on account of:

- 1. Any amount exceeding the default rate for specialty drugs; or
- 2. Specialty drugs for which coverage is not approved by us.

Telehealth and telemedicine services

Covered expenses are expenses incurred for medically necessary telehealth and telemedicine services provided to a covered person which are:

- 1. For the purpose of diagnosis, consultation or treatment; and
- 2. Delivered through the use of a two-way telephonic and/or video-enabled, *electronic* communication between the *covered person* and *healthcare practitioner*.

Benefits are available for *telehealth* and *telemedicine services*, provided both of the following conditions are met:

- 1. The *services* would be covered under this *policy* if they were delivered during an in person consultation between the *covered person* and a *healthcare practitioner* instead of by *telehealth* or *telemedicine*; and
- 2. The *distant site* at which the *healthcare practitioner* is providing the *service* cannot be the same site as the *originating site* where the *covered person* is located at the time the *service* is being furnished.

Services provided through *telehealth* or *telemedicine* or that result from a *telehealth* or *telemedicine* consultation must comply with the following as applicable:

- 1. Federal and state licensure requirements;
- 2. Accreditation standards; and
- 3. Guidelines of the American Telemedicine Association or other qualified medical professional societies to ensure quality of care.

No benefits will be provided for internet only *services* that lack a video component unless coverage for such *services* is mandated by state or Federal law.

Temporomandibular joint and craniomandibular disorder services

Covered expenses for the treatment of temporomandibular joint disorders or craniomandibular disorders including the following:

- 1. A single examination including a history, physical examination, muscle testing, range of motion measurements, and psychological evaluation, as necessary;
- 2. Diagnostic x-rays;
- 3. Physical therapy of necessary frequency and duration, limited to a multiple modality benefit when more than one therapeutic treatment is rendered on the same date of service;
- 4. Therapeutic injections;
- 5. Appliance therapy utilizing an appliance which does not permanently alter tooth position, jaw position or bite. Benefits for reversible appliance therapy will be based on the *maximum allowable fee* for use of a single appliance, regardless of the number of appliances used in treatment. The benefit for the appliance therapy will include an allowance for all jaw relation and position diagnostic *services*, office visits, adjustments, training, repair, and replacement of the appliance; and
- 6. Surgical procedures as determined by us.

Covered expenses will not include and no benefits will be paid for dental services not otherwise provided under this policy or any irreversible procedure, including: orthodontics, occlusal adjustment, crowns, onlays, fixed or removable partial dentures or full dentures.

Transplant services

We will pay benefits for covered expenses incurred by a covered person for a transplant that is preauthorized and approved by us. We must be notified of the initial transplant evaluation and given a reasonable opportunity to review the clinical results to determine if the transplant will be covered. A covered person or their healthcare practitioner must contact our Transplant Management Department by calling the telephone number on the ID card when in need of a transplant. We will advise the healthcare practitioner once coverage of the requested transplant is approved by us. Benefits are payable only if the transplant is approved by us.

Covered expense for a transplant includes pre-transplant services, transplant inclusive of any integral chemotherapy and associated services, post-discharge services, and treatment of complications after transplantation for or in connection with only the following procedures:

- 1. Heart;
- 2. Lung(s);
- 3. Liver;
- 4. Kidney;
- 5. Bone marrow;
- 6. Pancreas;
- 7. Auto-islet cell;
- 8. Intestine:
- 9. Multivisceral:
- 10. Any combination of the above listed transplants; and
- 11. Any transplant not listed above required by state or Federal law.

Multiple transplantations performed simultaneously are considered one transplant surgery.

Corneal transplants and porcine heart valve implants are tissues which are considered part of regular *policy* benefits and are subject to other applicable provisions of this *policy*.

The following are *covered expenses* for an approved transplant and all related complications:

- 1. Hospital and healthcare practitioner services; and
- 2. Acquisition for transplants and associated donor costs, including pre-transplant *services*, the acquisition procedure, and any complications resulting from the acquisition. Donor costs for post-discharge *services* and treatment of complications for or in connection with acquisition for an approved transplant will not exceed the transplant treatment period of 365 days from the date of *hospital* discharge following acquisition.

Covered expenses for post-discharge services and treatment of complications for or in connection with an approved transplant are limited to the transplant treatment period of 365 days from the date of *hospital* discharge following transplantation of an approved transplant received while covered by *us*. After this transplant treatment period, regular *policy* benefits and other provisions of this *policy* are applicable.

No benefits will be provided for, or on account of:

- 1. Transplants which are experimental, investigational or for research purposes;
- 2. Expenses related to the donation or acquisition of an organ for a recipient who is not covered by us;
- 3. Expenses that are eligible to be paid under any private or public research fund, government program except Medicaid, or another funding program, whether or not such funding was applied for or received;
- 4. Expenses related to a transplant for which *we* do not approve coverage based on *our* established criteria:
- 5. Expenses related to the transplantation of any non-human organ or tissue except as expressly provided in this *policy*;
- 6. Expenses related to donor costs that are payable in whole or in part by any other medical plan, insurance company, organization or person other than the donor's family or estate;
- 7. Expenses related to the storage of cord blood and stem cells unless it is an integral part of a transplant approved by *us*; or
- 8. Expenses related to a transplant performed outside of the United States and any care resulting from that transplant.

Transplant transportation and lodging

Direct non-medical costs for:

- 1. The *covered person* receiving the transplant if he/she lives more than 100 miles from the transplant facility; and
- 2. One designated caregiver or support person (two, if the *covered person* receiving the transplant is under 18 years of age), if they live more than 100 miles from the transplant facility.

Direct non-medical costs include:

- 1. Transportation to and from the *hospital* where the *transplant* is performed; and
- 2. Temporary lodging at a prearranged location when requested by the *hospital* and approved by us.

All direct, non-medical costs for the *covered person* receiving the *transplant* and the designated caregiver(s) or support person(s) are limited to a combined maximum coverage per transplant as shown on the "Schedule of Benefits".

Urgent care services

Services in an urgent care center for a sickness or bodily injury that develops suddenly and unexpectedly outside of a healthcare practitioner's normal business hours and requires immediate treatment but that does not endanger the covered person's life or pose serious bodily impairment to a covered person.

If a *covered person* needs urgent care, they should go to the nearest in-network *urgent care center* to receive the *in-network provider* benefit level. If *services* are received at an *out-of-network provider*, no benefits will be provided except as expressly stated in this *policy*.

You must see an *in-network provider* for any follow-up care to receive benefits at the *in-network provider* medical payment level as shown on the "Schedule of Benefits" subject to any applicable *copayment*, *deductible*, and *coinsurance*.

Below is a list of limitations and exclusions on *policy* benefits. Please review the entire document, as there may be multiple limitations applying to a particular *service*. These limitations and exclusions apply even if a *healthcare practitioner* has performed or prescribed a medically appropriate *service*. This does not prevent *your healthcare practitioner* from providing or performing the *service*, however, the *service* will not be a *covered expense*.

For the current recommended preventive *services* please see the Health and Human Services (HHS) Website at www.healthcare.gov and the "Preventive medical services" provision of this *policy*.

Unless specifically stated otherwise, no benefits will be provided for, or on account of, the following items:

- 1. *Services* which require a *primary care physician* referral if the referral was not approved by *us* prior to the *service* being rendered or a referral was not obtained;
- 2. Services provided by an out-of-network provider, except when:
 - a. Authorized by us;
 - b. A referral is obtained from a *primary care physician* and *we* have approved the referral prior to the *service* being rendered; or
 - c. The following services are medically necessary to render emergency care;
 - i. Licensed ambulance service;
 - ii. Services in a hospital emergency room; or
 - iii. Services in an urgent care center;
- 3. Services for care and treatment of non-covered procedures;
- 4. Services incurred before the effective date or after the termination date of this policy;
- 5. Services not medically necessary for diagnosis and treatment of a bodily injury or sickness or do not meet our medical and pharmacy coverage policies, claim payment policies or benefit policy guidelines, except for the specified routine preventive medical services;
- 6. Services performed in association with a service that is not covered under this policy;
- 7. Expenses for prophylactic *services* performed to prevent a disease process from becoming evident in the organ tissue at a later date other than a prophylactic mastectomy;
- 8. Services which are experimental, investigational or for research purposes, or related to such, whether incurred prior to, in connection with, or subsequent to the service which is experimental, investigational or for research purposes as determined by us. The fact that a service is the only available treatment for a condition does not make it eligible for coverage if we deem it to be experimental, investigational or for research purposes;
- 9. Complications directly related to a *service* that is not a *covered expense* under this *policy* because it was determined by *us* to be *experimental*, *investigational or for research purposes* or not *medically necessary*. Directly related means that the complication occurred as a direct result of the *service* that was *experimental*, *investigational or for research purposes* or not *medically necessary* and the complication would not have taken place in the absence of the *service* that was *experimental*, *investigational or for research purposes* or not a *medically necessary service*;
- 10. Expenses in excess of the *maximum allowable fee* for the *service*;
- 11. Services exceeding the amount of benefits available for a particular service;
- 12. Services for any condition excluded by amendment under this policy;
- 13. *Services* provided when this *policy* is past the premium due date and the required premium is not received within 31 days (90 days if *you* are receiving an Advanced Premium Tax Credit (APTC)) after the premium is due and the *policy* is terminated;
- 14. Services for treatment of complications of non-covered procedures or services;
- 15. *Services* relating to a *sickness* or *bodily injury* incurred as a result of the *covered person* operating a motorized vehicle while intoxicated, as defined by applicable law in the state in which the loss occurred;

- 16. *Services* where *sickness* or *bodily injury* was contributed to by the *covered person* being under the influence of illegal narcotics or a controlled substance unless administered by or used as prescribed by a *healthcare* practitioner;
- 17. Services relating to a sickness or bodily injury as a result of:
 - a. Taking part in a riot;
 - b. Engaging in an illegal occupation; or
 - c. Any act of armed conflict, or any conflict involving armed forces or any authority including war whether declared or not;

18. Services:

- a. For expenses which are not authorized, furnished or prescribed by a *healthcare practitioner* or *healthcare treatment facility*;
- b. For which no charge is made, or for which the *covered person* would not be required to pay if he/she did not have this insurance, unless expenses are received from and reimbursable to the United States government or any of its agencies as required by law;
- c. Furnished by or payable under any plan or law through a government or any political subdivision, unless prohibited by law;
- d. Furnished while a *covered person* is *confined* in a *hospital* or institution owned or operated by the United States government or any of its agencies for any service-connected *sickness* or *bodily injury*;
- e. For expenses received from a *healthcare practitioner* over the *maximum allowable fee we* would pay for the least costly provider;
- f. Which are not rendered by the billing provider;
- g. Which are not substantiated in the medical records by the billing provider;
- h. Provided by a *family member* or person who resides with the *covered person*; or
- i. Rendered by a standby *health*care *practitioner*, surgical assistant, assistant surgeon, physician's assistant, *nurse* or certified operating room technician unless *medically necessary*;
- 19. Any expenses, including *healthcare practitioner* expenses, which are incurred if a *covered person* is admitted to a *hospital* on a Friday or Saturday unless:
 - a. The *hospital* admission is due to *emergency care*; and
 - b. Treatment or *surgery* is performed on that same day;
- 20. Hospital inpatient services when the covered person is in observation status;
- 21. Cosmetic services, or any complication therefrom;
- 22. Custodial care and maintenance care;
- 23. Ambulance services for routine transportation to, from or between medical facilities and/or a *healthcare practitioner's* office except as expressly provided in the "Ambulance services" provision in the "Your Policy Benefits" section of this *policy*;
- 24. Medical or surgical procedures that are not *medically necessary* except elective tubal ligation and vasectomy;
- 25. Elective medical or surgical abortion other than to preserve the life of the female *covered person* upon who the abortion is performed;
- 26. Reversal of sterilization;
- 27. *Infertility services*;
- 28. Sexual dysfunction;
- 29. Sex change services, regardless of any diagnosis of gender role or psychosexual orientation problems;
- 30. Vision examinations or testing for the purposes of prescribing corrective lenses except for routine eye screenings that are covered under preventive medical *services*; radial keratotomy; refractive keratoplasty; or any other *surgery* or procedure to correct myopia, hyperopia or stigmatic error; orthoptic treatment (eye exercises), except as expressly provided in the "Outpatient therapies and rehabilitative services" provision in the "Your Policy Benefits" section of this *policy*; or the purchase or fitting of eyeglasses or contact lenses, except for the initial contact lenses or eyeglasses following cataract surgery or as expressly provided in the "Pediatric Vision Care Benefit" section of this *policy*;

- 31. Dental *services*, appliances or supplies for treatment of the teeth, gums, jaws or alveolar processes including excision of partially or completely unerupted impacted teeth except as expressly provided in the "Dental services" provision in the "Your Policy Benefits" section of this *policy*, any oral *surgery*, *endodontic services* or *periodontics*, preoperative and post operative care, implants and related procedures, orthodontic procedures, and any dental *services* related to a *bodily injury* or *sickness* except as expressly provided in the "Dental services" provision in the "Your Policy Benefits" section of this *policy*;
- 32. Pre-surgical/procedural testing duplicated during a hospital confinement;
- 33. Any treatment for obesity, which includes *morbid obesity*, regardless of any potential benefits for comorbid conditions, including:
 - a. Surgical procedures for morbid obesity;
 - b. Services for complications related to any services rendered for weight reduction;
- 34. Surgical procedures for the removal of excess skin and/or fat in conjunction with or resulting from weight loss or a weight loss *surgery*;
- 35. Educational or vocational training or therapy, *services*, and schools including videos and books; nutritional therapy except for treatment of diabetes;
- 36. Foot care services including but not limited to:
 - a. Shock wave therapy of the feet;
 - b. Treatment of weak, strained, flat, unstable or unbalanced feet;
 - c. Hygienic care, and the treatment of superficial lesions of the feet, such as corns, calluses or hyperkeratosis unless *medically necessary* because of diabetes;
 - d. Tarsalgia, metatarsalgia or bunion treatment, except *surgery* which involves exposure of bones, tendons or ligaments;
 - e. Cutting of toenails, except removal of nail matrix, unless *medically necessary* because of diabetes; and
 - f. Arch supports, heel wedges, lifts, shoe inserts, the fitting or provision of foot orthotics or orthopedic shoes, unless *medically necessary* because of diabetes or hammertoe;
- 37. Hair prosthesis except as expressly provided in the "Durable medical equipment and medical supplies" provision in the "Your Policy Benefits" section of this *policy*, hair transplants or implants;
- 38. Hearing care that is routine, including exams and tests except for routine hearing screenings that are covered under preventive medical *services*, any artificial hearing device, cochlear implant, auditory prostheses or other electrical, digital, mechanical or surgical means of enhancing, creating or restoring auditory comprehension except as expressly provided in the "Hearing care services" provision in the "Your Policy Benefits" section of this *policy*;
- 39. Services rendered in a premenstrual syndrome clinic or holistic medicine clinic;
- 40. Transplant *services* except as expressly provided in the "Transplant services" provision of the "Your Policy Benefits" section of this *policy*;
- 41. Charges for growth hormones;
- 42. Over-the-counter medical items or supplies that can be provided or prescribed by a *healthcare practitioner* but are also available without a written order or *prescription* except for drugs prescribed for use for a covered preventive medical *service*;
- 43. Immunizations including those required for foreign travel for *covered persons* of any age except as expressly provided in the "Preventive medical services" provision in the "Your Policy Benefits" section of this *policy*;
- 44. Genetic testing, counseling or *services* except for BRCA screening, counseling, and appropriate testing as recommended by the Health Resources and Services Association (HRSA);

- 45. *Covered expense* to the extent of any amount received from others for the *bodily injuries* or losses which necessitated such benefits. Amounts received from others specifically includes, without limitation, liability insurance, Workers' Compensation, uninsured motorist and underinsured motorist coverage; ""
- 46. Expense for employment, school, sports or camp physical examinations or for the purpose of obtaining insurance, or premarital tests or examinations;
- 47. Services received in an emergency room unless required because of emergency care;
- 48. Any expense including related complications incurred for *services* received outside of the United States except as required by law for *emergency care services*;
- 49. *Services* received during an inpatient stay when the stay is primarily related to behavioral, social maladjustment, lack of discipline or other antisocial actions which are not specifically the result of *mental health*;
- 50. Services and supplies which are:
 - a. Rendered in connection with *mental illnesses* not classified in the International Classification of Diseases of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services;
 - b. Extended beyond the period necessary for evaluation and diagnosis of learning and behavioral disabilities or for mental retardation; and
 - c. Marriage counseling;
- 51. Services rendered for:
 - a. Immunotherapy for recurrent abortion;
 - b. Chemonucleolysis (non-surgical treatment for a bulging disc that involves the injection of an enzyme in an intervertebral disc with the goal of dissolving the inner part of the disc);
 - c. Biliary lithotripsy (procedure using high energy shock waves to fragment gall stones);
 - d. Home uterine activity monitoring;
 - e. Sleep therapy;
 - f. Light treatment for Seasonal Affective Disorder (S.A.D.);
 - g. Immunotherapy for food allergy;
 - h. Prolotherapy (injection of an irritant solution);
 - i. Hyperhidrosis (excessive sweating); and
 - j. Sensory integration therapy;
- 52. Services or supplies provided in connection with a sickness or bodily injury arising out of, or sustained in the course of, any occupation, employment or activity for compensation, profit or gain, when eligible for benefits under Workers' Compensation except as expressly provided in the "Occupational coverage" provision in the "Your Policy Benefits" section of this policy. Without limiting this exclusion, this applies whether or not a covered person has Workers' Compensation coverage;
- 53. Court-ordered mental health services unless medically necessary;
- 54. Expenses for alternative medicine, including medical diagnosis, treatment, and therapy. Alternative medicine *services* includes:
 - a. Acupressure;
 - b. Acupuncture;
 - c. Aromatherapy;
 - d. Ayurveda;
 - e. Biofeedback;
 - f. Faith healing;
 - g. Guided mental imagery;
 - h. Herbal medicine;
 - i. Holistic medicine;
 - j. Homeopathy;
 - k. Hypnosis;
 - 1. Macrobiotic;

- m. Massage therapy;
- n. Naturopathy;
- o. Ozone therapy;
- p. Reflexotherapy;
- q. Relaxation response;
- r. Rolfing;
- s. Shiatsu;
- t. Yoga:
- u. Herbs, nutritional supplements, and alternative medicines; and
- v. Chelation therapy;
- 55. Private-duty nursing, except as expressly provided in the "Hospice care" or "Home healthcare" provisions in the "Your Policy Benefits" section of this *policy*;
- 56. Living expenses, travel, transportation, except as expressly provided in the "Ambulance services" provision or "Transplant services" provision in the "Your Policy Benefits" section of this *policy*; and
- 57. Expenses for *services* (whether or not prescribed by a *healthcare practitioner*) that are primarily and customarily used for a non-medical purpose or used for environmental control or enhancement including:
 - a. Common household items such as air conditioners, air purifiers, water purifiers, vacuum cleaners, waterbeds, hypoallergenic mattresses or pillows or exercise equipment;
 - b. Scooters or motorized transportation equipment, escalators, elevators, ramps, modifications or additions to living/working quarters or transportation vehicles;
 - c. Personal hygiene equipment including bath/shower chairs, transfer equipment or supplies or bed side commodes;
 - d. Personal comfort items including cervical pillows, gravity lumbar reduction chairs, swimming pools, whirlpools or spas or saunas;
 - e. Medical equipment including blood pressure monitoring devices, PUVA lights and stethoscopes;
 - f. Expenses for any membership fees or program fees paid by a *covered person*, including but not limited to:
 - i. Health clubs;
 - ii. Health spas;
 - iii. Aerobic and strength conditioning;
 - iv. Work-hardening programs and weight loss or similar programs; and
 - v. Any related material or products related to these programs;
 - g. Communication system, telephone, television or computer systems and related equipment or similar items or equipment; and
 - h. Communication devices except after surgical removal of the larynx or a diagnosis of permanent lack of function of the larynx.

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These limitations and exclusions apply even if a *healthcare practitioner* has prescribed a medically appropriate *service* or *prescription*. This does not prevent *your healthcare practitioner* or *pharmacist* from providing the *service* or *prescription*. However, the *service* or *prescription* will not be a *covered expense*.

For the current recommended preventive *services* please see the Health and Human Services (HHS) Website at www.healthcare.gov and the "Preventive medical services" provision of this *policy*.

Unless specifically stated otherwise, no benefits will be provided for, or on account of, the following items obtained from a *pharmacy*:

- 1. Growth hormones for idiopathic short stature or any other condition unless there is a laboratory confirmed diagnosis of growth hormone deficiency, or as otherwise determined by *us*;
- 2. Drugs which are not included on the *drug lists*;
- 3. Dietary supplements except the following:
 - a. Enteral formulas and nutritional supplements for the treatment of phenylketonuria (PKU) or other inherited metabolic disease; or
 - b. Human milk fortifiers or 100% human-based diet when prescribed for the prevention of necrotizing enterocolitis and administered under the direction of a *healthcare practitioner*;
- 4. Nutritional products;
- 5. Drugs and/or ingredients not approved by the FDA, including bulk compounding ingredients;
- 6. Minerals:
- 7. Herbs and vitamins except prenatal (including greater than one milligram of folic acid), pediatric multi-vitamins with fluoride, and vitamins on the Preventive Medication Coverage *drug list*;
- 8. Legend drugs which are not deemed medically necessary by us;
- 9. Any drug prescribed for a sickness or bodily injury not covered under this policy;
- 10. Any drug prescribed for intended use other than for:
 - a. Indications approved by the FDA;
 - b. Off-label indications recognized through peer-reviewed medical literature;
- 11. Any amount exceeding the *default rate*;
- 12. Any drug, medicine or medication that is either:
 - a. Labeled "Caution-limited by Federal law to investigational use"; or
 - b. *Experimental*, *investigational* or *for* research purposes, even though a charge is made to the *covered* person;
- 13. Allergen extracts, except as expressly provided in the "Healthcare practitioner services" provision in the "Your Policy Benefits" section of this *policy*;
- 14. The administration of covered medication(s);
- 15. Specialty drugs for which coverage is not approved by us;
- 16. Therapeutic devices or appliances including:
 - a. Hypodermic needles and syringes except when prescribed by a *healthcare practitioner* for use with insulin, and *self-administered injectable drugs* whose coverage is approved by *us*;
 - b. Support garments;
 - c. Test reagents;
 - d. Mechanical pumps for delivery of medication; and
 - e. Other non-medical substances;
- 17. Anorectic or any drug used for the purpose of weight control;
- 18. Abortifacients (drugs used to induce abortions);
- 19. Any drug used for cosmetic purposes including:
 - a. Dermatologicals or hair growth stimulants; or
 - b. Pigmenting or de-pigmenting agents;

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- 20. Any drug or medicine that is:
 - a. Lawfully obtainable without a *prescription* (over-the-counter drugs), except insulin and drugs or medicines on the Preventive Medication Coverage *drug list*; or
 - b. Available in *prescription* strength without a *prescription*;
- 21. Compounded drugs in any dosage form except when prescribed for pediatric use for children through 19 years of age or as otherwise determined by *us*;
- 22. Infertility services including medications;
- 23. Any drug prescribed for impotence and/or sexual dysfunction;
- 24. Any drug, medicine or medication that is consumed or injected at the place where the *prescription* is given or dispensed by the *healthcare practitioner* (these drugs are covered under the "Healthcare practitioner services" provision);
- 25. *Prescriptions* that are to be taken by or administered to the *covered person*, in whole or in part, while he/she is a patient in a facility where drugs are ordinarily provided by the facility on an inpatient basis by the facility. Inpatient facilities include:
 - a. Hospital;
 - b. Skilled nursing facility; or
 - c. Hospice facility;
- 26. Injectable drugs:
 - a. Immunizing agents unless otherwise determined by us;
 - b. Biological sera;
 - c. Blood;
 - d. Blood plasma; or
 - e. Self-administered injectable drugs or specialty drugs for which prior authorization has not been obtained from us;
- 27. *Prescription* fills or refills:
 - a. In excess of the number specified by the *healthcare practitioner*; or
 - b. Dispensed more than one year from the date of the original order;
- 28. Any portion of a *prescription* fill or refill that exceeds a 90-day supply when received from a *mail-order pharmacy* or a retail *pharmacy* that participates in *our* program which allows a *covered person* to receive a 90-day supply of a *prescription* fill or refill;
- 29. Any portion of a *prescription* fill or refill that exceeds a 30-day supply when received from a retail *pharmacy* that does not participate in *our* program which allows a *covered person* to receive a 30-day supply of a *prescription* fill or refill;
- 30. Any portion of a *specialty drug prescription* fill or refill that exceeds a 30-day supply, unless otherwise determined by *us*;
- 31. Any drug for which we require prior authorization or step therapy and it is not obtained;
- 32. Any drug for which a charge is customarily not made;
- 33. Any portion of a *prescription* fill or refill that:
 - a. Exceeds our drug specific dispensing limit;
 - b. Is dispensed to a *covered person* whose age is outside the drug specific age limits defined by us;
 - c. Is refilled early, as defined by us; or
 - d. Exceeds the duration-specific dispensing limit;
- 34. Any drug, medicine or medication received by the *covered person*:
 - a. Before becoming covered under this *policy*; or
 - b. After the date the *covered person's* coverage under this *policy* has ended;
- 35. Any costs related to the mailing, sending or delivery of prescription drugs;
- 36. Any intentional misuse of this benefit, including *prescriptions* purchased for consumption by someone other than the *covered person*;

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- 37. Any *prescription* fill or refill for drugs, medicines or medications that are lost, stolen, spilled, spoiled or damaged;
- 38. Any amount the *covered person* paid for a *prescription* that has been filled, regardless of whether the *prescription* is revoked or changed due to adverse reaction or change in dosage or *prescription*; and
- 39. Prescription drugs filled or refilled at an out-of-network pharmacy.



PEDIATRIC VISION CARE BENEFIT

This section describes the *services* that will be considered *covered expenses* for pediatric vision care *services* under this *policy*. Benefits we pay for pediatric vision care *services* will be based on the *reimbursement limit* and as shown in the "Schedule of Benefits–Pediatric Vision Covered Expenses" section of this *policy* subject to:

- 1. The *deductible*, if applicable;
- 2. Any *copayment*, if applicable;
- 3. Any coinsurance percentage;
- 4. Any out-of-pocket limit; and
- 5. Any benefit maximum.

Refer to the "Pediatric vision care exclusions" provision below, the "General Exclusions" and the "Prescription Drug Exclusions" sections in this *policy*. All terms and provisions of this *policy*, including *preauthorization* requirements specified in this *policy*, are applicable to the pediatric vision care *covered expenses*.

All terms used in this section have the same meaning given to them in this *policy* unless otherwise specifically defined in this section.

Pediatric vision care covered expenses

We will pay benefits for *covered expenses* incurred by a *covered person* for *pediatric vision care*. Covered expenses for *pediatric vision care* are:

- 1. Comprehensive eye exam;
- 2. Prescription lenses;
- 3. Frames available from a selection of covered frames. The *in-network provider* will show the *covered person* the selection of frames covered by this *policy*. If a *covered person* selects a frame that is not included in the frame selection this *policy* covers, the *covered person* is responsible for the difference in cost between the *in-network provider* reimbursement amount for covered frames and the retail price of the frame selected;
- 4. Elective contact lenses available from a selection of covered contact lenses, *contact lens fitting and follow-up*. The *in-network provider* will inform the *covered person* of the contact lens selection covered by this *policy*. If a *covered person* selects a contact lens that is not part of the contact lens selection this *policy* covers, the *covered person* is responsible for the difference in cost between the lowest cost contact lens available from the contact lens selection covered by this *policy* and the cost of the contact lens selected;
- 5. *Medically necessary* contact lenses under the following circumstances when *preauthorization* is obtained:
 - a. Visual acuity cannot be corrected to 20/70 in the better eye except by use of contact lenses;
 - b. Anisometropia greater than 3.50 diopters and aesthenopia or diplopia, with glasses;
 - c. Keratoconus;
 - d. Monocular aphakia or binocular aphakia where the doctor certifies contact lenses are *medically necessary* for safety and rehabilitation to a productive life; and
 - e. High ametropia of either +10D or -10D in any meridian; or

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- 6. Medically necessary eyeglasses (frames and/or lenses) under the following circumstances:
 - a. There is a change in correction of 0.5 diopters or greater in either sphere or cylinder power in either eye;
 - b. There is a shift in axis of greater than 10 degrees in either eye;
 - c. There is a change in the *covered person*'s head size which warrants a new pair of eyeglasses;
 - d. The covered person has had an allergic reaction to the previous pair of eyeglasses; or
 - e. The original pair of eyeglasses is lost, broken or irreparably damaged.

Preauthorization is required for medically necessary eye glasses. We must be contacted by telephone at the number on your ID card, by electronic mail, or in writing to request preauthorization. If preauthorization is not obtained, you will be responsible for a preauthorization penalty. The benefit payable for medically necessary eye glasses will be reduced 50%, after any applicable deductible and/or coinsurance. This preauthorization penalty will apply if you received the medically necessary eye glasses when preauthorization is required and not obtained.

Pediatric vision care exclusions

In addition to the "General Exclusions" section and the "Prescription Drug Exclusion" section of this *policy* and any limitations specified in the "Schedule of Benefits-Pediatric Vision Covered Expenses" section of this *policy*, benefits for *pediatric vision care* are limited as follows:

In no event will benefits exceed the lesser of the limits shown in the "Schedule of Benefits–Pediatric Vision Covered Expenses" section of this *policy*.

Refer to the "General Exclusions" section and "Prescription Drug Exclusions" section of this *policy* for additional exclusions. Unless specifically stated otherwise, no benefits for *pediatric vision care* will be provided for, or on account of, the following items:

- 1. Two or more multiple pair of glasses, in lieu of bifocals or trifocals;
- 2. Medical or surgical treatment of the eye, eyes or supporting structure;
- 3. Any services and/or materials required by an employer as a condition of employment;
- 4. Safety lenses and frames;
- 5. Contact lenses, when benefits for frames and lenses are received;
- 6. Oversized 61 and above lens or lenses;
- 7. Cosmetic items;
- 8. Any *services* or *materials* not listed in this *policy* as a *covered expense* or in the "Schedule of Benefits- Pediatric Vision Covered Expenses" section of this *policy*;
- 9. Expenses for missed appointments;
- 10. Any charge from a providers' office to complete and submit claim forms;
- 11. Treatment relating to or caused by disease;
- 12. Non-prescription *materials* or vision devices:
- 13. Costs associated with securing *materials*;
- 14. Pre- and post-operative services;
- 15. Orthokeratology;
- 16. Routine maintenance of *materials*;
- 17. Refitting or change in lens design after initial fitting;
- 18. Artistically painted lenses;
- 19. Premium lens options;
- 20. Pediatric vision care not obtained from an in-network provider designated by us; or
- 21. Services provided by an out-of-network provider.

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Definitions

The following terms are specific to *pediatric vision care* benefits:

Comprehensive eye exam means an exam of the complete visual system which includes: case history; monocular and binocular visual acuity, with or without present corrective lenses; neurological integrity (pupil response); biomicroscopy (external exam); visual field testing (confrontation); ophthalmoscopy (internal exam); tonometry (intraocular pressure); refraction (with recorded visual acuity); extraocular muscle balance assessment; dilation as required; present prescription analysis; specific recommendation; assessment plan; and provider signature.

Contact lens fitting and follow-up means an exam which includes: keratometry; diagnostic lens testing; instruction for insertion and removal of contact lenses; additional biomicroscopy with and without lens.

Covered person under this section means a person who is eligible and enrolled for benefits provided under this *policy* through the end of the month in which he/she attains age 19.

Materials means frames, and lenses and lens options, and/or contact lenses.

Pediatric vision care means the *services* and *materials* specified in the "Pediatric vision care covered expense" provision in this *policy* for a *covered person*.

Reimbursement limit is the maximum fee allowed for a covered expense. It is the lesser of:

- 1. The actual cost for covered *services* or *materials*;
- 2. The fee most often charged in the geographical area where the *service* was performed or *materials* provided;
- 3. The fee most often charged by the provider;
- 4. The fee determined by comparing charges for similar *services* or *materials* to a national database adjusted to the geographical area where the *services* or procedures were performed or *materials* provided;
- 5. At *our* choice the fee determined by using a national Relative Value Scale. Relative Value Scale means a methodology that values procedures and *services* relative to each other that includes a scale in terms of difficulty, work, risk, as well as the *material* and outside costs of providing the *service*, as adjusted to the geographic area where the *services* or procedures were performed or *materials* provided;
- 6. In the case of *services* rendered by or *materials* obtained from providers with whom *we* have agreements, the fee that *we* have negotiated with that provider;
- 7. The fee based on rates negotiated with one or more *in-network providers* for the same or similar *services* or *materials*:
- 8. The fee based on the provider's costs for providing the same or similar *services* or *materials* as reported by the provider in the most recent, publicly available Medicare cost report submitted annually to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services; or
- 9. The fee based on a percentage of the fee Medicare allows for the same or similar *services* or *materials* provided in the same geographic area.

Severe vision problems mean the best-corrected acuity is:

- 1. 20/200 or less in the better eye with best conventional spectacle or contact lens prescription;
- 2. A demonstrated constriction of the peripheral fields in the better eye to 10 degrees or less from the fixation point; or
- 3. The widest diameter subtends an angle less than 20 degrees in the better eye.

Coordination of Benefits

This "Coordination of Benefits" section applies when a *covered person* has healthcare coverage under more than one *plan*. *Plan* is defined below.

If the *covered person* is covered by more than one health benefit *plan*, all claims should be filed with each *plan*.

Definitions

Plan means, for the purpose of coordination of benefits, one which covers *hospital* or medical expenses and provides benefits or *services* through:

- 1. Group or blanket insurance coverage;
- 2. *Hospital* service prepayment *plan* on a group basis, medical service prepayment *plan* on a group basis, group practice or other prepayment coverage on a group basis;
- 3. Any coverage under labor-management *plans*, employer *plans*, trustee *plans*, union welfare *plans*, employee benefit organization *plans*;
- 4. Any coverage under governmental programs or any coverage mandated by state statute or sponsored or provided by an educational institution, if such coverage is not otherwise excluded from the calculation of benefits under this *policy*; or
- 5. Individual insurance.

Employers' plans under the same trust policy are considered separate plans.

The term *plan* is construed separately with respect to each policy, contract or other arrangement for benefits or *services* and separately with respect to that portion of any such policy, contract or other arrangement which reserves the right to take the benefits or *services* of other *plans* into consideration in determining its benefits and that portion which does not.

This "Coordination of Benefits" section does not apply to Blanket Student Accident Insurance provided by or through an educational institution. The term *plan* does not apply to medical coverage in a group, group-type, or individual motor vehicle "no-fault" and traditional "fault" type coverage.

Allowable expense means a healthcare *service* or expense, including *deductible*, *coinsurance*, or a *copayment*, that is covered in full or in part by any of the *plans* covering the person.

When a *plan* provides benefits in the form of *services* rather than cash payments the reasonable cash value of each *service* rendered will be considered as both an *allowable expense* and a benefit paid.

Claim determination period means a *calendar year*, except that if in any *calendar year* the person is not covered under this *policy* for the full *calendar year*, the *claim determination period* for that year will be that portion during which he/she was covered under this *policy*.

Benefit reserve means savings recorded by a *plan* for claims paid for a *covered person* as a secondary *plan* rather than as a primary *plan*.

Effect on benefits

We will apply this section when the *covered person* incurs *allowable expense* during a *claim determination period* for which benefits are payable under any other *plan(s)*. The section will apply only when the sum of the *covered expense* under this *policy* and any other *plan(s)* would, in the absence of this "Coordination of Benefits" section or any similar provisions in the other *plan(s)*, exceed the *allowable expense*.

Benefits provided under this *policy* during a *claim determination period* for *allowable expenses* incurred by the *covered person* will be determined as follows:

- 1. If benefits under this *policy* are to be paid after benefits are paid under any other *plan*, the benefits under this *policy* will be reduced so that the sum of the benefits so reduced plus the benefits payable under all other *plans* will not exceed the total of the *allowable expense*.
- 2. If the benefits under this *policy* are to be paid before benefits are paid under any other *plan*, benefits under this *policy* will be paid without regard to other *plan*(s).

Covered expense under any other plan includes the benefits that would have been payable had the claim been made.

Reimbursement will not exceed 100% of the total *allowable expense* incurred under this *policy* and any other *plans* included under this section.

A *plan* not containing a coordination of benefits section that is consistent with state regulations is always primary except for supplementary coverage, which will be secondary.

Order of benefits determination

For the purpose of the "Effect on benefits" provision above, the rules establishing the order of benefit determination are:

- 1. The benefits of a *plan* which covers the person on whose expenses the claim is based other than as a *dependent* are determined before the benefits of a *plan* which covers such person as a *dependent*.
- 2. The benefits of a *plan* which covers the person on whose expenses claim is based as a *dependent* are determined according to which parent's birth date occurs first in a *calendar year*, excluding year of birth. If the birthdates of both parents are the same, the *plan* which has covered the parent for the longer period of time will be determined first, except if a claim is made for a *dependent* child:
 - a. When parents are separated or divorced and the parent with custody of the child has not remarried, the benefits of a *plan* which covers the child as a *dependent* of a parent with custody of the child are determined before the benefits of a *plan* which covers the child as a *dependent* of the parent without custody;
 - b. When parents are divorced and the parent with custody of the child has remarried, the benefits of a *plan* which covers the child as a *dependent* of the parent with custody are determined before the benefits of a *plan* which covers that child as a *dependent* of the step-parent, and the benefits of a *plan* which covers that child as a *dependent* of the step-parent are determined before the benefits of a *plan* which covers that child as a *dependent* of the parent without custody;

- c. Regardless of the two preceding rules, if there is a court decree which would otherwise establish financial responsibility for the medical or other healthcare expenses with respect to a child, and that parent has actual knowledge of those terms, the benefits of a *plan* which covers the child as a *dependent* of the parent with such financial responsibility are determined before the benefits of any other *plan* which covers the child as a *dependent* child. If the parent with financial responsibility has no coverage for the child's healthcare expenses, but the parent's spouse does, the spouse's *plan* will be primary;
- d. If the specific terms of the court decree state that parents shall share joint custody, without stating that one parent is responsible for healthcare expenses of the *dependent* child, the order of benefits will be determined according to which parent's birth date occurs first in a *calendar year*, as described above.
- 3. When the first two rules do not establish an order of benefit determination, the benefits of a *plan* which covers the person on whose expense claim is based as a laid-off or retired employee or as the *dependent* of such person are determined after the benefits of a *plan* which covers such person through present employment.
- 4. When the above stated rules do not establish an order of benefit determination, the benefits of a *plan* which has covered the person on whose expense claim is based for the longer period of time are determined before the benefits of a *plan* which has covered such person the shorter period of time.
- 5. If *plans* cannot agree on the order of benefits within 30 calendar days after the *plans* have received all of the information needed to process the claim, the *plans* shall immediately pay the claim in equal shares and determine their relative liabilities following payment, except that no *plan* shall be required to pay more than it would have paid had it been primary.

When this section reduces the total amount of benefits otherwise payable under this *policy* during any *claim determination period*, each benefit that would be payable in the absence of this section is reduced proportionately and such reduced amounts are charged against any applicable benefit limit of this *policy*. This reduced amount will be put into *benefit reserves* and applied to other *allowable expenses* incurred during the *claim determination* period that would otherwise go unpaid.

Benefit reserves

If benefits under this *policy* are to be paid after benefits are paid under any other *plan*, a *benefit reserve* will be established by *us*. By the end of the *claim determination period*, this *plan* will:

- 1. Determine whether a *benefit reserve* has been recorded for the *covered person*;
- 2. Determine whether there are any unpaid *allowable expenses* during that *claim determination period*; and
- 3. Pay any unpaid *allowable expenses* for that *claim determination period*.

If there is a *benefit reserve*, the secondary *plan* will use the *covered person's benefit reserve* to pay up to 100% of total *allowable expenses* incurred during the *claim determination period*. At the end of the *claim determination period*, the *benefit reserve* returns to zero. A new *benefit reserve* must be created to each new *claim determination period*.

Right to necessary information

We may require certain information in order to apply and coordinate this section with other *plans*. To obtain the needed information, we, without the *covered person's* consent, will release or obtain from any insurance company, organization or person information needed to implement this section. The *covered person* agrees to furnish any information we need to apply this section.

Non-duplication of Medicare benefits

We will not duplicate benefits for expenses that are paid by Medicare as the primary payer.

If the *covered person* is enrolled in Medicare, the benefits available under this *policy* will be coordinated with Medicare, with Medicare as the primary payer. Before filing a claim with *us*, the *covered person* or the provider must first file a claim with Medicare. After filing the claim with Medicare, the *covered person* or the provider must send a copy of the itemized bill and a copy of the Explanation of Medicare Benefits to *us*.

If the *covered person* is eligible for Medicare benefits but not enrolled, benefits under this *policy* will be coordinated to the extent benefits otherwise would have been payable under Medicare.

In all cases, coordination of benefits with Medicare and the provisions of Title XVIII of the Social Security Act as amended will conform with Federal Statutes and Regulations.

Medicare means Title XVIII, Parts A, B, C, and D of the Social Security Act, as enacted or amended.

Facility of payment

Payments made under any other *plan* which according to this section should have been made by *us*, will be adjusted by *us*. To do this, *we* reserve the right to pay the organization(s) which made such payments the amount(s) *we* determine to be warranted. Any amount(s) so paid are regarded as benefits paid under this *policy*. *We* will be fully discharged from liability under this *policy* to the extent of any payment so made.

Right of recovery

We reserve the right to recover benefit payments made for allowable expenses under this policy in the amount by which the payments exceed the maximum amount we are required to pay under this section. This right of recovery applies to us against:

- 1. Any person(s) to, for or with respect to whom such payments were made; or
- 2. Any other insurance companies or organizations which according to this section owe benefits for the same *allowable expense* under any other *plan*.

We alone shall determine against whom this "Right of recovery" will be exercised.

Assignment of benefits

Assignment of benefits may be made only with *our* consent. An assignment is not binding until *we* receive and acknowledge in writing the original or copy of the assignment before payment of the benefit. *We* do not guarantee the legal validity or effect of such assignment.

Claims processing edits

Payment of *covered expenses* for *services* rendered by a provider is also subject to *our* claims processing edits, as determined by *us*. The amount determined to be payable after *we* apply *our* claims processing edits depends on the existence and interaction of several factors. Because the mix of these factors may be different for every claim, the amount paid for a *covered expense* may vary depending on the circumstances. Accordingly, it is not feasible to provide an exhaustive description of the claims processing edits that will be used to determine the amount payable for a *covered expense*, but examples of the most commonly used factors are:

- 1. The intensity and complexity of a *service*;
- 2. Whether a *service* is one of multiple *services* performed during the same *service* session such that the cost of the *service* to the provider is less than if the *service* had been provided in a separate *service* session. For example:
 - a. Two or more *surgeries* occurring during the same *service* session; or
 - b. Two or more radiologic imaging views performed during the same session;
- 3. Whether an assistant surgeon, physician assistant, registered nurse, certified operating room technician or any other provider who is billing independently is involved;
- 4. When a charge includes more than one claim line, whether any *service* is part of or incidental to the primary *service* that was provided, or if these *services* cannot be performed together;
- 5. If the *service* is reasonably expected to be provided for the diagnosis reported;
- 6. Whether a service was performed specifically for you; or
- 7. Whether services can be billed as a complete set of services under one billing code.

We develop our claims processing edits in our sole discretion based on our review of one or more of the following sources, including but not limited to:

- 1. Medicare laws, regulations, manuals, and other related guidance;
- 2. Appropriate billing practices;
- 3. National Uniform Billing Committee (NUBC);
- 4. American Medical Association (AMA)/Current Procedural Terminology (CPT);
- 5. Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)/Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS):
- 6. UB-04 Data Specifications Manual and any successor manual;
- 7. International Classification of Diseases of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders;
- 8. Medical and surgical specialty societies and associations;
- 9. Our medical and pharmacy coverage policies; or
- 10. Generally accepted standards of medical, *mental health* and dental practice based on credible scientific evidence recognized in published peer reviewed medical or dental literature.

Changes to any one of the sources may or may not lead *us* to modify current or adopt new claims processing edits.

Subject to applicable law, providers who are *out-of-network providers* may bill *you* for any amount *we* do not pay even if such amount exceeds the allowed amount after these claims processing edits. Any such amount paid by *you* will not apply to *your deductible* or any *out-of-pocket limit. You* will also be responsible for any applicable *deductible*, *copayment* or *coinsurance*.

Your provider may access our claims processing edits and our medical and pharmacy coverage policies at the "For Providers" link on our Website at www.humana.com. You or your provider may also call our toll-free number on your ID card to obtain a copy of a policy. You should discuss these policies and their availability with any providers prior to receiving any services.

Completing the claim form

We do not require completion of a standard claim form to process benefits. After we receive notice informing us of the claim, we will notify the covered person of any additional information we need to process the claim. If we do not notify the covered person that we need additional information within 15 days after we receive notice of the claim, the proof of loss requirement will have been met.

Cost of legal representation

We will pay the costs of our legal representation in matters related to our recovery rights under this policy. The costs of legal representation incurred by or on behalf of a covered person shall be borne solely by you or the covered person. We shall not be obligated to share any costs of legal representation with you or the covered person under a common fund or similar doctrine unless we were given notice of the claim and an opportunity to protect our own interests at least 60 days prior to the settlement of the claim and we either failed or declined to do so.

Duplicating provisions

If any charge is described as covered under two or more benefit provisions, *we* will pay only under the provision allowing the greater benefit. This may require *us* to make a recalculation based upon both the amounts already paid and the amounts due to be paid. *We* have no obligation to pay for benefits other than those this *policy* provides.

Notice of claim

In-network providers will submit claims to us on your behalf. If you utilize an out-of-network provider for covered expenses, you must submit a notice of claim to us within 60 days from the date the services were received. Notice of claim must be given to us in writing or by electronic mail as required by this policy, or as soon as is reasonably possible thereafter. Notice must be sent to us at our mailing address shown on your ID card or on our Website at www.humana.com.

Claims must be complete. At a minimum a claim must contain:

- 1. Name of the *covered person* who incurred the *covered expenses*;
- 2. Name and address of the provider;
- 3. Diagnosis;
- 4. Procedure or nature of the treatment;
- 5. Place of *service*:
- 6. Date of service: and
- 7. Billed amount.

For *services* received from a foreign provider, the information to be submitted by a *covered person* along with their complete claim includes but is not limited to:

- 1. Proof of payment to the foreign provider for the *services* provided;
- 2. Complete medical information and/or records;
- 3. Proof of travel to the foreign country such as airline tickets or passport stamps; and
- 4. The foreign provider's fee schedule if the provider uses a billing agency.

Proof of loss (Information we need to process your claim)

The *covered person* must complete and submit all claim information that *we* request in order for *us* to pay the claim within 90 days after the date of loss. This information must be given *electronically* or in writing. *We* may need to obtain additional information to determine if the *expense incurred* is a *covered expense*. The information *we* may need includes but is not limited to:

- 1. Authorizations for the release of medical information including the names of all providers from whom the *covered person* received *services*;
- 2. Medical information and/or records from any provider;
- 3. Information about other insurance coverage; and
- 4. Any information we need to administer the terms of this policy.

If you fail to provide the necessary information, we may recover payments made by us and deny any pending or subsequent claims for which the information is requested. We also have the right to terminate this policy.

However, *your* claims will not be reduced or denied nor will this *policy* be terminated if it was not reasonably possible to give such proof. In any event, written or *electronic* notice must be given within 15 months after the date written or *electronic* proof of loss is otherwise required under this *policy*, except if *you* were legally incapacitated.

Right to request overpayments

We reserve the right to recover any payments made by us that were:

- 1. Made in error;
- 2. Made to *you* and/or any party on *your* behalf, where *we* determine that such payment made is greater than the amount payable under this *policy*;
- 3. Made to you and/or any party on your behalf, based on fraudulent or misrepresented information; or
- 4. Made to you and/or any party on your behalf for charges that were discounted, waived or rebated.

If we determine that we made an overpayment to a provider, we will notify the provider of the error within 24 months from the date of claim payment. The notification will include all information necessary for the provider to identify the overpayment.

We reserve the right to adjust any amount applied in error to any deductible or out-of-pocket limit.

Right to require medical examinations

We have the right to have the *covered person* examined or autopsied, unless prohibited by law. These procedures will be conducted as often as we deem reasonably necessary to determine *policy* benefits, at *our* expense.

Time of payment of claims

Payments due under this *policy* will be paid after *our* receipt of complete written or *electronic* proof of loss and within the time required by applicable Federal or state law.

To whom benefits are payable

If you receive services from an in-network provider, we will pay the in-network provider directly for all covered expenses. You will not have to submit a claim for payment.

All benefit payments for *services* rendered by an *out-of-network provider* are payable to the *covered person*. Assignment of benefits is prohibited; however, *you* may request that *we* direct a payment of selected medical benefits to the healthcare provider on whose charge the claim is based. If *we* consent to this request, *we* will pay the healthcare provider directly. Such payments will not constitute the assignment of any legal obligation to the *out-of-network provider*. If *we* decline this request, *we* will pay *you* directly, and *you* are then responsible for all payments to the *out-of-network provider(s)*.

If any *covered person* to whom benefits are payable is a minor or, in *our* opinion, not able to give a valid receipt for any payment due him/her, such payment will be made to his/her parent or legal guardian. However, if no request for payment has been made by the parent or legal guardian, *we* may, at *our* option, make payment to the person or institution appearing to have assumed his/her custody and support.

If the *covered person* is deceased, payment will be made, at *our* option, to any one of the following:

- 1. You in the case of a covered dependent;
- 2. *Your* spouse;
- 3. A provider; or
- 4. Your estate.

Any payment made by us in good faith will fully discharge us of any liability to the extent of such payment.

Appeal and external review rights

Definitions

Adverse determination means a determination made by *us* that a *service* which has been furnished or proposed to be furnished is not *medically necessary* or *experimental, investigational or for research purposes* and is therefore denied, reduced or terminated.

Coverage denial means *our* determination that a *service*, treatment, drug or device is specifically limited or excluded under the *covered person's policy*.

Grievance means a written complaint submitted by or on behalf of a *covered person*.

Internal appeal

A *covered person* is eligible for an internal appeal if they have received notice of an *adverse determination* or coverage denial, if *we* fail to make a timely determination of coverage, or if *we* fail to send notice of coverage or denial.

An expedited internal appeal will be provided if the *covered person* is hospitalized or the treating *healthcare practitioner* believes that review under the standard timeframe, without medical attention, could result in the following:

- 1. Serious impairment to bodily functions;
- 2. Serious dysfunction of a bodily organ or part; or
- 3. Placing the health of the *covered person*, or with respect to a pregnant woman, placing the health of the woman or her unborn child in serious jeopardy.

An internal appeal may be requested:

- 1. Within 60 days of receipt of notice of an adverse determination or coverage denial; or
- 2. Within 60 days after the timeframe required for *us* to make a determination, as indicated in the "Utilization Management" section of this *policy*, if *we* fail to provide a timely determination or notice.

The *covered person*, their authorized representative or *healthcare practitioner* acting on the *covered person's* behalf and with the *covered person's* consent may request an internal appeal in writing, or an expedited internal appeal in writing or by telephone, if followed by an abbreviated written request, at:

Humana Grievance & Appeal P.O. Box 14546 Lexington, KY 40512-4546

Review of an internal appeal of an *adverse determination* will be conducted by a licensed *healthcare practitioner* who did not participate in the initial review and denial. The *covered person*, their authorized representative, or *healthcare practitioner* acting on the *covered person*'s behalf may request that a board eligible or certified *healthcare practitioner* in the appropriate specialty or subspecialty conduct their internal appeal of an *adverse determination*.

We will respond to an expedited internal appeal within 24 hours but no later than 72 hours of receiving the request. We will provide written acknowledgment of a non-expedited internal appeal within five business days and a decision will be made and sent to the *covered person* within 30 days of receiving the request. The response to an expedited or non-expedited internal appeal will include the name and telephone number of the person the *covered person* may contact with questions regarding the appeal.

The *covered person* has the right to submit new clinical information for review at any time prior to the initiation of the external review process. The information will be reviewed and a determination will be given to the *covered person* within five business days of receipt of the information.

Commissioner review of a coverage denial

If the *covered person* is not satisfied with *our* response or if *we* fail to make a timely decision of the *covered person*'s internal appeal of a *coverage denial*, the *covered person*, their authorized representative or provider acting on the *covered person*'s behalf may submit a written request for a review by the *coverage denial* coordinator to the Commissioner of Insurance at:

Kentucky Department of Insurance
Division of Health Insurance Policy and
Managed Care
P.O. Box 517
Frankfort, KY 40602-0517

We will provide the Department of Insurance with all pertinent information to review their decision.

External review

An external review by an Independent Review Entity, certified by the Kentucky Department of Insurance, may be requested if the *covered person* is not satisfied with *our* decision relating to an *adverse determination* or if we fail to make a timely decision of the *covered person*'s internal appeal of an *adverse determination* and notify the *covered person* or if the Commissioner determines that a *coverage denial* requires the resolution of a medical issue; and

- 1. The *covered person* was covered under this *policy* on the date of *service* or on the date the proposed *service* was requested; and
- 2. The *covered person* has exhausted *our* internal appeals process unless *we* have failed to make a timely determination or notification of the *covered person*'s internal appeal or it is agreed upon by the *covered person* and *us* to waive the internal appeal process.

An expedited external review will be provided if the *covered person* is hospitalized or the treating *healthcare practitioner* believes that review under the standard timeframe, without medical attention, could result in the following:

- 1. Serious impairment to bodily functions;
- 2. Serious dysfunction of a bodily organ or part; or
- 3. Placing the health of the *covered person*, or with respect to a pregnant woman, placing the health of the woman or her unborn child in serious jeopardy.

The *covered person* will not be eligible for an external review if:

- 1. The subject of the *covered person's adverse determination* has previously gone through the external review process;
- 2. The Independent Review Entity made a determination in our favor; and
- 3. No relevant new clinical information has been submitted since the Independent Review Entity's decision was rendered.

An external review may be requested within four months of receipt of the internal appeal decision or after the time frames required for *us* to make a determination and notify the *covered person* of an internal appeal decision if *we* fail to do so, unless new clinical information is submitted for review under the internal appeal. If new clinical information is submitted, the request for an external review maybe submitted within 60 days of receipt of *our* decision regarding the new information.

The *covered person*, their authorized representative or provider acting on the *covered person's* behalf and with the *covered person's* consent may request an external review in writing, or an expedited external review in writing or by telephone, if followed by an abbreviated written request, at:

Humana Grievance & Appeal P.O. Box 14546 Lexington, KY 40512-4546

The Kentucky Department of Insurance has established a system for assigning Independent Review Entities to handle external review for insurers. Independent Review Entities are assigned on a rotating basis so the same entity will not be used for two consecutive external reviews. We will forward the request for an external review to an Independent Review Entity certified and assigned by the Kentucky Department of Insurance.

We will provide acknowledgment of the *covered person*'s request for an external review, including the name and telephone number of the person they may contact with questions regarding their external review.

We will provide the Independent Review Entity conducting the external review all the pertinent information to review their initial decision. We will require the covered person's written consent to authorize the Independent Review Entity to obtain the medical records used by us or any healthcare practitioner involved in the review, to deny, limit, reduce or terminate coverage. Medical records and information regarding the covered person's external review will remain confidential.

The Independent Review Entity will make a determination of a non-expedited review within 21 days after the request is filed. The Independent Review Entity may request an extension of 14 days, if agreed upon by the *covered person* and *us*. The Independent Review Entity will make a determination of an expedited review within 24 hours after the request is filed. The Independent Review Entity may request an extension of 24 hours, if agreed upon by the *covered person* and *us*.

The *covered person* will be responsible to submit a filing fee of \$25 to the Independent Review Entity. The Independent Review Entity may waive this fee if they determine that payment will be a financial hardship upon the *covered person*, and will refund the fee if their determination is made in the *covered person*'s favor. We will be responsible for any other expenses associated with the external review.

If the Independent Review Entity makes a determination in the *covered person's* favor, we will implement the decision of the Independent Review Entity within 30 days of notification.

The *covered person* has the right to submit new clinical information for review at any time during the external review process.

To submit a complaint regarding the external review process or the Independent Review Entity, contact the Kentucky Department of Insurance at:

Kentucky Department of Insurance
Division of Health Insurance Policy and Managed Care
P.O. Box 517
Frankfort, KY 40602-0517
Phone: 1-800-595-6053
1-800-648-6056 (hearing impaired)

Your obligation to assist in the recovery process

The *covered person* is obligated to assist us and our agents in order to protect our recovery rights by:

- 1. Promptly notifying us that you have asked anyone other than us to make payment for your injuries;
- 2. Obtaining our consent before releasing any party from liability for payment of medical expenses;
- 3. Providing *us* with a copy of any relevant information, including legal notices, arising from the *covered person's* injury and its treatment and delivering such documents as *we* or *our* agents reasonably require to secure *our* recovery rights;
- 4. Taking all action to assist *our* enforcement of recovery rights and doing nothing after loss to prejudice *our* recovery rights; and
- 5. Agreeing to not attempt to avoid *our* recovery rights by designating all (or any disproportionate part) of any recovery as exclusively for "pain and suffering".

If the *covered person* fails to cooperate with *us*, *we* shall be entitled to recover from *you* any payments made by *us* from *you*.

Other insurance/non-duplication of benefits

We will not provide duplicate coverage for benefits under this *policy* when a person is covered by us and has, or is entitled to:

- 1. Receive benefits;
- 2. Recovery for damages; or
- 3. Settlement proceeds, as a result of their *bodily injuries* from any other coverage including, but not limited to:
 - a. First party uninsured or underinsured motorist coverage;
 - b. Any no-fault insurance;
 - c. Medical payment coverage (auto, homeowners or otherwise);
 - d. Workers' Compensation settlement or awards;
 - e. Other group coverage (including student plans); or
 - f. Direct recoveries from liable parties, premises medical pay or any other insurer providing coverage that would apply to pay *your* medical expenses.

Benefits will be determined as described in the "Coordination of Benefits" section.

Where there is such coverage or other recovery sources, we will not duplicate other sources of recovery available to you or the covered person, and shall be considered secondary, except where specifically prohibited. Where duplicate sources of recovery exist, we shall have the right to be repaid from whoever has received the overpayment from us to the extent of the duplication with other sources of recovery.

We will not duplicate coverage under this *policy* whether or not *you* or the *covered person* has made a claim under the other applicable coverage or recovery sources.

When applicable, *you* and/or the *covered person* are required to provide *us* with authorization to obtain information about the other coverage or recovery sources available, and to cooperate in the recovery of overpayments from the other coverage, including executing any assignment of rights necessary to obtain payment directly from the other coverage available.

Right to request information

The covered person must cooperate with us and when asked, assist us by:

- 1. Authorizing the release of medical information including the names of all providers from whom medical attention was received;
- 2. Obtaining medical information/or records from any provider as requested by us;
- 3. Providing information regarding the circumstances of the sickness, bodily injury or accident;
- 4. Providing information about other insurance coverage benefits, including information related to any *bodily injury* or *sickness* for which another party may be liable to pay compensation or benefits;
- 5. Providing information we request to administer the policy;
- 6. Providing copies of claims and settlement demands submitted to third parties in relation to a *bodily injury* or *sickness*; and
- 7. Disclosing details of liability settlement agreements reached with third parties in relation to a *bodily injury* or *sickness*.

If the *covered person* fails to cooperate or provide the necessary information, we may recover payments made by us and deny any pending or subsequent claims for which the information is requested.

Our right of subrogation

If we provide benefits for a loss incurred by a covered person due to an accident or injury we have the right to recover those benefits from any party that is responsible for the medical expenses or benefits related to that accident or injury.

As a condition to receiving benefits from *us*, the *covered person* agrees to transfer to *us* any rights they may have to make a claim, take legal action or recover any expenses paid for benefits covered under this *policy*. We will be subrogated to the *covered person*'s rights to recover from any funds paid or payable as a result of a personal injury claim or any reimbursement of expenses by:

- 1. Any legally liable person or their carrier including self-insured entities;
- 2. Any uninsured motorist or underinsured motorist coverage;
- 3. Medical payments/expense coverage under any automobile, homeowners, premises or similar coverages;
- 4. Workers' Compensation or other similar coverage; or
- 5. No-fault or other similar coverage.

We may enforce our subrogation rights by asserting a claim to any coverage to which you may be entitled. We shall have first priority to recover amounts we have paid and the reasonable value of services and benefits provided under a managed care agreement from any funds that are paid or payable as a result of any sickness or bodily injury, regardless of whether available funds are sufficient to fully compensate the covered person for their sickness or bodily injury.

If we are precluded from exercising our right of subrogation, we may exercise our right of reimbursement.

Right of reimbursement

If we pay benefits and later any covered person recovers from any legally responsible person, their insurer, or any uninsured motorist, underinsured motorist, medical payment/expense, Workers' Compensation, no-fault or other similar coverage, we have the right to recover from you or the covered person the amount we paid.

The *covered person* shall notify *us*, in writing or by *electronic* mail, within 31 days of any settlement, compromise or judgment. Any *covered person* who waives, abrogates, or impairs *our* right of reimbursement or fails to comply with these obligations, relieves *us* from any obligation to pay past or future benefits or expenses until all outstanding lien(s) are resolved.

If after the *effective date* of this *policy*, any *covered person* recovers payment from and releases any legally responsible person, their insurer, or an uninsured motorist, underinsured motorist, medical payment/expense, Workers' Compensation, no-fault or other similar insurer from liability for future medical expenses relating to a *sickness* or *bodily injury*, *we* shall have a continuing right to reimbursement from *you* or that *covered person* to the extent of the benefits *we* provided with respect to that *sickness* or *bodily injury*. This right, however, shall apply only to the extent of such payment and to the reasonable value of *services* and benefits provided under a managed care agreement and only to the extent not limited or precluded by law in the state whose laws govern this policy, including any whole or similar rule.

The obligation to reimburse *us* in full exists, regardless of whether the settlement, compromise or judgment designates the recovery as including or excluding medical expenses. The obligation to reimburse *us* in full also exists regardless of whether the amounts received or payable to *you* or the *covered person* are sufficient to fully compensate *you* or the *covered person* for the *sickness* or *bodily injury*.

Assignment of recovery rights

This *policy* contains an exclusion for *sickness* or *bodily injury* for which there is medical payments/personal injury protection (PIP) coverage provided under any automobile, homeowner, marine, aviation, premises or other similar coverage.

If the *covered person's* claim against the other insurer is denied or partially paid, we will process such claim according to the terms and conditions of this *policy*. If payment is made by us on the *covered person's* behalf, you and the *covered person* agree that any right the *covered person* has against the other insurer for medical expenses we pay will be assigned to us.

If benefits are paid under this *policy* and *you* or the *covered person* recovers under any automobile, homeowners, marine, aviation, premises, or similar coverage, *we* have the right to recover from *you*, the *covered person* or whomever *we* have paid an amount equal to the amount *we* paid.

Workers' compensation

This *policy* excludes coverage for *sickness* or *bodily injury* for which Workers' Compensation or similar coverage is available.

If benefits are paid by *us* and *we* determine that the benefits were for treatment of a *bodily injury* or *sickness* that arose from, or was sustained in the course of, any occupation or employment for compensation, profit or gain and the *covered person* was eligible for benefits under Workers' Compensation or similar act, *we* have the right to recover as described below.

We will have first priority to recover amounts we have paid and the reasonable value of services and benefits provided under a managed care agreement from any funds that are paid or payable by Workers' Compensation or similar coverage as a result of any sickness or bodily injury. We are not required to contribute to attorney fees or recovery expenses under a Common Fund or similar doctrine.

Our right to recover from funds that are paid or payable by Workers' Compensation or similar coverage will be applied even though:

- 1. The Workers' Compensation carrier does not accept responsibility to provide benefits;
- 2. There is no final determination that *bodily injury* or *sickness* was sustained in the course of or resulted from the *covered person's* employment;
- 3. The amount of Workers' Compensation due to medical or health care is not agreed upon or defined by the *covered person* or the Workers' Compensation carrier; or
- 4. Medical or health care benefits are specifically excluded from the Workers' Compensation settlement or compromise.

As a condition to receiving benefits from *us*, *you* and the *covered person* hereby agree that, in consideration for the coverage provided by this *policy*, *we* will be notified of any Workers' Compensation claim the *covered person* makes, and that *you* or the *covered person* agree to reimburse *us* as described above. If *we* are precluded from exercising *our* recovery rights to recover from funds that are paid by Workers' Compensation or similar coverage *we* will exercise *our* right to recover against the *covered person*.

PREMIUM PAYMENT

Your duty to pay premium

You must pay the required premium to us as it becomes due. If you don't pay your premium on time, we will terminate coverage.

The first premium is due on the date specified by us. Subsequent premiums are due on the date we assign. All premiums are payable to us.

Grace period

You have 31 days from the premium due date to remit the required funds. If premium is not paid *we* will terminate the insurance as of the last day of the premium period for which premium was paid.

If coverage was purchased through a *marketplace* and *you* are receiving an Advanced Premium Tax Credit (APTC), *you* have 90 days from the premium due date to remit the required funds provided *you* have paid at least one month of premium. If premium is not paid *we* will terminate the insurance on the last day of the first month of the grace period.

Changes to your premium

Premium may change when:

- 1. Dependents are added or deleted;
- 2. Benefits and/or coverage is increased or decreased;
- 3. The *covered person* moves to a different zip code or county;
- 4. A misstatement or omission is made on the application resulting in the proper amount due not being charged;
- 5. A new set of rates applies to this *policy*;
- 6. Any covered person's age increases; or
- 7. Any covered person's rating classification changes.

We will notify you of any premium change. Advanced notice will be provided in accordance with state and Federal requirements prior to premium rate changes due to items 5 through 7 above.

Your payment of premium will stand as proof of your agreement to the change.

Return of premium

We will return any unearned premium to the policyholder.

In no event, except for the following reasons will premium be returned:

- 1. The *policyholder* returns the *policy* as described in the "Right to return policy" provision on the cover of this *policy*;
- 2. Rescission of coverage as described in the "Incontestability" provision in the "General Provisions" section; or
- 3. The *policyholder* requests coverage to end and premium has been paid past the date in which the termination is being requested.

Your rights to make changes to the policy

You have several rights to make changes to your policy.

Changes in benefits

You may make a change in benefits during an *open enrollment period* or when qualifying for a special enrollment.

If you purchased your coverage through the marketplace you will need to contact the marketplace to request a change in benefits.

Change in residence

We must be notified of any change in your resident address. If you purchased your coverage through the marketplace, please also notify the marketplace of the change in your resident address.

At least 14 days prior to *your* move, call or write *us* informing *us* of *your* new address and phone number. When *we* receive this information, *we* will inform *you* of any changes to *your policy* on such topics as new networks, benefits, and premium. If *you* move outside of this *policy's* service area *we* will terminate this *policy*. See the "Renewability of Insurance and Termination" section for the events that will cause this *policy* to end. Such change will be effective on the date *we* assign.

We have the right to change your resident address in our records upon our receipt of an address change from a third party.

Changes to covered persons

You may request a change to the persons covered under your policy due to certain changes in your family.

1. Removing dependents

If you purchased your coverage through the marketplace you will need to contact the marketplace and request to have your dependent removed from this policy.

If you did not purchase your coverage through the marketplace and wish to remove a covered person from your policy, simply call the telephone number on your ID card.

2. Adding dependents

If you purchased your coverage through the marketplace you will need to contact the marketplace and request to have your dependent added to this policy.

If you did not purchase your coverage through the marketplace, you will have to do the following to have your dependent added to this policy:

- a. If a child is born to a *policyholder* or any *covered person*, coverage is effective for 31 days from the moment of birth. *We* must be notified of the event in writing and receive any required premium within 60 days to continue coverage beyond the first 31days.
- b. If a child is placed with a *policyholder* or any *covered person* for the purpose of foster care, *we* must be notified of the event in writing and receive any required premium within 60 days of placement.
- c. If the *policyholder* or any *covered person* files a petition or application for the purposes of adoption or appointment of guardianship, *we* must be notified of the event in writing and receive any required premium within 60 days of the filing.

If we do not receive notice and premium within the first 60 days, the child must wait to enroll for coverage during the next *open enrollment period* unless such child becomes eligible for a *special enrollment* as specified in the "Special enrollment" provision.

For a *dependent* not falling under the previous paragraphs the *dependent* must wait to enroll for coverage during the next *open enrollment period*, unless the *dependent* becomes eligible for a *special enrollment* as specified in the "Special enrollment" provision.

Upon *our* receipt of the completed application and premium, an *effective date* will be assigned. A *dependent* child is eligible to apply if they are under age 26.

3. Effective date of dependent changes

- a. Coverage for a newborn, foster child, adopted child, or a child for which the *covered person* is a court-appointed guardian, will be effective as outlined above.
- b. If we receive the application and any required premium more than 60 days after the newborn's date of birth, placement of a foster child, or the filing of the petition or application for the purposes of adoption or appointment of guardianship, such child will not be eligible for coverage until the next open enrollment period.
- c. For changes for other *dependents*, the *dependent* will not be eligible for coverage until the next *open enrollment period* or until qualifying for a special enrollment.

Special enrollment

A special enrollment period is available if the following apply:

- 1. A covered person has a change in family status due to:
 - a. Marriage;
 - b. Divorce;
 - c. Legal separation;
 - d. The birth of a natural born child;
 - e. The adoption of a child or placement of a child with the *policyholder* for the purpose of adoption;
 - f. Placement of a foster child with the *policyholder*;
 - g. Court or administrative order to provide coverage for a child;
 - h. Death of the *policyholder*; or
 - i. For a *covered person* who purchased coverage through a *marketplace*, any other event as determined by the *marketplace*.

The *covered person* must furnish proof of the event that is satisfactory to *us* and enroll within 60 days of the date of the special enrollment event.

- 2. Coverage under this *policy* terminates due to:
 - a. A *dependent* child ceasing to be eligible due to attaining the *limiting age*;
 - b. The *policyholder* moves outside of the service area for this *policy*; or
 - c. For a *covered person* who purchased coverage through a *marketplace*, any other event as determined by the *marketplace*.

The *covered person* must furnish proof of the event that is satisfactory to *us* and enroll within 60 days of the date of the special enrollment event.

- 3. A dependent did not enroll for coverage under this policy when first eligible due to:
 - a. Being covered under an employer sponsored health insurance plan and coverage under that plan terminates;
 - b. Not a citizen of the United States, lawfully present, and subsequently gaining such lawful status;
 - c. Was incarcerated and is no longer incarcerated; or
 - d. Any other event as determined by the *marketplace*, for a *covered person* who purchased coverage through a *marketplace*.

The *dependent* must furnish proof of the event that is satisfactory to *us* and enroll within 60 days of the date of the special enrollment event.

4. For a *covered person* who purchased coverage through a *marketplace*, any other event as determined by the *marketplace*. The *covered person* must enroll within 60 days of the special enrollment event date.

The *effective date* of coverage for a *covered person* who requests coverage due to a special enrollment event will be assigned.

A *special enrollment period* is not available if coverage terminated due to non-payment of premium or coverage is *rescinded*.

Open enrollment

An *open enrollment period* is the opportunity for a *dependent* who did not enroll under this *policy* when first eligible to enroll for coverage. The *open enrollment period* is also the opportunity for a *covered person* to change to a different health insurance plan.

The request to enroll must be received by us during the open enrollment period. If enrollment is requested after the open enrollment period, the covered person and/or dependent must wait to enroll for coverage during the next open enrollment period, unless they become eligible for special enrollment as specified in the "Special enrollment" provision.

The effective date of coverage when enrolling during an open enrollment period will be assigned.

Our rights to make changes to the policy

We have the right to make certain changes to your policy.

Changes we will make without notice to you

Changes to this *policy* can be made by *us* at any time without prior consent of, or notice to *you*, when the changes are corrections due to clerical errors or clarifications that do not change benefits.

Changes where we will notify you

- 1. A 60-day notice will be provided for:
 - a. An increase in benefits without any increase in premium; or
 - b. Clarifications that do not reduce benefits but modify material content.
- 2. If we determine that you or a covered person have misrepresented any information concerning a condition, we shall have the right to:
 - a. Reform *your policy* and reissue the correct form of coverage *you* would have received had the misrepresentation not been made; or
 - b. Continue *your* present coverage and collect the difference in premium which would have been assessed had the misrepresentation not been made.

We will notify you with a 60-day notice of this change in coverage and/or premium and request your acceptance of the change(s). We will apply all premium paid to the new coverage and shall collect any difference in the premium due to the change(s). Failure to timely provide us with your acceptance of the change(s) will result in rescission of coverage.

We can also make changes to your policy on the premium due date or upon separate notice, provided we send you a written explanation of the change. All such changes will be made in accordance with state law. Your payment of premium will stand as proof of your agreement to the change.

RENEWABILITY OF INSURANCE AND TERMINATION

Reasons we will terminate your policy

This *policy* is renewable at the option of the *policyholder*, except for the conditions stated below. We will terminate *your policy* at the end of the billing period in which the following events occur unless stated otherwise:

- 1. The required premium was due to *us* and not received by *us*. Termination will be effective on the last day for which the premium was paid, subject to the grace period;
- 2. *You* or a *covered person* commit fraud or make an intentional misrepresentation of a material fact, as determined by *us*. Termination will be effective at 12:01 a.m. local time at the *policyholder's* state of residence on the date the misrepresentation occurred;
- 3. You cease to be a resident in the service area, as determined by us. Call the telephone number on your ID card for this policy's service area;
- 4. You cease to be a resident in the state in which this policy was issued;
- 5. *You* request termination of the *policy*. The request may be given verbally, *electronically*, or in writing. Termination will be effective on the last day of the billing period in which the requested termination date occurs:
- 6. We have a right or defense to take such action by law;
- 7. We cease to offer a type of policy. A 90 day advanced notice will be provided prior to the discontinuance of coverage;
- 8. We cease to do business in the individual medical insurance market, as allowed or required by state or Federal law. A 180 day advanced notice will be provided prior to the discontinuance of coverage; or
- 9. If coverage was purchased through a marketplace:
 - a. You cease to be eligible for coverage through a marketplace; or
 - b. This policy ceases to be a qualified health plan and is decertified by a marketplace.

The *marketplace* will initiate the termination and notify *us* of the event. The termination date will be assigned. *We* will provide written notice to *you* at least 30 days prior to termination of this *policy*, except for *policy* terminations due to items 5-9 above.

We will return any unearned premium to the policyholder.

Reasons we will terminate coverage for a covered person

We will terminate coverage for a *covered person* at the end of the billing period in which the following events occur unless stated otherwise:

- 1. When the *covered person* no longer qualifies as a *dependent* or meets eligibility criteria;
- 2. The *covered person* commits fraud or makes an intentional misrepresentation of a material fact, as determined by *us*. Termination will be effective at 12:01 a.m. local time at the *covered person's* state of residence on the date the misrepresentation occurred. A 30-day advance written notice of the termination will be provided;
- 3. When the *policyholder's* coverage under this *policy* terminates; or
- 4. If coverage was purchased through a *marketplace*, the *covered person* ceases to be eligible for coverage through a *marketplace*. The *marketplace* will initiate the termination and notify *us* of the event. The termination date will be assigned.

You must notify us as soon as possible if your dependent no longer meets the eligibility requirements of this policy. Notice should be provided to us within 31 days of the change. If there is an overpayment of your premium prior to the change to your dependent eligibility, we will apply any overpayments as a credit to your next premium payment unless you request a refund by providing written notice to us.

RENEWABILITY OF INSURANCE AND TERMINATION

Your duty to notify us

You are responsible to notify *us* of any of the events stated above in "Reasons we will terminate your policy" and "Reasons we will terminate coverage for a covered person" provisions which would result in termination of this *policy* or a *covered person*.

Fraud

You or a covered person commit fraud against us when you or a covered person make an intentional material misrepresentation of a material fact by not telling us the correct facts or withholding information which is necessary for us to administer this policy.

Health insurance fraud is a criminal offense that can be prosecuted. Any person(s) who knowingly and with intent to defraud, any insurance company or other person files a claim containing any materially false information or conceals, for the purpose of misleading, information concerning any fact material thereto commits a fraudulent insurance act, which is a crime.

If you or the covered person commits fraud against us, as determined by us, we reserve the right to rescind coverage under this policy as of the date fraud is committed or as of the date otherwise determined by us. We will provide a 30-day advance written notice that coverage will be rescinded. You have the right to appeal the rescission. We will also provide information to the proper authorities and support any criminal charges which may be brought. Further, we reserve the right to seek any civil remedies which may be available to us.

Conformity with state statutes

Any provisions which are in conflict with the laws of the state in which this *policy* is issued are amended to conform to the minimum requirements of those laws.

Discount program

From time to time, we may offer or provide access to discount programs to you. In addition, we may arrange for third party service providers such as pharmacies optometrists, dentists and alternative medicine providers to provide discounts on goods and services to you. Some of these third party service providers may make payments to us when covered persons take advantage of these discount programs. These payments offset the cost to us of making these programs available and may help reduce the cost of your policy administration. Although we have arranged for third parties to offer discounts on these goods and services, these discounts programs are not covered services under this policy. The third party service providers are solely responsible to you for the provision of any such goods and/or services. We are not responsible for any such goods and/or services, nor are we liable if vendors refuse to honor such discounts. Furthermore we are not liable to covered persons for the negligent provision of such goods and/or services, by third party service providers. Discount programs may not be available to persons who "opt out" of marketing communications and where otherwise restricted by law.

Entire contract

The rules governing *our* agreement to provide *you* with health insurance in exchange for *your* premium payment are based upon several written documents: this *policy*, riders, amendments, endorsements, and the application. All statements made by *you* or a *covered person* are considered to be representations, not warranties. This means that the statements are made in good faith. No statement or omission will void this *policy*, reduce the benefits it provides or be used in defense to a claim unless it is contained in a written or *electronic* application and a copy is furnished to the person making such statement or his/her beneficiary. If coverage was purchased through a *marketplace*, *your policy* may not include a copy of *your* application.

No modification or amendment to this *policy* will be valid unless approved by the President, Secretary or a Vice-President of *our* Company. The approval must be endorsed on or attached to this *policy*. No agent has authority to modify this *policy*, waive any of the *policy* provisions, extend the time for premium payment, or bind *us* by making any promise or representation.

Incontestability

No misstatement made by the *policyholder*, except for fraud or an intentional misrepresentation of a material fact made in the application, may be used to void this *policy*.

After a *covered person* is insured without interruption for two years, *we* cannot contest the validity of their coverage except for:

- 1. Nonpayment of premium; or
- 2. Any fraud or intentional misrepresentation of a material fact made by the *covered person*.

At any time, we may assert defenses based upon provisions in this *policy* which relate to a *covered person's* eligibility for coverage under this *policy*.

No statement made by a *covered person* can be contested unless it is in a written or *electronic* form signed by the *covered person*. A copy of the form must be given to the *covered person* or their beneficiary.

An independent incontestability period begins for each type of change in coverage or when a new application of the *covered person* is completed.

Legal action

No lawsuit with respect to benefits under this *policy* may be brought:

- 1. Prior to 60 days after satisfactory written proof of loss is provided; or
- 2. After three years from the date written proof of loss was required to be furnished to us.

Misstatement of age or gender

If you or the covered person has provided us with information in error, and after we investigate the matter we also determine it was an error, we will not end policy coverage. However, we will adjust premium or claim payment based on this new information.

Our relationship with providers

In-network providers and *out-of-network providers* are not *our* agents, employees or partners. *In-network providers* are independent contractors. *We* do not endorse or control the clinical judgment or treatment recommendation made by *in-network providers* or *out-of-network providers*.

Nothing contained in this *policy* or any agreement or reimbursement document shall, nor is it intended to, interfere with communication between *you* and health care providers regarding *your* medical condition or treatment options. *Healthcare practitioners* and other providers are acting on *your* behalf when requesting authorizations and ordering *services*. All decisions related to patient care are the responsibility of the patient and the treating *healthcare practitioner*, regardless of any coverage determination(s) *we* have made or will make. *We* are not responsible for any misstatements made by any provider with regard to the scope of *covered expenses* and/or non-covered expenses under *your policy*. If *you* have any questions concerning *your* coverage, please call the telephone number on *your ID card*.

Rewards Program

From time to time *we* may enter into agreements with third parties who administer Rewards programs that may be available to a *covered person*. Through these programs, a *covered person* may earn rewards by:

- 1. Completing certain activities such as wellness, educational, or informational programs; or
- 2. Reaching certain goals such as lowering blood pressure or becoming smoke free.

The rewards may include non-insurance benefits such as merchandise, gift cards, debit cards, discounts or contributions to *your* health spending account. *We* are not responsible for any rewards that are non-insurance benefits or for a *covered person's* receipt of such reward.

The rewards may also include insurance benefits such as credits toward premium or a reduction in *copayments*, *deductibles* or *coinsurance*, as permitted under applicable state and Federal laws.

The rewards may be taxable income. A *covered person* may consult a tax advisor for further guidance.

Our agreement with any third party does not eliminate any *covered person's* obligations under this *policy* or change any of the terms of this *policy*. *Our* agreement with the third parties and the program may be terminated at any time, although insurance benefits will be subject to applicable state and Federal laws.

Please call the telephone number listed on the *ID card* or in the marketing literature issued by the Rewards program administrator for a possible alternative activity if:

- 1. It is unreasonably difficult for a *covered person* to reach certain goals due to their medical condition; or
- 2. The *covered person's health care practitioner* advises them not to take part in the activities needed to reach certain goals.

The Rewards program administrator or we may require proof in writing from the covered person's health care practitioner that their medical condition prevents them from taking part in the available activities.

The decision to participate in these programs or activities is voluntary and a *covered person* may decide to participate anytime during the year. Refer to the marketing literature issued by the Rewards program administrator for their program's eligibility, rules and limitations.

Shared savings program

We have a Shared Savings Program that may allow you to share in discounts we have obtained from outof-network providers. However, it will be our sole discretion on a case by case basis whether we will apply the Shared Savings Program.

As a covered person under this policy, you are free to obtain services from in-network providers or outof-network providers. If you chose to receive services from an out-of-network provider there is no coverage for any services received except when authorized by us.

We cannot guarantee that *services* rendered by *out-of-network providers* will be discounted. The *out-of-network provider* discounts in the Shared Savings Program may not be as favorable as *in-network provider* discounts.

In most cases, to maximize *your* benefit design and reduce your non-covered expenses, please access *innetwork providers* associated with this *policy*.

If you choose to obtain services from an *out-of-network provider*, it is not necessary for you to inquire about a provider's status in advance. When processing your claim, we will automatically determine if that provider is participating in the Shared Savings Program and calculate any applicable *copayment*, *deductible* and/or *coinsurance* on the discounted amount. *Your* Explanation of Benefits statement will reflect any savings with a remark code used to reference the Shared Savings Program.

However, if *you* would like to inquire in advance to determine if an *out-of-network provider* participates in the Shared Savings Program, please call the telephone number on *your ID card*. Please note provider arrangements in the Shared Savings Program are subject to change without notice. *We* cannot guarantee that the provider from whom *you* received treatment is still participating in the Shared Savings Program at the time treatment is received. Discounts are dependent upon availability and cannot be guaranteed.

We reserve the right to modify, amend or discontinue the Shared Savings Program at any time.

Workers' compensation

This *policy* does not cover *sickness* or *bodily injury* arising out of, or sustained in the course of, any occupation, employment or activity for compensation, profit or gain and is not issued as a substitute for Workers' Compensation or occupational disease insurance except as provided for under the "Occupational coverage" provision.



The following are definitions of terms as they are used in this *policy*. Defined terms are printed in *italic* type wherever found in this *policy*.

Advanced imaging for the purpose of this definition, includes Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI), Magnetic Resonance Angiography (MRA), Positron Emission Tomography (PET), Single Photon Emission Computed Tomography (SPECT), Computed Tomography (CT) imaging, and *nuclear medicine*.

Benefit maximum means the limit set on the amount of *covered expenses* that *we* will pay on behalf of a *covered person* for some *services*. We will not make benefit payments in excess of the *benefit maximum* for the *covered expenses* and time periods shown on the "Schedule of Benefits".

Bodily injury means bodily damage other than *sickness*, including all related conditions and recurrent symptoms, resulting from sudden, violent, external physical trauma which could not be avoided or predicted in advance. The *bodily injury* must be the direct cause of the loss, independent of disease, bodily infirmity or any other cause. Bodily damage resulting from infection or muscle strain due to athletic or physical activity is considered a *sickness* and not a *bodily injury*.

Bone marrow means the transplant of human blood precursor cells. Such cells may be derived from *bone marrow*, circulating blood, or a combination of *bone marrow* and circulating blood obtained from the patient in an autologous transplant or from a matched related or unrelated donor or cord blood. The term *bone marrow* includes the harvesting, the transplantation and the integral chemotherapy components.

Brand-name drug means a drug, medicine or medication that is manufactured and distributed by only one pharmaceutical manufacturer, or any drug product that has been designated as brand-name by an industry recognized source used by *us*.

Calendar year means the period of time beginning on any January 1st and ending on the following December 31st. The first *calendar year* begins for a *covered person* on the date benefits under this *policy* first become effective for that *covered person* and ends on the following December 31st.

Chemical dependency means the abuse of, or psychological or physical dependence on, or addiction to alcohol or a controlled substance as classified in the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders.

Coinsurance means the amount of *covered expense*, expressed as a percentage, a *covered person* must pay toward the cost *incurred* for each separate *prescription* fill or refill dispensed by a *pharmacy* and for all other medical *services*, in addition to any applicable *copayments* and *deductibles*. This percentage is shown in the "Schedule of Benefits". Charges paid as *coinsurance* do not apply to any responsibility for *copayments* or *deductibles*.

Confined/confinement means the status of being a resident patient in a *hospital* or *healthcare* treatment facility receiving inpatient services. Confinement does not mean detainment in observation status. Successive confinements are considered to be one confinement if they are:

- 1. Due to the same *bodily injury* or *sickness*; and
- 2. Separated by fewer than 30 consecutive days when the *covered person* is not *confined*.

Copayment/Copay means a specified dollar amount shown on the "Schedule of Benefits", to be paid by a *covered person* toward the cost of each separate *prescription* fill or refill dispensed by a *pharmacy* and for certain medical benefits specified in this *policy* each time a *covered service* is received, regardless of any amounts that may be paid by *us. Copayments*, if any, do not apply toward any applicable *deductible*.

Cosmetic surgery means *surgery*, procedure, injection, medication or treatment primarily designed to improve appearance, self-esteem or body image and/or to relieve or prevent social, emotional or psychological distress.

Cost share means any applicable *copayment*, *deductible*, and/or *coinsurance* percentage that must be paid by the *covered person* per *prescription* drug fill or refill. Any expense that exceeds the *default rate* will not apply to any *covered person's cost share* responsibility.

Court-ordered means involuntary placement in *mental health* treatment as a result of a judicial directive.

Covered expense means a *medically necessary* expense, based on the *maximum allowable fee* for *services* incurred by a *covered person* which were ordered by a *healthcare practitioner*. To be a *covered expense*, the *service* must not be *experimental*, *investigational or for research purposes* or otherwise excluded or limited by this *policy* or by any amendment.

Covered person means anyone eligible to receive *policy* benefits as a *covered person*. Refer to the "Schedule of Benefits" for a complete list.

Custodial care means *services* given to a *covered person* if:

- 1. The *covered person* needs *services* that include, but are not limited to, assistance with dressing, bathing, preparation and feeding of special diets, walking, supervision of medication which is ordinarily self-administered, getting in and out of bed, and maintaining continence; or
- 2. The *services* are required to primarily maintain and not likely to improve the *covered person's* condition.

Services may still be considered custodial care by us even if:

- 1. The covered person is under the care of a healthcare practitioner;
- 2. The *services* are prescribed by a *healthcare practitioner* to support or maintain the *covered person's* condition:
- 3. Services are being provided by a nurse; or
- 4. The *services* involve the use of skills which can be taught to a layperson and do not require the technical skills of a *nurse*.

Deductible means the amount of *covered expense* that a *covered person*, either individually or combined as a covered family, must pay in a *calendar year* and is responsible to pay in addition to any applicable *copayments* or *coinsurance* before *we* pay medical or *prescription* drug benefits under this *policy*. This amount will be applied on a *calendar year* basis and will vary for medical *services*, *prescription* drug *services*, and for *services* obtained by *in-network providers* and *out-of-network providers*. The *deductible* is shown on the "Schedule of Benefits".

One or more of the following *deductibles* may apply to *covered expenses* as shown on the "Schedule of Benefits":

- 1. **Family medical deductible.** The amount of medical *covered expense* that a *covered person*, either individually or combined as a covered family, must pay each *calendar year* in addition to any applicable *copayment* and/or *coinsurance* before *we* pay medical benefits under this *policy*. These expenses do not apply toward any other *deductible* stated in this *policy*.
- 2. **Family prescription drug deductible.** The amount of *prescription* drug *covered expense* that a *covered person*, either individually or combined as a covered family, must pay each *calendar year* in addition to any applicable *copayment* and/or *coinsurance* before we pay *prescription* drug benefits under this *policy*. These expenses do not apply toward any other *deductible* stated in this *policy*.

Default rate means the fee based on rates negotiated by *us* or other payers with one or more *in-network providers* in a geographic area determined by *us* for the same or similar *prescription* fill or refill.

Dental injury means an injury to a *sound natural tooth* caused by a sudden and external force that could not be predicted in advance and could not be avoided. It does not include biting or chewing injuries.

Dependent means *your domestic partner* or legally recognized spouse, *your* natural born child, stepchild, legally adopted child, foster child upon placement in the home whose age is less than the *limiting age* or a child placed for adoption whose age is less than the *limiting age*, a child whose age is less than the *limiting age* and for whom *you* have received a court or administrative order to provide coverage, or *your* adult child who meets the following conditions:

- 1. Is beyond the *limiting age* of a child;
- 2. Is unmarried;
- 3. Is permanently intellectually or physically disabled; and
- 4. Incapable of self-sustaining employment.

Each child, other than the child who qualifies because of a court or administrative order, must meet all of the qualifications of a *dependent* as determined by *us*.

In order for the covered *dependent* child to remain eligible as specified above, *we* must receive notification within 31 days prior to the covered *dependent* child attaining the *limiting age*.

You must furnish satisfactory proof to us upon our request that the condition as defined in the items above, continuously exist on and after the date the *limiting age* is reached. After two years from the date the first proof was furnished, we may not request such proof more often than annually. If satisfactory proof is not submitted to us, the child's coverage will not continue beyond the last date of eligibility.

Dependent does not mean a:

- 1. Grandchild, unless such child is born to a *dependent* while covered under this *policy*;
- 2. Great grandchild: or
- 3. Child who has not yet attained full legal age but who has been declared by a court to be emancipated.

Diabetic supplies means:

- 1. Test strips for blood glucose monitors;
- 2. Visual reading and urine test strips;
- 3. Lancets and lancet devices;
- 4. Insulin and insulin analogs;
- 5. Injection aids;
- 6. Syringes;
- 7. Prescriptive agents for controlling blood sugar levels;
- 8. Prescriptive non-insulin injectable agents for controlling blood sugar levels;
- 9. Glucagon emergency kits; and
- 10. Alcohol swabs.

Dispensing limit means the monthly drug dosage limit and/or the number of months the drug usage is commonly prescribed to treat a particular condition, as determined by *us*.

Distant site means the site at which the *healthcare practitioner* delivering the *services* is located at the time the *service* is provided via a telecommunications system.

Domestic partner means an individual of the same or opposite gender who resides with *you* in a long-term relationship of indefinite duration, and, there is an exclusive mutual commitment in which the partners agree to be jointly responsible for each other's common welfare and share financial obligations. We will allow coverage for only one *domestic partner* of *yours* at any one time. You and your domestic partner must each be at a minimum 18 years of age, competent to contract, and may not be related by blood to a degree of closeness which would prohibit legal marriage in the state in which you and your domestic partner both legally reside. We reserve the right to require an affidavit from you and your domestic partner attesting that the domestic partnership has existed for a minimum period of six months and, periodically thereafter, to require proof that the domestic partner relationship continues to exist.

Drug list means a list of covered *prescription* drugs, medicines, medications, and supplies specified by *us*. The *drug list* identifies categories of drugs, medicines or medications and supplies by applicable levels, if any, and indicates applicable *dispensing limits*, *specialty drug* designation and/or any *prior authorization* or *step therapy* requirements. Visit *our* Website at www.humana.com or call the telephone number on *your ID card* to obtain the *drug lists*. The *drug lists* are subject to change without notice.

Durable medical equipment means equipment which meets the following criteria:

- 1. It can withstand repeated use;
- 2. It is primarily and customarily used to serve a medical purpose rather than being primarily for comfort or convenience:
- 3. It is usually not useful to a person except to treat a *bodily injury* or *sickness*;
- 4. It is *medically necessary* and necessitated by the *covered person's bodily injury* or *sickness*;
- 5. It is not typically furnished by a hospital or skilled nursing facility; and
- 6. It is prescribed by a *healthcare practitioner* as appropriate for use in the home.

Effective date means the first date all the terms and provisions of this *policy* apply. It is the date that appears on the cover of this *policy* or on the date of any amendment or endorsement.

Electronic or electronically means relating to technology having electrical, digital, magnetic, wireless, optical, electromagnetic or similar capabilities.

Emergency care means any services provided for a condition that develops suddenly and unexpectedly, presenting acute symptoms of sufficient severity, including severe pain, that reasonably appear to a prudent layperson to constitute an emergency, and if not treated immediately would:

- 1. Endanger the *covered person*'s life, or the life of a pregnant *covered person*'s unborn child;
- 2. Cause serious bodily impairment or dysfunction to the bodily functions or bodily organs or parts of the *covered person*; or
- 3. Cause a situation for a pregnant *covered person* experiencing contractions that would provide inadequate time for transfer to another *hospital* before delivery.

Emergency care does not mean any *service* for the convenience of the *covered person* or the provider of treatment or *services*.

Endodontic services means the following dental procedures, related tests or treatment and follow-up care:

- 1. Root canal therapy and root canal fillings;
- 2. Periradicular *surgery* (around the root of the tooth);
- 3. Apicoectomy;
- 4. Partial pulpotomy; or
- 5. Vital pulpotomy.

Expense incurred means the *maximum allowable fee* charged for *services* which are *medically necessary* to treat the condition. The date a *service* is rendered is the *expense incurred* date.

Experimental, investigational or for research purposes means any procedure, treatment, supply, device, equipment, facility or drug (all *services*) determined by *our* Medical Director or his/her designee to:

- 1. Not be a benefit for diagnosis or treatment of a sickness or a bodily injury;
- 2. Not be as beneficial as any established alternative; or
- 3. Not show improvement outside the investigational setting.

A drug, biological product, device, treatment or procedure that meets any one of the following criteria, as determined by *us*, will be considered *experimental*, *investigational or for research purposes*:

- 1. Cannot be lawfully marketed without the final approval of the United States Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for the particular *sickness* or *bodily injury* and which lacks such final FDA approval for the use or proposed use, unless:
 - a. Found to be accepted for that use in the most recently published edition of the United States Pharmacopoedia-Drug Information for Healthcare Professional (USP-DI) or in the most recently published edition of the American Hospital Formulary Service (AHFS) Drug Information;
 - b. Identified as safe, widely used and generally accepted as effective for that use as reported in nationally recognized peer reviewed medical literature published in the English language as of the date of *service*; or
 - c. Is mandated by Federal or state law;
- 2. Is a device required to receive Premarket Approval (PMA) or 510K approval by the FDA, but has not received a PMA or 510K approval;

- 3. Is not identified as safe, widely used, and generally accepted as effective for the proposed use as reported in nationally recognized peer reviewed medical literature published in the English language as of the date of service;
- 4. Is the subject of a National Cancer Institute (NCI) Phase I, II or III trial, or any trial not recognized by NCI regardless of the Phase except as expressly provided in this *policy*;
- 5. Is identified as not covered by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) Medicare Coverage Issues Manual, a CMS Operational Policy Letter or a CMS National Coverage Decision except as required by state or Federal law;
- 6. The FDA has determined the device to be contraindicated for the particular *sickness* or *bodily injury* for which the device has been prescribed; or
- 7. The treatment, *services* or supplies are:
 - a. Not as effective in improving health outcomes and not as cost effective as established technology; or
 - b. Not usable in appropriate clinical contexts in which established technology is not employable.

Treatment of breast cancer by high dose chemotherapy with autologous bone marrow transplantation will not be considered *experimental*, *investigational or for research purposes*.

Family member means *you* or *your* spouse, or *domestic partner*, or *you* or *your* spouse's or *domestic partner*'s child, step-child, brother, sister or parent.

Free-standing surgical facility means any licensed public or private establishment which has permanent facilities that are equipped and operated primarily for the purpose of performing outpatient *surgery*.

Generic drug means a drug, medicine or medication that is manufactured, distributed, and available from a pharmaceutical manufacturer and identified by a chemical name, or any drug product that has been designated as generic by an industry-recognized source used by *us*.

Habilitative services means *services* that help a person keep, learn or improve skills and functioning for daily living. Examples include therapy for a child who isn't walking or talking at the expected age. These *services* may include physical and occupational therapy, speech-language pathology and other *services* for people with disabilities in a variety of inpatient and/or outpatient settings.

Healthcare practitioner means a practitioner, professionally licensed by the appropriate state agency, to diagnose or treat a *bodily injury* or *sickness*, and who provides *services* within the scope of that license. A *healthcare practitioner's services* are not covered if the practitioner resides in the *covered person's* home or is a *family member*.

Healthcare treatment facility means only a facility, institution or clinic duly licensed by the appropriate state agency, and is primarily established and operating within the scope of its license. *Healthcare treatment facility* does not include a halfway house.

Home healthcare agency means a *home healthcare agency* or *hospital* which meets all of the following requirements:

- 1. It must primarily provide skilled nursing *services* and other therapeutic *services* under the supervision of *healthcare practitioners* or registered nurses;
- 2. It must be operated according to established processes and procedures by a group of professional medical people, including *healthcare practitioners* and *nurses*;
- 3. It must maintain clinical records on all patients; and
- 4. It must be licensed by the jurisdiction where it is located, if licensure is required. It must be operated according to the laws of that jurisdiction which pertains to agencies providing home healthcare.

Home healthcare plan means a plan of healthcare established with a home healthcare provider. The *home healthcare plan* must consist of:

- 1. Care by or under the supervision of a *healthcare practitioner* and not for *custodial care*;
- 2. Private duty nursing *services*;
- 3. Physical, speech, occupational, and respiratory therapy;
- 4. Medical social work and nutrition services; or
- 5. Medical appliances, equipment, and laboratory *services*, if *expenses incurred* for such supplies would have been *covered expenses* during a *confinement*.

A healthcare practitioner must:

- 1. Review and approve the *home healthcare plan*;
- 2. Certify and verify that the *home healthcare plan* is required in lieu of *confinement* or a continued *confinement*; and
- 3. Not be related to the *home healthcare agency* by ownership or contract.

Home healthcare visit means home healthcare *services* provided by any one *healthcare practitioner* for at least four consecutive hours within a 24 hour period will be considered one visit.

Hospice care agency means an agency which:

- 1. Has the primary purpose of providing hospice services to hospice patients;
- 2. Is licensed and operated according to the laws of the state in which it is located; and
- 3. Meets the following requirements:
 - a. Has obtained any required certificate of need;
 - b. Provides 24-hour-a-day, seven-day-a-week service, supervised by a *healthcare practitioner*;
 - c. Has a full-time administrator;
 - d. Keeps written records of services provided to each patient; and
 - e. Has a coordinator who:
 - i. Is a nurse: and
 - ii. Has four years of full-time clinical experience, of which at least two were involved in caring for terminally ill patients; and
- 4. Has a licensed social service coordinator.

Hospice care program means a coordinated, interdisciplinary program provided by a hospice designed to meet the special physical, psychological, spiritual, and social needs of a terminally ill *covered person* and his/her *immediate family members*, by providing *palliative care* and supportive medical, nursing, and other *services* through at-home or *inpatient* care. A hospice must:

- 1. Be licensed by the laws of the jurisdiction where it is located and run as a hospice as defined by those laws; and
- 2. Provide a program of treatment for a least two unrelated individuals who have been medically diagnosed as having no reasonable prospect for cure for their *sickness* or *bodily injury*, and as estimated by their *healthcare practitioners*, are expected to live less than six months as a result of that *sickness* or *bodily injury*.

For purposes of the Hospice care benefit only, *immediate family member* is considered to be the *covered person's* parent, spouse, *domestic partner*, and children or step-children.

Hospice facility means a licensed facility or part of a facility which:

- 1. Principally provides hospice care;
- 2. Keeps medical records of each patient;
- 3. Has an ongoing quality assurance program;
- 4. Has a *healthcare practitioner* on call at all times;
- 5. Provides 24-hour-a-day skilled nursing services under the direction of a registered nurse; and
- 6. Has a full-time administrator.

Hospice patient means a terminally ill or injured person who has six months or less to live, as certified by a *healthcare practitioner*.

Hospital means an institution that meets all of the following requirements:

- 1. It must provide, for a fee, medical care and treatment of sick or injured patients on an inpatient basis;
- 2. It must provide or operate, either on its premises or in facilities available to the *hospital* on a prearranged basis, medical, diagnostic, and surgical facilities;
- 3. Care and treatment must be given by and supervised by *healthcare practitioners*. Nursing *services* must be provided on a 24-hour basis and must be given by or supervised by registered nurses;
- 4. It must be licensed by the laws of the jurisdiction where it is located;
- 5. It must be operated as a hospital as defined by those laws; and
- 6. It must not be primarily a:
 - a. Convalescent, rest or nursing home; or
 - b. Facility providing custodial or educational care.

The *hospital* must be accredited by one of the following:

- 1. The Joint Commission on the Accreditation of Hospitals;
- 2. The American Osteopathic Hospital Association; or
- 3. The Commission on the Accreditation of Rehabilitative Facilities.

ID cards means cards each *covered person* receives which contain *our* address, telephone number, group number and other coverage information.

Infertility services means any diagnostic evaluation, treatment, supply, medication or *service* given to achieve pregnancy or to achieve or maintain ovulation. This includes, but is not limited to:

- 1. Artificial insemination;
- 2. In vitro fertilization;
- 3. GIFT;
- 4. ZIFT:
- 5. Tubal ovum transfer;
- 6. Embryo freezing or transfer;
- 7. Sperm storage or banking;
- 8. Ovum storage or banking;
- 9. Embryo or zygote banking;
- 10. Diagnostic and/or therapeutic laparoscopy;
- 11. Hysterosalpingography;
- 12. Ultrasonography;
- 13. Endometrial biopsy; and
- 14. Any other assisted reproductive techniques or cloning methods.

In-network pharmacy means a *pharmacy* that has signed a direct agreement with *us* or has been designated by *us* to provide covered *pharmacy services*, covered *specialty pharmacy services* or covered *mail-order pharmacy services* as defined by *us*, to *covered persons* including covered *prescription* fills or refills delivered to a *covered person's* home or healthcare provider.

In-network provider means a *hospital*, *healthcare treatment facility*, *healthcare practitioner* or other provider who is designated as such or has signed an agreement with *us* as an independent contractor, or who has been designated by *us* to provide *services* to *covered persons* for this *policy* and for the *services* received.

Inpatient services are *services* rendered to a *covered person* during their *confinement*.

Legend drug means any medicinal substance the label of which, under the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act, is required to bear the legend: "Caution: Federal law prohibits dispensing without *prescription*".

Level one drug means a category of *prescription* drugs, medicines or medications within the *drug list* that are designated by *us* as level one. Visit *our* Website at www.humana.com or call the telephone number on *your ID card* for a description of the drugs in this category.

Level two drug means a category of *prescription* drugs, medicines or medications within the *drug list* that are designed by *us* as level two. Visit *our* Website at www.humana.com or call the telephone number on *your ID card* for a description of the drugs in this category.

Level three drug means a category of *prescription* drugs, medicines or medications within the *drug list* that are designated by *us* as level three. Visit *our* Website at www.humana.com or call the telephone number on *your ID card* for a description of the drugs in this category.

Level four drug means a category of *prescription* drugs, medicines or medications within the *drug list* that are designated by *us* as level four. Visit *our* Website at www.humana.com or call the telephone number on *your ID card* for a description of the drugs in this category.

Level five drug means a category of *prescription* drugs, medicines or medications within the *drug list* that are designated by *us* as level five. Visit *our* Website at www.humana.com or call the telephone number on *your ID card* for a description of the drugs in this category.

Lifetime maximum benefit means the maximum dollar amount or day/visit limit for which benefits are payable for certain *covered expenses* incurred by a *covered person* while this *policy* is in effect as shown on the "Schedule of Benefits".

Limiting age means a covered *dependent* child's 31st birthday (26th birthday if coverage was purchased through a *marketplace*).

Mail-order pharmacy means a *pharmacy* that provides covered *mail-order pharmacy services*, as defined by *us*, and delivers covered *prescription* drug, medicine or medication fills or refills through the mail to *covered persons*.

Maintenance care means *services* furnished mainly to:

- 1. Maintain, rather than improve, a level of physical or mental function; or
- 2. Provide a protected environment free from exposure that can worsen the *covered person's* physical or mental condition.

Marketplace (or Exchange) means a governmental agency or nonprofit entity that meets the applicable Federal or state standards and makes *qualified health plans* available to qualified individuals. This term includes an *exchange* serving the individual market regardless of whether the *exchange* is established and operated by a state (including a regional *exchange* or subsidiary *exchange*) or by the Federal government.

Maximum allowable fee for a *covered expense*, other than *emergency care services* provided by *out-of-network providers* in a *hospital's* emergency department, is the lesser of:

- 1. The fee charged by the provider for the *service*;
- 2. The fee that has been negotiated with the provider whether directly or through one or more intermediaries or shared savings contracts for the *services*;
- 3. The fee established by *us* by comparing rates from one or more regional or national databases or schedules for the same or similar *services* from a geographic area determined by *us*;
- 4. The fee based on rates negotiated by *us* or other payers with one or more *in-network providers* in a geographic area determined by *us* for the same or similar *services*;
- 5. The fee based upon the provider's costs for providing the same or similar *services* as reported by such provider in its most recent publicly available Medicare cost report submitted to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) annually; or
- 6. The fee based on a percentage determined by *us* of the fee Medicare allows for the same or similar *services* provided in the same geographic area.

Maximum allowable fee for a covered expense for emergency care services provided by out-of-network providers in an emergency department is an amount equal to the greatest of:

- 1. The fee negotiated with *in-network providers*;
- 2. The fee calculated using the same method to determine payments for *out-of-network provider services*; or
- 3. The fee paid by Medicare for the same services.

The bill you receive for services from out-of-network providers may be significantly higher than the maximum allowable fee. In addition to any applicable deductible, copayments, coinsurance or out-of-pocket limit, you are responsible for the difference between the maximum allowable fee and the amount the out-of-network provider bills you for the services. Any amount you pay to the out-of-network provider in excess of the maximum allowable fee will not apply to your out-of-pocket limit or any applicable deductible.

Medically necessary or medical necessity means healthcare *services* that a *healthcare practitioner* exercising prudent clinical judgment would provide to his/her patient for the purpose of preventing, evaluating, diagnosing, or treating a *sickness* or *bodily injury* or its symptoms. The fact that a *healthcare practitioner* may prescribe, authorize or direct a *service* does not of itself make it *medically necessary* or covered under this *policy*. Such healthcare *service*, treatment or procedure must be:

- 1. In accordance with nationally recognized standards of medical practice;
- 2. Clinically appropriate in terms of type, frequency, extent, setting, and duration and considered effective for the patient's *sickness* or *bodily injury*;
- 3. Not primarily for the convenience of the patient or *healthcare practitioner* or other healthcare provider; and
- 4. Not more costly than an alternative *service* or sequence of *services* at least as likely to produce equivalent therapeutic or diagnostic results as to the diagnosis or treatment of the patient's *sickness* or *bodily injury*.

For the purpose of *medically necessary*, generally accepted standards of medical practice means standards that are based on credible scientific evidence published in peer-reviewed medical literature generally recognized by the relevant medical community, Physician Specialty Society recommendations, the views of *healthcare practitioners* practicing in relevant clinical areas, and any other relevant factors.

Mental health means *mental illness* and *chemical dependency*.

Mental illness means a mental, nervous or emotional condition of any type as classified in the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders. This is true regardless of the original cause of the disorder.

Morbid obesity (clinically severe obesity) means a body mass index (BMI) as determined by a *healthcare practitioner* as of the date of *service* of:

- 1. 40 kilograms or greater per meter squared (kg/m²); or
- 2. 35 kilograms or greater per meter squared (kg/m²) with an associated co-morbid condition such as hypertension, type II diabetes, or joint disease that is treatable, if not for the obesity.

Nuclear medicine means radiology in which radioisotopes (compounds containing radioactive forms of atoms) are introduced into the body for the purpose of imaging, evaluating organ function or localizing disease or tumors.

Nurse means a registered nurse (R.N.) or a licensed practical nurse (L.P.N.).

Observation status means a stay in a *hospital* or *healthcare treatment facility* if the *covered person*:

- 1. Has not been admitted as a resident inpatient;
- 2. Is physically detained in an emergency room, treatment room, observation room or other such area; or
- 3. Is being observed to determine whether a *confinement* will be required.

Open enrollment period means the period during which:

- 1. A *dependent* who did not enroll for coverage under this *policy* when first eligible or during a *special enrollment period* can enroll for coverage; or
- 2. A *covered person* has an opportunity to enroll in another health insurance plan.

Visit our Website at www.humana.com for information on the open enrollment period.

Originating site means the location of the *covered person* at the time the *service* is being furnished via a telecommunications system.

Out-of-network pharmacy means a *pharmacy* that has not signed a direct agreement with *us* or has not been designated by *us* to provide covered *pharmacy services*, covered *specialty pharmacy services* or covered *mail-order pharmacy services* as defined by *us*, to *covered persons* including covered *prescription* fills or refills delivered to a *covered person's* home or healthcare provider.

Out-of-network provider means a *hospital*, *healthcare treatment facility*, *healthcare practitioner*, or other provider who has not been designated by *us* as an *in-network provider* for this *policy* and for the *services* received.

Out-of-pocket limit means the amount of *covered expense* a *covered person*, either individually or combined as a covered family, must pay each *calendar year* for medical *services* or *prescription* drugs covered under this *policy*. This amount does not include:

- 1. Amounts over the maximum allowable fee;
- 2. Transplant services from a out-of-network provider;
- 3. Amounts over the *default rate*;
- 4. Utilization management or *prescription* drug penalties;
- 5. Non-covered services; or
- 6. Other *policy* limits.

There may be separate individual and family medical, *prescription* drug, *in-network provider* and *out-of-network provider out-of-pocket limits*. **See the "Schedule of Benefits" for the specific amounts.**

Outpatient services means *services* that are rendered to a *covered person* while they are not *confined* as a registered inpatient. *Outpatient services* include, but are not limited to, *services* provided in:

- 1. A healthcare practitioner's office;
- 2. A *hospital* outpatient setting;
- 3. A free-standing surgical facility;
- 4. A licensed birthing center; or
- 5. An independent laboratory or clinic.

Palliative care means care given to a *covered person* to relieve, ease or alleviate, but not to cure, a *bodily injury* or *sickness*.

Partial hospitalization means *services* provided in an outpatient program by a *hospital* or *healthcare treatment facility* in which patients do not reside for a full 24-hour period.

- 1. For a comprehensive and intensive interdisciplinary psychiatric treatment for a minimum of five hours a day, five days per week;
- 2. That provides for social, psychological, and rehabilitative training programs with a focus on reintegration back into the community and admits children and adolescents who must have a treatment program designed to meet the special needs of that age range; and
- 3. That has *healthcare practitioners* readily available for the emergent and urgent needs of the patients.

The *partial hospitalization* program must be accredited by the Joint Commission of the Accreditation of Hospitals or in compliance with an equivalent standard.

Licensed drug abuse rehabilitation programs and alcohol rehabilitation programs accredited by the Joint Commission on the Accreditation of Health Care Organizations or approved by the appropriate state agency are also considered *partial hospitalization services*.

Partial hospitalization does not include services that are for:

- 1. Custodial care; or
- 2. Day care.

Periodontics means the branch of dentistry concerned with the study, prevention, and treatment of diseases of the tissues and bones supporting the teeth. *Periodontics* includes the following dental procedures, related tests or treatment and follow-up care:

- 1. Periodontal maintenance;
- 2. Scaling and tooth planning;
- 3. Gingivectomy;
- 4. Gingivoplasty; or
- 5. Osseous *surgery*.

Pharmacist means a person who is licensed to prepare, compound, and dispense medication and who is practicing within the scope of his/her license.

Pharmacy means a licensed establishment where *prescription* drugs, medicines or medications are dispensed by a *pharmacist*.

Policy means this document, together with any amendments, and endorsements which describe the agreement between *you* and *us*.

Policyholder means the person to whom this *policy* is issued and whose name is shown on the cover of this *policy* and the "Schedule of Benefits".

Preauthorization means the determination by us, or our designee, of the medical necessity of a service prior to it being provided. Preauthorization is not a determination that a service is a covered expense and does not guarantee coverage for or the payment of services reviewed.

Prescription means a direct order written by a *healthcare practitioner* for the preparation and use of a drug, medicine, or medication. The *prescription* must be given to a *pharmacist* for a *covered person's* benefit and used for the treatment of a *bodily injury* or *sickness* which is covered under this *policy* or for drugs, medicines or medications on the *drug list*. The drug, medicine or medication must be obtainable only by *prescription* or must be obtained by *prescription* for drugs, medicines or medications on the Preventive Medication Coverage *drug list*. The *prescription* may be given to the *pharmacist* verbally, *electronically*, or in writing by the *healthcare practitioner*.

The *prescription* must include at least:

- 1. The name of the *covered person*;
- 2. The type and quantity of the drug, medicine or medication prescribed and the directions for its use;
- 3. The date the *prescription* was prescribed; and
- 4. The name and address of the prescribing *healthcare practitioner*.

Pre-surgical/procedural testing means:

- 1. Laboratory tests or radiological examinations done on an outpatient basis in a *hospital* or other facility accepted by the *hospital* before *hospital confinement* or outpatient *surgery* or procedures; and
- 2. The tests must be for the same *bodily injury* or *sickness* causing the *covered person* to be *confined* to a *hospital* or to have the outpatient *surgery* or procedure.

Primary care physician means an in-network *healthcare practitioner* who provides initial and primary care *services* to *covered persons*, maintains the continuity of *covered persons* medical care and helps direct *covered persons* to *specialty care physicians* and other providers.

A primary care physician is a healthcare practitioner in one of the following specialties:

- 1. Family Medicine;
- 2. Internal Medicine; and
- 3. Pediatrics.

An Obstetrician/Gynecologist and Nurse Practitioner will be considered as *primary care physicians* if the following conditions are met:

- 1. The healthcare practitioners have signed an agreement with us as a primary care physician; and
- 2. A *covered person* has selected the Obstetrician/Gynecologist or Nurse Practitioner as their *primary care physician*.

Review the "Provider Directory" on *our* Website at www.humana.com or call the telephone number on your ID card to obtain a list of Obstetrician/Gynecologists and Nurse Practitioners who are considered primary care physicians.

Prior authorization means the required prior approval from *us* for the coverage of *prescription* drugs, medicines, or medications or *specialty drugs*, including the dosage, quantity, and duration, as appropriate for a *covered person's* diagnosis, age, and gender. Certain *prescription* drugs, medicines, medications or *specialty drugs* may require *prior authorization* and/or *step therapy*. Visit *our* Website at www.humana.com or call the telephone number on *your ID card* to obtain a list of *prescription* drugs, medicines, medications, and *specialty drugs* that require *prior authorization* and/or *step therapy*.

Qualified health plan means a health plan that is certified and meets the standards issued or recognized by each *marketplace* through which the plan is offered.

Reconstructive surgery means *surgery* performed on an abnormal body structure caused by congenital defects, developmental abnormalities, trauma, infection, tumor or disease in order to improve function.

Records means any written, printed, or *electronically* recorded material maintained by a *healthcare* practitioner in the course of providing health services to a covered person concerning the covered person and the services provided. Records also include the substance of any communication made by a covered person to a healthcare practitioner in confidence during or in connection with the provision of health services to a covered person or information otherwise acquired by the healthcare practitioner about a covered person in confidence and in connection with the provision of health services to a covered person.

Rehabilitation services means specialized treatment for *sickness* or a *bodily injury* which meets all of the following requirements:

- 1. Is a program of services provided by one or more members of a multi-disciplinary team;
- 2. Is designed to improve the patient's function and independence;
- 3. Is under the direction of a qualified *healthcare practitioner*;
- 4. Includes a formal written treatment plan with specific attainable and measurable goals and objectives; and
- 5. May be provided in either an inpatient or outpatient setting.

Rescission/rescinded means a cancellation or discontinuance of coverage that has a retroactive effect. Coverage under this *policy* will be *rescinded* when a *covered person* performs an act, practice or omission that constitutes fraud or makes an intentional misrepresentation of a material fact prohibited by the terms of this plan or coverage, as determined by *us*.

Residential treatment center means an institution which:

- 1. Is licensed as a 24-hour residential, intensive, inpatient facility, although NOT licensed as a *hospital*;
- 2. Provides a multidisciplinary treatment plan in a controlled environment, with periodic supervision of a licensed *healthcare practitioner* or Ph.D. psychologist; and
- 3. Provides programs such as social, psychological, and rehabilitative training, age appropriate for the special needs of the age group of patients, with a focus on reintegration back into the community.

Residential treatment is utilized to provide structure, support, and reinforcement of the treatment required to reverse the course of behavioral deterioration.

Retail clinic means a *healthcare treatment facility* located in a retail store that is often staffed by nurse practitioners and physician assistants who provide minor medical *services* on a "walk-in" basis (no appointment required).

Routine nursery care means the charges made by a *hospital* or licensed birthing center for the use of the nursery. It includes normal *services* and supplies given to well newborn children following birth. *Healthcare practitioner* visits are not considered *routine nursery care*. Treatment of *bodily injury*, *sickness*, birth abnormality or congenital defect following birth and care resulting from prematurity are not considered *routine nursery care*.

Self-administered injectable drug means an FDA approved medication which a person may administer to himself/herself by means of intramuscular, intravenous or subcutaneous injection excluding insulin prescribed for use by the *covered person*.

Services means procedures, *surgeries*, consultations, advice, diagnosis, referrals, treatment, supplies, drugs, devices or technologies.

Sickness means disturbance in function or structure of the *covered person's* body which causes physical signs or symptoms which, if left untreated, will result in a deterioration of the health state of the structure or system(s) of the *covered person's* body.

Skilled nursing facility means a facility that provides continuous skilled nursing *services* on an inpatient basis for persons recovering from a *sickness* or a *bodily injury*. The facility must meet all of the following requirements:

- 1. Be licensed by the state to provide skilled nursing *services*;
- 2. Be staffed by an on call healthcare practitioner 24 hours per day;
- 3. Provide skilled nursing *services* supervised by an on duty registered nurse 24 hours per day;
- 4. Maintain full and complete daily medical records for each patient; and
- 5. Not primarily a place for rest, for the aged, for *custodial care* or to provide care for *mental health* although these *services* may be provided in a distinct section of the same physical facility. The facility may also provide extended care which would not be covered under this *policy*.

Sound natural tooth means a tooth that:

- 1. Is organic and formed by the natural development of the body (not manufactured, capped, crowned or bonded);
- 2. Has not been extensively restored;
- 3. Has not become extensively decayed or involved in periodontal disease; and
- 4. Is not more susceptible to injury than a whole natural tooth, including but not limited to a tooth that has not been previously broken, chipped, filled, cracked or fractured.

Special enrollment period means a 60-day period of time during which a *covered person* or *dependent* who has a qualifying event may enroll for coverage outside of an *open enrollment period*.

Specialty care physician means an in-network *healthcare practitioner* who has received training in a specific medical field and is not a *primary care physician*.

Specialty drug means a drug, medicine, or medication, or biological used as a specialized therapy developed for chronic, complex *sicknesses* or *bodily injuries*. *Specialty drugs* may:

- 1. Be injected, infused or require close monitoring by a *healthcare practitioner* or clinically trained individual;
- 2. Require nursing *services* or special programs to support patient compliance;
- 3. Require disease-specific treatment programs;
- 4. Have limited distribution requirements; or
- 5. Have special handling, storage or shipping requirements.

Specialty pharmacy means a *pharmacy* that provides covered *specialty pharmacy services*, as defined by *us*, to *covered persons*.

Step therapy means a type of *prior authorization*. We may require a *covered person* to follow certain steps prior to *our* coverage of some medications including *specialty drugs*. We may also require a *covered person* to try similar drugs, medicines or medications, including *specialty drugs* that have been determined to be safe, effective, and more cost effective for most people that have the same condition as the *covered person*. Alternatives may include over-the-counter drugs, *generic drugs*, and *brand-name drugs*.

Sub-acute medical care means a short-term comprehensive inpatient program of care for a *covered person* who has a *sickness* or a *bodily injury* that:

- 1. Does not require the *covered person* to have a prior admission as an inpatient in a *healthcare treatment facility*;
- 2. Does not require intensive diagnostic and/or invasive procedures; and
- 3. Requires *healthcare practitioner* direction, intensive nursing care, significant use of ancillaries, and an outcome-focused, interdisciplinary approach using a professional medical team to deliver complex clinical interventions.

Sub-acute rehabilitation facility means a facility that provides *sub-acute medical care* for *rehabilitation services* for *sickness* or a *bodily injury* on an inpatient basis. This type of facility must meet all of the following requirements:

- 1. Be licensed by the state in which the *services* are rendered to provide *sub-acute medical care* for *rehabilitation services*;
- 2. Be staffed by an on call healthcare practitioner 24 hours per day;
- 3. Provide nursing *services* supervised by an on duty registered nurse 24 hours per day;
- 4. Maintain full and complete daily medical records for each patient; and
- 5. Not primarily provide care for *mental health* although these *services* may be provided in a distinct section of the same physical facility. The facility may also provide extended care or *custodial care* which would not be covered under this *policy*.

Surgery means surgical procedures as categorized in the Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) Manuals published by the American Medical Association. The term *surgery* includes, but is not limited to:

- 1. Excision or incision of the skin or mucosal tissues;
- 2. Insertion of instruments for exploratory purposes into a natural body opening;
- 3. Insertion of instruments into any body opening, natural or otherwise, done for diagnostic or other therapeutic purposes;
- 4. Treatment of fractures; and
- 5. Procedures to repair, remove or replace any body part or foreign object in/on the body.

Telehealth means an audio and video real-time interactive communication between the patient and *distant site healthcare practitioner*.

Telemedicine means *services* other than *telehealth services* which are provided via telephonic or *electronic* communications.

Urgent care center means any licensed public or private non-hospital free standing facility which has permanent facilities equipped to provide urgent care services on an outpatient basis.

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