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your group benefits

OAKVILLE

The Corporation of the Town of Oakville

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The Basic Accidental Death and Dismemberment benefit is insured by ACE INA Insurance

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Name:

Identification Number:

Personal Identification Number (PIN) or password _____ . This is used when telephoning to inquire about your claims history. Please note this is unique to you and should be kept confidential.

Sun Life Medical and Dental inquiries:

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General Information

The information contained in this section applies only to benefits for which Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada is the insurer or plan administrator.

About this booklet

The information in this employee 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 employee benefits booklet, or you need additional information about your group benefits, please contact your employer.

The contract holder, The Corporation of the Town of Oakville, self-insures the following benefits:

- Extended Health Care
- Dental Care
- Emergency Travel Assistance
- Health Spending Account

This means that The Corporation of the Town of Oakville plays a role similar to that of an insurance company for its employees. The Corporation of the Town of Oakville has the sole legal and financial liability for the benefits listed above and funds the claims from its net

income, retained earnings or other financial resources. Sun Life provides administrative services only (ASO) such as claims processing. All other benefits are insured by Sun Life.

Eligibility

To be eligible for group benefits, you must be a resident of Canada and meet the following conditions:

- you have a contract with your employer for a minimum of two years
- you are actively working for your employer at least 35 hours a week.
- you have completed the waiting period.**

**If your contract is renewed after the first year, the waiting period will be waived. Contract staff with an initial contract duration of two or more years must satisfy the waiting period.

The waiting period for your group plan ends on the last day of the month in which you have completed 3 months of continuous employment.

We consider you to be actively working if you are performing all the usual and customary duties of your job with your employer for the scheduled number of hours for that day. This includes scheduled non-working days and any period of continuous paid vacation of up to 3 months if you were actively working on the last scheduled working day. We do not consider you to be actively at work if you are receiving disability benefits or are participating in a partial disability or rehabilitation program.

Your dependents become eligible for coverage on the date you become eligible or the date they first become your dependent, whichever is later. You must apply for coverage for yourself in order for your dependents to be eligible.

Who qualifies as your dependent

Your dependent must be your spouse or your child and a resident of Canada.

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 has been publicly represented as your spouse for at least the last year, is an eligible dependent. You can only cover one spouse at a time.

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

- working less than 30 hours a week, or
- working 30 hours or more a week, provided that they are attending an educational institution recognized under the Income Tax Act (Canada) at least 15 hours a week.

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.

Enrolment

You have to enrol to receive coverage. To enrol, you must request coverage in writing by supplying the appropriate enrolment information to your employer. For a dependent to receive coverage, you must request dependent coverage.

If you or your dependents are covered for comparable Extended Health Care or Dental Care coverage under this or another group plan, you may refuse this coverage under this plan. If, at a later date, the other coverage ends, you can enrol for coverage under this plan at that time.

When coverage begins

Your coverage begins on the date you become eligible for coverage.

If you are not actively working on the date coverage would normally begin, your coverage will not begin until you return to active work.

Dependent coverage begins on the date your coverage begins or the date you first have an eligible dependent, whichever is later.

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

Once you have dependent coverage, any subsequent dependents will be covered automatically.

If there are additional conditions for a particular benefit, these conditions will appear in the appropriate benefit section later in this booklet.

Changes affecting your coverage

From time to time, there may be circumstances that change your coverage.

For example, your employment status may change, or your employer may change the group contract. Any resulting change in the coverage will take effect on the first day of the month following the date of the change in circumstances.

The following exceptions apply if the result of the change is an increase in coverage:

- if proof of good health is required, the change cannot take effect before Sun Life approves the proof of good health.
- if you are not actively working when the change occurs or when Sun Life approves proof of good health, the change cannot take effect before you return to active work.
- if a dependent, other than a newborn child, is hospitalized on the date when the change occurs, the change in the dependent's coverage cannot take effect before the dependent is discharged 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 dependents.
- change of name.
- change of beneficiary.

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

As an employee, your coverage will end on the earlier of the following dates:

- the date your employment ends or the last day of the month in which you retire.

- the date you are no longer actively working.
- the end of the period for which premiums have been paid to Sun Life for your coverage.
- the date the group contract ends.

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

- the date your coverage ends.
- the date the dependent is no longer an eligible dependent.
- the end of the period for which premiums have been paid for dependent coverage.

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 employee benefits booklet.

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.

If such legislation or guidelines require that Sun Life resume paying certain benefits because of a recurrence of an employee's total disability, Sun Life will resume payment at the same amount and for the remainder of the maximum benefit period.

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 for insured benefits

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 dependents are covered for Extended Health Care or Dental 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. If the person is an employee 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 employee.
  - the plan where the person is covered as a retiree.
- the plan where the person is covered as a dependent.

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 dependents have.

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

Medical examination

We can require you to have a medical examination if you make a claim for benefits. We will pay for the cost of the examination. If you fail or refuse to have this examination, we will not pay any benefit.

Recovering overpayments

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 employee 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.

Basic earnings

Basic earnings are the salary you receive from your employer excluding any bonus, overtime or incentive pay.

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

Illness 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.

Retirement date If you are totally disabled, your retirement date is the end of the month in which you reach age 65, unless you have actually retired before then.

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Extended Health Care
(Medicare Supplement)

Plan administrator

This benefit is administered by Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada.

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 employee and all dependents 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

There is no deductible for this coverage.

Lifetime maximum benefit

Under Extended Health Care, the maximum amount we will pay for any person is $1,000,000. For out of province and out of Canada emergency, the maximum amount we will pay for any person is $1,000,000.

There is an automatic reinstatement each benefit year of up to $1,000 of benefits paid but not previously reinstated.

(Tier 1) Prescription drugs – TELUS Health Solutions National Formulary

We will cover 100% 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.

- selected drugs and supplies that are therapeutically useful and cost effective, and listed in the TELUS Health Solutions National Formulary.
- compounded preparations, provided that the principal active ingredient is an eligible expense and has a DIN.
- intrauterine devices (IUDs) and diaphragms.
- colostomy supplies.
- varicose vein injections.

Payments for any single purchase are limited to quantities that can reasonably be used in a 34 day period or, in the case of certain maintenance drugs, in a 100 day period as ordered by a doctor.

(Tier 2) Prescription drugs – Plan 84

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.
- injectable drugs and vitamins.
- compounded preparations, provided that the principal active ingredient is an eligible expense and has a DIN.
- diabetic supplies, including lancets.

- products to help a person quit smoking that legally require a prescription, up to a lifetime maximum of $500 for each person.
- drugs for the treatment of infertility, up to a lifetime maximum of $2,500 for each person.
- intrauterine devices (IUDs) and diaphragms.
- colostomy supplies.
- varicose vein injections.

Payments for any single purchase are limited to quantities that can reasonably be used in a 34 day period or, in the case of certain maintenance drugs, in a 100 day period as ordered by a doctor.

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

- vaccines.
- infant formulas (milk and milk substitutes), minerals, proteins, vitamins and collagen treatments.
- the cost of giving injections, serums and vaccines.
- treatments for weight loss, including drugs, proteins and food or dietary supplements.
- hair growth stimulants.
- oral drugs for the treatment of sexual dysfunction.
- Norplant.
- 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 government-funded clinic or treatment facility.

Dispensing fee

Eligible expenses for the dispensing fee are limited to $11.99 for each prescription or refill.

Drug substitution limit

Charges in excess of the lowest priced equivalent drug are not covered unless the doctor specifies in writing that no substitution for the prescribed drug may be made.

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.

Hospital expenses in your province

We will cover 100% of the costs of out-patient services in a hospital in the province where you live, except for any services explicitly excluded under this benefit.

We will also cover the cost of room and board in a convalescent hospital if this care has been ordered by a doctor as long as:

- it follows at least 3 consecutive days of in-patient hospitalization,
- it begins within 14 days of release from the hospital, and
- it is primarily for rehabilitation.

The maximum amount payable is $20 per day up to a maximum of 180 days for treatment of an illness due to the same or related causes.

For purposes of this plan, a *convalescent hospital* is a facility licensed to provide convalescent care and treatment for sick or injured patients on an in-patient basis. Nursing and medical 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 or a facility for treating alcohol or drug abuse.

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 alcohol or drug abuse or beds set aside for any of these purposes in a hospital.

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:

- other hospital services provided outside of Canada.
- out-patient services in a hospital.
- the services of a doctor.

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.

We will only cover emergency services obtained within 60 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.

Medical services and equipment

We will cover 100% of the costs for the medical services listed below when ordered by a doctor (the services of a licensed optometrist, ophthalmologist or dentist do not require a doctor's order).

Contact Sun Life for confirmation regarding eligibility and frequency. It is recommended that an estimate be submitted for expenses greater than $200.

- 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. Expenses incurred outside Canada for emergency services will be paid based on the conditions specified above for emergency services under *Expenses out of your province*.

- transportation in a licensed air ambulance, if medically necessary, that takes you to the nearest hospital that provides the necessary emergency services. Expenses incurred outside Canada for emergency services will be paid based on the conditions specified above for emergency services under *Expenses out of your province*.

- laboratory tests performed by a commercial laboratory for the diagnosis of an illness. Tests performed in a doctor's office or pharmacy are not covered.

- 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 employee lives. The guide must be the current guide at the time that treatment is received.

- services of an ophthalmologist or licensed optometrist, up to a maximum of $50 per person over 2 benefit years.
- wigs following chemotherapy or Alopecia Totalis, up to a maximum of $400 per person in any 24 month period, when ordered by a doctor.
- equipment rented, or purchased at our request, that is for temporary therapeutic use.
- casts, splints, trusses, braces or crutches.
- breast prostheses required as a result of surgery, up to a maximum of $200 per person in a benefit year.
- surgical bras up to a maximum of 2 per person in a benefit year.
- artificial limbs and eyes, excluding myoelectric appliances.
- stump socks, up to a maximum of 5 pairs per person in a benefit year.
- elastic support stockings, including pressure gradient hose, up to a maximum of 2 pairs per person in a benefit year.
- custom-made orthotic inserts for shoes, when prescribed by a doctor, podiatrist or chiropodist, up to a maximum of $350 per person in a benefit year.
- hearing aids prescribed by an ear, nose and throat specialist, up to a maximum of $500 per person over a period of 4 benefit years. Repairs are included in this maximum.
- radiotherapy or coagulotherapy.
- oxygen, plasma and blood transfusions.

- glucometers prescribed by a diabetologist or a specialist in internal medicine, up to a lifetime maximum of $700 per person.

Paramedical services

We will cover 80% of the costs, up to a combined maximum of $750 per person per benefit year for all paramedical specialists listed below:

- licensed psychologists, when ordered by a doctor.
- licensed massage therapists, when ordered by a doctor.
- licensed speech therapists, when ordered by a doctor.
- licensed physiotherapists.
- licensed naturopaths.
- licensed acupuncturists, when ordered by a doctor.
- licensed osteopaths or osteopathic practitioners, including a maximum of one x-ray examination each benefit year. The cost of x-ray examinations are not included in the benefit year maximum.
- licensed chiropractors, including a maximum of one x-ray examination each benefit year. The cost of x-ray examinations are not included in the benefit year maximum.
- licensed podiatrists or chiropodists, including a maximum of one x-ray examination each benefit year. The cost of x-ray examinations are not included in the benefit year maximum.

We will not pay for the cost of services rendered by a podiatrist in Ontario unless they are performed after the provincial medicare plan has paid its annual maximum benefit.

Vision care

We will cover the costs for:

- contact lenses or eyeglasses, including replacement lenses and/or frames and tinting of lenses, and prescription sunglasses and

safety glasses, prescribed by an ophthalmologist or licensed optometrist and obtained from an ophthalmologist, licensed optometrist or optician.

- services of an ophthalmologist or licensed optometrist.
- laser eye correction surgery performed by an ophthalmologist.

We will cover 100% of these costs, up to a maximum of $300 per person in any 24 month period.

We will also cover the cost of contact lenses for special conditions such as severe corneal astigmatism, severe corneal scarring, keratoconus (conical cornea), aphakia or when acuity in the better eye cannot be improved to at least 20/40 with glasses, up to a lifetime maximum of $600 for each person.

We will not pay for magnifying glasses of any kind.

When coverage ends

Extended Health Care coverage will end on the last day of the month in which the employee retires or reaches age 65, whichever is earlier.

Coverage may also end on an earlier date, as specified in *General Information*.

Payments after coverage ends

If you are totally disabled when your coverage ends, benefits will continue for expenses that result from the illness that caused the total disability if the expenses are incurred:

- during the uninterrupted period of total disability,
- within 90 days of the end of coverage, and
- while this provision is in force.

For the purpose of this provision, an employee is totally disabled if prevented by illness from performing any occupation the employee is or may become reasonably qualified for by education, training or experience, and a dependent is totally disabled if prevented by illness from performing the dependent's normal activities.

If the Extended Health Care benefit terminates, you will still be covered for procedures to repair natural teeth damaged by an accidental blow if the accident occurred while you were covered, and the procedure is performed within 6 months after the date of the accident.

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, humidifiers, and equipment used to treat seasonal affective disorders).
- any services or supplies that are not usually provided to treat an illness, including experimental treatments.
- services or supplies for which no charge would have been made in the absence of this coverage.
- tens machine.
- stimulators and supplies.
- abdominal spinal and wrists supports.

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

- the hostile action of any armed forces, insurrection or participation in a riot or civil commotion.

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

We will also not pay benefits when compensation is available under a Workplace Safety and Insurance Board, Criminal Injuries Compensation Act or similar legislation.

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.

In order for you to receive benefits, we must receive the claim no later than 90 days after the earlier of:

- the end of the benefit year during which you incur the expenses, or
- the end of your Extended Health Care coverage.

Emergency Travel Assistance

Plan administrator

This benefit is administered by Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada.

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 employee and all dependents 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 60 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. 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.

Transportation home or to a different medical facility

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 dependent 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

There are countries where Europ Assistance is not currently available for various reasons. For the latest information, please call Europ Assistance before your departure.

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.

Dental Care

Plan administrator

This benefit is administered by Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada.

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 employee and all dependents covered for Dental Care benefits.

Dental Care coverage pays for eligible expenses that you incur for dental procedures provided by a licensed dentist, denturist, dental hygienist and anaesthetist while you are covered by this group plan.

For each dental procedure, we will only cover reasonable expenses. We will not cover more than the fee stated in the Dental Association Fee Guide for general practitioners in the province where the employee lives which was current one year prior to the date the eligible expenses were incurred, regardless of where the treatment is received.

Services provided by a board qualified specialist in endodontics, prosthodontics, oral surgery, periodontics, paedodontics or orthodontics whose dental practice is limited to that speciality are limited to the amount payable under the Fee Guide for general practitioners.

When deciding what we will pay for a procedure, we will first find out if other or alternate procedures could have been done. These alternate procedures must be part of usual and accepted dental work and must obtain as adequate a result as the procedure that the dentist performed. We will not pay more than the reasonable cost of the least expensive alternate procedure.

For an implant related crown or prosthesis, we will pay the benefit that

would have been payable under this plan for a tooth supported crown or a non implant related prosthesis, respectively. We will take into account any limitations that would have applied if there had been no implant. All other expenses related to implants, including surgery charges, are not covered.

If you receive any temporary dental service, it will be included as part of the final dental procedure used to correct the problem and not as a separate procedure. The fee for the permanent service will be used to determine the usual and reasonable charge for the final dental service.

An expense must be claimed for the benefit year in which the expense is incurred. You incur an expense on the date your dentist performs a single appointment procedure. For procedures which take more than one appointment, you incur an expense once the entire procedure is completed.

The benefit year is from January 1 to December 31.

Deductible

There is no deductible for this coverage.

Benefit year maximum

We will not pay more than:

- $2,000 per person for each benefit year for Preventive and Basic dental procedures combined.
- $2,000 per person for each benefit year for Major dental procedures.

Predetermination

We suggest that you send us an estimate, before the work is done, for any major treatment or any procedure that will cost more than $200. You should send us a completed dental claim form that shows the treatment that the dentist is planning and the cost. Both you and the dentist will have to complete parts of the claim form. We will tell you how much of the planned treatment is covered. This way you will know how much of the cost you will be responsible for before the work is done.

Preventive dental procedures

Your dental benefits include the following procedures used to help prevent dental problems. They are procedures that a dentist performs regularly to help maintain good dental health.

We will pay 100% of the eligible expenses for these procedures.

Oral examinations

1 complete examination every 36 months.

1 recall examination every 9 months.

Emergency or specific examinations.

X-rays

1 complete series of x-rays or 1 panorex every 36 months.

1 set of bitewing x-rays every 9 months.

X-rays to diagnose a symptom or examine progress of a particular course of treatment.

Other services

Required consultations between two dentists.

Polishing (cleaning of teeth) once every 9 months.

Topical fluoride treatment once every 9 months for children under the age of 18.

Emergency or palliative services.

Diagnostic tests and laboratory examinations.

Removal of impacted teeth and related anaesthesia.

Provision of space maintainers for missing primary teeth.

Pit and fissure sealants.

Oral hygiene instruction once per lifetime.

Basic dental procedures

Your dental benefits include the following procedures used to treat basic dental problems.

We will pay 100% of the eligible expenses for these procedures.

Fillings Amalgam, composite, acrylic or equivalent.

Extraction of teeth Removal of teeth, except removal of impacted teeth (*Preventive dental procedures*).

Basic restorations Prefabricated metal restorations and repairs to prefabricated metal restorations, other than in conjunction with the placement of permanent crowns.

Endodontics Root canal therapy and root canal fillings, treatment of disease of the pulp tissue and chemical bleaching of teeth.

Periodontics Treatment of disease of the gum and other supporting tissue, excluding temporomandibular joint (TMJ) treatment.

Occlusal equilibration, 8 units every 12 months.

Scaling and root planing **Tartar removal.** Scaling means removing calcium deposits above and below the gum line. Root planing is the final smoothing of rough tooth surfaces and removing any remaining calcium deposits.

You are covered for up to 8 units of 15 minutes of tartar removal in a benefit year.

Oral surgery Surgery and related anaesthesia, including transplantation of erupted teeth, other than: removal of impacted teeth (*Preventive dental procedures*), implants, transplants of unerupted teeth and repositioning of the jaw.

Major dental procedures

Your dental benefits include the following procedures used to treat major dental problems.

We will pay 75% of the eligible expenses for these procedures.

Major restorations Inlays and onlays. Crowns and repairs to crowns, other than prefabricated metal restorations (*Basic dental procedures*).

Repair Repair of bridges.

Prosthodontics

Construction and insertion of bridges. Charges for a replacement bridge are not considered an eligible expense during the 5 year period following the construction or insertion of a previous bridge unless:

- it is needed to replace a bridge which has caused temporomandibular joint disturbances and which cannot be economically modified to correct the condition.
- it is needed to replace a bridge due to an accidental injury.

Diagnostic casts.

When coverage ends

Dental Care coverage will end on the last day of the month in which the employee retires or reaches age 65, whichever is earlier.

Coverage may also end on an earlier date, as specified in *General Information*.

Payments after coverage ends

If the Dental Care benefit terminates, you will still be covered for procedures to repair natural teeth damaged by an accidental blow if the accident occurred while you were covered, and the procedure is performed within 6 months after the date of the accident.

What is not covered

We will not pay for services or supplies payable or available (regardless of any waiting list) under any government-sponsored plan or program unless explicitly listed as covered under this benefit.

We will not pay for services or supplies that are not usually provided to treat a dental problem.

We will not pay for:

- procedures performed primarily to improve appearance.
- the replacement of dental appliances that are lost, misplaced or stolen.
- charges for appointments that you do not keep.

- charges for completing claim forms.
- services or supplies for which no charge would have been made in the absence of this coverage.
- supplies usually intended for sport or home use, for example, mouthguards.
- procedures or supplies used in full mouth reconstructions (capping all of the teeth in the mouth), vertical dimension corrections (changing the way the teeth meet) including attrition (worn down teeth), alteration or restoration of occlusion (building up and restoring the bite), or for the purpose of prosthetic splinting (capping teeth and joining teeth together to provide additional support).
- transplants, and repositioning of the jaw.
- experimental treatments.

We will also not pay for dental work resulting from:

- the hostile action of any armed forces, insurrection or participation in a riot or civil commotion.
- teeth malformed at birth or during development.
- participation in a criminal offence.

We will also not pay benefits when compensation is available under a Workplace Safety and Insurance Board, Criminal Injuries Compensation Act or similar legislation.

When and how to make a claim

To make a claim, complete the claim form that is available from your employer. The dentist will have to complete a section of the form.

In order for you to receive benefits, we must receive a claim no later than 90 days after the earlier of:

- the end of the benefit year during which you incur the expenses,

or

- the end of your Dental Care coverage.

We can require that you give us the dentist's statement of the treatment received, pre-treatment x-rays and any additional information that we consider necessary.

Health Spending Account

Plan administrator

This benefit is administered by Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada.

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.

Your Health Spending Account coverage pays for services or supplies described in this section under *Eligible expenses*.

An expense is incurred on the date the services are received or the supplies are purchased or rented. Eligible expenses incurred by a dependent are also covered. Coverage applies only to expenses incurred after the employee becomes covered under the Health Spending Account and before the date the Health Spending Account ends.

A dependent is any person for whom you may claim a medical expense tax credit on your federal tax return in the taxation year. For example, this could include members of your extended family, such as your parents, grandparents or grandchildren.

The benefit year is from January 1 to December 31.

How your Health Spending Account works

Your Health Spending Account works like an expense account. Your employer will allocate plan credits to your account in the manner described under *Plan credits*.

Each time you submit a Health Spending Account claim, either for yourself or for a dependent, you will be reimbursed for eligible expenses, up to the balance of your account. Expenses incurred in one benefit year cannot be covered by credits received in the following benefit year.

Credits can only be used to provide reimbursement for eligible expenses. Under the Income Tax Act, the definition of eligible expenses is quite wide. These expenses are shown below. Credits cannot be cashed out and will be lost unless used. You can avoid the loss of credits by using them before the end of the benefit year following the benefit year in which they have been allocated to your account, and before any earlier termination of this benefit or your coverage.

There are a number of reasons why Health Spending Account is tax-effective for you. Eligible expenses are specifically limited to expenses not covered under another plan or under another benefit of this plan. If you paid for these expenses on your own, you would have to use expensive "after-tax" dollars. On the other hand, your Health Spending Account is sheltered from federal and provincial (except Québec) income tax. In most circumstances, this means that when you use plan credits to pay for expenses, you are using less expensive "pre-tax" dollars. The result is extra savings for you.

Continuation of coverage for dependents

The Health Spending Account is set up under the employee's name, and there cannot be any continuation of coverage for dependents after the employee's death. Only expenses incurred before the employee's death can be covered under the employee's Health Spending Account.

Plan credits

$450 on the commencement of each benefit year

Eligible expenses

Coverage includes the following items provided they qualify as tax deductible medical expenses under the Income Tax Act (Canada) **and** are not payable under any other private or government plan. If the list of items qualifying as tax deductible medical expenses under the Income Tax Act (Canada) is changed, this plan is automatically updated to reflect the changes.

Drugs

- drugs, medications or other preparations or substances prescribed by a licensed medical practitioner or dentist.

Eyeglasses

- eyeglasses or other devices for the treatment or correction of a patient's vision defect, as prescribed by a medical practitioner or an optometrist.

Deductibles and coinsurances

- deductible and coinsurance amounts under medical or dental plans.

Licensed practitioners (fee for services)

- acupuncturists (must be a licensed medical practitioner), chiropodists, podiatrists, chiropractors, Christian Science practitioners, naturopaths, nurses, optometrists, osteopaths, physiotherapists, practical nurses, psychoanalysts, psychologists, speech therapists (where therapy involves pathology or audiology), therapeutists.

Dental care

- preventative, diagnostic, restorative, orthodontic and therapeutic care.

Attendant care

- remuneration for a full-time attendant, or for the cost of full-time care in a nursing home, of a patient who has a severe and prolonged mental or physical impairment; the condition must be certified by a medical doctor or an optometrist, where applicable; an impairment is considered severe and prolonged if it markedly restricts daily activities and can reasonably be expected to last for a continuous period of at least 12 months.

- remuneration for a full-time attendant if the patient lives in a self-contained domestic establishment (for example, his home); a doctor must certify that the patient is likely to be dependent on others for his personal needs by reason of physical or mental infirmity that is of indefinite duration.

Facilities

- amounts paid to a nursing home for the full-time care of a patient who, due to a lack of normal mental capacity, will be dependent upon others at that time and for the foreseeable future.

- payments to a special school, institution or other place for care, training, or use of equipment, facilities or personnel, with regard to a mentally or physically handicapped individual; an "appropriately qualified person" must certify the individual and his or her special requirements.

Hospitals

- payments to a public or licensed private hospital.

Devices and supplies

- artificial eyes.
- artificial limbs.
- crutches.
- cloth diapers, disposable briefs, catheters, catheter trays, tubing or other products required by the patient by reason of incontinence caused by illness, injury or affliction.
- device or equipment, including a replacement part, designed exclusively for use by an individual who is suffering from a severe chronic respiratory ailment or a severe chronic immune system disregulation, including the cost of an air conditioner (covered at 50% up to a maximum of $1,000), air or water filter, electric or sealed combustion furnace purchased to replace another furnace (which was not an electric or a sealed combustion furnace), but excluding a humidifier, dehumidifier, heat pump or heat or air exchanger.
- device or equipment designed to pace or monitor the heart of an individual who suffers from heart disease.
- device designed exclusively to enable an individual with a mobility impairment to operate a vehicle.
- device or equipment, including a synthetic speech system, Braille printer and large print-on-screen device, designed exclusively to be used by a blind individual in the operation of a computer.
- device to decode special television signals to permit the vocal portion of the signal to be visually displayed.
- device designed to be attached to infants diagnosed as being prone to sudden infant death syndrome in order to sound an alarm if the infant ceases to breathe.
- electronic speech synthesizer that enables a mute individual to communicate by use of a portable keyboard.

- electronic or computerized environmental control system designed exclusively for the use of an individual with a severe and prolonged mobility restriction.
- external breast prosthesis that is required because of a mastectomy.
- extremity pump or elastic support hose designed exclusively to relieve swelling caused by chronic lymphedema.
- hearing aids.
- hospital bed, including attachments to it that may have been included in a prescription.
- ileostomy or colostomy pads.
- inductive coupling osteogenesis stimulator for treating non-union of fractures or aiding in bone fusion.
- infusion pump, including disposable peripherals, used in the treatment of diabetes or a device designed to enable a diabetic to measure his or her blood sugar level.
- insulin.
- iron lung.
- kidney machines.
- laryngeal speaking aids.
- limb braces.
- mechanical device or equipment designed to be used to assist an individual to enter or leave a bathtub or shower, or to get on or off a toilet.
- needle or syringe.
- optical scanner or similar device designed to be used by blind

individuals to enable them to read print.

- orthopaedic shoe or boot, or an insert for a shoe or boot, made to order for an individual in accordance with a prescription to overcome a physical disability of the individual.
- oxygen tent or equipment.
- power-operated lifts designed exclusively for use by disabled individuals to allow them access to different levels of a building or assist them to gain access to a vehicle, or to place wheelchairs in or on a vehicle.
- rocking bed for poliomyelitis victims.
- spinal braces.
- teletypewriter or similar device, including a telephone ringing indicator, that enables a deaf or mute individual to receive telephone calls.
- truss for a hernia.
- walkers.
- wheelchairs.
- wig made to order for an individual who has suffered abnormal hair loss owing to disease, medical treatment or accident.

Other

- costs of acquisition, care and maintenance (including food and veterinary care) of an animal, specially trained to assist a patient who is blind or profoundly deaf or has a severe and prolonged impairment that markedly restricts the use of arms or legs (the animal must be provided by a person or an organization, one of whose main purposes is such training of animals). In addition, travelling, board, and lodging expenses, while in full-time attendance at a training institution, are allowable.
- costs of medical services and supplies outside of the province of

residence.

- diagnostic, laboratory and radiological procedures or services used for maintaining health, preventing disease or assisting in diagnosis.
- modifications to a home for a person who lacks normal physical development or who is confined to a wheelchair, to enable the person to be functional or mobile.
- reasonable expenses to locate a donor for a bone marrow or organ transplant and, reasonable travelling, board and lodging expenses of the donor and the patient in respect of the transplant.
- transportation by ambulance to or from public or licensed private hospital for the patient.
- transportation expenses paid to an individual who is in the business of providing transportation services to transport the patient and one additional person (if necessary as certified by a medical practitioner) provided:
  - equivalent medical services are not available locally.
  - the route is reasonably direct.
  - the medical treatment sought is reasonable and the distance travelled is at least 40 kilometres.
- reasonable expenses for meals and accommodation for the patient and, if required, the accompanying individual, provided the conditions for transportation expenses are satisfied and the distance travelled is at least 80 kilometres.
- reasonable expenses relating to rehabilitative therapy, including training in lip reading and sign language, incurred to adjust for the patient's hearing or speech loss.

When coverage ends

Health Spending Account coverage will end on the last day of the month in which the employee retires or reaches age 65, whichever is

earlier. Coverage may also end on an earlier date, as specified in *General Information*.

Other coverage

If you or your eligible dependents have coverage under another plan, you should submit your claims to the other plan first. Once benefits have been determined under the other plan, you can submit any unpaid portion of the claim for payment from your Health Spending Account.

When and how to make a claim

To make a claim, complete the claim form that is available from your employer.

In order for you to receive benefits, we must receive the claim no later than 90 days after the earlier of:

- the end of the benefit year during which you incur the expenses, or
- the end of your Health Spending Account coverage.

Life Coverage

Insurer

This benefit is insured by Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada.

General description of the coverage

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

Life coverage for you

Amount

Your Life benefit is $50,000.

Coverage ends

Your coverage will end on the last day of the month in which you retire or reach age 65, whichever is earlier. Coverage may also end on an earlier date, as specified in *General Information*.

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. Claim forms are available from your employer.

Basic Accidental Death and Dismemberment

Insurer ***This benefit is insured by ACE INA Insurance***

COVERAGE

The plan offers you full 24-hour protection against accidents, on or off the job, on business, on vacation, at home, regardless of your health history.

ELIGIBILITY

All active, Standard Contract Staff of the policyholder who have completed 3 months of continuous service, under age 65.

BENEFIT AMOUNT

Flat $50,000

Benefits terminate on the last day of the month immediately following the Insured Person's 65th birthday.

In the event of your death, the benefit amount is payable to the beneficiary you have named under your Group Life Insurance Plan or in the absence of such designation, to your Estate.

Schedule of Losses

Accidental Death & Dismemberment

If such injuries shall result in any one of the following specific losses within one year from the date of the accident, ACE INA Life Insurance will pay the percentage of the benefit amount, based on the amount stated under the benefit amount section, however, that not more than one (the largest) of such benefits shall be paid with respect to injuries resulting from one accident.

	Percentage of Benefit Amount
Loss of Life	100%
Loss of Both Hands or Both Feet	100%
Loss of Entire Sight of Both Eyes	100%

Loss of One Hand and One Foot	100%
Loss of One Hand and Entire Sight of One Eye	100%
Loss of One Foot and Entire Sight of One Eye	100%
Loss of Speech and Hearing in Both Ears	100%
Brain Death	100%
Loss of Use of Both Arms, Both Hands, Both Legs or Both Feet	200%
Quadriplegia	200%
Paraplegia	200%
Hemiplegia	200%
Loss of One Arm or One Leg	75%
Loss of Use of One Arm or One Leg	75%
Loss of One Hand or One Foot	66 2/3%
Loss of Entire Sight of One Eye	66 2/3%
Loss of Use of One Hand or One Foot	66 2/3%
Loss of Speech or Hearing in Both Ears	66 2/3%
Loss of Thumb and Index Finger of Same Hand	33 1/3%
Loss of Four Fingers of Same Hand	33 1/3%
Loss of Hearing in One Ear	25%
Loss of All Toes of Same Foot	12 1/2%

"Loss" shall mean with respect to hand or foot, the actual severance through or above the wrist or ankle joint; with respect to arm or leg, the actual severance through or above the elbow or knee joint; with respect to eye, the total and irrecoverable loss of sight; with respect to speech, the total and irrecoverable loss of speech which does not allow audible communication in any degree; with respect to hearing, the total and irrecoverable loss of hearing which cannot be corrected by any hearing aid or device; with respect to thumb and index finger, the actual severance through or above the first phalange; with respect to fingers, the actual severance through or above the first phalange of all four fingers of the same hand; with regard to toes, the actual severance of both phalanges of all toes of the same foot If an Insured Person suffers complete severance of a hand, foot, arm or leg as described above, then ACE INA Life Insurance will pay the amount specified in the Schedule of Losses even if the severed limb is surgically reattached, whether successful or not.

"Loss" as used with reference to quadriplegia (paralysis of both upper and lower limbs), paraplegia (paralysis of both lower limbs), and hemiplegia (total paralysis of upper and lower limbs of one side of the body), means the complete and irrecoverable paralysis of such limbs.

"Loss of Use" shall mean the total and irrecoverable loss of function of an arm, hand, or leg provided such loss of function is continuous for twelve consecutive months and such loss of

function is thereafter determined on evidence satisfactory to ACE INA Life Insurance to be permanent.

"Brain Death" means irreversible unconsciousness with total loss of brain function; and complete absence of electrical activity of the brain, even though the heart is still beating.

Repatriation Benefit

When injuries covered by this plan result in a loss of life outside one hundred (100) kilometers from your city of permanent residence or outside Canada and the loss of life occurs within 365 days from the date of the accident, ACE INA Life Insurance will pay the actual expense incurred for preparing the deceased for burial and shipment of the body to the city of residence of the deceased, but not to exceed $15,000.

Rehabilitation Benefit

When injuries result in a payment being made by ACE INA Life Insurance under any benefit excluding the Loss of Life Benefit, ACE INA Life Insurance will also pay the reasonable and necessary expenses actually incurred up to a limit of $15,000 for special training provided:

(a) such training is required because of such injuries and in order for you to become qualified to engage in an occupation in which you would not have been engaged except for such injuries;
(b) expenses are to be incurred within three years from the date of the accident;
(c) no payment will be made for ordinary living, travelling, or clothing expenses.

Family Transportation Benefit

When injuries result in your confinement as an in-patient in a hospital outside one hundred and fifty (150) kilometers from your city of permanent residence or outside Canada and requires personal attendance of a member of your immediate family as recommended by the attending physician, in writing, ACE INA Life Insurance will pay for the expense incurred by your family member, for the transportation by the most direct route by a licensed common carrier to you, while confined, but not to exceed an amount of $15,000.

"Member of your immediate family" means your spouse, (legal or common-law), parents, grandparents, children over age 18, brother, or sister.

Spousal Occupational Training Benefit

When injuries to you result in a payment being made by ACE INA Life Insurance under the Loss of Life Benefit, ACE INA Life Insurance will pay in addition, the expenses actually incurred, within three years from the date of the accident, by your spouse for a formal occupation training program for the purpose of specifically qualifying your spouse to gain active employment in an

occupation for which your spouse would otherwise not have sufficient qualifications. The maximum payable hereunder is $15,000.

Home Alteration and Vehicle Modification Benefit

In the event you sustain an injury which results in a payment being made under the Schedule of Losses, excluding the Loss of Life Benefit, and such injury subsequently requires the use of a wheelchair to be ambulatory, ACE INA Life Insurance will pay the reasonable and necessary expenses actually incurred within 365 days from the date of the accident for:

1. the one-time cost of alterations to your principal residence to make it wheelchair accessible and habitable; and
2. the one-time cost of modifications necessary to a motor vehicle utilized by you to make the vehicle accessible or driveable for you.

Benefit payments herein will not be paid unless:

(i) home alterations are made by a person or persons experienced in such alterations and recommended by a recognized organization, providing support and assistance to wheelchair users; and

(ii) vehicle modifications are carried out by a person or persons with experience in such matters and modifications are approved by the Provincial vehicle licensing authorities.

The maximum amount payable under both items 1 and 2 shall be the greater of $15,000 or 10% of your benefit amount to a maximum of $50,000.

Day Care Benefit

If you suffer a loss of life in a covered accident while the policy is in force, ACE INA Life Insurance will pay, in addition to all other benefits payable under the policy a "Day Care Benefit" equal to the reasonable and necessary expenses actually incurred, subject to the lesser of 5% of your benefit amount or a maximum of $5,000 per year, on behalf of your dependent child who is enrolled in a legally licensed day care centre on the date of the accident or who enrolls in a legally licensed day care centre within 365 days following the date of the accident. The "Day Care Benefit" will be paid each year for 4 consecutive years, but only upon receipt of satisfactory proof that your child is enrolled in a legally licensed day care centre.

"Dependent Child" means either a legitimate or illegitimate child, adopted child, step-child or any child who is in a parent-child relationship with you and who is twelve (12) years of age and under and dependent upon you for maintenance and support.

Special Education Benefit

If you suffer a loss of life in a covered accident while the policy is in force, ACE INA Life Insurance will pay, in addition to all other benefits payable under this policy, a “Special Education Benefit” up to 5% of your benefit amount, (subject to a maximum of $5,000 per year),

on behalf of any dependent child who, on the date of the accident, is enrolled as a full-time student in any post-secondary institution beyond the 12th grade level, or was at the 12th grade level and subsequently enrolls as a full-time student in an institution of higher learning within 365 days following the date of the accident.

The “Special Education Benefit” is payable annually for a maximum of four consecutive annual payments but only if the dependent child continues his/her education as a full-time student in an institution of higher learning.

Bereavement Benefit

When injuries covered by this policy result in loss of life within 365 days from the date of the accident, ACE INA Life Insurance will pay the reasonable and necessary expenses actually incurred by the spouse and dependent children of the Insured Person for up to six (6) sessions of grief counseling, by a Professional Counsellor, subject to a maximum of $1,000.

“Professional Counsellor” means a therapist or counsellor who is licensed, registered or certified to provide such treatment.

In-Hospital Confinement Monthly Income

In the event you sustain an injury which results in a payment being made under the Schedule of Losses excluding the Loss of Life Benefit and you are hospital confined as an in-patient and are under the care of a legally qualified and registered physician or surgeon other than himself, ACE INA Life Insurance will pay for each full month, one percent (1%) of your Principal Sum, subject to a maximum benefit of $2,500, or one-thirtieth of such monthly benefit for each day of partial month, retroactive to the 1st full day of such confinement but not to exceed 365 days in the aggregate for each period of hospital confinement.

"Hospital" as used herein means a legally constituted establishment which meets all of the following requirements: (1) operates primarily for the reception, care and treatment of sick, ailing or injured persons as in-patients; (2) provides 24 hour a day nursing service by registered or graduate nurses; (3) has a staff of one or more licensed physicians available at all times; (4) provides organized facilities for diagnosis and surgical facilities; and (5) is not primarily a clinic, nursing home or convalescent home or similar establishment nor, other than incidentally, a place for alcoholics or drug addicts. "In-Patient" means a person admitted to a hospital as a resident or bed-patient and who is provided at least one day's room and board by the hospital.

Cosmetic Disfigurement Benefit (Not Applicable to Business Travel)

If, you suffer a third degree burn in a non-occupational accident, ACE INA Life Insurance will pay a percentage of the Principal Sum depending on the area of the body which was burned according to the following table:

Body Part	(A) Area Classification	(B) Maximum allowable % for Area Burned	(C) Maximum % of Principal Sum Payable
Face, Neck, Head	11	9%	99%
Hand & Forearm	5	4.5%	22.5%
Either Upper Arm	3	4.5%	13.5%
Torso (Front or Back)	2	18%	36%
Either Thigh	1	9%	9%
Either Lower Leg (below knee)	3	9%	27%

The maximum percent of Principal Sum Payable (C) is determined by multiplying the Area Classification (A) by the Maximum Allowable percent for Area Burned (B). In the event of a 50% surface burn, the Maximum Allowable percent for Area Burned (B) is reduced by 50%. This table only represents the maximum percent of the Principal Sum payable for any one accident. If the Insured suffers burns in more than one area as a result of any one accident, benefits will not exceed a maximum of $25,000.

Continuance of Coverage

If you are (1) laid off on a temporary basis, (2) temporarily absent from work due to short-term disability, (3) on leave of absence, or (4) on maternity leave, coverage shall be extended for 12 months, subject to the payment of premiums. If you assume other occupational duties during the leave or lay-off period, no benefits shall be payable for a loss occurring during the performance of such other occupation.

Seat Belt Benefit

In the event you sustain an injury which results in a payment being made under the Schedule of Losses, your Benefit amount will be increased by 10% if, at the time of the accident, you were driving or riding in a vehicle and wearing a properly fastened seat belt. Due proof of seat belt use must be provided as part of the written proof of loss.

"Vehicle" means a private passenger car, station wagon, van, or jeep-type automobile. "Seat Belt" means those belts that form a restraint system.

Identification Benefit

In the event accidental Loss of Life is sustained by you not less than one hundred and fifty (150) kilometers from your normal place of residence and identification of the body by a member of the immediate family has been requested by the police or a similar governmental authority, ACE INA Life Insurance will reimburse the reasonable expenses actually incurred by such member for:

a) transportation by the most direct route to the city or town where the body is located; and
b) hotel accommodation in such city or town, subject to a maximum duration of three (3) days.

The reimbursement of such expenses incurred is subject to the accidental loss of life indemnity being subsequently payable in accordance with the terms of this policy following the identification of the body as the Insured Person. The maximum amount payable will not exceed $15,000 for all such expenses.

Payment will not be made for board or other ordinary living, travelling or clothing expenses, and transportation must occur in a vehicle or device operated under a license for the conveyance of passengers for hire.

Exposure and Disappearance

Loss resulting from unavoidable exposure to the elements shall be covered to the extent of the benefits afforded you. If your body has not been found within one year of disappearance, stranding, sinking or wrecking of the conveyance in which you were riding at the time of the accident, it shall be presumed, subject to all other conditions of this policy, that you suffered a loss of life resulting from bodily injuries sustained in an accident covered under this policy.

Conversion Privilege

On the date of termination of employment or during the 31 day period following termination of employment, you may convert your insurance to an individual insurance policy of ACE INA Life Insurance. The individual policy will be effective either as of the date that the application is

received by **ACE** INA Life Insurance or on the date that coverage under the group policy ceases, whichever occurs later. The premium will be the same, as a person would ordinarily pay when applying for an individual policy at that time. The amount of insurance benefit converted will not exceed that amount issued during employment.

Waiver of Premium

If you are under age 65 and become totally disabled* while you are insured under this plan and satisfactory evidence of your total disability is provided to ACE INA Life Insurance on an annual basis, payment of premium will be waived until the earlier of the following occurs:

a) you return to active employment with your employer;

b) you attain age 65;

c) the master policy underwritten by ACE INA Life Insurance is terminated.

Once you return to active employment with your employer, your coverage will continue only upon the commencement of premium payments.

*You will be considered totally disabled if you are unable to engage in any business or occupation and perform in any work for compensation or profit and your disability has existed continuously for a period of at least 12 months or is in accordance with the waiver of premium requirements under the Policyholder's Group Life Insurance Policy.

EXCLUSIONS

The plan does not cover any loss, which is the result of:

1. intentionally self-inflicted injuries, suicide or any attempt thereat, while sane or insane;
2. war or any act thereof;
3. flying in an aircraft owned or leased by your employer, yourself or a member of your household, or aircraft being used for any test or experimental purpose, firefighting, power line inspection, pipeline inspection, aerial photography or exploration;
4. full-time, active duty in the armed forces.
5. flying as pilot or crew member in any aircraft or device for aerial navigation.

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Beneficiary

An employee or any spouse has the right to name a beneficiary when he applies for insurance.

It is understood that the beneficiary designation made under the Policyholder's Group Life Insurance Policy shall be recognized as the beneficiary under the policy, unless a further designation has been made that specifically identifies the policy. Failing such designation, all benefits will be paid to the estate of the insured person.

All other indemnities of the policy will be payable to the insured person.

An insured person can change his beneficiary at any time, where permitted by law. The Company assumes no responsibility for the validity of such designation or change of beneficiary.

The beneficiary designation made by the insured person (if any) under the replaced policy has been retained. The insured person should review the existing designation to ensure it reflects his/her current intention.

The policy contains a provision removing or restricting the right of the insured person to designate persons to whom or for whose benefit insurance money is to be payable.

Legal Actions

No action at law or in equity shall be brought to recover on the policy prior to the expiration of 60 days after written proof of loss has been furnished in accordance with requirements of the policy. For residents of Alberta and British Columbia: Every action or proceeding against an insurer for the recovery of insurance money payable under the contract is absolutely barred unless commenced within the time set out in the Insurance Act. For residents of Manitoba: Every action or proceeding against an insurer for the recovery of insurance money payable under the contract is absolutely barred unless commenced within the time set out in The Insurance Act. For residents of Ontario: Every action or proceeding against an insurer for the recovery of insurance money payable under the contract is absolutely barred unless commenced within the time set out in the Limitations Act, 2002. Otherwise, every action must be brought within one year from the date of loss or such longer period as may be required under the law applicable in the insured person's province of residence.

Change of Insurer

An insured person under a former policy may not be excluded from the new policy or be denied benefits solely because of a pre-existing condition limitation that was not applicable or that did not exist in the former policy, or because the person is not at work on the date of coming into force of the new policy.

The insured person and any claimant under the policy has the right, as determined by law applicable in the insured person's province of residence, to obtain a copy of his/her application, any written evidence of insurability (as applicable) and the Policy, on request, subject to certain access limitations.

How to Claim

Note: In the event of a claim, notice of claim must be given to ACE INA Life Insurance within

30 days from the date of the accident and subsequent proof of claim must be submitted to ACE INA Life Insurance within 90 days from the date of the accident. A claim form can be obtained from the benefits administrator.

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.

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