

# your group benefits

# **Teck**

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### **General Information**

### About this booklet

The information in this retiree benefits booklet is important to you. It provides the information you need about the group benefits available through your employer's group contract with Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada (*Sun Life*), a member of the Sun Life Financial group of companies.

Your group benefits may be modified after the effective date of this booklet. You will receive written notification of changes to your group plan. The notification will supplement your group benefits booklet and should be kept in a safe place together with this booklet.

If you have any questions about the information in this retiree benefits booklet, or you need additional information about your group benefits, please contact Teck Resources Limited (*Teck*).

The contract holder, Teck, self-insures the following benefits:

- Extended Health Care
- Emergency Travel Assistance

This means Teck has the sole legal and financial liability for the benefits listed above and funds the claims. Sun Life provides administrative services only (ASO) such as claims adjudication and claims processing. All other benefits are insured by Sun Life.

**Eligibility** 

Eligibility for coverage under this contract is determined by Teck at the time of retirement and in addition, you must meet the following conditions:

• you are a resident of Canada and have been covered under your employer's group plan on the day preceding your retirement.

• for the Extended Health Care coverage, you must be entitled to benefits under a provincial medicare plan or federal government plan that provides similar benefits.

Your dependants become eligible for coverage on the date you become eligible. No further dependants will be added under the plan after the date you retire.

## Who qualifies as your dependant

Your dependant must be your spouse or your child and a resident of Canada. In addition, your dependant must have been covered as your dependant under Teck's group plan on the day preceding your retirement.

Your spouse by marriage or under any other formal union recognized by law, or your partner of the opposite sex or of the same sex who is publicly represented as your spouse, is an eligible dependant. You can only cover one spouse at a time.

Spouse does not include:

- a person divorced from you, or
- a person separated from you for 1 year or more, where such separation is pursuant to a court order or a legal separation agreement, or the parties are living separate and apart without benefit of a court order or separation agreement.

Your children and your spouse's children (other than foster children) are eligible dependants if they are not married or in any other formal union recognized by law, and are under age 21.

A child who is a full-time student attending an educational institution recognized under the Income Tax Act (Canada) is also considered an eligible dependant until the age of 25 as long as the child is entirely dependent on you for financial support.

If a child becomes handicapped before the limiting age, we will continue coverage as long as:

• the child is incapable of financial self-support because of a

physical or mental disability, and

• the child depends on you for financial support, and is not married nor in any other formal union recognized by law.

In these cases, you must notify Sun Life within 31 days of the date the child attains the limiting age. Your employer can give you more information about this.

## When coverage begins

Your coverage will begin on the date you become eligible for coverage.

Dependant coverage begins on the date your coverage begins.

However, for a dependant, other than a newborn child, who is hospitalized, coverage will begin when the dependant is discharged from hospital and is actively pursuing normal activities.

## Updating your records

To ensure that coverage is kept up-to-date, it is important that you report any of the following changes to your employer:

- change of dependants.
- change of name.
- change of beneficiary.
- change of address.

## Accessing your records

As required by legislation, for insured benefits, if you reside in Alberta or British Columbia, you may obtain copies of the following documents:

- your enrolment form or application for insurance.
- any written statements or other record, not otherwise part of the application, that you provided to Sun Life as evidence of insurability.

For insured benefits, on reasonable notice, you may also request a copy of the contract.

The first copy will be provided at no cost to you but a fee may be charged for subsequent copies.

All requests for copies of documents should be directed to one of the following sources:

- our Sun Life Financial Plan Member Services website at www.mysunlife.ca.
- our Sun Life Financial Customer Care centre by calling toll-free at 1-800-361-6212.

When coverage ends Your coverage will end on the date the group plan terminates.

A dependant's coverage terminates on the earlier of the following dates:

- the date your coverage ends.
- the date the dependant is no longer an eligible dependant.
- the date the dependant child under age 21 starts working full time.
- the date the spouse is divorced from you.
- the date the spouse is separated from you for 1 year or more, where such separation is pursuant to a court order or a legal separation agreement, or the parties are living separate and apart without benefit of a court order or separation agreement.

The termination of coverage may vary from benefit to benefit. For information about the termination of a specific benefit, please refer to the appropriate section of this retiree benefits booklet.

However, if you die while covered by this plan, coverage for your dependants will continue, without premiums, until the earlier of the following dates:

the date the person would no longer be considered your dependant under this plan if you were still alive.

• the date the benefit provision under which the dependant is covered terminates.

## Replacement coverage

The group contract will be interpreted and administered according to all applicable legislation and the guidelines of the Canadian Life and Health Insurance Association concerning the continuation of insurance following contract termination and the replacement of group insurance.

Sun Life will not be responsible for paying benefits if an insurer under a previous group contract is responsible for paying similar benefits.

### **Making claims**

Sun Life is dedicated to processing your claims promptly and efficiently. You should contact your employer to get the proper form to make a claim.

There are time limits for making claims. These limits are discussed in the appropriate sections of this employee benefits booklet. If you fail to abide by these time limits, you may not be entitled to some or all benefit payments.

All claims must be made in writing on forms approved by Sun Life.

For the assessment of a claim, Sun Life may require medical records or reports, proof of payment, itemized bills, or other information Sun Life considers necessary. Proof of claim is at your expense.

### Legal actions

Except where or when applicable legislation permits the use of a different limitation period, every action or proceeding against an insurer for the recovery of insurance money payable under this contract is absolutely barred unless commenced within the time set out in the Insurance Act or the time set out in such other legislation as may apply to a claim, action or proceeding for insurance money.

Where or when applicable legislation permits the use of a different limitation period, no legal action or proceeding may be brought against Sun Life:

- regarding any claims for which no payment has been made by Sun Life, more than one year after the end of the time period in which the initial submission of proof of claim is required by the terms of the contract, or
- regarding claims for which some payment has been made by Sun Life, more than one year after the last payment made by Sun Life with respect to the claim.

## Legal actions for self-insured benefits

No legal action may be brought by you more than one year after the date we must receive your claim forms.

## Coordination of benefits

If you or your dependants are covered for Extended Health Care under this plan and another plan, our benefits will be coordinated with the other plan following insurance industry standards. These standards determine which plan you should claim from first.

The plan that does not contain a coordination of benefits clause is considered to be the first payer and therefore pays benefits before a plan which includes a coordination of benefits clause.

For dental accidents, health plans with dental accident coverage pay benefits before dental plans.

The maximum amount that you can receive from all plans for eligible expenses is 100% of actual expenses.

Where both plans contain a coordination of benefits clause, claims must be submitted in the order described below.

## Claims for you and your spouse should be submitted in the following order:

- the plan where the person is covered as an employee/retiree. If the person is an employee/retiree under two plans, the following order applies:
  - the plan where the person is covered as an active full-time employee.

- the plan where the person is covered as an active part-time retiree.
- □ the plan where the person is covered as a retiree.
- the plan where the person is covered as a dependant.

### Claims for a child should be submitted in the following order:

- the plan where the child is covered as an employee.
- the plan where the child is covered under a student health or dental plan provided through an educational institution.
- the plan of the parent with the earlier birth date (month and day) in the calendar year. For example, if your birthday is May 1 and your spouse's birthday is June 5, you must claim under your plan first.
- the plan of the parent whose first name begins with the earlier letter in the alphabet, if the parents have the same birth date.

The above order applies in all situations except when parents are separated/divorced and there is no joint custody of the child, in which case the following order applies:

- the plan of the parent with custody of the child.
- the plan of the spouse of the parent with custody of the child.
- the plan of the parent not having custody of the child.
- the plan of the spouse of the parent not having custody of the child.

When you submit a claim, you have an obligation to disclose to Sun Life all other equivalent coverage that you or your dependants have.

Your employer can help you determine which plan you should claim from first.

## Recovering overpayments

Illness

We have the right to recover all overpayments of benefits either by deducting from other benefits or by any other available legal means.

### **Definitions**

Here is a list of definitions of some terms that appear in this retiree benefits booklet. Other definitions appear in the benefit sections.

**Accident** An accident is a bodily injury that occurs solely as a direct result of a violent, sudden and unexpected action from an outside source.

**Doctor** A doctor is a physician or surgeon who is licensed to practice medicine where that practice is located.

An illness is a bodily injury, disease, mental infirmity or sickness. Any surgery needed to donate a body part to another person which causes total disability is an illness.

We, our and us We, our and us mean Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada.

## Extended Health Care (Medicare Supplement)

## General description of the coverage

The contract holder has the sole legal and financial liability for this benefit. Sun Life only acts as administrator on behalf of the contract holder.

In this section, *you* means the retiree and all dependants covered for Extended Health Care benefits.

Extended Health Care coverage pays for eligible services or supplies for you that are medically necessary for the treatment of an illness. *Medically necessary* means generally recognized by the Canadian medical profession as effective, appropriate and required in the treatment of an illness in accordance with Canadian medical standards.

To qualify for this coverage you must be entitled to benefits under a provincial medicare plan or federal government plan that provides similar benefits.

An expense must be claimed for the benefit year in which the expense is incurred. You incur an expense on the date the service is received or the supplies are purchased or rented.

The benefit year is from January 1 to December 31.

### **Deductible**

The deductible is the portion of claims that you are responsible for paying.

The deductible is \$25 each benefit year for each person up to a maximum of \$25 per family.

After the deductible has been paid, claims will be paid up to the percentage of coverage under this plan.

If 2 or more members of your family suffer injuries in the same accident, only one individual deductible is applied in each benefit year

against all eligible expenses for those injuries.

If all or part of the deductible is satisfied within the last 3 months of the benefit year, your deductible for the next benefit year will be reduced by this amount.

Reimbursement level For all eligible expenses, the reimbursement levels are described below.

However, for Prescription drugs, Hospital expenses in your province, Medical services and equipment and Paramedical services combined, the reimbursement levels described below apply to the first \$1,000 of paid claims per person per benefit year. Thereafter, any eligible expenses in excess of \$1,000 of paid claims per person per benefit year, are paid at 100%.

### Lifetime maximum benefit

Under Extended Health Care, the maximum amount we will pay in a person's lifetime is \$100,000 while you are covered under Teck's group plan, as both an active and a retired employee. This maximum also includes expenses incurred for emergency services outside Canada.

### **Prescription drugs**

After you pay the deductible, we will cover 80% of the cost of the following drugs and supplies that are prescribed by a doctor or dentist and are obtained from a pharmacist. Drugs covered under this plan must have a Drug Identification Number (DIN) in order to be eligible.

- drugs that legally require a prescription.
- life-sustaining drugs that may not legally require a prescription.
- compounded preparations, provided that the principal active ingredient is an eligible expense and has a DIN.
- oral contraceptives for medical reasons.
- injectable drugs and vitamins including vitamin B12 injections for pernicious anemia.
- diabetic supplies.
- anti-obesity drugs.

varicose vein injections.

Payments for any single purchase are limited to quantities that can reasonably be used in a 100 day period.

We will not pay for the following, even when prescribed:

- infant formulas (milk and milk substitutes), minerals, proteins, vitamins and collagen treatment.
- the cost of giving injections, serums and vaccines.
- vaccines.
- proteins and food or dietary supplements.
- contraceptives including oral contraceptives, except as otherwise provided under the list of eligible expenses above.
- hair growth stimulants.
- drugs for the treatment of infertility.
- products to help you quit smoking.
- drugs for the treatment of sexual dysfunction
- drugs that are used for cosmetic purposes.
- natural health products, whether or not they have a Natural Product Number (NPN).
- drugs and treatments, and any services and supplies relating to the administration of the drug and treatment, administered in a hospital, on an in-patient or out-patient basis, or in a governmentfunded clinic or treatment facility.

Other health professionals allowed to prescribe drugs We reimburse certain drugs prescribed by other qualified health professionals the same way as if the drugs were prescribed by a doctor or a dentist if the applicable provincial legislation permits them to prescribe those drugs.

## equipment

**Medical services and** We will cover 80% of the costs after you pay the deductible for the medical services listed below when ordered by a doctor (the services of a licensed dentist do not require a doctor's order).

- out-of-hospital private duty nurse services when medically necessary. Services must be for nursing care, and not for custodial care. The private duty nurse must be a nurse, or nursing assistant who is licensed, certified or registered in the province where you live and who does not normally live with you. The services of a registered nurse are eligible only when someone with lesser qualifications can not perform the duties. There is a limit of 720 hours per person per benefit year.
- transportation in a licensed ambulance in the province where you live, if medically necessary, that takes you to and from the nearest hospital that is able to provide the necessary medical services. Services of an attendant are also covered.
- transportation in a licensed air ambulance in the province where you live, if medically necessary, that takes you to the nearest hospital that provides the necessary emergency services. Services of an attendant are also covered.
- aerochambers.
- colostomy, ileostomy/ostomey supplies.
- dental services, including braces and splints, to repair damage to natural teeth caused by an accidental blow to the mouth that occurs while you are covered. These services must be received within 12 months of the accident. We will not cover more than the fee stated in the Dental Association Fee Guide for a general practitioner in the province where the treatment is received. The guide must be the current guide at the time that treatment is received.
- wigs required as a result of an illness, up to a lifetime maximum of \$500 per person. Wigs do not require a doctor's order.

- medically necessary equipment rented, or purchased at our request, that meets your basic medical needs. If alternate equipment is available which is comparable to the equipment rented or purchased, eligible expenses are limited to the cost of the least expensive equipment that meets your basic medical needs. For wheelchairs, eligible expenses are limited to the cost of a manual wheelchair, except if the person's medical condition warrants the use of an electric wheelchair. Wheelchair repairs and seat cushions are also covered.
- casts, splints, trusses, braces or crutches.
- breast prostheses required as a result of surgery.
- surgical brassieres required as a result of surgery, up to a maximum of \$150 per person in a benefit year.
- artificial limbs and eyes. For myoelectric limbs, eligible expenses are limited to the cost of a standard prosthesis.
- stump socks, up to a maximum of \$200 per person in a benefit year.
- pressure gradient hose, with a compression of 30 mm Hg or higher. The maximum amount payable is \$250 per person in a benefit year.
- custom-made orthotic inserts for shoes, and custom-made orthopaedic shoes or modifications to orthopaedic shoes when prescribed by a doctor, chiropractor, podiatrist or chiropodist up to a combined maximum of \$200 in a benefit year for a person under age 19 or \$400 per benefit year for any other person. Shoes as part of the brace and repairs are also included in this maximum. We will not pay for Arch supports.
- hearing aids prescribed by an ear, nose and throat specialist, up to a maximum of \$500 per person over a period of 5 benefit years.
   Batteries, recharging devices, accessories and repairs are also included in this maximum.

- radiotherapy or coagulotherapy.
- oxygen, plasma and blood transfusions.
- glucometers prescribed by a diabetologist or a specialist in internal medicine.
- insulin pumps.
- cardiac screeners.
- humidifiers and air cleaners for CPAP (continuous positive airway pressure) machines.
- cochlear implants and speech processors, when prescribed for profound deafness, up to a maximum of \$4,000 per person over a period of 5 benefit years. There must be at least a 3 year warrantee on the device.

### **Predetermination**

You must send us an estimate before you obtain any Medical services and equipment that will cost more than \$3,000. This way you will know how much of the cost you will be responsible for before you incur the expense.

## Paramedical services

We will cover 80% of the costs after you pay the deductible, up to a combined maximum of \$1,200 per person per benefit year for all paramedical specialists listed below:

- licensed psychologists.
- licensed, certified or registered massage practitioners.
- licensed speech therapists.
- licensed physiotherapists.
- licensed naturopaths.
- licensed acupuncturists.
- licensed chiropractors, including a maximum of one x-ray

examination each benefit year.

licensed podiatrists or chiropodists, including a maximum of one x-ray examination each benefit year.

## your province

**Hospital expenses in** We will cover 80% of the costs after you pay the deductible for hospital care in the province where you live.

> We will cover out-patient services in a hospital, except for any services explicitly excluded under this benefit, and the difference between the cost of a ward and a private hospital room.

> A hospital is a facility licensed to provide care and treatment for sick or injured patients, primarily while they are acutely ill. It must have facilities for diagnostic treatment and major surgery. Nursing care must be available 24 hours a day. It does not include a nursing home, rest home, home for the aged or chronically ill, sanatorium, convalescent hospital or a facility for treating substance abuse or beds set aside for any of these purposes in a hospital.

### Chronic care hospital

After you pay the deductible, we will cover 80% of the cost of room and board in a hospital for chronic care treatment.

The maximum amount payable is the difference between the cost of a ward and a private room.

A *chronic care hospital* is a licensed hospital that provides chronic care for patients who are chronically ill and/or have a functional disability (physical or mental), whose chronic care needs cannot be provided at home, whose potential for rehabilitation may be limited, and who require a range of therapeutic services, medical management and/or skilled nursing care not available elsewhere. It does not include a nursing home, rest home, home for the aged or chronically ill, sanatorium, convalescent hospital or a facility for treating substance abuse.

### Expenses out of your province

We will cover emergency services while you are outside the province where you live.

We will cover the cost of:

- a semi-private hospital room, up to a maximum of 90 days per occurrence.
- other hospital services provided outside of Canada.
- out-patient services in a hospital.
- the services of a doctor.
- transportation in a licensed ambulance, if medically necessary, that takes you to and from the nearest hospital that is able to provide the necessary medical services. Services of an attendant are also covered.
- transportation in a licensed air ambulance, if medically necessary, that takes you to the nearest hospital that provides the necessary emergency services. Services of an attendant are also covered.

Expenses for all other services or supplies eligible under this plan are also covered when they are incurred outside the province where you live, subject to the reimbursement level and all conditions applicable to those expenses.

### **Emergency services**

We will pay 100% of the cost of covered emergency services after you pay the deductible.

We will only cover emergency services obtained within 365 days of the date you leave the province where you live. If hospitalization occurs within this period, in-patient services are covered until the date you are discharged.

*Emergency services* mean any reasonable medical services or supplies, including advice, treatment, medical procedures or surgery, required as a result of an emergency. When a person has a chronic condition, emergency services do not include treatment provided as part of an established management program that existed prior to the person leaving the province where the person lives.

Emergency means an acute illness or accidental injury that requires

immediate, medically necessary treatment prescribed by a doctor.

At the time of an emergency, you or someone with you must contact Sun Life's Emergency Travel Assistance provider, Europ Assistance USA, Inc. (*Europ Assistance*). All invasive and investigative procedures (including any surgery, angiogram, MRI, PET scan, CAT scan), must be pre-authorized by Europ Assistance prior to being performed, except in extreme circumstances where surgery is performed on an emergency basis immediately following admission to a hospital.

If contact with Europ Assistance cannot be made before services are provided, contact with Europ Assistance must be made as soon as possible afterwards. If contact is not made and emergency services are provided in circumstances where contact could reasonably have been made, then Sun Life has the right to deny or limit payments for all expenses related to that emergency.

An emergency ends when you are medically stable to return to the province where you live.

## Emergency services excluded from coverage

Any expenses related to the following emergency services are not covered:

- services that are not immediately required or which could reasonably be delayed until you return to the province where you live, unless your medical condition reasonably prevents you from returning to that province prior to receiving the medical services.
- services relating to an illness or injury which caused the emergency, after such emergency ends.
- continuing services, arising directly or indirectly out of the original emergency or any recurrence of it, after the date that Sun Life or Europ Assistance, based on available medical evidence, determines that you can be returned to the province where you live, and you refuse to return.
- services which are required for the same illness or injury for

which you received emergency services, including any complications arising out of that illness or injury, if you had unreasonably refused or neglected to receive the recommended medical services.

where the trip was taken to obtain medical services for an illness or injury, services related to that illness or injury, including any complications or any emergency arising directly or indirectly out of that illness or injury.

### **Vision Care**

We will cover the cost of contact lenses, eyeglasses (including repairs to lenses and frames) or laser eye correction surgery. Contact lenses or eyeglasses must be prescribed by an ophthalmologist or licensed optometrist and obtained from an ophthalmologist, licensed optometrist or optician. Laser eye correction surgery must be performed by an ophthalmologist.

We will cover 100% of these costs up to a maximum of \$300 per person in a benefit year. This maximum also includes the costs for services of an ophthalmologist or licensed optometrist, limited to 1 examination per person per 24 months.

The deductible does not apply to vision care expenses.

We will not pay for contact lenses, intraocular lenses following a cataract surgery, sunglasses, magnifying glasses, or safety glasses of any kind.

### What is not covered

We will not pay for the costs of:

- services or supplies payable or available (regardless of any waiting list) under any government-sponsored plan or program, except as described below under *Integration with government* programs.
- services or supplies to the extent that their costs exceed the reasonable and usual rates in the locality where the services or supplies are provided.
- equipment that Sun Life considers ineligible (examples of this

equipment are orthopaedic mattresses, exercise equipment, air-conditioning or air-purifying equipment, whirlpools and humidifiers).

- any services or supplies that are not usually provided to treat an illness, including experimental or investigational treatments.
   Experimental or investigational treatments mean treatments that are not approved by Health Canada or other government regulatory body for the general public.
- services or supplies that do not qualify as medical expenses under the Income Tax Act (Canada).
- services or supplies for which no charge would have been made in the absence of this coverage.

We will not pay benefits when the claim is for an illness resulting from:

- any work for which you were compensated that was not done for the employer who is providing this plan.
- participation in a criminal offence.

## Integration with government programs

This plan will integrate with benefits payable or available under the government-sponsored plan or program (the *government program*).

The covered expense under this plan is that portion of the expense that is not payable or available under the government program, regardless of:

- whether you have made an application to the government program,
- whether coverage under this plan affects your eligibility or entitlement to any benefits under the government program, or
- any waiting lists.

## When and how to make a claim

To make a claim, complete the claim form that is available from your employer or on our Sun Life Financial Plan Member Services website at <a href="https://www.mysunlife.ca">www.mysunlife.ca</a>

In order for you to receive benefits, we must receive the claim no later than:

- 365 days after the end of the benefit year you incur the expenses, or
- 90 days after the end of your Extended Health Care coverage, whichever is earlier.

### **Emergency Travel Assistance**

## General description of the coverage

The contract holder has the sole legal and financial liability for this benefit. Sun Life only acts as administrator on behalf of the contract holder.

In this section, *you* means the retiree and all dependants covered for Emergency Travel Assistance benefits.

If you are faced with a medical emergency when travelling outside of the province where you live, Europ Assistance USA, Inc. (*Europ Assistance*) can help.

*Emergency* means an acute illness or accidental injury that requires immediate, medically necessary treatment prescribed by a doctor.

This benefit, called **Medi-Passport**, supplements the emergency portion of your Extended Health Care coverage. It only covers emergency services that you obtain within 365 days of leaving the province where you live. If hospitalization occurs within this time period, in-patient services are covered until you are discharged.

The Medi-Passport coverage is subject to any maximum applicable to the emergency portion of the Extended Health Care benefit. Any expenses paid will apply towards your \$100,000 lifetime maximum benefit. The emergency services excluded from coverage, and all other conditions, limitations and exclusions applicable to your Extended Health Care coverage also apply to Medi-Passport.

We recommend that you bring your Travel card with you when you travel. It contains telephone numbers and the information needed to confirm your coverage and receive assistance.

### **Getting help**

At the time of an emergency, you or someone with you must contact Europ Assistance. If contact with Europ Assistance cannot be made before services are provided, contact with Europ Assistance must be made as soon as possible afterwards. If contact

is not made and emergency services are provided in circumstances where contact could reasonably have been made, then Sun Life has the right to deny or limit payments for all expenses related to that emergency.

Access to a fully staffed coordination centre is available 24 hours a day. Please consult the telephone numbers on the Travel card.

Europ Assistance may arrange for:

### On the spot medical assistance

Europ Assistance will provide referrals to physicians, pharmacists and medical facilities.

As soon as Europ Assistance is notified that you have a medical emergency, its staff, or a physician designated by Europ Assistance, will, when necessary, attempt to establish communications with the attending medical personnel to obtain an understanding of the situation and to monitor your condition. If necessary, Europ Assistance will also guarantee or advance payment of the expenses incurred to the provider of the medical service.

Europ Assistance will provide translation services in any major language that may be needed to communicate with local medical personnel.

Europ Assistance will transmit an urgent message from you to your home, business or other location. Europ Assistance will keep messages to be picked up in its offices for up to 15 days.

### or to a different medical facility

**Transportation home** Europ Assistance may determine, in consultation with an attending physician, that it is necessary for you to be transported under medical supervision to a different hospital or treatment facility or to be sent home.

> In these cases, Europ Assistance will arrange, guarantee, and if necessary, advance the payment for your transportation.

Sun Life or Europ Assistance, based on available medical evidence, will make the final decision whether you should be moved, when, how and to where you should be moved and what medical equipment,

supplies and personnel are needed.

## Meals and accommodations expenses

If your return trip is delayed or interrupted due to a medical emergency or the death of a person you are travelling with who is also covered by this benefit, Europ Assistance will arrange for your meals and accommodations at a commercial establishment. We will pay a maximum of \$150 a day for each person for up to 7 days.

Europ Assistance will arrange for meals and accommodations at a commercial establishment, if you have been hospitalized due to a medical emergency while away from the province where you live and have been released, but, in the opinion of Europ Assistance, are not yet able to travel. We will pay a maximum of \$150 a day for up to 5 days.

## Travel expenses home if stranded

Europ Assistance will arrange and, if necessary, advance funds for transportation to the province where you live:

- for you, if due to a medical emergency, you have lost the use of a ticket home because you or a dependant had to be hospitalized as an in-patient, transported to a medical facility or repatriated; or
- for a child who is under the age of 16, or mentally or physically handicapped, and left unattended while travelling with you when you are hospitalized outside the province where you live, due to a medical emergency.

If necessary, in the case of such a child, Europ Assistance will also make arrangements and advance funds for a qualified attendant to accompany them home. The attendant is subject to the approval of you or a member of your family.

We will pay a maximum of the cost of the transportation minus any redeemable portion of the original ticket.

## Travel expenses of family members

Europ Assistance will arrange and, if necessary, advance funds for one round-trip economy class ticket for a member of your immediate family to travel from their home to the place where you are hospitalized if you are hospitalized for more than 7 consecutive days, and:

you are travelling alone, or

• you are travelling only with a child who is under the age of 16 or mentally or physically handicapped.

We will pay a maximum of \$150 a day for the family member's meals and accommodations at a commercial establishment up to a maximum of 7 days.

### Repatriation

If you die while out of the province where you live, Europ Assistance will arrange for all necessary government authorizations and for the return of your remains, in a container approved for transportation, to the province where you live. We will pay a maximum of \$5,000 per return.

### Vehicle return

Europ Assistance will arrange and, if necessary, advance funds up to \$500 for the return of a private vehicle to the province where you live or a rental vehicle to the nearest appropriate rental agency if death or a medical emergency prevents you from returning the vehicle.

### Lost luggage or documents

If your luggage or travel documents become lost or stolen while you are travelling outside of the province where you live, Europ Assistance will attempt to assist you by contacting the appropriate authorities and by providing directions for the replacement of the luggage or documents.

## Coordination of coverage

You do not have to send claims for doctors' or hospital fees to your provincial medicare plan first. This way you receive your refund faster. Sun Life and Europ Assistance coordinate the whole process with most provincial plans and all insurers, and send you a cheque for the eligible expenses. Europ Assistance will ask you to sign a form authorizing them to act on your behalf.

If you are covered under this group plan and certain other plans, we will coordinate payments with the other plans in accordance with guidelines adopted by the Canadian Life and Health Insurance Association.

The plan from which you make the first claim will be responsible for managing and assessing the claim. It has the right to recover from the other plans the expenses that exceed its share.

### Limits on advances

Advances will not be made for requests of less than \$200. Requests in excess of \$200 will be made in full up to a maximum of \$10,000.

The maximum amount advanced will not exceed \$10,000 per person per trip unless this limit will compromise your medical care.

## Reimbursement of expenses

If, after obtaining confirmation from Europ Assistance that you are covered and a medical emergency exists, you pay for services or supplies that were eligible for advances, Sun Life will reimburse you.

To receive reimbursement, you must provide Sun Life with proof of the expenses within 30 days of returning to the province where you live. Your employer can provide you with the appropriate claim form.

## Your responsibility for advances

You will have to reimburse Sun Life for any of the following amounts advanced by Europ Assistance:

- any amounts which are or will be reimbursed to you by your provincial medicare plan.
- that portion of any amount which exceeds the maximum amount of your coverage under this plan.
- amounts paid for services or supplies not covered by this plan.
- amounts which are your responsibility, such as deductibles and the percentage of expenses payable by you.

Sun Life will bill you for any outstanding amounts. Payment will be due when the bill is received. You can choose to repay Sun Life over a 6 month period, with interest at an interest rate established by Sun Life from time to time. Interest rates may change over the 6 month period.

### Limits on Emergency Travel Assistance coverage

Europ Assistance is committed to offering coverage in all countries, although political unrest or disaster situations may prevent them from offering full services. We recommend you review the Government of Canada Travel Advisory website to see if there are travel alerts issued for countries that may limit Europ Assistance services during your trip.

Europ Assistance reserves the right to suspend, curtail or limit its

services in any area, without prior notice, because of:

- a rebellion, riot, military up-rising, war, labour disturbance, strike, nuclear accident or an act of God.
- the refusal of authorities in the country to permit Europ Assistance to fully provide service to the best of its ability during any such occurrence.

## Liability of Sun Life or Europ Assistance

Neither Sun Life nor Europ Assistance will be liable for the negligence or other wrongful acts or omissions of any physician or other health care professional providing direct services covered under this group plan.

### Life Coverage

General description of the coverage

Your Life coverage provides a benefit for your beneficiary if you die while covered.

Basic Life coverage for you

**Amount** Your Life benefit is \$10,000.

**Reduction** Your benefit will reduce on each subsequent retirement anniversary by \$1,000 to a maximum benefit of \$6,000 on the fifth anniversary of

retirement.

Who we will pay

If you die while covered, Sun Life will pay the full amount of your benefit to your last named beneficiary on file with Sun Life.

If you have not named a beneficiary, the benefit amount will be paid to your estate. Anyone can be your beneficiary. You can change your beneficiary at any time, unless a law prevents you from doing so or you indicate that the beneficiary is not to be changed.

A minor cannot personally receive a death benefit under the plan until reaching the age of majority. If you reside outside Québec and are designating a minor as your beneficiary, you may wish to designate someone to receive the death benefits during the time your beneficiary is a minor. If you reside outside Québec and have not designated a trustee, current legislation may require Sun Life to pay the death benefit to the court or to a guardian or public trustee. If you reside in Québec, the death benefit will be paid to the parent(s)/legal guardian of the minor on the minor's behalf. Alternatively, you may wish to designate the estate as beneficiary and provide a trustee with directions in your will. You are encouraged to consult a legal advisor.

Converting Life coverage

If your Life coverage ends or reduces for any reason other than your request, you may apply to convert the group Life coverage to an individual Life policy with Sun Life without providing proof of good health.

The request must be made within 31 days of the reduction or end of the Life coverage.

There are a number of rules and conditions in the group contract that apply to converting this coverage, including the maximum amount that can be converted. Please contact your employer for details.

## When and how to make a claim

Claims for Life benefits must be made as soon as reasonably possible. Contact your employer's HR department for the available claim forms.

### Respecting your privacy

At Sun Life Financial, protecting your privacy is a priority. We maintain a confidential file in our offices containing personal information about you and your contract(s) with us. Our files are kept for the purpose of providing you with investment and insurance products or services that will help you meet your lifetime financial objectives. Access to your personal information is restricted to those employees, representatives and third party service providers who are responsible for the administration, processing and servicing of your contract(s) with us, our reinsurers or any other person whom you authorize. In some instances these persons may be located outside Canada, and your personal information may be subject to the laws of those foreign jurisdictions. You are entitled to consult the information contained in our file and, if applicable, to have it corrected by sending a written request to us.

### You have a choice

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