

AMENDMENT NO. 1

This amendment forms a part of Group Identification No. 409403 001 issued to the Employer/Applicant:

Cabarrus County Government

The entire Summary of Benefits is replaced by the Summary of Benefits attached to this amendment.

The effective date of these changes is July 1, 2018. The changes only apply to deaths and covered losses that occur and disabilities which start on or after the effective date.

The Summary of Benefits' terms and provisions will apply other than as stated in this amendment.

Dated at Portland, Maine on July 19, 2018.

Unum Life Insurance Company of America

By



Secretary

If this amendment is unacceptable, please sign below and return this amendment to Unum Life Insurance Company of America at Portland, Maine within 90 days of July 19, 2018.

**YOUR FAILURE TO SIGN AND RETURN THIS AMENDMENT BY THAT DATE WILL CONSTITUTE ACCEPTANCE OF THIS AMENDMENT.**

Cabarrus County Government

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature and Title of Officer



**GROUP INSURANCE  
SUMMARY OF BENEFITS  
NON-PARTICIPATING**

**IDENTIFICATION NUMBER:** 409403 001

**EFFECTIVE DATE  
OF COVERAGE:** July 1, 2015

**ANNIVERSARY DATE:** July 1

**GOVERNING JURISDICTION:** Maine

**SUBJECT: GROUP LIFE INSURANCE WITH ACCELERATED BENEFIT AND  
ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT INSURANCE**

**Unum Life Insurance Company of America  
insures the lives of**

**Cabarrus County Government**

**under the  
Select Group Insurance Trust - Policy No. 292000**

**This Summary of Benefits provides all of the benefits mandated by the North Carolina Insurance Code, but it is issued under a group master policy located in another state and maybe governed by that state's laws.**

Unum Life Insurance Company of America (referred to as Unum) will provide benefits under this Summary of Benefits. Unum makes this promise subject to all of this Summary of Benefits' provisions.

The Employer should read this Summary of Benefits carefully and contact Unum promptly with any questions. This Summary of Benefits is delivered in and is governed by the laws of the governing jurisdiction and to the extent applicable by the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and any amendments.

Signed for Unum at Portland, Maine on the Effective Date of Coverage.

President

Secretary

Unum Life Insurance Company of America  
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Portland, Maine 04122

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# BENEFITS AT A GLANCE

## LIFE INSURANCE PLAN

This life insurance plan provides financial protection for your beneficiary(ies) by paying a benefit in the event of your death. The amount your beneficiary(ies) receive(s) is based on the amount of coverage in effect just prior to the date of your death according to the terms and provisions of the plan. You also have the opportunity to have coverage for your dependents.

### EMPLOYER'S ORIGINAL PLAN

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** July 1, 2015

### PLAN YEAR:

July 1, 2015 to July 1, 2016 and each following July 1 to July 1

### IDENTIFICATION

**NUMBER:** 409403 001

### ELIGIBLE GROUP(S):

#### Group 1

All Full-Time Employees in active employment in the United States with the Employer

#### Group 2

Employees retiring from Cabarrus County and qualifying for retirement as a member of the North Carolina Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System with at least 25 years of their creditable years being in the service of Cabarrus County

For retirees, certain terms and conditions in this life insurance plan are affected as follows:

- references to "employee" will read "retiree" as it applies
- references to "active employment" will not apply
- the "life insurance premium waiver" provision will not apply

### MINIMUM HOURS REQUIREMENT:

#### All Full-Time Employees

Employees must be working at least 40 hours per week.

### WAITING PERIOD:

#### All Full-Time Employees

For employees in active employment on the 1st scheduled working day of a calendar month: The first of the month following the date of active employment.

For employees in active employment after the 1st scheduled working day of a calendar month: The first of the month of the 2nd month following the date of active employment.

You must be in continuous active employment in an eligible group during the specified waiting period.

### REHIRE:

#### All Full-Time Employees

If your employment ends and you are rehired within 1 year, your previous work while in an eligible group will apply toward the waiting period. All other Summary of Benefits' provisions apply.

**WHO PAYS FOR THE COVERAGE:**

**For You:**

*Basic Benefit:*

Your Employer pays the cost of your coverage.

*Additional Benefit:*

**All Full-Time Employees**

You pay the cost of your coverage.

**For Your Dependents:**

**All Full-Time Employees**

You pay the cost of your dependent coverage.

**ELIMINATION PERIOD:**

**All Full-Time Employees**

Premium Waiver: 9 months

Disability-based benefits begin the day after Unum approves your claim and the elimination period is completed.

**LIFE INSURANCE BENEFIT:**

**AMOUNT OF LIFE INSURANCE FOR YOU**

**BASIC BENEFIT**

\$20,000

**ADDITIONAL BENEFIT OPTIONS:**

**All Full-Time Employees**

*Option A*

\$10,000

*Option B*

\$20,000

*Option C*

\$30,000

*Option D*

\$40,000

*Option E*

\$50,000

**AMOUNT OF LIFE INSURANCE AVAILABLE IF YOU BECOME INSURED AT CERTAIN AGES OR HAVE REACHED CERTAIN AGES WHILE INSURED**

If you have reached age 65, your amount of life insurance will be:

- 65% of the amount of life insurance you had prior to age 65; or
- 65% of the amount of life insurance shown above if you become insured on or after age 65.

There will be no further increases in your amount of life insurance.

**AMOUNT OF LIFE INSURANCE FOR YOUR DEPENDENTS**

**Spouse:**

**All Full-Time Employees**

\$2,000

THE AMOUNT OF YOUR SPOUSE'S LIFE INSURANCE WILL REDUCE BY THE SAME PERCENTAGE AND AT THE SAME TIME YOUR LIFE INSURANCE REDUCES.

**Children:**

**All Full-Time Employees**

Live birth to 14 days:	\$2,000
14 days to 6 months:	\$2,000
6 months to age 19 or to 23 if a full-time student:	\$2,000

THE AMOUNT OF LIFE INSURANCE FOR A DEPENDENT WILL NOT BE MORE THAN 100% OF YOUR AMOUNT OF LIFE INSURANCE.

**SOME LOSSES MAY NOT BE COVERED UNDER THIS PLAN.**

**OTHER FEATURES:**

**All Full-Time Employees**

Accelerated Benefit

Conversion

Continuity of Coverage

Portability

NOTE: Portability under this plan is available to an insured spouse in the event of divorce from an insured employee, subject to all terms and conditions otherwise applicable to ported spouse coverage.

**Employees retiring from Cabarrus County and qualifying for retirement as a member of the North Carolina Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System with at least 25 years of their creditable years being in the service of Cabarrus County**

Accelerated Benefit

Conversion

**The above items are only highlights of this plan. For a full description of your coverage, continue reading your certificate of coverage section.**

# BENEFITS AT A GLANCE

## ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT INSURANCE PLAN

This accidental death and dismemberment insurance plan provides financial protection for your beneficiary(ies) by paying a benefit in the event of your death or for you in the event of any other covered loss. The amount you or your beneficiary(ies) receive(s) is based on the amount of coverage in effect just prior to the date of your death or any other covered loss according to the terms and provisions of the plan.

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**EFFECTIVE DATE:** July 1, 2015

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### MINIMUM HOURS REQUIREMENT:

Employees must be working at least 40 hours per week.

### WAITING PERIOD:

For employees in active employment on the 1st scheduled working day of a calendar month: The first of the month following the date of active employment.

For employees in active employment after the 1st scheduled working day of a calendar month: The first of the month of the 2nd month following the date of active employment.

You must be in continuous active employment in an eligible group during the specified waiting period.

### REHIRE:

If your employment ends and you are rehired within 1 year, your previous work while in an eligible group will apply toward the waiting period. All other Summary of Benefits' provisions apply.

### WHO PAYS FOR THE COVERAGE:

#### *Basic Benefit:*

Your Employer pays the cost of your coverage.

#### *Additional Benefit:*

You pay the cost of your coverage.

**ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT BENEFIT:**

**AMOUNT OF ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT (AD&D) INSURANCE FOR YOU  
(FULL AMOUNT)**

**BASIC BENEFIT**

\$20,000

**ADDITIONAL BENEFIT OPTIONS:**

*Option A*

\$10,000

*Option B*

\$20,000

*Option C*

\$30,000

*Option D*

\$40,000

*Option E*

\$50,000

**AMOUNT OF ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT INSURANCE AVAILABLE IF YOU  
BECOME INSURED AT CERTAIN AGES OR HAVE REACHED CERTAIN AGES WHILE INSURED**

If you have reached age 65, your amount of AD&D insurance will be:

- 65% of the amount of AD&D insurance you had prior to age 65; or
- 65% of the amount of AD&D insurance shown above if you become insured on or after age 65.

There will be no further increases in your amount of AD&D insurance.

**REPATRIATION BENEFIT FOR YOU**

Maximum Benefit Amount:

Up to \$5,000

The Repatriation Benefit is separate from any accidental death and dismemberment benefit which may be payable. To receive the Repatriation Benefit, your accidental death benefit must be paid first.

**SEATBELT(S) AND AIR BAG BENEFIT FOR YOU**

Benefit Amount:

Seatbelt(s): 10% of the Full Amount of your accidental death and dismemberment insurance benefit.

Air Bag: 5% of the Full Amount of your accidental death and dismemberment insurance benefit.

Maximum Benefit Payment:

Seatbelt(s): \$25,000



Air bag: \$5,000

The Seatbelt(s) and Air Bag Benefit is separate from any accidental death and dismemberment benefit which may be payable. To receive the Seatbelt(s) and Air Bag Benefit, your accidental death benefit must be paid first.

### **EDUCATION BENEFIT**

#### Each Qualified Child

Benefit Amount per Academic Year for which a Qualified Child is enrolled:

6% of the Full Amount of the employee's accidental death and dismemberment insurance to a maximum of \$6,000.

Maximum Benefit Payments:

4 per lifetime

Maximum Benefit Amount:

\$24,000

Maximum Benefit Period:

6 years from the date the first benefit payment has been made.

The Education Benefit is separate from any accidental death and dismemberment benefit which may be payable. In order for your Qualified Child to receive the Education Benefit, your accidental death benefit must be paid first.

### **EXPOSURE AND DISAPPEARANCE BENEFIT FOR YOU**

Maximum Benefit Amount: The Full Amount

**SOME LOSSES MAY NOT BE COVERED UNDER THIS PLAN.**

#### **OTHER FEATURES:**

Portability

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## CLAIM INFORMATION

### LIFE INSURANCE

#### ***WHEN DO YOU OR YOUR AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE NOTIFY UNUM OF A CLAIM?***

We encourage you or your authorized representative to notify us as soon as possible, so that a claim decision can be made in a timely manner.

If a claim is based on your disability, written notice and proof of claim must be sent no later than 90 days after the end of the elimination period.

If a claim is based on death, written notice and proof of claim must be sent no later than 90 days after the date of death.

If it is not possible to give proof within these time limits, it must be given as soon as reasonably possible.

The claim form is available from your Employer, or you or your authorized representative can request a claim form from us. If you or your authorized representative does not receive the form from Unum within 15 days of the request, send Unum written proof of claim without waiting for the form.

If you have a disability, you must notify us immediately when you return to work in any capacity, regardless of whether you are working for your Employer.

#### ***HOW DO YOU FILE A CLAIM FOR A DISABILITY?***

You or your authorized representative, and your Employer must fill out your own sections of the claim form and then give it to your attending physician. Your physician should fill out his or her section of the form and send it directly to Unum.

#### ***WHAT INFORMATION IS NEEDED AS PROOF OF YOUR CLAIM?***

If your claim is based on your disability, your proof of claim, provided at your expense, must show:

- that you are under the **regular care** of a **physician**;
- the date your disability began;
- the cause of your disability;
- the extent of your disability, including restrictions and limitations preventing you from performing your regular occupation or any gainful occupation; and
- the name and address of any **hospital or institution** where you received treatment, including all attending physicians.

We may request that you send proof of continuing disability indicating that you are under the regular care of a physician until you have reached your maximum point of recovery. This proof, provided at your expense, must be received within 45 days of a request by us.

Once you have reached your maximum point of recovery, we may periodically request that you be examined by a physician. The results of such an examination, provided at Unum's expense, must be received within 30 days of a request by us.

If claim is based on death, proof of claim, provided at your or your authorized representative's expense, must show the cause of death. Also a certified copy of the death certificate must be given to us.

In some cases, you will be required to give Unum authorization to obtain additional medical and non-medical information as part of your proof of claim or proof of continuing disability. Unum will deny your claim if the appropriate information is not submitted.

### ***WHEN CAN UNUM REQUEST AN AUTOPSY?***

In the case of death, Unum will have the right and opportunity to request an autopsy where not forbidden by law.

### ***HOW DO YOU DESIGNATE OR CHANGE A BENEFICIARY? (Beneficiary Designation)***

At the time you become insured, you should name a beneficiary on your enrollment form for your death benefits under your life insurance. You may change your beneficiary at any time by filing a form approved by Unum with your Employer. The new beneficiary designation will be effective as of the date you sign that form. However, if we have taken any action or made any payment before your Employer receives that form, that change will not go into effect.

It is important that you name a beneficiary and keep your designation current. If more than one beneficiary is named and you do not designate their order or share of payments, the beneficiaries will share equally. The share of a beneficiary who dies before you, or the share of a beneficiary who is disqualified, will pass to any surviving beneficiaries in the order you designated.

If you do not name a beneficiary, or if all named beneficiaries do not survive you, or if your named beneficiary is disqualified, your death benefit will be paid to your estate.

Instead of making a death payment to your estate, Unum has the right to make payment to the first surviving family members of the family members in the order listed below:

- spouse;
- child or children;
- mother or father; or
- sisters or brothers.

If we are to make payments to a beneficiary who lacks the legal capacity to give us a release, Unum may pay up to \$3,000 to the person or institution that appears to have assumed the custody and main support of the beneficiary. This payment made in good faith satisfies Unum's legal duty to the extent of that payment and Unum will not have to make payment again.

Also, at Unum's option, we may pay up to \$250 to the person or persons who, in our opinion, have incurred expenses for your last sickness and death.

In addition, if you do not survive your spouse, and dependent life coverage is continued, then your surviving spouse should name a beneficiary according to the requirements specified above for you.

### ***HOW WILL UNUM MAKE PAYMENTS?***

If your or your dependent's life claim is at least \$10,000, Unum will make available to the beneficiary a **retained asset account** (the Unum Security Account).

Payment for the life claim may be accessed by writing a draft in a single sum or drafts in smaller sums. The funds for the draft or drafts are fully guaranteed by Unum.

If the life claim is less than \$10,000, Unum will pay it in one lump sum to you or your beneficiary.

Also, you or your beneficiary may request the life claim to be paid according to one of Unum's other settlement options. This request must be in writing in order to be paid under Unum's other settlement options.

If you do not survive your spouse, and dependent life coverage is continued, then your surviving spouse's death claim will be paid to your surviving spouse's beneficiary.

All other benefits will be paid to you.

### ***WHAT HAPPENS IF UNUM OVERPAYS YOUR CLAIM?***

Unum has the right to recover any overpayments due to:

- fraud; and
- any error Unum makes in processing a claim.

You must reimburse us in full. We will determine the method by which the repayment is to be made.

Unum will not recover more money than the amount we paid you.

### ***WHAT ARE YOUR ASSIGNABILITY RIGHTS FOR THE DEATH BENEFITS UNDER YOUR LIFE INSURANCE? (Assignability Rights)***

The rights provided to you by the plan for life insurance are owned by you, unless:

- you have previously assigned these rights to someone else (known as an "assignee"); or
- you assign your rights under the plan(s) to an assignee.

We will recognize an assignee as the owner of the rights assigned only if:

- the assignment is in writing, signed by you, and acceptable to us in form; and
- a signed or certified copy of the written assignment has been received and registered by us at our home office.

We will not be responsible for the legal, tax or other effects of any assignment, or for any action taken under the plan(s) provisions before receiving and registering an assignment.

## CLAIM INFORMATION

### ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT INSURANCE

#### **WHEN DO YOU OR YOUR AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE NOTIFY UNUM OF A CLAIM?**

We encourage you or your authorized representative to notify us as soon as possible, so that a claim decision can be made in a timely manner.

If a claim is based on death or other covered loss, written notice and proof of claim must be sent no later than 90 days after the date of death or the date of any other covered loss.

If a claim is based on the Education Benefit, written notice and proof of claim must be sent no later than 60 days after the date of your death.

If it is not possible to give proof within these time limits, it must be given as soon as reasonably possible.

The claim form is available from your Employer, or you or your authorized representative can request a claim form from us. If you or your authorized representative does not receive the form from Unum within 15 days of your request, send Unum written proof of claim without waiting for the form.

#### **HOW DO YOU FILE A CLAIM FOR A COVERED LOSS?**

You or your authorized representative and your Employer must fill out your own sections of the claim form and then give it to your attending physician. Your physician should fill out his or her section of the form and send it directly to Unum.

#### **WHAT INFORMATION IS NEEDED AS PROOF OF CLAIM?**

If claim is based on death or other covered loss, proof of claim for death or covered loss, provided at your or your authorized representative's expense, must show:

- the cause of death or covered loss;
- the extent of the covered loss;
- the date of covered loss; and
- the name and address of any **hospital or institution** where treatment was received, including all attending **physicians**.

Also, in case of death, a certified copy of the death certificate must be given to us.

In some cases, you will be required to give Unum authorization to obtain additional medical and non-medical information as part of your proof of claim. Unum will deny your claim if the appropriate information is not submitted.

If a claim is based on the Education Benefit, proof of claim, provided at your authorized representative's expense, must show:

- the date of enrollment of your qualified child in an accredited post-secondary institution of higher learning;
- the name of the institution;

- a list of courses for the current academic term; and
- the number of credit hours for the current academic term.

### **WHEN CAN UNUM REQUEST AN AUTOPSY?**

In the case of death, Unum will have the right and opportunity to request an autopsy where not forbidden by law.

### **HOW DO YOU DESIGNATE OR CHANGE A BENEFICIARY? (Beneficiary Designation)**

At the time you become insured, you should name a beneficiary on your enrollment form for your death benefits under your accidental death and dismemberment insurance. You may change your beneficiary at any time by filing a form approved by Unum with your Employer. The new beneficiary designation will be effective as of the date you sign that form. However, if we have taken any action or made any payment before your Employer receives that form, that change will not go into effect.

It is important that you name a beneficiary and keep your designation current. If more than one beneficiary is named and you do not designate their order or share of payments, the beneficiaries will share equally. The share of a beneficiary who dies before you, or the share of a beneficiary who is disqualified, will pass to any surviving beneficiaries in the order you designated.

If you do not name a beneficiary, or if all named beneficiaries do not survive you, or if your named beneficiary is disqualified, your death benefit will be paid to your estate.

Instead of making a death payment to your estate, Unum has the right to make payment to the first surviving family members of the family members in the order listed below:

- spouse;
- child or children;
- mother or father; or
- sisters or brothers.

If we are to make payments to a beneficiary who lacks the legal capacity to give us a release, Unum may pay up to \$3,000 to the person or institution that appears to have assumed the custody and main support of the beneficiary. This payment made in good faith satisfies Unum's legal duty to the extent of that payment and Unum will not have to make payment again.

Also, at Unum's option, we may pay up to \$250 to the person or persons who, in our opinion, have incurred expenses for your last sickness and death.

### **HOW WILL UNUM MAKE PAYMENTS?**

If your accidental death or dismemberment claim is at least \$10,000 Unum will make available to you or your beneficiary a **retained asset account** (the Unum Security Account).

Payment for the accidental death or dismemberment claim may be accessed by writing a draft in a single sum or drafts in smaller sums. The funds for the draft or drafts are fully guaranteed by Unum.

If the accidental death or dismemberment claim is less than \$10,000, Unum will pay it in one lump sum to you or your beneficiary.

Also, your beneficiary may request the accidental death claim to be paid according to one of Unum's other settlement options. This request must be in writing in order to be paid under Unum's other settlement options.

The Education Benefit will be paid to your qualified child or the qualified child's legal representative.

All other benefits will be paid to you.

### ***WHAT HAPPENS IF UNUM OVERPAYS YOUR CLAIM?***

Unum has the right to recover any overpayments due to:

- fraud; and
- any error Unum makes in processing a claim.

You must reimburse us in full. We will determine the method by which the repayment is to be made.

Unum will not recover more money than the amount we paid you.

### ***WHAT ARE YOUR ASSIGNABILITY RIGHTS FOR THE DEATH BENEFITS UNDER YOUR ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT INSURANCE BENEFITS? (Assignability Rights)***

The rights provided to you by the plan(s) for accidental death insurance benefits are owned by you, unless:

- you have previously assigned these rights to someone else (known as an "assignee"); or
- you assign your rights under the plan(s) to an assignee.

We will recognize an assignee as the owner of the rights assigned only if:

- the assignment is in writing, signed by you, and acceptable to us in form; and
- a signed or certified copy of the written assignment has been received and registered by us at our home office.

We will not be responsible for the legal, tax or other effects of any assignment, or for any action taken under the plan(s) provisions before receiving and registering an assignment.



## **EMPLOYER PROVISIONS**

### ***WHAT DOES THIS SUMMARY OF BENEFITS CONSIST OF FOR THE EMPLOYER?***

This Summary of Benefits consists of:

- all Summary of Benefits' provisions and any amendments and/or attachments issued;
- the Employer's Participation Agreement;
- each employee's application for insurance (employee retains his own copy); and
- the certificate of coverage issued for each employee of the Employer.

This Summary of Benefits may be changed in whole or in part. Only an officer or a registrar of Unum can approve a change. The approval must be in writing and endorsed on or attached to this Summary of Benefits. No other person, including an agent, may change this Summary of Benefits or waive any part of it.

### ***WHAT IS THE COST OF THIS INSURANCE?***

#### **LIFE INSURANCE**

Premium payments are *required* for an insured while he or she is disabled under this plan.

The initial premium for each **plan** is based on the initial rate(s) shown in the Rate Information Amendment(s).

#### ***PREMIUM WAIVER***

Unum does not require premium payments for an insured employee's life coverage if he or she is under age 60 and disabled for 9 months. Proof of disability, provided at the insured employee's expense, must be filed by the insured employee and approved by Unum.

#### ***INITIAL RATE GUARANTEE AND RATE CHANGES***

Refer to the Rate Information Amendment(s).

#### **ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT INSURANCE**

The initial premium for each **plan** is based on the initial rate(s) shown in the Rate Information Amendment(s).

#### ***INITIAL RATE GUARANTEE AND RATE CHANGES***

Refer to the Rate Information Amendment(s).

### ***WHEN IS PREMIUM DUE FOR THIS SUMMARY OF BENEFITS?***

Premium Due Dates: Premium due dates are based on the Premium Due Dates shown in the Rate Information Amendment(s).

The **Employer** must send all premiums to Unum on or before their respective due date. The premium must be paid in United States dollars.

### ***WHEN ARE INCREASES OR DECREASES IN PREMIUM DUE?***

Premium increases or decreases which take effect during an insurance month are adjusted and due on the next premium due date following the change. Changes will not be pro-rated daily.

If premiums are paid on other than a monthly basis, premiums for increases and decreases will result in a monthly pro-rated adjustment on the next premium due date.

Unum will only adjust premium for the current plan year and the prior plan year. In the case of fraud, premium adjustments will be made for all plan years.

### ***WHAT INFORMATION DOES UNUM REQUIRE FROM THE EMPLOYER?***

The Employer must provide Unum with the following on a regular basis:

- information about employees:
  - who are eligible to become insured;
  - whose amounts of coverage change; and/or
  - whose coverage ends;
- occupational information and any other information that may be required to manage a claim; and
- any other information that may be reasonably required.

Employer records that, in Unum's opinion, have a bearing on this Summary of Benefits will be available for review by Unum at any reasonable time.

Clerical error or omission by Unum will not:

- prevent an employee from receiving coverage;
- affect the amount of an insured's coverage; or
- cause an employee's coverage to begin or continue when the coverage would not otherwise be effective.

### ***WHO CAN CANCEL OR MODIFY THIS SUMMARY OF BENEFITS OR A PLAN UNDER THIS SUMMARY OF BENEFITS?***

This Summary of Benefits or a plan under this Summary of Benefits can be cancelled:

- by Unum; or
- by the Employer.

Unum may cancel or modify this Summary of Benefits or a plan if:

- there is less than 100% participation of those eligible employees for an Employer paid plan; or
- there is less than 75% participation of those eligible employees who pay all or part of the premium for a basic benefit plan; or

- the number of employees insured for all additional benefits is less than 15 lives or 25% of those eligible, whichever is greater; or
- the number of employees insured under a plan decreases by 25%; or
- the Employer does not promptly provide Unum with information that is reasonably required; or
- the Employer fails to perform any of its obligations that relate to this Summary of Benefits; or
- fewer than 15 employees are insured under a plan; or
- the premium is not paid in accordance with the provisions of this Summary of Benefits that specify whether the Employer, the employee, or both, pay the premiums; or
- the Employer does not promptly report to Unum the names of any employees who are added or deleted from the eligible group; or
- Unum determines that there is a significant change, in the size, occupation or age of the eligible group as a result of a corporate transaction such as a merger, divestiture, acquisition, sale, or reorganization of the Employer and/or its employees; or
- the Employer fails to pay any portion of the premium within the 45 day **grace period**.

If Unum cancels or modifies this Summary of Benefits or a plan, for reasons other than the Employer's failure to pay premium, a written notice will be delivered to the Employer at least 31 days prior to the cancellation date or modification date. The Employer may cancel this Summary of Benefits or plan if the modifications are unacceptable.

If any portion of the premium is not paid during the grace period, Unum will either cancel or modify this Summary of Benefits or a plan automatically at the end of the grace period. The Employer is liable for premium for coverage during the grace period. The Employer must pay Unum all premium due for the full period each plan is in force.

The Employer may cancel this Summary of Benefits or a plan by written notice delivered to Unum at least 31 days prior to the cancellation date. When both the Employer and Unum agree, this Summary of Benefits or a plan can be cancelled on an earlier date. If Unum or the Employer cancels this Summary of Benefits or a plan, coverage will end at 12:00 midnight on the last day of coverage.

If this Summary of Benefits or a plan is cancelled, the cancellation will not affect a **payable claim**.

***WHAT HAPPENS TO AN EMPLOYEE'S COVERAGE UNDER THIS SUMMARY OF BENEFITS WHILE HE OR SHE IS ON A FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE OF ABSENCE?***

We will continue the employee's coverage in accordance with the Employer's Human Resource policy on family and medical leaves of absence if premium payments continue and the Employer approved the employee's leave in writing.

Coverage will be continued until the end of the latest of:

- the leave period required by the federal Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993, and any amendments; or
- the leave period required by applicable state law; or

- the leave period provided to the employee for injury or sickness.

If the Employer's Human Resource policy doesn't provide for continuation of a plan for an employee during a family and medical leave of absence, the employee's coverage will be reinstated when he or she returns to active employment.

We will not:

- apply a new waiting period; or
- require evidence of insurability.

***DIVISIONS, SUBSIDIARIES OR AFFILIATED COMPANIES INCLUDE:***

*FOR LIFE INSURANCE:*

NAME/LOCATION (CITY AND STATE)

None

*FOR ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT INSURANCE:*

NAME/LOCATION (CITY AND STATE)

None

***OPEN ENROLLMENT:***

There will be an open enrollment period starting on April 30, 2018 and ending on May 4, 2018. Evidence of insurability will not be required during this open enrollment period unless the employee and dependent elects an amount of life insurance, if any, over the amount shown in the LIFE INSURANCE "**BENEFITS AT A GLANCE**" page. The effective date of insurance for employees and dependents who enroll in the plan during the open enrollment period will be July 1, 2018.

This open enrollment period excludes those employees and dependents whose evidence of insurability form was previously disapproved.

## CERTIFICATE SECTION

**SUBJECT: GROUP LIFE INSURANCE WITH ACCELERATED BENEFIT AND ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT INSURANCE**

**IMPORTANT CANCELLATION INFORMATION - Please read the provision entitled "When Does Your Coverage End?" found under "General Provisions".**

**This Certificate provides all of the benefits mandated by the North Carolina Insurance Code, but it is issued under a group master policy located in another state and may be governed by that state's law.**

Unum Life Insurance Company of America (referred to as Unum) welcomes you as a client.

This is your certificate of coverage as long as you are eligible for coverage and you become insured. You will want to read it carefully and keep it in a safe place.

Unum has written your certificate of coverage in plain English. However, a few terms and provisions are written as required by insurance law. If you have any questions about any of the terms and provisions, please consult Unum's claims paying office. Unum will assist you in any way to help you understand your benefits.

If the terms and provisions of the certificate of coverage (issued to you) are different from the Summary of Benefits (issued to the Employer), the Summary of Benefits will govern. The Summary of Benefits may be changed in whole or in part. Only an officer or registrar of Unum can approve a change. The approval must be in writing and endorsed on or attached to the Summary of Benefits. Any other person, including an agent, may not change the Summary of Benefits or waive any part of it.

The Summary of Benefits is delivered in and is governed by the laws of the governing jurisdiction and to the extent applicable by the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and any amendments.

For purposes of effective dates and ending dates under the group Summary of Benefits, all days begin at 12:01 a.m. and end at 12:00 midnight at the Employer's address.

Unum Life Insurance Company of America  
2211 Congress Street  
Portland, Maine 04122

## **IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING THE ACCELERATED BENEFIT**

The insurance evidenced by this certificate provides life insurance, with the accelerated benefit option (An accelerated payment of your or your dependent's death benefit as a result of a terminal illness which reduces life expectancy to less than 12 months).

- Receipt of these accelerated benefits may be taxable. Assistance should be sought from a personal tax advisor.
- Example of accelerated benefit amount and the effect of the payment on the remaining amount of life insurance.

\$100,000	Your life amount
\$ 75,000	The accelerated benefit amount (accelerated payment of your death benefit)
\$ 25,000	The amount of life insurance remaining after payment of the accelerated benefit. (This is what will be paid to the beneficiary upon your death).

- There may be up to a 3% adjustment to the manual rates for this accelerated benefit.

## **GENERAL PROVISIONS**

### ***WHAT IS THE CERTIFICATE OF COVERAGE?***

This certificate of coverage is a written statement prepared by Unum and may include attachments. It tells you:

- the coverage for which you may be entitled;
- to whom Unum will make a payment; and
- the limitations, exclusions and requirements that apply within a plan.

### ***WHEN ARE YOU ELIGIBLE FOR COVERAGE?***

#### **All Full-Time Employees**

If you are working for your Employer in an eligible group, the date you are eligible for coverage is the later of:

- the plan effective date; or
- the day after you complete your **waiting period**.

#### **Employees retiring from Cabarrus County and qualifying for retirement as a member of the North Carolina Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System with at least 25 years of their creditable years being in the service of Cabarrus County**

The date you are eligible for coverage is the later of:

- the plan effective date; or
- the date you retire.

### ***WHEN DOES YOUR COVERAGE BEGIN?***

#### **All Full-Time Employees**

This plan provides different benefit options in addition to the basic benefit. When you first become eligible for coverage, you may apply for any option, however, you cannot be covered under more than one option at a time.

Your Employer pays 100% of the cost of your coverage under the basic benefit. You will automatically be covered under the basic benefit at 12:01 a.m. on the date you are eligible for coverage.

You pay 100% of the cost yourself for any additional option. You will be covered at 12:01 a.m. on the later of:

- the date you are eligible for coverage, if you apply for insurance on or before that date; or
- the date you apply for insurance, if you apply within 31 days after your eligibility date.

**Employees retiring from Cabarrus County and qualifying for retirement as a member of the North Carolina Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System with at least 25 years of their creditable years being in the service of Cabarrus County**

Your Employer pays 100% of the cost of your coverage. You will be covered at 12:01 a.m. on the date you are eligible for coverage.

***WHEN CAN YOU APPLY FOR ADDITIONAL BENEFIT OPTIONS IF YOU APPLY MORE THAN 31 DAYS AFTER YOUR ELIGIBILITY DATE? (LATE ENTRANTS)***

**All Full-Time Employees**

You can apply for additional benefit options only during an **annual enrollment period** or within 31 days of a **change in status**. Evidence of insurability is required for any amount of insurance.

Unum and your Employer determine when the annual enrollment period begins and ends. Coverage will begin at 12:01 a.m. on the date Unum approves your evidence of insurability form.

***WHEN CAN YOU CHANGE YOUR COVERAGE BY CHOOSING ANOTHER ADDITIONAL BENEFIT OPTION? (This does not apply to Late Entrants)***

**All Full-Time Employees**

You can change your coverage by applying for a different additional benefit option only during an annual enrollment period or within 31 days of a change in status.

You can increase your coverage by one level or decrease your coverage any number of levels.

Evidence of insurability is required if you increase your coverage by more than one level.

If you are not approved for the increase in your coverage, you will automatically remain at the same level you had prior to applying for the increase.

However, if your current level is below the evidence of insurability requirements, your coverage will be increased to the next level as long as that level does not exceed the evidence of insurability requirements.

Unum and your Employer determine when the annual enrollment period begins and ends. A change in coverage that is made during an annual enrollment period will begin at 12:01 a.m. on the later of:

- the first day of the next plan year; or
- the date Unum approves your evidence of insurability form, if evidence of insurability is required.

A change in coverage due to a change in status will begin at 12:01 a.m. on the latest of:

- the date of the change in status, if you apply on or before that date; or
- the date you apply, if you apply within 31 days after the date of the change in status; or



- the date Unum approves your evidence of insurability form, if evidence of insurability is required.

Changes in coverage must be consistent with the change in status.

If you end employment and are rehired within the same plan year, you may be insured on your eligibility date for the coverage that you had under the plan when you ended employment. You cannot change your coverage until the next annual enrollment period or change in status.

An evidence of insurability form can be obtained from your Employer.

### ***WHAT IF YOU ARE ABSENT FROM WORK ON THE DATE YOUR COVERAGE WOULD NORMALLY BEGIN?***

#### **All Full-Time Employees**

If you are absent from work due to injury, sickness, temporary layoff or leave of absence, your coverage will begin on the date you return to **active employment**.

### ***ONCE YOUR COVERAGE BEGINS, WHAT HAPPENS IF YOU ARE NOT WORKING DUE TO INJURY OR SICKNESS?***

#### **All Full-Time Employees**

If you are not working due to injury or sickness, and if premium is paid, you may continue to be covered up to your retirement date.

### ***ONCE YOUR COVERAGE BEGINS, WHAT HAPPENS IF YOU ARE TEMPORARILY NOT WORKING?***

#### **All Full-Time Employees**

If you are on a temporary **layoff**, and if premium is paid, you will be covered for up to end of month following the date your temporary layoff begins.

#### **All Full-Time Employees**

If you are on a **leave of absence**, and if premium is paid, you will be covered through the end of the month that immediately follows the month in which your leave of absence begins.

### ***WHEN WILL CHANGES TO YOUR COVERAGE TAKE EFFECT?***

#### **All Full-Time Employees**

Once your coverage begins, any increased or additional coverage due to a change in your annual earnings or due to a plan change requested by your Employer will take effect immediately or on the date Unum approves your evidence of insurability form, if evidence of insurability is required. You must be in active employment or on a covered layoff or leave of absence.

If you are not in active employment due to injury or sickness, any increased or additional coverage due to a change in your annual earnings or due to a plan change will begin on the date you return to active employment.

Any decrease in coverage will take effect immediately but will not affect a **payable claim** that occurs prior to the decrease.

## **WHEN DOES YOUR COVERAGE END?**

### **All Full-Time Employees**

Your coverage under the Summary of Benefits or a plan ends on the earliest of:

- the date you no longer are in an eligible group;
- the date your eligible group is no longer covered;
- the last day of the period for which you made any required contributions;
- the last day you are in active employment unless continued due to a covered layoff or leave of absence or due to an injury or sickness or due to retirement, as described in this certificate of coverage; or
- the date the Summary of Benefits or a plan is cancelled. In addition to non-payment of premium, Unum may cancel the Summary of Benefits or a plan if:
  - participation requirements are not met;
  - fewer than 15 employees are insured under a plan;
  - the Employer does not promptly provide Unum with information that is reasonably required;
  - the Employer fails to perform any of its obligations that relate to the Summary of Benefits;
  - the Employer does not promptly report to Unum the names of any employees who are added or deleted from the eligible group; or
  - Unum determines that there is a significant change, in the size, occupation or age of the eligible group as a result of a corporate transaction such as a merger, divestiture, acquisition, sale, or reorganization of the Employer and/or its employees.

Unum will provide coverage for a payable claim which occurs while you are covered under the Summary of Benefits or plan.

### **Employees retiring from Cabarrus County and qualifying for retirement as a member of the North Carolina Local Governmental Employees' Retirement System with at least 25 years of their creditable years being in the service of Cabarrus County**

Your coverage under the Summary of Benefits or a plan ends on the earliest of:

- the date you no longer are in an eligible group;
- the date your eligible group is no longer covered;
- the date you reach age 65;
- the last day of the period for which any required contributions are made; or
- the date the Summary of Benefits or a plan is cancelled. In addition to non-payment of premium, Unum may cancel the Summary of Benefits or a plan if:
  - participation requirements are not met;
  - fewer than 15 employees are insured under a plan;
  - the Employer does not promptly provide Unum with information that is reasonably required;
  - the Employer fails to perform any of its obligations that relate to the Summary of Benefits;
  - the Employer does not promptly report to Unum the names of any employees who are added or deleted from the eligible group; or
  - Unum determines that there is a significant change, in the size, occupation or age of the eligible group as a result of a corporate transaction such as a merger, divestiture, acquisition, sale, or reorganization of the Employer and/or its employees.

Unum will provide coverage for a payable claim which occurs while you are covered under the Summary of Benefits or plan.

### ***WHEN ARE YOU ELIGIBLE TO ELECT DEPENDENT COVERAGE?***

#### **All Full-Time Employees**

If you elect coverage for yourself or are insured under the plan, you are eligible to elect dependent coverage for your spouse only, your dependent children only or both.

### ***WHEN ARE YOUR DEPENDENTS ELIGIBLE FOR COVERAGE?***

#### **All Full-Time Employees**

The date your dependents are eligible for coverage is the later of:

- the date your insurance begins; or
- the date you first acquire a dependent.

### ***WHAT DEPENDENTS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR COVERAGE?***

#### **All Full-Time Employees**

The following dependents are eligible for coverage under the plan:

- Your lawful spouse, including a legally separated spouse. You may not cover your spouse as a dependent if your spouse is enrolled for coverage as an employee.
- Your unmarried children from live birth but less than age 19. Stillborn children are not eligible for coverage.
- Your unmarried dependent children age 19 or over but under age 23 also are eligible if they are full-time students at an **accredited school**.
- Your unmarried **handicapped** dependent children age 23 or over who became handicapped prior to the child's attainment of age 23.

Unum must receive proof within 31 days of the date the child is eligible for coverage under this Summary of Benefits, and as required during the first two years. After the first two years, Unum will ask for proof when needed, but not more than once a year.

Children include your own natural offspring, lawfully adopted children and stepchildren. They also include foster children and other children who are dependent on you for main support and living with you in a regular parent-child relationship. A child will be considered adopted on the date of placement in your home.

No dependent child may be covered by more than one employee in the plan.

No dependent child can be covered as both an employee and a dependent.

## **WHEN DOES YOUR DEPENDENT COVERAGE BEGIN?**

### **All Full-Time Employees**

This plan provides life coverage for your dependents. When your dependents first become eligible for coverage, you may apply for dependent life coverage.

You pay 100% of the cost yourself for dependent coverage. Your dependents will be covered at 12:01 a.m. on the later of:

- the date your dependents are eligible for coverage, if you apply for insurance on or before that date; or
- the date you apply for dependent insurance, if you apply within 31 days after your dependent's eligibility date.

## **WHEN CAN YOU APPLY FOR DEPENDENT COVERAGE IF YOU APPLY MORE THAN 31 DAYS AFTER YOUR DEPENDENTS' ELIGIBILITY DATE? (Late Entrants)**

### **All Full-Time Employees**

You can apply for dependent coverage only during an annual enrollment period or within 31 days of a change in status. Evidence of insurability is required for any amount of dependent life insurance.

Unum and your Employer determine when the annual enrollment period begins and ends. Dependent coverage applied for during an annual enrollment period will begin at 12:01 a.m. on the later of:

- the first day of the next plan year; or
- the date Unum approves your dependent's evidence of insurability form.

Dependent coverage applied for due to a change in status will begin at 12:01 a.m. on the date Unum approves your dependent's evidence of insurability form.

## **WHEN CAN YOU CANCEL YOUR DEPENDENT COVERAGE?**

### **All Full-Time Employees**

You can cancel your dependent spouse and/or dependent child coverage during an annual enrollment period or within 31 days of a change in status.

Unum and your Employer determine when the annual enrollment period begins and ends. A cancellation in dependent coverage that is made during an annual enrollment period will begin at 12:01 a.m. on the first day of the next plan year.

A cancellation in dependent coverage that is made at a change in status will begin at 12:01 a.m. on the later of:

- the date of the change in status, if you apply for the cancellation in dependent coverage on or before that date; or
- the date you apply for the cancellation in dependent coverage, if you apply within 31 days after the date of the change in status.

## ***WHAT IF YOUR DEPENDENT IS TOTALLY DISABLED ON THE DATE YOUR DEPENDENT'S COVERAGE WOULD NORMALLY BEGIN?***

### **All Full-Time Employees**

If your eligible dependent is **totally disabled**, your dependent's coverage will begin on the date your eligible dependent no longer is totally disabled. This provision does not apply to a newborn child while dependent insurance is in effect.

## ***WHEN WILL CHANGES TO YOUR DEPENDENT'S COVERAGE TAKE EFFECT?***

### **All Full-Time Employees**

Once your dependent's coverage begins, any increased or additional dependent coverage due to a plan change requested by your Employer will take effect immediately or on the date Unum approves your dependent's evidence of insurability form, if evidence of insurability is required, provided your dependent is not totally disabled. You must be in active employment or on a covered layoff or leave of absence.

If you are not in active employment due to injury or sickness, any increased or additional dependent coverage due to a plan change will begin on the date you return to active employment.

If your dependent is totally disabled, any increased or additional dependent coverage will begin on the date your dependent is no longer totally disabled.

Any decreased coverage will take effect immediately but will not affect a payable claim that occurs prior to the decrease.

## ***WHEN DOES YOUR DEPENDENT'S COVERAGE END?***

### **All Full-Time Employees**

Your dependent's coverage under the Summary of Benefits or a plan ends on the earliest of:

- the date you no longer are in an eligible group;
- the date your eligible group is no longer covered;
- the date of your death;
- the last day of the period for which you made any required contributions;
- the last day you are in active employment unless continued due to a covered layoff or leave of absence or due to an injury or sickness or due to retirement, as described in this certificate of coverage; or
- the date the Summary of Benefits or a plan is cancelled. In addition to non-payment of premium, Unum may cancel the Summary of Benefits or a plan if:
  - participation requirements are not met;
  - fewer than 15 employees are insured under a plan;
  - the Employer does not promptly provide Unum with information that is reasonably required;
  - the Employer fails to perform any of its obligations that relate to the Summary of Benefits;
  - the Employer does not promptly report to Unum the names of any employees who are added or deleted from the eligible group; or
  - Unum determines that there is a significant change, in the size, occupation or age of the eligible group as a result of a corporate transaction such as a merger,

divestiture, acquisition, sale, or reorganization of the Employer and/or its employees.

Coverage for any one dependent will end on the earliest of:

- the date your coverage under a plan ends;
- the date your dependent ceases to be an eligible dependent;
- for a spouse, the date of divorce or annulment.

Unum will provide coverage for a payable claim which occurs while your dependents are covered under the Summary of Benefits or plan.

### ***WILL COVERAGE CONTINUE FOR A HANDICAPPED CHILD INSURED UNDER THE PLAN WHO IS AGE 23 OR OVER?***

#### **All Full-Time Employees**

Coverage will continue for a child age 23 or over who is handicapped, provided:

- the child is currently insured under the plan; and
- the child is unmarried; and
- you are the main source of support and maintenance.

Unum must receive proof within 31 days of the date the child attains 23 and as required during the first two years. After the first two years, Unum will ask for proof when needed, but not more than once a year.

### ***WHAT ARE THE TIME LIMITS FOR LEGAL PROCEEDINGS?***

You or your authorized representative can start legal action regarding a claim 60 days after proof of claim has been given and up to 3 years from the time proof of claim is required, unless otherwise provided under federal law.

### ***HOW CAN STATEMENTS MADE IN YOUR APPLICATION FOR THIS COVERAGE BE USED?***

Unum considers any statements you or your Employer make in a signed application for coverage or an evidence of insurability form a representation and not a warranty. If any of the statements you or your Employer make are not complete and/or not true at the time they are made, we can:

- reduce or deny any claim; or
- cancel your coverage from the original effective date.

We will use only statements made in a signed application or an evidence of insurability form as a basis for doing this.

Except in the case of fraud, Unum can take action only in the first 2 years coverage is in force.

If the Employer gives us information about you that is incorrect, we will:

- use the facts to decide whether you have coverage under the plan and in what amounts; and
- make a fair adjustment of the premium.

***HOW WILL UNUM HANDLE INSURANCE FRAUD?***

Unum wants to ensure you and your Employer do not incur additional insurance costs as a result of the undermining effects of insurance fraud. Unum promises to focus on all means necessary to support fraud detection, investigation, and prosecution.

It is a crime if you knowingly, and with intent to injure, defraud or deceive Unum, or provide any information, including filing a claim, that contains any false, incomplete or misleading information. These actions, as well as submission of materially false information, will result in denial of your claim, and are subject to prosecution and punishment to the full extent under state and/or federal law. Unum will pursue all appropriate legal remedies in the event of insurance fraud.

***DOES THE SUMMARY OF BENEFITS REPLACE OR AFFECT ANY WORKERS' COMPENSATION OR STATE DISABILITY INSURANCE?***

The Summary of Benefits does not replace or affect the requirements for coverage by any workers' compensation or state disability insurance.

***DOES YOUR EMPLOYER ACT AS YOUR AGENT OR UNUM'S AGENT?***

For the purposes of the Summary of Benefits, your Employer acts on its own behalf or as your agent. Under no circumstances will your Employer be deemed the agent of Unum.

## **LIFE INSURANCE**

### **BENEFIT INFORMATION**

#### ***WHEN WILL YOUR BENEFICIARY RECEIVE PAYMENT?***

Your beneficiary(ies) will receive payment when Unum approves your death claim.

#### ***WHAT DOCUMENTS ARE REQUIRED FOR PROOF OF DEATH?***

Unum will require a certified copy of the death certificate, enrollment documents and a Notice and Proof of Claim form.

#### ***HOW MUCH WILL UNUM PAY YOU IF UNUM APPROVES YOUR DEPENDENT'S DEATH CLAIM?***

Unum will determine the payment according to the amount of insurance shown in the LIFE INSURANCE "**BENEFITS AT A GLANCE**" page.

#### ***HOW MUCH WILL UNUM PAY YOUR BENEFICIARY IF UNUM APPROVES YOUR DEATH CLAIM?***

Unum will determine the payment according to the amount of insurance shown in the LIFE INSURANCE "**BENEFITS AT A GLANCE**" page.

#### ***WHAT HAPPENS TO YOUR LIFE INSURANCE COVERAGE IF YOU BECOME DISABLED?***

Your life insurance coverage may be continued for a specific time and your life insurance premium will be waived if you qualify as described below.

#### ***HOW LONG MUST YOU BE DISABLED BEFORE YOU ARE ELIGIBLE TO HAVE LIFE PREMIUMS WAIVED?***

You must be disabled through your **elimination period**.

Your elimination period is 9 months.

#### ***WHEN WILL YOUR LIFE INSURANCE PREMIUM WAIVER BEGIN?***

Your life insurance premium waiver will begin when we approve your claim, if the elimination period has ended and you meet the following conditions. Your Employer may continue premium payments until Unum notifies your Employer of the date your life insurance premium waiver begins.

Your life insurance premium will be waived if you meet these conditions:

- you are less than 60 and insured under the plan.
- you become disabled and remain disabled during the elimination period.
- you meet the notice and proof of claim requirements for disability while your life insurance is in effect or within three months after it ends.
- your claim is approved by Unum.



After we approve your claim, Unum does not require further premium payments for you while you remain disabled according to the terms and provisions of the plan.

Your life insurance amount will not increase while your life insurance premiums are being waived. Your life insurance amount will reduce or cease at any time it would reduce or cease if you had not been disabled.

**WHEN WILL YOUR LIFE INSURANCE PREMIUM WAIVER END?**

The life insurance premium waiver will automatically end if:

- you recover and you no longer are disabled;
- you fail to give us proper proof that you remain disabled;
- you refuse to have an examination by a physician chosen by Unum; or
- premium has been waived for 12 months and you are considered to reside outside the United States or Canada. You will be considered to reside outside the United States or Canada when you have been outside these countries for a total period of 6 months or more during any 12 consecutive months for which premium has been waived.

Also, we will not continue the life insurance premium waiver beyond the Maximum Benefit Period stated below based on your age on the date your disability began.

Year of Birth	Maximum Benefit Period Social Security Normal Retirement Age
1937 or before	65 years
1938	65 years 2 months
1939	65 years 4 months
1940	65 years 6 months
1941	65 years 8 months
1942	65 years 10 months
1943 - 1954	66 years
1955	66 years 2 months
1956	66 years 4 months
1957	66 years 6 months
1958	66 years 8 months
1959	66 years 10 months
1960 and after	67 years

**HOW DOES UNUM DEFINE DISABILITY?**

You are disabled when Unum determines that:

- during the elimination period, you are not working in any occupation due to your **injury** or **sickness**; and
- after the elimination period, due to the same injury or sickness, you are unable to perform the duties of any **gainful occupation** for which you are reasonably fitted by training, education or experience.

You must be under the regular care of a physician in order to be considered disabled.

The loss of a professional or occupational license or certification does not, in itself, constitute disability.

We may require you to be examined by a physician, other medical practitioner or vocational expert of our choice. Unum will pay for this examination. We can require an examination as often as it is reasonable to do so. We may also require you to be interviewed by an authorized Unum Representative.

### ***APPLYING FOR LIFE INSURANCE PREMIUM WAIVER***

Ask your Employer for a life insurance premium waiver claim form.

The form has instructions on how to complete and where to send the claim.

### ***WHAT INSURANCE IS AVAILABLE WHILE YOU ARE SATISFYING THE DISABILITY REQUIREMENTS? (See Conversion Privilege)***

You may use this life conversion privilege when your life insurance terminates while you are satisfying the disability requirements. Please refer to the conversion privilege below. You are not eligible to apply for this life conversion if you return to work and, again, become covered under the plan.

If an individual life insurance policy is issued to you, any benefit for your death under this plan will be paid only if the individual policy is returned for surrender to Unum. Unum will refund all premiums paid for the individual policy.

The amount of your death benefit will be paid to your named beneficiary for the plan. If, however, you named a different beneficiary for the individual policy and the policy is returned to Unum for surrender, that different beneficiary will not be paid.

If you want to name a different beneficiary for this group plan, you must change your beneficiary as described in the Beneficiary Designation page of this group plan.

### ***WHAT INSURANCE IS AVAILABLE WHEN COVERAGE ENDS? (Conversion Privilege)***

When coverage ends under the plan, you and your dependents can convert your coverages to individual life policies, without evidence of insurability. The maximum amounts that you can convert are the amounts you and your dependents are insured for under the plan. You may convert a lower amount of life insurance.

You and your dependents must apply for individual life insurance under this life conversion privilege and pay the first premium within 31 days after the date:

- your employment terminates; or
- you or your dependents no longer are eligible to participate in the coverage of the plan.

If you convert to an individual life policy, then return to work, and, again, become insured under the plan, you are not eligible to convert to an individual life policy again. However, you do not need to surrender that individual life policy when you return to work.

Converted insurance may be of any type of the level premium whole life plans then in use by Unum. The person may elect one year of Preliminary Term insurance under the level premium whole life policy. The individual policy will not contain disability or other extra benefits.

***WHAT LIMITED CONVERSION IS AVAILABLE IF THE SUMMARY OF BENEFITS OR THE PLAN IS CANCELLED? (Conversion Privilege)***

You and your dependents may convert a limited amount of life insurance if you have been insured under your Employer's group plan with Unum for at least five (5) years and the Summary of Benefits or the plan:

- is cancelled with Unum; or
- changes so that you no longer are eligible.

The individual life policy maximum for each of you will be the lesser of:

- \$10,000; or
- your or your dependent's coverage amounts under the plan less any amounts that become available under any other group life plan offered by your Employer within 31 days after the date the Summary of Benefits or the plan is cancelled.

***PREMIUMS***

Premiums for the converted insurance will be based on:

- the person's then attained age on the effective date of the individual life policy;
- the type and amount of insurance to be converted;
- Unum's customary rates in use at that time; and
- the class of risk to which the person belongs.

If the premium payment has been made, the individual life policy will be effective at the end of the 31 day conversion application period.

***DEATH DURING THE THIRTY-ONE DAY CONVERSION APPLICATION PERIOD***

If you or your dependents die within the 31 day conversion application period, Unum will pay the beneficiary(ies) the amount of insurance that could have been converted. This coverage is available whether or not you have applied for an individual life policy under the conversion privilege.

***APPLYING FOR CONVERSION***

Ask your Employer for a conversion application form which includes cost information.

When you complete the application, send it with the first premium amount to:

Unum - Conversion Unit  
2211 Congress Street  
Portland, Maine 04122-1350  
1-800-343-5406

**WILL UNUM ACCELERATE YOUR OR YOUR DEPENDENT'S DEATH BENEFIT FOR THE PLAN IF YOU OR YOUR DEPENDENT BECOMES TERMINALLY ILL? (Accelerated Benefit)**

If you or your dependent becomes terminally ill while you or your dependent is insured by the plan, Unum will pay you a portion of your or your dependent's life insurance benefit one time. The payment will be based on 75% of your or your dependent's life insurance amount. However, the one-time benefit paid will not be greater than \$500,000.

Your or your dependent's right to exercise this option and to receive payment is subject to the following:

- you or your dependent requests this election, in writing, on a form acceptable to Unum;
- you or your dependent must be terminally ill at the time of payment of the Accelerated Benefit;
- your or your dependent's physician must certify, in writing, that you or your dependent is terminally ill and your or your dependent's life expectancy has been reduced to less than 12 months; and
- the physician's certification must be deemed satisfactory to Unum.

The Accelerated Benefit is available on a voluntary basis.

Premium payments must continue to be paid on the full amount of life insurance unless you qualify to have your life premium waived.

Also, premium payments must continue to be paid on the full amount of your dependent's life insurance.

If you have assigned your rights under the plan to an assignee or made an irrevocable beneficiary designation, Unum must receive consent, in writing, that the assignee or irrevocable beneficiary has agreed to the Accelerated Benefit payment on your behalf in a form acceptable to Unum before benefits are payable.

An election to receive an Accelerated Benefit will have the following effect on other benefits:

- the death benefit payable will be reduced by any amount of Accelerated Benefit that has been paid; and
- any amount of life insurance that would be continued under a disability continuation provision or that may be available under the conversion privilege will be reduced by the amount of the Accelerated Benefit paid. The remaining life insurance amount will be paid according to the terms of the Summary of Benefits subject to any reduction and termination provisions.

Benefits paid may be taxable. Unum is not responsible for any tax or other effects of any benefit paid. As with all tax matters, you or your dependent should consult your personal tax advisor to assess the impact of this benefit.

**WHAT LOSSES ARE NOT COVERED UNDER YOUR PLAN?**

Your plan does not cover any losses where death is caused by, contributed to by, or results from:

- suicide occurring within 24 months after your or your dependent's initial effective date of insurance; and
- suicide occurring within 24 months after the date any increases or additional insurance become effective for you or your dependent.

The suicide exclusion will apply to any amounts of insurance for which you pay all or part of the premium.

The suicide exclusion also will apply to any amount that is subject to evidence of insurability requirements and Unum approves the evidence of insurability form and the amount you or your dependent applied for at that time.

## LIFE INSURANCE

### OTHER BENEFIT FEATURES

#### ***WHAT COVERAGE IS AVAILABLE IF YOU END EMPLOYMENT OR YOU WORK REDUCED HOURS? (Portability)***

If your employment ends with or you retire from your Employer or you are working less than the minimum number of hours as described under Eligible Groups in this plan, you may elect portable coverage for yourself and your dependents.

In case of your death, your insured dependents also may elect portable coverage for themselves. However, children cannot become insured for portable coverage unless the spouse also becomes insured for portable coverage.

#### ***PORTABLE INSURANCE COVERAGE AND AMOUNTS AVAILABLE***

The portable insurance coverage will be the current coverage and amounts that you and your dependents are insured for under your Employer's group plan.

However, the amount of portable coverage for you will not be more than:

- the highest amount of life insurance available for employees under the plan; or
- 5x your annual earnings; or
- \$750,000 from all Unum group life and accidental death and dismemberment plans combined,

whichever is less.

The amount of ported life insurance must be equal to or greater than the amount of ported accidental death and dismemberment insurance.

The amount of portable coverage for your spouse will not be more than:

- the highest amount of life insurance available for spouses under the plan; or
- 100% of your amount of portable coverage; or
- \$750,000 from all Unum group life and accidental death and dismemberment plans combined,

whichever is less.

The amount of ported life insurance must be equal to or greater than the amount of ported accidental death and dismemberment insurance.

The amount of portable coverage for a child will not be more than:

- the highest amount of life insurance available for children under the plan; or
- 100% of your amount of portable coverage; or
- \$20,000,

whichever is less.

The amount of ported life insurance must be equal to or greater than the amount of ported accidental death and dismemberment insurance.

The minimum amount of coverage that can be ported is \$5,000 for you and \$1,000 for your dependents. If the current amounts under the plan are less than \$5,000 for you and \$1,000 for your dependents you and your dependents may port the lesser amounts.

Your or your dependent's amount of life insurance will reduce or cease at any time it would reduce or cease for your eligible group if you had continued in active employment with your Employer.

### ***APPLYING FOR PORTABLE COVERAGE***

You must apply for portable coverage for yourself and your dependents and pay the first premium within 31 days after the date:

- your coverage ends or you retire from your Employer; or
- you begin working less than the minimum number of hours as described under Eligible Groups in this plan.

Your dependents must apply for portable coverage and pay the first premium within 31 days after the date you die.

You are not eligible to apply for portable coverage for yourself if:

- the policy is cancelled (the Policy is the group policy issued to the Trustees of the Select Group Insurance Trust in which your Employer participates); or
- you failed to pay the required premium under the terms of this plan.

You are not eligible to apply for portable coverage for a dependent if:

- you do not elect portable coverage for yourself;
- the policy is cancelled (the Policy is the group policy issued to the Trustees of the Select Group Insurance Trust in which your Employer participates); or
- you failed to pay the required premium under the terms of this plan.

In case of your death, your spouse is not eligible to apply for portable coverage if:

- your surviving spouse is not insured under this plan;
- the policy is cancelled (the Policy is the group policy issued to the Trustees of the Select Group Insurance Trust in which your Employer participates); or
- you failed to pay the required premium under the terms of this plan for your spouse.

In case of your death, your child is not eligible for portable coverage if:

- your surviving spouse is not insured under this plan;
- your surviving spouse is insured under this plan and chooses not to elect portable coverage;
- the policy is cancelled (the Policy is the group policy issued to the Trustees of the Select Group Insurance Trust in which your Employer participates); or
- you failed to pay the required premium under the terms of this plan for your child.

## ***APPLYING FOR INCREASES OR DECREASES IN PORTABLE COVERAGE***

You or your dependents may increase or decrease the amount of life insurance coverage. The minimum and maximum benefit amounts are shown above. However, the amount of life insurance coverage cannot be decreased below \$5,000 for you and \$1,000 for your dependents. All increases are subject to evidence of insurability. Portable coverage will reduce at the ages and amounts shown in the LIFE INSURANCE "**BENEFITS AT A GLANCE**" page.

## ***ADDING PORTABLE COVERAGE FOR DEPENDENTS***

If you choose not to enroll your dependents when your dependents were first eligible for portable coverage, you may enroll your dependents at any time for the amounts allowed under the group plan. Evidence of insurability is required.

You may enroll newly acquired dependents at any time for the amounts allowed under the group plan. Evidence of insurability is required.

## ***WHEN PORTABLE COVERAGE ENDS***

Portable coverage for you will end for the following reasons:

- the date you fail to pay any required premium; or
- the date the policy is cancelled (the Policy is the group policy issued to the Trustees of the Select Group Insurance Trust in which your Employer participates).

Portable coverage for a spouse will end for the following reasons:

- the date you fail to pay any required premium;
- the date your surviving spouse fails to pay any required premium; or
- the date the policy is cancelled (the Policy is the group policy issued to the Trustees of the Select Group Insurance Trust in which your Employer participates).

Portable coverage for a child will end for the following reasons:

- the date you fail to pay any required premium;
- the date your surviving spouse fails to pay any required premium;
- the date the policy is cancelled (the Policy is the group policy issued to the Trustees of the Select Group Insurance Trust in which your Employer participates);
- the date your child no longer qualifies as a dependent; or
- the date the surviving spouse dies.

If portable coverage ends due to failure to pay required premium, portable coverage cannot be reinstated.

## ***PREMIUM RATE CHANGES FOR PORTABLE COVERAGE***

Unum may change premium rates for portable coverage at any time for reasons which affect the risk assumed, including those reasons shown below:

- changes occur in the coverage levels;
- changes occur in the overall use of benefits by all insureds;
- changes occur in other risk factors; or



- a new law or a change in any existing law is enacted which applies to portable coverage.

The change in premium rates will be made on a class basis according to Unum's underwriting risk studies. Unum will notify the insured in writing at least 31 days before a premium rate is changed.

***APPLYING FOR CONVERSION, IF PORTABLE COVERAGE ENDS OR IS NOT AVAILABLE***

If you or your dependent is not eligible to apply for portable coverage or portable coverage ends, then you or your dependent may qualify for conversion coverage. Refer to Conversion Privilege under this plan.

Ask your Employer for a conversion application form which includes cost information.

When you complete the application, send it with the first premium amount to:

Unum - Conversion Unit  
2211 Congress Street  
Portland, Maine 04122-1350  
1-800-343-5406

# ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT INSURANCE

## BENEFIT INFORMATION

### **WHEN WILL YOUR BENEFICIARY RECEIVE PAYMENT IN THE EVENT OF YOUR DEATH IF YOUR DEATH IS THE DIRECT RESULT OF AN ACCIDENT?**

Your beneficiary(ies) will receive payment when Unum approves your death claim providing you meet certain conditions.

### **WHAT DOCUMENTS ARE REQUIRED FOR PROOF OF ACCIDENTAL DEATH?**

Unum will require a certified copy of the death certificate, enrollment documents and a Notice and Proof of Claim form.

### **WHEN WILL YOU RECEIVE PAYMENT IN THE EVENT OF CERTAIN OTHER COVERED LOSSES IF THE LOSS IS THE DIRECT RESULT OF AN ACCIDENT?**

You will receive payment when Unum approves the claim.

### **HOW MUCH WILL UNUM PAY YOUR BENEFICIARY IN THE EVENT OF YOUR ACCIDENTAL DEATH OR YOU FOR CERTAIN OTHER COVERED LOSSES?**

If Unum approves the claim, Unum will determine the payment according to the Covered Losses and Benefits List below. The benefit Unum will pay is listed opposite the corresponding covered loss.

The benefit will be paid only if an **accidental bodily injury** results in one or more of the covered losses listed below within 365 days from the date of the accident.

Also, the accident must occur while you are insured under the plan.

#### **Covered Losses**

#### **Benefit Amounts**

Life

The Full Amount

Both Hands or Both Feet or Sight of Both Eyes

The Full Amount

One Hand and One Foot

The Full Amount

One Hand and Sight of One Eye

The Full Amount

One Foot and Sight of One Eye

The Full Amount

Speech and Hearing

The Full Amount

One Hand or One Foot

One Half The Full Amount

Sight of One Eye

One Half The Full Amount

Speech or Hearing	One Half The Full Amount
Thumb and Index Finger of Same Hand	One Quarter The Full Amount

The most Unum will pay for any combination of Covered Losses from any one accident is the full amount.

The Full Amount is the amount shown in the ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT INSURANCE "**BENEFITS AT A GLANCE**" page.

***WHAT REPATRIATION BENEFIT WILL UNUM PROVIDE?***

Unum will pay an additional benefit for the preparation and transportation of your body to a mortuary chosen by you or your authorized representative. Payment will be made if, as the result of a covered accident, you suffer loss of life at least 100 miles away from your principal place of residence.

However, when combined with two or more Unum accidental death and dismemberment insurance plans, the combined overall maximum for these plans together cannot exceed the actual expenses for the preparation and transportation of your body to a mortuary.

The maximum benefit amount is shown in the ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT INSURANCE "**BENEFITS AT A GLANCE**" page.

***WHAT SEATBELT(S) AND AIR BAG BENEFIT WILL UNUM PROVIDE?***

Unum will pay you or your authorized representative an additional benefit if you sustain an accidental bodily injury which causes your death while you are driving or riding in a **Private Passenger Car**, provided:

For Seatbelt(s):

- the Private Passenger Car is equipped with seatbelt(s); and
- the seatbelt(s) were in actual use and properly fastened at the time of the covered accident; and
- the position of the seatbelt(s) are certified in the official report of the covered accident, or by the investigating officer. A copy of the police accident report must be submitted with the claim.

Also, if such certification is not available, and it is clear that you were properly wearing seatbelt(s), then we will pay the additional seatbelt benefit.

However, if such certification is not available, and it is unclear whether you were properly wearing seatbelt(s), then we will pay a fixed benefit of \$1,000.

An automatic harness seatbelt will not be considered properly fastened unless a lap belt is also used.

For Air Bag:

- the Private Passenger Car is equipped with an air bag for the seat in which you are seated; and
- the seatbelt(s) must be in actual use and properly fastened at the time of the covered accident.

No benefit will be paid if you are the driver of the Private Passenger Car and do not hold a current and valid driver's license.

No benefit will be paid if Unum is able to verify that the air bag(s) had been disengaged prior to the accident.

The accident causing your death must occur while you are insured under the plan.

The maximum benefit amount is shown in the ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT "**BENEFITS AT A GLANCE**" page.

***WHAT EDUCATION BENEFIT WILL UNUM PROVIDE FOR YOUR QUALIFIED CHILDREN?***

Unum will pay your authorized representative on behalf of each of your qualified children a lump sum payment if:

- you lose your life:
  - as a result of an accidental bodily injury; and
  - within 365 days after the date of the accident causing the accidental bodily injury;
- the accident causing your accidental bodily injury occurred while you were insured under the plan;
- proof is furnished to Unum that the child is a **qualified child**; and
- the qualified child continues to be enrolled as a full-time student in an accredited post-secondary institution of higher learning beyond the 12th grade level.

The benefit amount per academic year, maximum benefit payments, maximum benefit amount and maximum benefit period are shown in the ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT INSURANCE "**BENEFITS AT A GLANCE**" page.

***WHEN WILL THE EDUCATION BENEFIT END FOR EACH QUALIFIED CHILD?***

The education benefit will terminate for each qualified child on the earliest of the following dates:

- the date your qualified child fails to furnish proof as required by us;
- the date your qualified child no longer qualifies as a dependent child for any reason except your death; or
- the end of the maximum benefit period.

***WHAT COVERAGE FOR EXPOSURE AND DISAPPEARANCE BENEFIT WILL UNUM PROVIDE?***

Unum will pay a benefit if you sustain an accidental bodily injury and are unavoidably exposed to the elements and suffer a loss.

We will presume you suffered loss of life due to an accident if:

- you are riding in a common public passenger carrier that is involved in an accident covered under the Summary of Benefits; and

- as a result of the accident, the common public passenger carrier is wrecked, sinks, is stranded, or disappears; and
- your body is not found within 1 year of the accident.

Also, the accident must occur while you are insured under the plan.

The maximum benefit amount is shown in the ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT "**BENEFITS AT A GLANCE**" page.

### ***WHAT ACCIDENTAL LOSSES ARE NOT COVERED UNDER YOUR PLAN?***

Your plan does not cover any accidental losses caused by, contributed to by, or resulting from:

- suicide, self destruction while sane, intentionally self-inflicted injury while sane, or self-inflicted injury while sane, or self-inflicted injury while insane.
- active participation in a riot.
- an attempt to commit or commission of a crime.
- the use of any prescription or non-prescription drug, poison, fume, or other chemical substance unless used according to the prescription or direction of your physician. This exclusion will not apply to you if the chemical substance is ethanol.
- disease of the body or diagnostic, medical or surgical treatment or mental disorder as set forth in the latest edition of the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders.
- being **intoxicated**.
- war, declared or undeclared, or any act of war.

## **ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT INSURANCE**

### **OTHER BENEFIT FEATURES**

#### ***WHAT COVERAGE IS AVAILABLE IF YOU END EMPLOYMENT OR YOU WORK REDUCED HOURS? (Portability)***

If your employment ends with or you retire from your Employer or you are working less than the minimum number of hours as described under Eligible Groups in this plan, you may elect portable coverage for yourself.

#### ***PORTABLE INSURANCE COVERAGE AND AMOUNTS AVAILABLE***

The portable insurance coverage will be the current coverage and amounts that you are insured for under your Employer's group plan.

However, the amount of portable coverage for you will not be more than:

- the highest amount of accidental death and dismemberment insurance available for employees under the plan; or
- 5x your annual earnings; or
- \$750,000 from all Unum group life and accidental death and dismemberment plans combined,

whichever is less.

The amount of ported life insurance must be equal to or greater than the amount of ported accidental death and dismemberment insurance.

The minimum amount of coverage that can be ported is \$5,000. If the current amounts under the plan are less than \$5,000, you may port the lesser amounts.

Your amount of AD&D insurance will reduce or cease at any time it would reduce or cease for your eligible group if you had continued in active employment with your Employer.

#### ***APPLYING FOR PORTABLE COVERAGE***

You must apply for portable coverage for yourself and pay the first premium within 31 days after the date:

- your coverage ends or you retire from your Employer; or
- you begin working less than the minimum number of hours as described under Eligible Groups in this plan.

You are not eligible to apply for portable coverage for yourself if:

- the policy is cancelled (the Policy is the group policy issued to the Trustees of the Select Group Insurance Trust in which your Employer participates); or
- you failed to pay the required premium under the terms of this plan.

## ***APPLYING FOR INCREASES OR DECREASES IN PORTABLE COVERAGE***

You may increase or decrease the amount of AD&D insurance coverage. The minimum and maximum benefit amounts are shown above. However, the amount of accidental death and dismemberment insurance coverage cannot be decreased below \$5,000. Portable coverage will reduce at the ages and amounts shown in the ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT INSURANCE "**BENEFITS AT A GLANCE**" page.

## ***WHEN PORTABLE COVERAGE ENDS***

Portable coverage for you will end for the following reasons:

- the date you fail to pay any required premium; or
- the date the policy is cancelled (the Policy is the group policy issued to the Trustees of the Select Group Insurance Trust in which your Employer participates).

If portable coverage ends due to failure to pay required premium, portable coverage cannot be reinstated.

## ***PREMIUM RATE CHANGES FOR PORTABLE COVERAGE***

Unum may change premium rates for portable coverage at any time for reasons which affect the risk assumed, including those reasons shown below:

- changes occur in the coverage levels;
- changes occur in the overall use of benefits by all insureds;
- changes occur in other risk factors; or
- a new law or a change in any existing law is enacted which applies to portable coverage.

The change in premium rates will be made on a class basis according to Unum's underwriting risk studies. Unum will notify the insured in writing at least 31 days before a premium rate is changed.

## **STATE REQUIREMENTS**

### **NOTICE OF INSURANCE CANCELLATION**

Dear Employer:

You should be aware that North Carolina has rules regarding an Employer's responsibility to give notice to his employees when their Group Insurance Summary of Benefits is being terminated.

"UNDER NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL STATUTE SECTION 58-50-40, NO PERSON, EMPLOYER, PRINCIPAL, AGENT, TRUSTEE, OR THIRD PARTY ADMINISTRATOR, WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PAYMENT OF GROUP HEALTH OR LIFE INSURANCE OR HEALTH CARE PLAN PREMIUMS, SHALL: (1) CAUSE THE CANCELLATION OR NONRENEWAL OF GROUP HEALTH OR LIFE INSURANCE, HOSPITAL, MEDICAL OR DENTAL SERVICE PLAN, MULTIPLE EMPLOYER WELFARE ARRANGEMENT, OR HEALTH CARE PLAN COVERAGES AND THE CONSEQUENTIAL LOSS OF THE COVERAGES OF THE PERSONS INSURED, BY WILLFULLY FAILING TO PAY SUCH PREMIUMS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS OF THE GROUP INSURANCE SUMMARY OF BENEFITS AND (2) WILLFULLY FAIL TO DELIVER, AT LEAST 45 DAYS PRIOR TO THE TERMINATIONS OF SUCH COVERAGES, TO ALL PERSONS COVERED BY THE GROUP POLICY OR SUMMARY OF BENEFITS A WRITTEN NOTICE OF THE PERSON'S INTENTION TO STOP PAYMENT OF PREMIUMS. THIS WRITTEN NOTICE MUST ALSO CONTAIN A NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS COVERED BY THE GROUP INSURANCE SUMMARY OF BENEFITS OF THEIR RIGHTS TO HEALTH INSURANCE CONVERSION POLICIES UNDER ARTICLE 53 OF GENERAL STATUTES CHAPTER 58 AND THEIR RIGHTS UNDER THE FEDERAL CONSOLIDATED OMNIBUS BUDGET RECONCILIATION ACT (COBRA). VIOLATION OF THIS LAW IS A FELONY, ANY PERSON VIOLATING THIS LAW IS ALSO SUBJECT TO A COURT ORDER REQUIRING THE PERSON TO COMPENSATE PERSONS INSURED FOR EXPENSES OR LOSSES INCURRED AS A RESULT OF THE TERMINATION OF INSURANCE".



## GLOSSARY

**ACCIDENTAL BODILY INJURY** means bodily harm caused by accident and not contributed to by any other cause.

**ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT INSURANCE BENEFIT** means the total benefit amount for which an employee is insured under this plan subject to the maximum benefit.

**ACCREDITED SCHOOL** means an accredited post-secondary institution of higher learning for full-time students beyond the 12th grade level.

**ACTIVE EMPLOYMENT** means you are working for your Employer for earnings that are paid regularly and that you are performing the material and substantial duties of your regular occupation. You must be working at least the minimum number of hours as described under Eligible Group(s) in each plan.

Your work site must be:

- your Employer's usual place of business;
- an alternative work site at the direction of your Employer, including your home; or
- a location to which your job requires you to travel.

Normal vacation is considered active employment.  
Temporary and seasonal workers are excluded from coverage.

**ANNUAL ENROLLMENT PERIOD** means a period of time before the beginning of each plan year.

**CHANGE IN STATUS** means a change in status as defined in the regulations under Internal Revenue Code section 125, unless your Employer's cafeteria plan document or human resource policy contains more restrictive provisions. In that event, your Employer may restrict the situations where you can change your coverage.

**ELIMINATION PERIOD** means a period of continuous disability which must be satisfied before you are eligible to have your life premium waived by Unum.

**EMPLOYEE** means a person who is in active employment in the United States with the Employer.

**EMPLOYER** means the Employer/Applicant named in the Application For Participation in the Select Group Insurance Trust, on the first page of the Summary of Benefits and in all amendments. It includes any division, subsidiary or affiliated company named in the Summary of Benefits.

**EVIDENCE OF INSURABILITY** means a statement of your or your dependent's medical history which Unum will use to determine if you or your dependent is approved for coverage. Evidence of insurability will be at Unum's expense.

**GAINFUL OCCUPATION** means an occupation that within 12 months of your return to work is or can be expected to provide you with an income that is at least equal to 60% of your annual earnings in effect just prior to the date your disability began.

**GRACE PERIOD** means the period of time following the premium due date during which premium payment may be made.

**HANDICAPPED** means permanently and continuously incapable of self sustaining support by reason of mental or physical incapacity.

**HOSPITAL OR INSTITUTION** means an accredited facility licensed to provide care and treatment for the condition causing your disability.

**INJURY** means a bodily injury that is the direct result of an accident and not related to any other cause. Disability must begin while you are covered under the plan.

**INSURED** means any person covered under a plan.

**INTOXICATED** means that your blood alcohol level equals or exceeds the legal limit for operating a motor vehicle in the state where the accident occurred.

**LAW, PLAN OR ACT** means the original enactments of the law, plan or act and all amendments.

**LAYOFF** or **LEAVE OF ABSENCE** means you are temporarily absent from active employment for a period of time that has been agreed to in advance in writing by your Employer.

Your normal vacation time or any period of disability is not considered a temporary layoff or leave of absence.

**LIFE INSURANCE BENEFIT** means the total benefit amount for which an individual is insured under this plan subject to the maximum benefit.

**LIFE THREATENING CONDITION** is a critical health condition that may result in your dependent's loss of life.

**LOSS OF A FOOT** means that all of the foot is cut off at or above the ankle joint.

**LOSS OF A HAND** means that all four fingers are cut off at or above the knuckles joining each to the hand.

**LOSS OF HEARING** means the total and irrecoverable loss of hearing in both ears.

**LOSS OF SIGHT** means the eye is totally blind and that no sight can be restored in that eye.

**LOSS OF SPEECH** means the total and irrecoverable loss of speech.

**LOSS OF THUMB AND INDEX FINGER** means that all of the thumb and index finger are cut off at or above the joint closest to the wrist.

**PAYABLE CLAIM** means a claim for which Unum is liable under the terms of the Summary of Benefits.

**PHYSICIAN** means:

- a person performing tasks that are within the limits of his or her medical license; and
- a person who is licensed to practice medicine and prescribe and administer drugs or to perform surgery; or
- a person with a doctoral degree in Psychology (Ph.D. or Psy.D.) whose primary practice is treating patients; or
- a person who is a legally qualified medical practitioner according to the laws and regulations of the governing jurisdiction.

Unum will not recognize you, or your spouse, children, parents or siblings as a physician for a claim that you send to us.

**PLAN** means a line of coverage under the Summary of Benefits.

**PRIVATE PASSENGER CAR** means a validly registered four-wheel private passenger car (including Employer-owned cars), station wagons, jeeps, pick-up trucks, and vans that are used only as private passenger cars.

**QUALIFIED CHILD** is any of your unmarried dependent children under age 25 who, on the date of your death as a result of an accidental bodily injury, was either:

- enrolled as a full-time student in an accredited post-secondary institution of higher learning beyond the 12th grade level; or
- at the 12th grade level and enrolls as a full-time student in an accredited post-secondary institution of higher learning beyond the 12th grade level within 365 days following the date of your death.

Children include your own natural offspring, lawfully adopted children and stepchildren. They also include foster children and other children who are dependent on you for main support and living with you in a regular parent-child relationship. A child will be considered adopted on the date of placement in your home.

**REGULAR CARE** means:

- you personally visit a physician as frequently as is medically required, according to generally accepted medical standards, to effectively manage and treat your disabling condition(s); and
- you are receiving the most appropriate treatment and care which conforms with generally accepted medical standards, for your disabling condition(s) by a physician whose specialty or experience is the most appropriate for your disabling condition(s), according to generally accepted medical standards.

If you have reached your maximum point of recovery and do not require prescription medications or other therapies to maintain that level of recovery, but you are still disabled under the terms of the plan, you will not be required to personally visit a physician or be under the care of a physician on a regular basis.

**RETAINED ASSET ACCOUNT** is an interest bearing account established through an intermediary bank in the name of you or your beneficiary, as owner.

**RETIREE** means a person who was in active employment in the United States with the Employer just prior to their date of retirement.

**RETIREMENT PLAN** means a defined contribution plan or defined benefit plan. These are plans which provide retirement benefits to employees and are not funded entirely by post tax or employee contributions, as that term is used in the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

**SICKNESS** means an illness or disease. Disability must begin while you are covered under the plan.

**TOTALLY DISABLED** means that, as a result of an injury, a sickness or a disorder:

Your dependent spouse:

- is confined in a hospital or similar institution;
- is confined at home under the care of a physician for a sickness or injury; or
- has a **life threatening condition**.

Your dependent children:

- are confined in a hospital or similar institution; or
- are confined at home under the care of a physician for a sickness or injury.

**TRUST** means the policyholder trust named on the first page of the Summary of Benefits and all amendments to the policy.

**WAITING PERIOD** means the continuous period of time (shown in each plan) that you must be in active employment in an eligible group before you are eligible for coverage under a plan.

**WE, US** and **OUR** means Unum Life Insurance Company of America.

**YOU** means an employee who is eligible for Unum coverage.

**THE FOLLOWING NOTICES AND CHANGES TO YOUR COVERAGE ARE REQUIRED BY THE STATE OF WASHINGTON. PLEASE READ CAREFULLY.**

If you have a complaint about your insurance you may contact Unum at 1-800-321-3889, or the department of insurance in your state of residence. Links to the websites of each state department of insurance can be found at [www.naic.org](http://www.naic.org).

Si usted tiene alguna queja acerca de su seguro puede comunicarse con Unum al 1-800-321-3889, o al departamento de seguros de su estado de residencia. Puede encontrar enlaces a los sitios web de los departamentos de seguros de cada estado en [www.naic.org](http://www.naic.org).

**If you are a resident of one of the states noted below, and the provisions referenced below appear in your Certificate in a form less favorable to you as an insured, they are amended as follows:**

If you had group life coverage in place with your employer through another carrier when your employer changed carriers to Unum, your prior coverage may be continued under the Unum plan to the extent the laws of your resident state require such right to continue and within the design limits of the Unum plan.

Full effect will be given to your state's civil union, domestic partner and same sex marriage laws to the extent they apply to you under a group insurance policy issued in another state.

**For residents of Washington**

The definition for **ACTIVE EMPLOYMENT** in the **GLOSSARY** section is amended to include the following:

A period of up to 6 months during which you are not working due to a strike, lockout or other labor dispute is considered active employment. Your employer may require you to pay premium during this period of time.

The ***WILL UNUM ACCELERATE YOUR OR YOUR DEPENDENT'S DEATH BENEFIT FOR THE PLAN IF YOU OR YOUR DEPENDENT BECOMES TERMINALLY ILL?*** (Accelerated Benefit) in the **Life Insurance Benefit Information** section is amended by changing the life expectancy requirement to 24 months or less, or such longer period as stated in the policy.

The ***WHAT LOSSES ARE NOT COVERED UNDER YOUR PLAN?*** provision in the **Life Insurance Benefit Information** section is amended to remove any exclusion for death caused by suicide.

**Additional Claim and Appeal Information  
Relative to the Summary of Benefits issued by  
Unum Life Insurance Company of America ("Unum")**

## **APPLICABILITY OF ERISA**

If the Summary of Benefits provides benefits under a Plan which is subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), the following provisions apply. Whether a Plan is governed by ERISA is determined by a court, however, your Employer may have information related to ERISA applicability. If ERISA applies, the following items constitute the Plan: the additional information contained in this document, the Summary of Benefits, including your certificate of coverage, and any additional summary plan description information provided by the Plan Administrator. Benefit determinations are controlled exclusively by the Summary of Benefits, your certificate of coverage, and the information in this document.

## **HOW TO FILE A CLAIM**

If you wish to file a claim for benefits, you should follow the claim procedures described in your insurance certificate. To complete your claim filing, Unum must receive the claim information it requests from you (or your authorized representative), your attending physician and your Employer. If you or your authorized representative has any questions about what to do, you or your authorized representative should contact Unum directly.

## **CLAIMS PROCEDURES**

### **If a claim is based on death, a covered loss not based on disability or for the Education Benefit**

In the event that your claim is denied, either in full or in part, Unum will notify you in writing within 90 days after your claim was filed. Under special circumstances, Unum is allowed an additional period of not more than 90 days (180 days in total) within which to notify you of its decision. If such an extension is required, you will receive a written notice from Unum indicating the reason for the delay and the date you may expect a final decision. Unum's notice of denial shall include:

- the specific reason or reasons for denial with reference to those Plan provisions on which the denial is based;
- a description of any additional material or information necessary to complete the claim and why that material or information is necessary; and
- a description of the Plan's procedures and applicable time limits for appealing the determination, including a statement of your right to bring a lawsuit under Section 502(a) of ERISA following an adverse determination from Unum on appeal.

Notice of the determination may be provided in written or electronic form. Electronic notices will be provided in a form that complies with any applicable legal requirements.

### **If a claim is based on your disability**

Unum will give you notice of the decision no later than 45 days after the claim is filed. This time period may be extended twice by 30 days if Unum both determines that such an extension is necessary due to matters beyond the control of the Plan and notifies you of the circumstances requiring the extension of time and the date by which Unum expects to render a decision. If such an extension is necessary due to your failure to submit the information necessary to decide the claim, the notice of extension will specifically describe the required information, and you will be afforded at least 45 days within which to provide the specified information. If you deliver the requested information within the time specified, any 30 day extension period will begin after you have provided that information. If you fail to deliver the requested information within the time specified, Unum may decide your claim without that information.

If your claim for benefits is wholly or partially denied, the notice of adverse benefit determination under the Plan will:

- state the specific reason(s) for the determination;
- reference specific Plan provision(s) on which the determination is based;
- describe additional material or information necessary to complete the claim and why such information is necessary;
- describe Plan procedures and time limits for appealing the determination, and your right to obtain information about those procedures and the right to bring a lawsuit under Section 502(a) of ERISA following an adverse determination from Unum on appeal; and
- disclose any internal rule, guidelines, protocol or similar criterion relied on in making the adverse determination (or state that such information will be provided free of charge upon request).

Notice of the determination may be provided in written or electronic form. Electronic notices will be provided in a form that complies with any applicable legal requirements.

## **APPEAL PROCEDURES**

### **If an appeal is based on death, a covered loss not based on disability or for the Education Benefit**

If you or your authorized representative appeal a denied claim, it must be submitted within 90 days after you receive Unum's notice of denial. You have the right to:

- submit a request for review, in writing, to Unum;
- upon request and free of charge, reasonable access to and copies of, all relevant documents as defined by applicable U.S. Department of Labor regulations; and
- submit written comments, documents, records and other information relating to the claim to Unum.

Unum will make a full and fair review of the claim and all new information submitted whether or not presented or available at the initial determination, and may require additional documents as it deems necessary or desirable in making such a review. A final decision on the review shall be made not later than 60 days following receipt

of the written request for review. If special circumstances require an extension of time for processing, you will be notified of the reasons for the extension and the date by which the Plan expects to make a decision. If an extension is required due to your failure to submit the information necessary to decide the claim, the notice of extension will specifically describe the necessary information and the date by which you need to provide it to us. The 60-day extension of the appeal review period will begin after you have provided that information.

The final decision on review shall be furnished in writing and shall include the reasons for the decision with reference, again, to those Summary of Benefits' provisions upon which the final decision is based. It will also include a statement describing your access to documents and describing your right to bring a lawsuit under Section 502(a) of ERISA if you disagree with the determination.

Notice of the determination may be provided in written or electronic form. Electronic notices will be provided in a form that complies with any applicable legal requirements.

Unless there are special circumstances, this administrative appeal process must be completed before you begin any legal action regarding your claim.

### **If an appeal is based on your disability**

You have 180 days from the receipt of notice of an adverse benefit determination to file an appeal. Requests for appeals should be sent to the address specified in the claim denial. A decision on review will be made not later than 45 days following receipt of the written request for review. If Unum determines that special circumstances require an extension of time for a decision on review, the review period may be extended by an additional 45 days (90 days in total). Unum will notify you in writing if an additional 45 day extension is needed.

If an extension is necessary due to your failure to submit the information necessary to decide the appeal, the notice of extension will specifically describe the required information, and you will be afforded at least 45 days to provide the specified information. If you deliver the requested information within the time specified, the 45 day extension of the appeal period will begin after you have provided that information. If you fail to deliver the requested information within the time specified, Unum may decide your appeal without that information.

You will have the opportunity to submit written comments, documents, or other information in support of your appeal. You will have access to all relevant documents as defined by applicable U.S. Department of Labor regulations. The review of the adverse benefit determination will take into account all new information, whether or not presented or available at the initial determination. No deference will be afforded to the initial determination.

The review will be conducted by Unum and will be made by a person different from the person who made the initial determination and such person will not be the original decision maker's subordinate. In the case of a claim denied on the grounds of a medical judgment, Unum will consult with a health professional with appropriate training and experience. The health care professional who is consulted on appeal will not be the individual who was consulted during the initial determination or a subordinate. If the advice of a medical or vocational expert was obtained by the



Plan in connection with the denial of your claim, Unum will provide you with the names of each such expert, regardless of whether the advice was relied upon.

A notice that your request on appeal is denied will contain the following information:

- the specific reason(s) for the determination;
- a reference to the specific Plan provision(s) on which the determination is based;
- a statement disclosing any internal rule, guidelines, protocol or similar criterion relied on in making the adverse determination (or a statement that such information will be provided free of charge upon request);
- a statement describing your right to bring a lawsuit under Section 502(a) of ERISA if you disagree with the decision;
- the statement that you are entitled to receive upon request, and without charge, reasonable access to or copies of all documents, records or other information relevant to the determination; and
- the statement that "You or your Plan may have other voluntary alternative dispute resolution options, such as mediation. One way to find out what may be available is to contact your local U.S. Department of Labor Office and your State insurance regulatory agency".

Notice of the determination may be provided in written or electronic form. Electronic notices will be provided in a form that complies with any applicable legal requirements.

Unless there are special circumstances, this administrative appeal process must be completed before you begin any legal action regarding your claim.

**Addendum to the "Additional Summary Plan Description Information"  
included with your certificate of coverage or summary of benefits  
and effective for claims filed on or after April 1, 2018.**

The regulations governing ERISA disability claims and appeals have been amended. The amended regulations apply to disability claims filed on or after April 1, 2018. To the extent the Additional Summary Plan Description Information included with your certificate of coverage or summary of benefits conflicts with these new requirements, these new rights and procedures will apply.

These new rights and procedures include:

Any cancellation or discontinuance of your disability coverage that has a retroactive effect will be treated as an adverse benefit determination, except in the case of failure to timely pay required premiums or contributions toward the cost of coverage.

If you live in a county with a significant population of non-English speaking persons, the plan will provide, in the non-English language(s), a statement of how to access oral and written language services in those languages.

For any adverse benefit determination, you will be provided with an explanation of the basis for disagreeing or not following the views of: (1) health care professionals who have treated you or vocational professionals who have evaluated you; (2) the advice of medical or vocational professionals obtained on behalf of the plan; and (3) any disability determination made by the Social Security Administration regarding you and presented to the plan by you.

For any adverse benefit determination, you will be given either the specific internal rules, guidelines, protocols, standards or other similar criteria of the plan relied upon in making that decision, or a statement that such rules, etc. do not exist.

Prior to a final decision being made on an appeal, you will have the opportunity to review and respond to any new or additional rationale or evidence considered, relied upon, or generated by the plan in connection with your claim.

If an adverse benefit determination is upheld on appeal, you will be given notice of any applicable contractual limitations period that applies to your right to bring legal proceedings and the calendar date on which that period expires.

Should the plan fail to establish or follow ERISA required disability claims procedures, you may be entitled to pursue legal remedies under section 502(a) of the Act without exhausting your administrative remedies, as more completely set forth in section 503-1(l).

## **Our Commitment to Privacy**

We understand your privacy is important. We value our relationship with you and are committed to protecting the confidentiality of nonpublic personal information (NPI). This notice explains why we collect NPI, what we do with NPI and how we protect your privacy.

### **COLLECTING INFORMATION**

We collect NPI about our customers to provide them with insurance products and services. This may include telephone number, address, date of birth, occupation, income and health history. We may receive NPI from your applications and forms, medical providers, other insurers, employers, insurance support organizations and service providers.

### **SHARING INFORMATION**

We share the types of NPI described above primarily with people who perform insurance, business and professional services for us, such as helping us pay claims and detect fraud. We may share NPI with medical providers for insurance and treatment purposes. We may share NPI with an insurance support organization. The organization may retain the NPI and disclose it to others for whom it performs services. In certain cases, we may share NPI with group policyholders for reporting and auditing purposes. We may share NPI with parties to a proposed or final sale of insurance business or for study purposes. We may also share NPI when otherwise required or permitted by law, such as sharing with governmental or other legal authorities. When legally necessary, we ask your permission before sharing NPI about you. Our practices apply to our former, current and future customers.

Please be assured we do not share your health NPI to market any product or service. We also do not share any NPI to market non-financial products and services. For example, we do not sell your name to catalog companies.

The law allows us to share NPI as described above (except health information) with affiliates to market financial products and services. The law does not allow you to restrict these disclosures. We may also share with companies that help us market our insurance products and services, such as vendors that provide mailing services to us. We may share with other financial institutions to jointly market financial products and services. When required by law, we ask your permission before we share NPI for marketing purposes.

When other companies help us conduct business, we expect them to follow applicable privacy laws. We do not authorize them to use or share NPI except when necessary to conduct the work they are performing for us or to meet regulatory or other governmental requirements.

Unum companies, including insurers and insurance service providers, may share NPI about you with each other. The NPI might not be directly related to our transaction or experience with you. It may include financial or other personal information such as employment history. Consistent with the Fair Credit Reporting Act, we ask your permission before sharing NPI that is not directly related to our transaction or experience with you.

### **COVERAGE DECISIONS**

If we decide not to issue coverage to you, we will provide you with the specific reason(s) for our decision. We will also tell you how to access and correct certain NPI.

## **ACCESS TO INFORMATION**

You may request access to certain NPI we collect to provide you with insurance products and services. You must make your request in writing and send it to the address below. The letter should include your full name, address, telephone number and policy number if we have issued a policy. If you request, we will send copies of the NPI to you. If the NPI includes health information, we may provide the health information to you through a health care provider you designate. We will also send you information related to disclosures. We may charge a reasonable fee to cover our copying costs.

This section applies to NPI we collect to provide you with coverage. It does not apply to NPI we collect in anticipation of a claim or civil or criminal proceeding.

## **CORRECTION OF INFORMATION**

If you believe the NPI we have about you is incorrect, please write to us. Your letter should include your full name, address, telephone number and policy number if we have issued a policy. Your letter should also explain why you believe the NPI is inaccurate. If we agree with you, we will correct the NPI and notify you of the correction. We will also notify any person who may have received the incorrect NPI from us in the past two years if you ask us to contact that person.

If we disagree with you, we will tell you we are not going to make the correction. We will give you the reason(s) for our refusal. We will also tell you that you may submit a statement to us. Your statement should include the NPI you believe is correct. It should also include the reason(s) why you disagree with our decision not to correct the NPI in our files. We will file your statement with the disputed NPI. We will include your statement any time we disclose the disputed NPI. We will also give the statement to any person designated by you if we may have disclosed the disputed NPI to that person in the past two years.

## **SAFEGUARDING INFORMATION**

We have physical, electronic and procedural safeguards that protect the confidentiality and security of NPI. We give access only to employees who need to know the NPI to provide insurance products or services to you.

## **CONTACTING US**

For additional information about Unum's commitment to privacy and to view a copy of our HIPAA Privacy Notice, please visit [unum.com/privacy](http://unum.com/privacy) or [coloniallife.com](http://coloniallife.com). You may also write to: Privacy Officer, Unum, 2211 Congress Street, C476, Portland, Maine 04122.

*We reserve the right to modify this notice. We will provide you with a new notice if we make material changes to our privacy practices.*

*Unum is providing this notice to you on behalf of the following insuring companies: Unum Life Insurance Company of America, Unum Insurance Company, First Unum Life Insurance Company, Provident Life and Accident Insurance Company, Provident Life and Casualty Insurance Company, Colonial Life & Accident Insurance Company and The Paul Revere Life Insurance Company.*

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**NOTICE CONCERNING COVERAGE LIMITATIONS AND EXCLUSIONS  
UNDER THE NORTH CAROLINA LIFE AND HEALTH  
INSURANCE GUARANTY ASSOCIATION ACT**

Residents of this state who purchase life insurance, annuities or health insurance should know that the insurance companies licensed in this state to write these types of insurance are members of the North Carolina Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association. The purpose of this association is to assure that policyholders will be protected, within limits, in the unlikely event that a member insurer becomes financially unable to meet its obligations. If this should happen, the guaranty association will assess its other member insurance companies for the money to pay the claims of the insured person who live in this state and, in some cases, to keep coverage in force. The valuable extra protection provided by these insurers through the guaranty association is not unlimited, however. And, as noted below, this protection is not a substitute for consumers' care in selecting companies that are well-managed and financially stable.

**The North Carolina Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association may not provide coverage for this policy. If coverage is provided, it may be subject to substantial limitations or exclusions, and require continued residency in North Carolina. You should not rely on coverage by the North Carolina Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association in selecting an insurance company or in selecting an insurance policy.**

**Coverage is NOT provided for a policy or any portion of it that is not guaranteed by the insurer or for which you have assumed the risk, such as a variable contract sold by prospectus.**

**Insurance companies or their agents are required by law to give or send you this notice. However, insurance companies and their agents are prohibited by law from using the existence of the guaranty association to induce the purchase any kind of insurance policy.**

**The North Carolina Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association  
P. O. Box 10218  
Raleigh, North Carolina 27605-0218**

**North Carolina Department of Insurance, Consumer Services Division  
1201 Mail Service Center  
Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1201**

The state law that provides for this safety-net coverage is called the North Carolina Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association Act. Below is a brief summary of this law's coverages, exclusions and limits. This summary does not cover all provisions of the law; nor does it in any way change anyone's rights or obligations under the act or the rights or obligations of the guaranty association.

**COVERAGE**

Generally, individuals will be protected by the life and health guaranty association if they live in this state and hold a life or health insurance contract, or an annuity, or if they are insured under a group insurance contract, issued by a member insurer. The beneficiaries, payees or assignees of the insured person are protected as well, even if they live in another state.

## **EXCLUSIONS FROM COVERAGE**

However, persons holding such policies are **not** protected by this association if:

- they are eligible for protection under the laws of another state (this may occur when the insolvent insurer was incorporated in another state whose guaranty association protects insureds who live outside that state);
- the insurer was not authorized to do business in this state;
- their policy was issued by an HMO, a fraternal benefit society, a mandatory state pooling plan, a mutual assessment company or similar plan in which the policyholder is subject to future assessments, or by an insurance exchange.

The association also does **not** provide coverage for:

- any policy or portion of a policy which is not guaranteed by the insurer or for which the individual has assumed the risk, such as a variable contract sold by prospectus;
- any policy of reinsurance (unless an assumption certificate was issued);
- interest rate yields that exceed the average rate specified in the law;
- dividends;
- experience or other credits given in connection with the administration of a policy by a group contract holder;
- employers' plans to the extent they are self-funded (that is, not insured by an insurance company, even if an insurance company administers them);
- unallocated annuity contracts (which give rights to group contract holders, not individuals), unless they fund a government lottery or a benefit plan of an employer, association or union, except that unallocated annuities issued to employee benefit plans protected by the Federal Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation are not covered;
- a policy or contract commonly known as Medicare Part C or Part D or any regulations issued pursuant thereto.

## **LIMITS ON AMOUNT OF COVERAGE**

The act also limits the amount the association is obligated to pay out as follows:

- (1) The guaranty association cannot pay out more than the insurance company would owe under the policy or contract.
- (2) Except as provided in (3), (4) and (5) below, the guaranty association will pay a maximum of \$300,000 per individual, per insolvency, no matter how many policies or types of policies issued by the insolvent company.
- (3) The guaranty association will pay a maximum of \$500,000 with respect to basic hospital, medical and surgical insurance and major medical insurance.
- (4) The guaranty association will pay a maximum of \$1,000,000 with respect to the payee of a structured settlement annuity.
- (5) The guaranty association will pay a maximum of \$5,000,000 to any one unallocated annuity contract holder.