The Mosaic Company

EXTRATERRITORIAL LEGISLATION

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 2022

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This document printed in December, 2021 takes the place of any documents previously issued to you which described your benefits.

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CIGNA HEALTH AND LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, a Cigna company (hereinafter called Cigna)

CERTIFICATE RIDER

Policyholder: The Mosaic Company
Rider Eligibility: Each Employee as noted within this certificate rider
Policy No. or Nos.: 3333319
Effective Date: January 1, 2022

This rider forms a part of the certificate issued to you by Cigna describing the benefits provided under the policy(ies) specified above. This rider replaces any other issued to you previously.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

For Residents of States other than the State of Florida:

State-specific riders contain provisions that may add to or change your certificate provisions.

The provisions identified in your state-specific rider, attached, are ONLY applicable to Employees residing in that state. The state for which the rider is applicable is identified at the beginning of each state specific rider in the "Rider Eligibility" section.

Additionally, the provisions identified in each state-specific rider only apply to:

(a) Benefit plans made available to you and/or your Dependents by your Employer;
(b) Benefit plans for which you and/or your Dependents are eligible;
(c) Benefit plans which you have elected for you and/or your Dependents;
(d) Benefit plans which are currently effective for you and/or your Dependents.

Please refer to the Table of Contents for the state-specific rider that is applicable for your residence state.

Jill Stadelman

Jill Stadelman, Corporate Secretary

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CIGNA HEALTH AND LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, a Cigna company (hereinafter called Cigna)

CERTIFICATE RIDER – Arizona Residents

Rider Eligibility: Each Employee who is located in Arizona

You will become insured on the date you become eligible, including if you are not in Active Service on that date due to your health status.

This rider forms a part of the certificate issued to you by Cigna.

The provisions set forth in this rider comply with the legal requirements of Arizona for group insurance plans covering insureds located in Arizona. These provisions supersede any provisions in your certificate to the contrary unless the provisions in your certificate result in greater benefits.

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Arizona

Important Notice

This notice is to advise you that you can obtain a replacement Appeals Process Information Packet by calling the Customer Service Department at the telephone number listed on your identification card for "Claim Questions/Eligibility Verification" or for "Member Services" or by calling 1-800-244-6224.

The Information Packet includes a description and explanation of the appeal process for Cigna.

Provider Lien Notice

Arizona law entitles health care providers to assert a lien for their customary charges for the care and treatment of an injured person upon any and all claims of liability or indemnity, except health insurance. If you are injured and have a claim against a non-health liability insurer (such as automobile or homeowner insurance) or any other payor source for injuries sustained, your health care provider may assert a lien against available proceeds from any such insurer or payor in an amount equal to the difference between the sum, if any, payable to the health care provider under this Plan and the health care provider's full billed charges.

Notice

This certificate of insurance may not provide all benefits and protections provided by law in Arizona. Please read this certificate carefully.

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When You Have a Complaint or an Appeal

Start with Customer Service

We are here to listen and help. If you have a concern regarding a person, a service, the quality of care, contractual benefits, or a rescission of coverage, you can call our toll-free number and explain your concern to one of our Customer Service representatives. Please call us at the Customer Service Toll-Free Number that appears on your Benefit Identification card, explanation of benefits or claim form.

We will do our best to resolve the matter on your initial contact. If we need more time to review or investigate your concern, we will get back to you as soon as possible, but in any case within 30 days.

If you are not satisfied with the results of a coverage decision, you can start the appeals procedure.

We want you to be completely satisfied with the care you receive. That is why we have established a process for addressing your concerns and solving your problems. The Appeals Process Information Packet (“Appeal Packet”) describes the process by which Members may obtain information and submit concerns regarding service, benefits, and coverage. For more information, see the Appeals Process Information Packet (“Appeal Packet”).

We will provide you a copy of the Appeal Packet when you first receive your policy, and within 5 business days after we receive your request for an appeal. When your insurance coverage is renewed, we must also send you a separate statement to remind you that you can request another copy of this packet. We will also send a copy of this packet to you or your treating provider at any time upon request. Just call Customer Services at the toll-free number that appears on your Benefit Identification card.

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CIGNA HEALTH AND LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, a Cigna company (hereinafter called Cigna)

CERTIFICATE RIDER – California Residents

Rider Eligibility: Each Employee who is located in California

You will become insured on the date you become eligible, including if you are not in Active Service on that date due to your health status.

This rider forms a part of the certificate issued to you by Cigna.

The provisions set forth in this rider comply with the legal requirements of California for group insurance plans covering insureds located in California. These provisions supersede any provisions in your certificate to the contrary unless the provisions in your certificate result in greater benefits.

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CIGNA HEALTH AND LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, a Cigna company (hereinafter called Cigna)

CERTIFICATE RIDER – Colorado Residents

Rider Eligibility: Each Employee who is located in Colorado

You will become insured on the date you become eligible, including if you are not in Active Service on that date due to your health status.

This rider forms a part of the certificate issued to you by Cigna.

The provisions set forth in this rider comply with the legal requirements of Colorado group insurance plans covering insureds located in Colorado. These provisions supersede any provisions in your certificate to the contrary unless the provisions in your certificate result in greater benefits.

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Definitions

Dependent

Dependents include:

- your lawful spouse; or
- your Domestic Partner.

If your Domestic Partner has a child, that child will also be included as a Dependent.

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Eligibility - Effective Date

Exception for Children

Any Dependent child who was previously covered under Colorado's state program for children, the Children's Basic Health Plan, will not be considered a Late Entrant for Dependent Insurance if enrollment is requested within 90 days of the Dependent child's disenrollment or loss of eligibility under the program.

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Definitions

Emergency Service Provider

The term Emergency Service Provider means a local government, or an authority formed by two or more local governments, that provide fire-fighting and fire prevention services, emergency medical services, ambulance services, or search and rescue services, or a not-for-profit non-governmental entity organized for the purpose of providing any such services, through the use of bona fide volunteers.

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Employee

The term Employee means a full-time Employee of the Employer who is currently in Active Service. The term does not include employees who are part-time or temporary or who normally work less than 30 hours a week for the Employer. The term Employee may include officers, managers and Employees of the Employer, the bona fide volunteers if the Employer is an Emergency Service Provider, the partners if the Employer is a partnership, the officers, managers, and Employees of subsidiary or affiliated corporations of a corporation Employer, and the individual proprietors, partners, and Employees of individuals and firms, the business of which is controlled by the insured Employer through stock ownership, contract, or otherwise.

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Employer

The term Employer means the Policyholder and all Affiliated Employers. The term Employer may include an Emergency Service Provider, any municipal or governmental corporation, unit, agency or department thereof, and the proper officers, as such, of an Emergency Service Provider or an unincorporated municipality or department thereof, as well as private individuals, partnerships, and corporations.

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CIGNA HEALTH AND LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, a Cigna company (hereinafter called Cigna)

CERTIFICATE RIDER – Georgia Residents

Rider Eligibility: Each Employee who is located in Georgia

You will become insured on the date you become eligible, including if you are not in Active Service on that date due to your health status.

This rider forms a part of the certificate issued to you by Cigna.

The provisions set forth in this rider comply with the legal requirements of Georgia group insurance plans covering insureds located in Georgia. These provisions supersede any provisions in your certificate to the contrary unless the provisions in your certificate result in greater benefits.

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When You Have A Complaint Or An Appeal

For the purposes of this section, any reference to "you", "your" or "Member" also refers to a representative or provider designated by you to act on your behalf, unless otherwise noted.

We want you to be completely satisfied with the care and services you receive. That is why we have established a process for addressing your concerns and solving your problems.

Start With Customer Service

We are here to listen and help. If you have a concern regarding a person, a service, the quality of care, or contractual benefits, you can call our toll-free number and explain your concern to one of our Customer Service representatives. Please call us at the Customer Service toll-free number that appears on your Benefit Identification card, explanation of benefits or claim form.

We will do our best to resolve the matter on your initial contact. If we need more time to review or investigate your concern, we will get back to you as soon as possible, but in any case within 30 days.

If you are not satisfied with the results of a coverage decision, you can start the appeals procedure.

Appeals Procedure

Cigna has a two-step appeals procedure for coverage decisions. To initiate an appeal for most claims, you must submit a request for an appeal within 365 days of receipt of a denial notice.

If you appeal a reduction or termination in coverage for an ongoing course of treatment that Cigna previously approved, you will receive, as required by applicable law, continued coverage pending the outcome of an appeal. Appeals may be submitted to the following address:

Cigna
National Appeals Organization (NAO)
PO Box 188011
Chattanooga, TN 37422

You should state the reason why you feel your appeal should be approved and include any information supporting your appeal. If you are unable or choose not to write, you may ask to register your appeal by telephone. Call us at the toll-free number on your Benefit Identification card, explanation of benefits or claim form.

Level One Appeal

Your appeal will be reviewed and the decision made by someone not involved in the initial decision. Appeals involving Medical Necessity or clinical appropriateness will be considered by a health care professional.

For level one appeals, we will respond in writing with a decision within 15 calendar days after we receive an appeal for a required preservice or concurrent care coverage determination (decision). We will respond within 30 calendar days after we receive an appeal for a post service coverage determination. If more time or information is needed to make the determination, we will notify you in writing to request an extension of up to 15 calendar days and to specify any additional information needed to complete the review.

You may request that the appeal process be expedited if, the time frames under this process would seriously jeopardize your life, health or ability to regain maximum function or in the opinion of your Physician would cause you severe pain which cannot be managed without the requested services.

Cigna's Physician Reviewer, in consultation with the treating Physician, will decide if an expedited appeal is necessary. When an appeal is expedited, we will respond orally with a decision within 72 hours, followed up in writing.

Step Therapy Override Appeals

Cigna will grant or deny a step therapy exception or appeal of a step therapy exception within:

- twenty-four hours in an urgent health care situation; and
- two business days from the date such request or appeal is submitted in a non-urgent health care situation.

Level Two Appeal

If you are dissatisfied with our level one appeal decision, you may request a second review. To start a level two appeal, follow the same process required for a level one appeal.

Requests for a level two appeal regarding the Medical Necessity or clinical appropriateness of your issue will be conducted by a Committee, which consists of at least three people not previously involved in the prior decision. The Committee will consult with at least one Physician in the same or similar specialty as the care under consideration, as determined by Cigna's Physician Reviewer. You may present your situation to the Committee in person or by conference call.

For required preservice and concurrent care coverage determinations, the Committee review will be completed within 15 calendar days. For post service claims, the Committee review will be completed within 30 calendar days. If more time or information is needed to make the determination, we will notify you in writing to request an extension of up to 15 calendar days and to specify any additional information needed by the Committee to complete the review.

You will be notified in writing of the Committee's decision within the Committee review time frames above if the Committee does not approve the requested coverage.

You may request that the appeal process be expedited if, the time frames under this process would seriously jeopardize your life, health or ability to regain maximum function or in the opinion of your Physician would cause you severe pain which cannot be managed without the requested services; or your appeal involves non-authorization of an admission or continuing inpatient Hospital stay. Cigna's Physician Reviewer, in consultation with the treating Physician will decide if an expedited appeal is necessary. When an appeal is expedited, we will respond orally with a decision within 72 hours, followed up in writing.

You are entitled to a prompt and meaningful hearing for issues related to a denial, in whole or in part, of a health care service, treatment, or claim following exhaustion of all standard appeals requirements. The grievance hearing will be conducted by a panel of not less than 3 persons, including a Physician other than the medical director of the Plan, and a health care provider competent in the treatment or procedure which has been denied. You will be provided prompt notice in writing of the resolution. Immediate appropriate relief will be granted to you when the outcome is favorable to you. For adverse determinations, the notice will include specific findings related to the care, the policies, and procedures relied upon in making the determination, the Physician's and

provider's recommendations, including any recommendations for alternative procedures or services, and a description of the procedures, if any, for reconsideration of the adverse decision.

Independent Review Procedure

If you are not fully satisfied with the decision of Cigna's level two appeal review regarding your Medical Necessity or clinical appropriateness issue, you may request that your appeal be referred to an Independent Review Organization. The request for independent review may be submitted only by an insured, the parent or guardian of an insured who is a minor, or a legal guardian or representative of an insured who is incapacitated. The Independent Review Organization is composed of persons who are not employed by Cigna HealthCare or any of its affiliates. A decision to use the voluntary level of appeal will not affect the claimant's right to any other benefits under the Plan.

There is no charge for you to initiate this independent review process. Cigna will abide by the decision of the Independent Review Organization.

In order to request a referral to an Independent Review Organization, certain conditions apply: the cost of the service must be $500 or more; you must have exhausted the above appeals procedures and remain dissatisfied; the reason for the denial must be based on a Medical Necessity or clinical appropriateness determination by Cigna; or the proposed treatment is excluded as experimental, and you have a terminal condition with a substantial probability of causing death within two years or impairing your ability to regain or maintain maximum function; the standard treatments have been exhausted and the treating Physician certifies that there is no standard treatment available under this certificate more beneficial than the proposed treatment; the treating Physician has certified in writing the treatment is likely to be more beneficial than any available standard treatment; and the treating Physician has certified in writing that scientifically valid studies demonstrate that the proposed treatment is likely to be more beneficial to you than available standard treatment. Administrative, eligibility or benefit coverage limits or exclusions are not eligible for appeal under this process.

To request a review, you must complete the written request form and forward it to the Georgia state planning agency. The planning agency will select an Independent Review Organization to review the issue and the Independent Review Organization will make a determination that is binding upon Cigna.

The Independent Review Organization will render an opinion within 15 working days following receipt of all necessary information. When requested and when a delay would be detrimental to your condition, as determined by the treating health care provider, the review shall be completed within 72 hours of receipt of all necessary information.

The Independent Review Program is a voluntary program arranged by Cigna.

Notice of Benefit Determination on Appeal

Every notice of a determination on appeal will be provided in writing or electronically and, if an adverse determination, will include: information sufficient to identify the claim; the specific reason or reasons for the adverse determination; reference to the specific Plan provisions on which the determination is based; a statement that the claimant is entitled to receive, upon request and free of charge, reasonable access to and copies of all documents, records, and other Relevant Information as defined; a statement describing any voluntary appeal procedures offered by the Plan and the claimant's right to bring an action under ERISA section 502(a); upon request and free of charge, a copy of any internal rule, guideline, protocol or other similar criterion that was relied upon in making the adverse determination regarding your appeal, and an explanation of the scientific or clinical judgment for a determination that is based on a Medical Necessity, experimental treatment or other similar exclusion or limit; and information about any office of health insurance consumer assistance or ombudsman available to assist you in the appeal process. A final notice of adverse determination will include a discussion of the decision.

You also have the right to bring a civil action under section 502(a) of ERISA if you are not satisfied with the decision on review. 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. You may also contact the Plan Administrator.

Relevant Information

Relevant Information is any document, record, or other information which was relied upon in making the benefit determination; was submitted, considered, or generated in the course of making the benefit determination, without regard to whether such document, record, or other information was relied upon in making the benefit determination; demonstrates compliance with the administrative processes and safeguards required by federal law in making the benefit determination; or constitutes a statement of policy or guidance with respect to the Plan concerning the denied treatment option or benefit or the claimant's diagnosis, without regard to whether such advice or statement was relied upon in making the benefit determination.

Legal Action

If your Plan is governed by ERISA, you have the right to bring a civil action under section 502(a) of ERISA if you are not satisfied with the outcome of the appeals procedure. In most instances, you may not initiate a legal action against Cigna in

federal court until you have completed the level one and level two appeal processes. If your appeal is expedited, there is no need to complete the level two process prior to bringing legal action.

Assistance from the State of Georgia

You have the right to contact the Department of Insurance or the Department of Human Resources for assistance at any time. The Department of Insurance or the Department of Human Resources may be contacted at the following respective addresses and telephone numbers:

Georgia Department of Insurance
2 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive
Floyd Memorial Bldg, 704 West Tower
Atlanta, GA 30334
404-656-2056

Georgia Dept. of Human Resources
Two Peachtree Street, NW
Suite 33.250
Atlanta, GA 30303-3167
404-657-5550

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CIGNA HEALTH AND LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, a Cigna company (hereinafter called Cigna)

CERTIFICATE RIDER – Illinois Residents

Rider Eligibility: Each Employee who is located in Illinois

You will become insured on the date you become eligible, including if you are not in Active Service on that date due to your health status.

This rider forms a part of the certificate issued to you by Cigna.

The provisions set forth in this rider comply with the legal requirements of Illinois group insurance plans covering insureds located in Illinois. These provisions supersede any provisions in your certificate to the contrary unless the provisions in your certificate result in greater benefits.

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Definitions

Dependent – For Vision Benefits

Dependents include:

- your lawful spouse, including your civil union partner (The Religious Freedom Protection Act and Civil Union Act, 750 ILCS 75, allows both same-sex and different-sex couples to enter into a civil union with all of the obligations, protections, and legal rights that Illinois provides to married heterosexual couples).

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CIGNA HEALTH AND LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, a Cigna company (hereinafter called Cigna)

CERTIFICATE RIDER – Indiana Residents

Rider Eligibility: Each Employee who is located in Indiana

You will become insured on the date you become eligible, including if you are not in Active Service on that date due to your health status.

This rider forms a part of the certificate issued to you by Cigna.

The provisions set forth in this rider comply with the legal requirements of Indiana group insurance plans covering insureds located in Indiana. These provisions supersede any provisions in your certificate to the contrary unless the provisions in your certificate result in greater benefits.

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Indiana Notice

Cigna Health and Life Insurance Company Claim Offices Servicing Indiana

We are here to serve you.

As our certificate holder, your satisfaction is very important to us. If you have a question about your certificate, if you need assistance with a problem, or if you have a claim, you should first contact your Benefits Administrator or us at the numbers and addresses listed below. Should you have a valid claim, we fully expect to provide a fair settlement in a timely fashion.

Medical Questions

Cigna Health and Life Insurance Company
Midwest Claim Service Center
P.O. Box 2100
Bourbonnais, IL 60914 Tel. 1-800-Cigna24

Should you feel you are not being treated fairly with respect to a claim, you may contact the Indiana Department of Insurance with your complaint.

To contact the Department, write or call:

Consumer Services Division
Indiana Department of Insurance
311 West Washington Street, Suite 300
Indianapolis, IN 46204 – 2787
1-800-622-4461 or 1-317-232-2395

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Definitions

Dependent

The term child means a legally adopted child including: a child who has been placed with you for adoption provided the child is not removed from placement prior to legal adoption or a child for whom entry of an order granting custody to you has been made.

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CIGNA HEALTH AND LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, a Cigna company (hereinafter called Cigna)

CERTIFICATE RIDER – Kansas Residents

Rider Eligibility: Each Employee who is located in Kansas

You will become insured on the date you become eligible, including if you are not in Active Service on that date due to your health status.

This rider forms a part of the certificate issued to you by Cigna.

The provisions set forth in this rider comply with the legal requirements of Kansas group insurance plans covering insureds located in Kansas. These provisions supersede any provisions in your certificate to the contrary unless the provisions in your certificate result in greater benefits.

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Eligibility - Effective Date

Dependent Insurance

Exception for Newborns

Any Dependent child born while you are insured will become insured on the date of his birth if you elect Dependent Insurance no later than 31 days after his birth. If you do not elect to insure your newborn child within such 31 days, coverage for that child will end on the 31st day. No benefits for expenses incurred beyond the 31st day will be payable.

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When You Have A Complaint Or An Appeal

For the purposes of this section, any reference to "you," "your" or "Member" also refers to a representative or provider designated by you to act on your behalf, unless otherwise noted.

We want you to be completely satisfied with the care you receive. That is why we have established a process for addressing your concerns and solving your problems.

Start with Customer Service

We are here to listen and help. If you have a concern regarding a person, a service, the quality of care, or contractual benefits, you can call our toll-free number and explain your concern to one of our Customer Service representatives. Please call us at the Customer Service Toll-Free Number that appears on your Benefit Identification card, explanation of benefits or claim form.

We will do our best to resolve the matter on your initial contact. If we need more time to review or investigate your concern, we will get back to you as soon as possible, but in any case within 30 days.

If you are not satisfied with the results of a coverage decision, you can start the appeals procedure.

Appeals Procedure

Cigna has a one step appeal procedure for coverage decisions. To initiate an appeal, you must submit a request for an appeal in writing, within 365 days of receipt of a denial notice, to the following address:

Cigna
National Appeals Organization (NAO)
PO Box 188011
Chattanooga, TN 37422

You should state the reason why you feel your appeal should be approved and include any information supporting your appeal. If you are unable or choose not to write, you may ask to register your appeal by telephone. Call us at the toll-free number on your Benefit Identification card, explanation of benefits or claim form.

Your appeal will be reviewed and the decision made by someone not involved in the initial decision. Appeals involving Medical Necessity or clinical appropriateness will be considered by a health care professional.

We will respond in writing with a decision within 30 calendar days after we receive an appeal for a required preservice determination (decision). We will respond within 30 calendar days after we receive an appeal for a postservice coverage determination.

You may request that the appeal process be expedited if, (a) the time frames under this process would seriously jeopardize your life, health or ability to regain maximum function or in the opinion of your Physician would cause you severe pain which cannot be managed without the requested services; (b) if the service has been determined experimental or investigational and the treating Physician certifies in writing, that the recommended or requested health care service or treatment for the medical condition would be significantly less effective if not promptly initiated or (c) your appeal involves nonauthorization of an admission or continuing inpatient Hospital stay.

Cigna's Physician Reviewer, in consultation with the treating Physician, will decide if an expedited appeal is necessary. When an appeal is expedited, we will respond orally with a decision within 72 hours, followed up in writing.

Independent External Review Procedure

If you are not fully satisfied with the decision of Cigna's appeal review regarding your Medical Necessity or clinical appropriateness issue, you may request that your appeal be referred to an Independent External Review Organization. The Independent External Review Organization is composed of persons who are not employed by Cigna HealthCare or any of its affiliates. A decision to use the voluntary external level of appeal will not affect the claimant's rights to any other benefits under the plan.

There is no charge for you to initiate this independent external review process. Cigna will abide by the decision of the Independent External Review Organization.

In order to request a referral to an Independent External Review Organization, certain conditions apply. The reason for the denial must be based on a Medical Necessity or clinical appropriateness determination by Cigna. Administrative, eligibility or benefit coverage limits or exclusions are not eligible for appeal under this process. You may also request an external review if you have not received a final decision within 60 days of seeking an internal appeal review.

To request a review, you must notify the Kansas Commissioner of Insurance within 120 days of your receipt of Cigna's appeal review denial. Once the Commissioner has approved your request for external review, Cigna will forward the file to the selected Independent External Review Organization.

The Independent External Review Organization will render an opinion within 30 days. When a delay would be detrimental to your condition, you may request an expedited external review. If approved, the Independent External Review Organization shall complete the review not more than 72 hours after the date of receipt of the request for an expedited external review or as expeditiously as the medical condition or circumstances require.

Appeal to the State of Kansas

You have the right to contact the Kansas Insurance Department for assistance at any time. The Kansas Insurance Department may be contacted at the following address and telephone number:

Kansas Insurance Department
420 SW 9th Street
Topeka, KS 66612-1678
Toll Free Number: 1-800-432-2484

Notice of Benefit Determination on Appeal

Every notice of a determination on appeal will be provided in writing or electronically and, if an adverse determination, will include: the specific reason or reasons for the adverse determination; reference to the specific plan provisions on which the determination is based; a statement that the claimant is entitled to receive, upon request and free of charge, reasonable access to and copies of all documents, records, and other Relevant Information as defined; a statement describing any voluntary appeal procedures offered by the plan and the claimant's right to bring an action under ERISA section 502(a); upon request and free of charge, a copy of any internal rule, guideline, protocol or other similar criterion that was relied upon in making the adverse determination regarding your appeal, and an explanation of the scientific or clinical judgment for a determination that is based on a Medical

Necessity, experimental treatment or other similar exclusion or limit.

You also have the right to bring a civil action under section 502(a) of ERISA if you are not satisfied with the decision on review. 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. You may also contact the Plan Administrator.

Relevant Information

Relevant Information is any document, record, or other information which was relied upon in making the benefit determination; was submitted, considered, or generated in the course of making the benefit determination, without regard to whether such document, record, or other information was relied upon in making the benefit determination; demonstrates compliance with the administrative processes and safeguards required by federal law in making the benefit determination; or constitutes a statement of policy or guidance with respect to the plan concerning the denied treatment option or benefit or the claimant's diagnosis, without regard to whether such advice or statement was relied upon in making the benefit determination.

Legal Action

If your plan is governed by ERISA, you have the right to bring a civil action in federal court under section 502(a) of ERISA if you are not satisfied with the outcome of the Appeals Procedure. In most instances, you may not initiate a legal action against Cigna in federal court until you have completed the Appeals processes. In all events, such suit or proceeding must be commenced no later than five (5) years after the date from the time written proof of loss is required to be given.

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Definitions

Dependent

The term child means a child born to you or a child legally adopted by you. For a newly born adopted child, coverage begins from the moment of birth if a petition of adoption is filed within 31 days of the newborn's birth; otherwise, coverage for an adopted child begins from the date the petition for adoption was filed.

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CIGNA HEALTH AND LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, a Cigna company (hereinafter called Cigna)

CERTIFICATE RIDER – Kentucky Residents

Rider Eligibility: Each Employee who is located in Kentucky

You will become insured on the date you become eligible, including if you are not in Active Service on that date due to your health status.

This rider forms a part of the certificate issued to you by Cigna.

The provisions set forth in this rider comply with the legal requirements of Kentucky group insurance plans covering insureds located in Kentucky. These provisions supersede any provisions in your certificate to the contrary unless the provisions in your certificate result in greater benefits.

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Termination of Insurance

Special Continuation of Medical Insurance

For Employees and Dependents

If your Medical Insurance would cease and if you have been insured for at least three consecutive months under this policy or a policy it replaces, upon payment of the required premium by you to your Employer, your Medical Insurance will be continued until the earliest of:

- 18 months from the date Medical Insurance would otherwise cease;
- the last day for which you have paid the required premium;
- the date you become eligible for insurance under another group policy for medical benefits or under Medicare;
- for a Dependent, the date that Dependent no longer qualifies as a Dependent;
- the date the policy cancels.

Your Employer will notify you in writing of your right to elect such continuation by sending you an election of continuation of coverage form, samples of which have been provided by the Insurance Company.

Within 31 days after the date notice was sent to you, you may elect such continuation in writing by returning the election of

continuation of coverage form and paying the required premium.

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CERTIFICATE RIDER – Louisiana Residents

Rider Eligibility: Each Employee who is located in Louisiana

You will become insured on the date you become eligible, including if you are not in Active Service on that date due to your health status.

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Termination of Insurance

Continuation

Medical Insurance for Surviving Spouse

For purposes of this section, the term Surviving Spouse means your legal spouse who at the time of your death is:

- 50 or more years old; and
- insured as your Dependent for Medical Insurance.

If you die while insured for Medical Insurance, your Surviving Spouse may continue to be insured for such benefits subject to the terms set forth below.

Your Employer will notify your Surviving Spouse of his right to elect continuation of his Medical Insurance. Your Surviving Spouse, within 90 days of the date the insurance would otherwise cease, may elect such continuation in writing and by paying the required premium to your Employer. If your Surviving Spouse elects this option, his insurance will be continued until he:

- becomes eligible for another group medical plan;
- becomes eligible for Medicare;
- remarries; or
- discontinues premium payments to your Employer;

whichever occurs first.

This option will not operate to reduce any continuation of insurance otherwise provided.

Continuation of Medical Insurance during Active Military Duty

If your coverage would otherwise cease because you are a Reservist in the United States Armed Forces and are called to active duty, the insurance for you and your Dependents will be continued during your active duty only if you elect it in writing, and will continue until the earliest of the following dates:

- 90 days from the date your military service ends;
- the last day for which you made any required contribution for the insurance; or
- the date the group policy cancels.

Additionally, a Dependent who is called to active duty will not cease to qualify for Dependent coverage due to his/her active duty status if he or she has elected to continue coverage in writing. Coverage will be continued for that Dependent during his or her active duty until the earliest of the following dates:

- the date insurance ceases.
- the last day for which the Dependent has made any required contribution for the insurance;
- the date the Dependent no longer qualifies as a Dependent; or
- the date Dependent Insurance is canceled.

Reinstatement of Medical Insurance

If your coverage ceases because you are a Reservist in the United States Armed Forces and are called to active duty, the insurance for you and your Dependents will be automatically reinstated after your deactivation, provided that you return to Active Service within 90 days.

If coverage for your Dependent has ceased because he or she was called to active duty, the insurance for that Dependent will be automatically reinstated after his or her deactivation, provided that he or she otherwise continues to qualify for coverage.

Such reinstatement will be without the application of: a new waiting period, or a new Pre-existing Condition Limitation. A new Pre-existing Condition Limitation will not be applied to any condition that you or your Dependent developed while coverage was interrupted. The remainder of a Pre-existing Condition Limitation which existed prior to interruption of coverage may still be applied.

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When You Have A Complaint or an Appeal

For the purposes of this section, any reference to "you," "your" or "Member" also refers to a representative or provider designated by you to act on your behalf, unless otherwise noted.

We want you to be completely satisfied with the care you receive. That is why we have established a process for addressing your concerns and solving your problems.

Start With Member Services

We are here to listen and help. If you have a concern regarding a person, a service, the quality of care, or contractual benefits, you can call our toll-free number and explain your concern to one of our Customer Service representatives. You can also express that concern in writing. Please call or write to us at the following:

> Customer Services Toll-Free Number or address that appears on your Benefit Identification card, explanation of benefits or claim form.

We will do our best to resolve the matter on your initial contact. If we need more time to review or investigate your concern, we will get back to you as soon as possible, but in any case within 30 days.

If you are not satisfied with the results of a coverage decision, you can start the appeals procedure.

Appeals Procedure

Cigna has a two-step appeals procedure for coverage decisions. To initiate an appeal, you must submit a request for an appeal in writing within 365 days of receipt of a denial notice. You should state the reason why you feel your appeal should be approved and include any information supporting your appeal. If you are unable or choose not to write, you may ask to register your appeal by telephone. Call or write to us at the toll-free number or address on your Benefit Identification card, explanation of benefits or claim form.

Level-One Appeal

Your appeal will be reviewed and the decision will be made by someone not involved in the initial decision. Appeals involving Medical Necessity or clinical appropriateness will be considered by a health care professional.

For level-one appeals, we will respond in writing with a decision within 15 calendar days after we receive an appeal for a required preservice or concurrent care coverage determination (decision). We will respond within 30 calendar days after we receive an appeal for a postservice coverage determination. If more time or information is needed to make the determination, we will notify you in writing to request an extension of up to 15 calendar days and to specify any additional information needed to complete the review.

You may request that the appeal process be expedited if, the time frames under this process would seriously jeopardize your life, health or ability to regain maximum function or in the opinion of your Physician would cause you severe pain which cannot be managed without the requested services; or your appeal involves nonauthorization of an admission or continuing inpatient Hospital stay. Cigna’s Physician reviewer, in consultation with the treating Physician, will decide if an expedited appeal is necessary. When an appeal is expedited, we will respond orally with a decision within 72 hours, followed up in writing.

Level-Two Appeal

If you are dissatisfied with our level-one appeal decision, you may request a second review. To start a level-two appeal, follow the same process required for a level-one appeal.

Most requests for a second review will be conducted by the Appeals Committee, which consists of at least three people. Anyone involved in the prior decision may not vote on the Committee. For appeals involving Medical Necessity or clinical appropriateness, the Committee will consult with at least one Physician reviewer in the same or similar specialty as the care under consideration, as determined by Cigna's Physician reviewer. You may present your situation to the Committee in person or by conference call.

For level-two appeals we will acknowledge in writing that we have received your request and schedule a Committee review. For required preservice and concurrent care coverage determinations, the Committee review will be completed within 15 calendar days. For postservice claims, the Committee review will be completed within 30 calendar days. If more time or information is needed to make the determination, we will notify you in writing to request an extension of up to 15 calendar days and to specify any additional information needed by the Committee to complete the review. You will be notified in writing of the Committee's decision within 5 working days after the Committee meeting,

and within the Committee review time frames above if the Committee does not approve the requested coverage.

You may request that the appeal process be expedited if, the time frames under this process would seriously jeopardize your life, health or ability to regain maximum function or in the opinion of your Physician would cause you severe pain which cannot be managed without the requested services; or your appeal involves nonauthorization of an admission or continuing inpatient Hospital stay. Cigna's Physician reviewer, in consultation with the treating Physician will decide if an expedited appeal is necessary. When an appeal is expedited, we will respond orally with a decision within 72 hours, followed up in writing.

Independent Review Procedure

If you are not fully satisfied with the decision of Cigna's level-two appeal review regarding your Medical Necessity or clinical appropriateness issue, you may request that your appeal be referred to an Independent Review Organization. The Independent Review Organization is composed of persons who are not employed by Cigna HealthCare or any of its affiliates. A decision to use the voluntary level of appeal will not affect the claimant's rights to any other benefits under the plan.

There is no charge for you to initiate this independent review process. Cigna will abide by the decision of the Independent Review Organization.

In order to request a referral to an Independent Review Organization, certain conditions apply. The reason for the denial must be based on a Medical Necessity or clinical appropriateness determination by Cigna. Administrative, eligibility or benefit coverage limits or exclusions are not eligible for appeal under this process.

To request a review, you must notify the Appeals Coordinator within 180 days of your receipt of Cigna's level-two appeal review denial. Cigna will then forward the file to the Independent Review Organization.

The Independent Review Organization will render an opinion within 30 days. When requested and when a delay would be detrimental to your condition, as determined by Cigna's Physician reviewer, the review shall be completed within 3 days.

The Independent Review Program is a voluntary program arranged by Cigna.

Appeal to the State of Louisiana

You have the right to contact the Louisiana Department of Insurance for assistance at any time. The Louisiana Department of Insurance may be contacted at the following address and telephone number:

Louisiana Department of Insurance
1702 North Third Street
P.O. Box 94214
Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9214
800-259-5300 (Toll Free within Louisiana)
225-342-5900

Notice of Benefit Determination on Appeal

Every notice of a determination on appeal will be provided in writing or electronically and, if an adverse determination, will include: the specific reason or reasons for the adverse determination; reference to the specific plan provisions on which the determination is based; a statement that the claimant is entitled to receive, upon request and free of charge, reasonable access to and copies of all documents, records, and other Relevant Information as defined; a statement describing any voluntary appeal procedures offered by the plan and the claimant's right to bring an action under ERISA section 502(a); upon request and free of charge, a copy of any internal rule, guideline, protocol or other similar criterion that was relied upon in making the adverse determination regarding your appeal, and an explanation of the scientific or clinical judgment for a determination that is based on a Medical Necessity, experimental treatment or other similar exclusion or limit.

You also have the right to bring a civil action under Section 502(a) of ERISA if you are not satisfied with the decision on review. 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. You may also contact the Plan Administrator.

Relevant Information

Relevant Information is any document, record, or other information which was relied upon in making the benefit determination; was submitted, considered, or generated in the course of making the benefit determination, without regard to whether such document, record, or other information was relied upon in making the benefit determination; demonstrates compliance with the administrative processes and safeguards required by federal law in making the benefit determination; or constitutes a statement of policy or guidance with respect to the plan concerning the denied treatment option or benefit or the claimant's diagnosis, without regard to whether such advice or statement was relied upon in making the benefit determination.

Legal Action

If your plan is governed by ERISA, you have the right to bring a civil action under Section 502(a) of ERISA if you are not satisfied with the outcome of the Appeals Procedure. In most instances, you may not initiate a legal action against Cigna until you have completed the Level-One and Level-Two Appeal processes. If your Appeal is expedited, there is no need to complete the Level-Two process prior to bringing legal action.

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Definitions

Dependents include:

- any unmarried child of yours who is
  - less than 21 years old.
  - 21 years but less than 24 years old, unmarried, enrolled in school as a full-time student and primarily supported by you.
  - 21 or more years old and primarily supported by you and incapable of self-sustaining employment by reason of mental or physical disability. Proof of the child's condition and dependence must be submitted to Cigna within 31 days after the date the child ceases to qualify above. From time to time, but not more frequently than once a year, Cigna may require proof of the continuation of such condition and dependence. For full-time students under the age of 24 who develop a mental or nervous condition, problem or disorder which, in the opinion of a qualified psychiatrist prevents them from attending school as a full-time student, and from holding self-sustaining employment, coverage will be continued to age 24.

A child includes:

- any grandchild of yours provided such child is under 21 years of age, or in the case of full-time students, under 24 years of age, and is in your legal custody and resides with you;
- any grandchild of yours who is in your legal custody and resides with you, and is incapable of self-sustaining employment by reason of mental or physical handicap which existed prior to the child's 21st birthday.

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CIGNA HEALTH AND LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, a Cigna company (hereinafter called Cigna)

CERTIFICATE RIDER – Maryland Residents

Rider Eligibility: Each Employee who is located in Maryland

You will become insured on the date you become eligible, including if you are not in Active Service on that date due to your health status.

This rider forms a part of the certificate issued to you by Cigna.

The provisions set forth in this rider comply with the legal requirements of Maryland group insurance plans covering insureds located in Maryland. These provisions supersede any provisions in your certificate to the contrary unless the provisions in your certificate result in greater benefits.

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Important Notices

Qualified Medical Child Support Order (QMCSO)

Eligibility for Coverage Under a QMCSO

If a Qualified Medical Child Support Order (QMCSO) is issued for your child, that child will be eligible for coverage as required by the order and you will not be considered a Late Entrant for Dependent Insurance.

You, your child's noninsuring parent, a state child support enforcement agency or the Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene must notify your Employer and elect coverage for that child. If you yourself are not already enrolled, you must elect coverage for both yourself and your child. We will enroll both you and your child within 20 business days of our receipt of the QMCSO from your Employer.

Eligibility for coverage will not be denied on the grounds that the child: was born out of wedlock; is not claimed as a dependent on the Employee's federal income tax return; does not reside with the Employee or within the plan's service area; or is receiving, or is eligible to receive, benefits under the Maryland Medical Assistance Program.

Qualified Medical Child Support Order Defined

A Qualified Medical Child Support Order is a judgment, decree or order (including approval of a settlement agreement) or administrative notice, which is issued pursuant to a state domestic relations law (including a community property law), or to an administrative process, which provides for child support or provides for health benefit coverage to such child and relates to benefits under the group health plan, and satisfies all of the following:

- the order recognizes or creates a child's right to receive group health benefits for which a participant or beneficiary is eligible;
- the order specifies your name and last known address, and the child's name and last known address, except that the name and address of an official of a state or political subdivision may be substituted for the child's mailing address;
- the order provides a description of the coverage to be provided, or the manner in which the type of coverage is to be determined;
- the order states the period to which it applies; and
- if the order is a National Medical Support Notice completed in accordance with the Child Support Performance and Incentive Act of 1998, such Notice meets the requirements above.

The QMCSO may not require the health insurance policy to provide coverage for any type or form of benefit or option not otherwise provided under the policy, except that an order may require a plan to comply with State laws regarding health care coverage.

Claims

Claims will be accepted from the noninsuring parent, from the child's health care provider or from the state child support enforcement agency. Payment will be directed to whomever submits the claim.

Payment of Benefits

Any payment of benefits in reimbursement for Covered Expenses paid by the child, or the child's custodial parent or legal guardian, shall be made to the child, the child's custodial parent or legal guardian, or a state official whose name and address have been substituted for the name and address of the child.

Termination of Coverage Under a QMCSO

Coverage required by a QMCSO will continue until we receive written evidence that: the order is no longer in effect; the child is or will be enrolled under a comparable health plan which takes effect not later than the effective date of disenrollment; dependent coverage has been eliminated for all Employees; or you are no longer employed by the Employer, except that if you elect to exercise the provisions of the federal Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985 (COBRA), coverage will be provided for the child consistent with the Employer's plan for postemployment health insurance coverage for Dependents.

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Vision Benefits

For You and Your Dependents

Covered Expenses

Vision Benefits Extension Upon Coverage Termination

If you or your Dependent has ordered glasses or contact lenses before the date your or your Dependent's coverage under this benefit terminates, Cigna will continue to provide coverage for the glasses or contact lenses, in accordance with the terms of this benefit, if you or your Dependent receive the glasses or contact lenses within 30 days after the order.

During an extension period described in this provision, no premium contribution will apply to your or your Dependent's coverage under this benefit.

This provision will not apply, however, if:

- coverage is terminated because an individual fails to pay a required premium;
- coverage is terminated for fraud or material misrepresentation by the individual; or
- any coverage provided by a succeeding vision benefit plan is provided at a cost to the individual that is less than or equal to the cost of the extended benefit required under this provision, and does not result in an interruption of benefits.

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CIGNA HEALTH AND LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, a Cigna company (hereinafter called Cigna)

CERTIFICATE RIDER – Massachusetts Residents

Rider Eligibility: Each Employee who is located in Massachusetts

You will become insured on the date you become eligible, including if you are not in Active Service on that date due to your health status.

This rider forms a part of the certificate issued to you by Cigna.

The provisions set forth in this rider comply with the legal requirements of Massachusetts group insurance plans covering insureds located in Massachusetts. These provisions supersede any provisions in your certificate to the contrary unless the provisions in your certificate result in greater benefits.

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Eligibility - Effective Date

Dependent Insurance

Exception for Newborns

Any Dependent child including the newborn infant of a Dependent, an adopted child or foster child born while you are insured will become insured on the date of his birth if you elect Dependent Insurance no later than 31 days after his birth. If you do not elect to insure your newborn child within such 31 days, coverage for that child will end on the 31st day. No benefits for expenses incurred beyond the 31st day will be payable.

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Termination of Insurance – Continuation

Special 31-Day Continuation

Upon payment of premium by your Employer, your insurance will continue for 31 days after you:

- cease to be in a Class of Eligible Employees or cease to qualify as an Employee.
- terminate employment for any reason.

In no case will the insurance continue after you become insured under any other group policy for similar benefits or after the last day for which you have made any required contribution for the insurance.

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Definitions

Dependent

A child includes:

- a legally adopted child. Coverage for an adopted child will begin: on the date of the filing of a petition to adopt such a child, provided the child has been residing in your home as a foster child, and for whom you have been receiving foster care payments; or when a child has been placed in your home by a licensed placement agency for purposes of adoption.
- a child born to one of your Dependent children, as long as your grandchild is living with you and: your Dependent child is insured; or your grandchild is primarily supported by you.

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CIGNA HEALTH AND LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, a Cigna company (hereinafter called Cigna)

CERTIFICATE RIDER – Missouri Residents

Rider Eligibility: Each Employee who is located in Missouri

You will become insured on the date you become eligible, including if you are not in Active Service on that date due to your health status.

This rider forms a part of the certificate issued to you by Cigna.

The provisions set forth in this rider comply with the legal requirements of Missouri group insurance plans covering insureds located in Missouri. These provisions supersede any

provisions in your certificate to the contrary unless the provisions in your certificate result in greater benefits.

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Missouri Utilization Review Decisions and Procedures.

For initial determinations, Cigna shall make the determination within two working days of obtaining all necessary information regarding a proposed admission, procedure or service requiring a review determination. For purposes of this section, "necessary information" includes the results of any face-to-face clinical evaluation or second opinion that may be required:

- In the case of a determination to certify an admission, procedure or service, Cigna shall notify the provider rendering the service by telephone or electronically within 24 hours of making the initial certification, and provide written or electronic confirmation of a telephone or electronic notification to the covered person and the provider within two working days of making the initial certification;
- In the case of an adverse determination, Cigna shall notify the provider rendering the service by telephone or electronically within 24 hours of making the adverse determination; and shall provide written or electronic confirmation of a telephone or electronic notification to the covered person and the provider within one working day of making the adverse determination.

For concurrent review determinations, Cigna shall make the determination within one working day of obtaining all necessary information:

- In the case of a determination to certify an extended stay or additional services, Cigna shall notify by telephone or electronically the provider rendering the service within one working day of making the certification, and provide written or electronic confirmation to the covered person and the provider within one working day after telephone or electronic notification. The written notification shall include the number of extended days or next review date, the new total number of days or services approved, and the date of admission or initiation of services;
- In the case of an adverse determination, Cigna shall notify by telephone or electronically the provider rendering the service within twenty-four hours of making the adverse determination, and provide written or electronic notification to the covered person and the provider within one working day of a telephone or electronic notification. The service shall be continued without liability to the covered person until the covered person has been notified of the determination.

For retrospective review determinations, Cigna shall make the determination within thirty working days of receiving all necessary information. Cigna shall provide notice in writing of Cigna's determination to a covered person within ten working days of making the determination.

When conducting utilization review or making a benefit determination for emergency services, Cigna shall cover emergency services necessary to screen and stabilize a covered person and shall not require prior authorization of such services. When a covered person receives an emergency service that requires immediate post evaluation or post stabilization services, Cigna shall provide an authorization decision within 60 minutes of receiving a request; if the authorization decision is not made within 30 minutes, such services shall be deemed approved.

A written notification of an adverse determination shall include the principal reason or reasons for the determination, the instructions for initiating an appeal or reconsideration of the determination, and the instructions for requesting a written statement of the clinical rationale, including the clinical review criteria used to make the determination. Cigna shall provide the clinical rationale in writing for an adverse determination, including the clinical review criteria used to make that determination, to any party who received notice of the adverse determination and who requests such information.

Cigna shall have written procedures to address the failure or inability of a provider or a covered person to provide all necessary information for review. In cases where the provider or a covered person will not release necessary information, Cigna may deny certification of an admission, procedure or service.

If an authorized representative of Cigna authorizes the provision of health care services, Cigna shall not subsequently retract its authorization after the health care services have been provided, or reduce payment for an item or service furnished in reliance on approval, unless such authorization is based on a material misrepresentation or omission about the treated person's health condition or the cause of the health condition, the health benefit plan terminates before the health care services are provided or the covered person's coverage under the health benefit plan terminates before the health care services are provided.

Eligibility - Effective Date

Dependent Insurance

Exception for Newborns

Any Dependent child born while you are insured will become insured from the moment of his birth. You must notify Cigna of the birth of the newly born child and pay any premium, if required, within 31 days after the date of birth in order to have

the coverage continue beyond such 31-day period. If an application or other form of enrollment is required by your Employer in order to continue coverage beyond the 31-day period after the date of birth, and you have notified Cigna of the birth, either orally or in writing, Cigna will, upon notification, provide you with all forms and instructions necessary to enroll the newly born child and will allow you an additional 10 days from the date the forms and instructions are provided in which to enroll the newly born child. If you do not notify Cigna of the birth of the newly born child and pay any premium, if required, within such 31 days, coverage for that child will end on the 31st day, and no benefits for expenses incurred beyond the 31st day will be payable.

Termination of Insurance

Special Continuation of Medical Insurance

For Dependents of Deceased Employee

If you die while insured, your Dependents who are insured at the time of your death may continue their insurance by paying the required contribution to the Policyholder, but in no event beyond the earliest of the following dates:

- the expiration of 9 months from the date of your death;
- the last day of the period for which the required contribution has been paid;
- the date your insurance would otherwise have terminated as provided in the Special Continuation of Medical Insurance For Employees section;
- with respect to any one Dependent, the date that Dependent becomes eligible for similar group coverage;
- the date this policy cancels.

CIGNA HEALTH AND LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, a Cigna company (hereinafter called Cigna)

CERTIFICATE RIDER – Montana Residents

Rider Eligibility: Each Employee who is located in Montana

You will become insured on the date you become eligible, including if you are not in Active Service on that date due to your health status.

This rider forms a part of the certificate issued to you by Cigna.

The provisions set forth in this rider comply with the legal requirements of Montana group insurance plans covering insureds located in Montana. These provisions supersede any provisions in your certificate to the contrary unless the provisions in your certificate result in greater benefits.

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When You Have A Complaint Or An Appeal

For the purposes of this section, any reference to "you", "your" or "Member" also refers to a representative or provider designated by you to act on your behalf, unless otherwise noted.

We want you to be completely satisfied with the care and services you receive. That is why we have established a process for addressing your concerns and solving your problems.

Start with Customer Services

We are here to listen and help. If you have a concern regarding a person, a service, the quality of care, contractual benefits, or a rescission of coverage you can call our toll-free number at 1-800-Cigna24 and explain your concern to one of our Customer Service representatives. Please call us at the Customer Service toll-free number or write us at the address that appears on your Benefit Identification card, explanation of benefits or claim form.

We will do our best to resolve the matter on your initial contact. If we need more time to review or investigate your concern, we will get back to you as soon as possible, but in any case within 30 days.

If you are not satisfied with the results of a coverage decision, you can start the appeals procedure.

Appeals Procedure

Cigna has a two step appeals procedure for coverage decisions. To initiate an appeal for most claims, you must submit a request for an appeal within 365 days of receipt of a denial notice. If you appeal a reduction or termination in coverage for an ongoing course of treatment that Cigna previously approved, you will receive, as required by applicable law, continued coverage pending the outcome of an appeal. Appeals may be submitted to the following address:

Cigna HealthCare Inc.
National Appeals Organization (NAO)
PO Box 188011
Chattanooga, TN 37422

You should state the reason why you feel your appeal should be approved and include any information supporting your appeal. If you are unable or choose not to write, you may ask

to register your appeal by telephone. Call us our toll-free number 1-800-Cigna24 or at the toll-free number on your Benefit Identification card, explanation of benefits or claim form.

If Cigna fails to strictly adhere to all the requirements of the internal claims and appeals process, you may initiate an external Independent Review and/or pursue any available remedies under applicable law.

Level One Appeal

Your appeal will be reviewed and the decision made by someone not involved in the initial decision. Appeals involving Medical Necessity or clinical appropriateness will be considered by a health care professional.

For level one appeals, we will respond in writing with a decision within 7 calendar days after we receive an appeal for a required preservice or concurrent care coverage determination (decision). We will respond within 7 calendar days after we receive an appeal for a postservice coverage determination. If more time or information is needed to make the determination, we will notify you in writing to request an extension of up to 7 calendar days and to specify any additional information needed to complete the review.

You may request that the appeal process be expedited if, the time frames under this process would seriously jeopardize your life, health or ability to regain maximum function or in the opinion of your Physician would cause you severe pain which cannot be managed without the requested services.

If you request that your appeal be expedited, you may also ask for an expedited external Independent Review at the same time, if the time to complete an expedited level one appeal would be detrimental to your medical condition.

Cigna's Physician reviewer, in consultation with the treating Physician, will decide if an expedited appeal is necessary. When an appeal is expedited, we will respond orally with a decision within 72 hours, followed up in writing. If the request for an expedited appeal is not received as a written request, Cigna will respond with a decision by written confirmation within 48 hours.

Level Two Appeal

If you are dissatisfied with our level one appeal decision, you may request a second review. To start a level two appeal, follow the same process required for a level one appeal.

If the appeal involves a coverage decision based on issues of Medical Necessity, clinical appropriateness or experimental treatment, a medical review will be conducted by a Physician reviewer in the same or similar specialty as the care under consideration, as determined by Cigna's Physician reviewer. For all other coverage plan-related appeals, a second-level review will be conducted by someone who was not involved in any previous decision related to your appeal, and was not a subordinate of previous decision makers. Provide all relevant documentation with your second-level appeal request.

For required preservice and concurrent care coverage determinations, Cigna's review will be completed within 15 calendar days. For postservice claims, Cigna's review will be completed within 7 calendar days. If more time or information is needed to make the determination, we will notify you in writing to request an extension of up to 15 calendar days and to specify any additional information needed to complete the review. In the event any new or additional information (evidence) is considered, relied upon or generated by Cigna in connection with the level two appeal, Cigna will provide this information to you as soon as possible and sufficiently in advance of the decision, so that you will have an opportunity to respond. Also, if any new or additional rationale is considered by Cigna, Cigna will provide the rationale to you as soon as possible and sufficiently in advance of the decision so that you will have an opportunity to respond. You will be notified in writing of the decision within five working days after the decision is made, and within the review time frames above if Cigna does not approve the requested coverage.

You may request that the appeal process be expedited if: the time frames under this process would seriously jeopardize your life, health or ability to regain maximum function or in the opinion of your Physician would cause you severe pain which cannot be managed without the requested services; or your appeal involves nonauthorization of an admission or continuing inpatient Hospital stay. Cigna's Physician reviewer, in consultation with the treating Physician will decide if an expedited appeal is necessary. When an appeal is expedited, we will respond orally with a decision within 72 hours, followed up in writing.

Independent Review Procedure

If you are not fully satisfied with the decision of Cigna's level two appeal review and the appeal involves medical judgment, you may request that your appeal be referred to an Independent Review Organization. The Independent Review Organization is composed of persons who are not employed by Cigna HealthCare or any of its affiliates. A decision to request an appeal to an Independent Review Organization will not affect the claimant's rights to any other benefits under the plan.

There is no charge for you to initiate this independent review process. Cigna will abide by the decision of the Independent Review Organization.

To request a review, you must notify the Appeals Coordinator within 180 days of your receipt of Cigna's level two appeal review denial. Cigna will then forward the file to the Independent Review Organization.

The Independent Review Organization will render an opinion within 45 days. When requested and when if: a delay would be

detrimental to your condition, as determined by Cigna's Physician reviewer; or your appeal concerns an admission, availability of care, continued stay, or health care item or service for which you received emergency services, but you have not yet been discharged from the facility, the review shall be completed within 72 hours.

Appeal to the State of Montana

You have the right to contact the State Auditor's Office Insurance for assistance at any time. The Commissioner may be contacted at the following address and telephone number:

The Montana State Auditor's Office
Insurance Division
840 Helena Avenue
Helena, MT 59601
1-800-332-6148
406-444-2040

Notice of Benefit Determination on Appeal

Every notice of a determination on appeal will be provided in writing or electronically and, if an adverse determination, will include: information sufficient to identify the claim; the specific reason or reasons for the adverse determination; reference to the specific plan provisions on which the determination is based; a statement that the claimant is entitled to receive, upon request and free of charge, reasonable access to and copies of all documents, records, and other Relevant Information as defined; a statement describing any voluntary appeal procedures offered by the plan and the claimant's right to bring an action under ERISA section 502(a); upon request and free of charge, a copy of any internal rule, guideline, protocol or other similar criterion that was relied upon in making the adverse determination regarding your appeal, and an explanation of the scientific or clinical judgment for a determination that is based on a Medical Necessity, experimental treatment or other similar exclusion or limit; and information about any office of health insurance consumer assistance or ombudsman available to assist you in the appeal process. A final notice of adverse determination will include a discussion of the decision.

You also have the right to bring a civil action under section 502(a) of ERISA if you are not satisfied with the decision on review. 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. You may also contact the Plan Administrator.

Relevant Information

Relevant Information is any document, record, or other information which was relied upon in making the benefit determination; was submitted, considered, or generated in the course of making the benefit determination, without regard to whether such document, record, or other information was relied upon in making the benefit determination; demonstrates compliance with the administrative processes and safeguards required by federal law in making the benefit determination; or constitutes a statement of policy or guidance with respect to the plan concerning the denied treatment option or benefit or the claimant's diagnosis, without regard to whether such advice or statement was relied upon in making the benefit determination.

Legal Action

If your plan is governed by ERISA, you have the right to bring a civil action under section 502(a) of ERISA if you are not satisfied with the outcome of the Appeals Procedure. In most instances, you may not initiate a legal action against Cigna until you have completed the level one and level two appeal processes. If your appeal is expedited, there is no need to complete the level two process prior to bringing legal action.

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Definitions

Dependent

Dependents include:

- any unmarried child of yours who is:
  - less than 25 years old.

Covered children include:

- a child from the moment of birth. Newborns are covered from 31 days before additional premiums, if any, are due;
- a legally adopted child including coverage from the date of preadoptive placement in your home;
- a child of your insured Dependent until the earlier of:
  - the date your insured Dependent child is no longer eligible for coverage; or
  - until the child is 18 months old.

Pre-existing coverage exclusions and waiting periods do not apply to newborns or newly adopted children. Deductibles apply to newly acquired children only to the extent they apply to any other insured person.

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CIGNA HEALTH AND LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, a Cigna company (hereinafter called Cigna)

CERTIFICATE RIDER – Nebraska Residents

Rider Eligibility: Each Employee who is located in Nebraska

You will become insured on the date you become eligible, including if you are not in Active Service on that date due to your health status.

This rider forms a part of the certificate issued to you by Cigna.

The provisions set forth in this rider comply with the legal requirements of Nebraska group insurance plans covering insureds located in Nebraska. These provisions supersede any provisions in your certificate to the contrary unless the provisions in your certificate result in greater benefits.

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When You Have A Complaint Or An Appeal

For the purposes of this section, any reference to "you", "your" or "Member" also refers to a representative or provider designated by you to act on your behalf, unless otherwise noted.

We want you to be completely satisfied with the care and services you receive. That is why we have established a process for addressing your concerns and solving your problems.

Start with Customer Service

We are here to listen and help. If you have a concern regarding a person, a service, the quality of care, or contractual benefits, you can call our toll-free number and explain your concern to one of our Customer Service representatives. Please call us at the Customer Service toll-free number that appears on your benefit identification card, explanation of benefits or claim form.

We will do our best to resolve the matter on your initial contact. If we need more time to review or investigate your concern, we will get back to you as soon as possible, but in any case within 15 days.

If you are not satisfied with the results of a coverage decision, you can start the appeals procedure.

Appeals Procedure

To initiate an appeal for most claims, you must submit a request for an appeal within 180 days of receipt of a denial notice. If you appeal a reduction or termination in coverage for an ongoing course of treatment that Cigna previously approved, you will receive, as required by applicable law, continued coverage pending the outcome of an appeal. Appeals may be submitted to the following address:

Cigna
National Appeals Organization (NAO)
PO Box 188011
Chattanooga, TN 37422

You should state the reason why you feel your appeal should be approved and include any information supporting your appeal. If you are unable or choose not to write, you may ask to register your appeal by telephone. Call us at the toll-free number on your benefit identification card, explanation of benefits or claim form.

Your appeal will be reviewed and the decision made by someone not involved in the initial decision. Appeals involving Medical Necessity (adverse determination) or clinical appropriateness will be considered by a health care professional. When reasonably necessary or when requested by the provider acting on your behalf, appeals involving adverse determination shall be evaluated by an appropriate clinical peer or peers in the same or similar specialty as would typically manage the case being reviewed.

Within three working days after we receive your appeal you will be notified of your right to submit written material, and to have the name, address, and telephone number of the person designated to coordinate your appeal.

You do not have the right to attend, or to have a representative attend, the appeal review.

We will respond in writing with a decision within 15 calendar days after we receive an appeal for a required pre-service or concurrent care coverage determination (decision). We will respond within 15 calendar days after we receive an appeal for a post-service coverage determination.

If we cannot make a decision within fifteen calendar days due to circumstances beyond our control, for any appeals except those dealing with adverse determinations, we will notify you in writing on or before the fifteenth day after receiving your appeal, as to the reason for the delay, and to request an extension of up to 15 calendar days and to specify any additional information needed to complete the review. Decisions for appeals involving adverse determinations will be made and you will be notified in writing on or before the fifteenth day after receiving your request.

If the appeal of your adverse determination did not resolve the difference of opinion between you and Cigna, you or the provider acting on your behalf may submit a written grievance, unless the provider is prohibited from filing a grievance by federal or other state law.

You may request that the appeal process be expedited if, the time frames under this process would seriously jeopardize your life, health or ability to regain maximum function or in the opinion of your Physician would cause you severe pain which cannot be managed without the requested services.

Cigna's Physician Reviewer, in consultation with the treating Physician, will decide if an expedited appeal is necessary. When an appeal is expedited, we will respond orally with a decision within 72 hours, followed up in writing.

Notice of Benefit Determination on Appeal

Every notice of a determination on appeal will be provided in writing or electronically and, if an adverse determination, will include: the names, titles, and qualifying credentials of the person or persons acting as the reviewer in the grievance process and also a statement of the reviewer's understanding of the person's grievance; the specific reason or reasons for the adverse determination; reference to the specific plan provisions on which the determination is based; a statement that the claimant is entitled to receive, upon request and free of charge, reasonable access to and copies of all documents, records, and other Relevant Information as defined; a statement describing any voluntary appeal procedures offered by the plan and the claimant's right to bring an action under ERISA section 502(a); upon request and free of charge, a copy of any internal rule, guideline, protocol or other similar criterion that was relied upon in making the adverse determination regarding your appeal, and an explanation of the scientific or clinical judgment for a determination that is based on a Medical Necessity, experimental treatment or other similar exclusion or limit. You also have the right to bring a civil action under section 502(a) of ERISA if you are not satisfied with the decision on review. 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. You may also contact the Plan Administrator.

Independent External Review Procedure

If you are not fully satisfied with the decision of Cigna's appeal review regarding your Medical Necessity, clinical appropriateness, health care setting, experimental or investigational nature, level of care or effectiveness of the health care service or treatment issue, you may request that your appeal be referred to an Independent Review Organization. The Independent Review Organization is composed of persons who are not employed by Cigna or any of its affiliates. A decision to use the voluntary level of appeal will not affect the claimant's rights to any other benefits under the plan.

There is no charge for you to initiate this Independent Review process. Cigna will abide by the decision of the Independent Review Organization.

In order to request a referral to an Independent Review Organization, certain conditions apply. The reason for the denial must be based on a Medical Necessity, clinical appropriateness, experimental or investigational, health care setting, level of care or effectiveness of the health care service or treatment determination by Cigna. Administrative, eligibility or benefit coverage limits or exclusions are not eligible for appeal under this process.

To request a review, you must notify the Nebraska Department of Insurance within 4 months of your receipt of Cigna's appeal review denial.

Nebraska Department of Insurance
PO Box 82089
Lincoln, NE 68501
Telephone: 877-564-7323

The form required to request an external appeal will be provided with a final adverse benefit determination. In addition, the forms may be accessed on the Cigna website or on the Department of Insurance Website at www.doi.nebraska.gov.

Within one business day after the date of receipt of a request for an external review, the director from the Nebraska Department of Insurance will send a copy of the request to Cigna. Within five business days following the date of receipt of the copy of the external review request from the director, Cigna will complete a preliminary review of the request. Within one business day after the completion of the preliminary review, Cigna will notify the director and you, or your authorized representative, in writing whether:

- the request is complete; and
- the request is eligible for external review.

The director from the Nebraska Department of Insurance may determine that a request is eligible for external review notwithstanding Cigna's initial determination that the request is ineligible.

The director shall, within one business day after the date of receipt of the notice assign an Independent Review Organization.

The Independent Review Organization will provide a decision for standard external reviews within 45 days of receiving the request for review.

When a delay would be detrimental to your condition, a request for an expedited external review can be submitted to the director of the Nebraska Department of Insurance. An expedited external review is available only if your treating

health care provider certifies that adherence to the time frame for the standard external review would seriously jeopardize your life or would jeopardize your ability to regain maximum function. The director will immediately send the request to Cigna. Cigna will determine if the request meets the reviewability requirements. Cigna shall immediately notify the director and you and, if applicable, your authorized representative of its eligibility determination. The notice of initial determination shall include a statement informing you and, if applicable, your authorized representative that Cigna's initial determination that an expedited external review request is ineligible for review may be appealed to the director. If the request is eligible for an expedited external review, the Independent Review Organization will render its decision within 72 hours of receipt of the request.

Assistance from the State of Nebraska

You have the right to contact the Nebraska Department of Insurance for assistance at any time. The Director may be contacted at the following address and telephone number:

Nebraska Department of Insurance
PO Box 82089
Lincoln, NE 68501
Telephone: 877-564-7323
www.doi.nebraska.gov

Adverse Determination

Adverse determination means a determination by a health carrier or its designee utilization review organization that an admission, the availability of care, a continued stay, or other health care service that is a covered benefit has been reviewed and, based upon the information provided, does not meet the health carrier's requirements for Medical Necessity, clinical appropriateness, health care setting, level of care, or effectiveness, and the requested service or payment for the service is therefore denied, reduced, or terminated.

Relevant Information

Relevant Information is any document, record, or other information which was relied upon in making the benefit determination; was submitted, considered, or generated in the course of making the benefit determination, without regard to whether such document, record, or other information was relied upon in making the benefit determination; demonstrates compliance with the administrative processes and safeguards required by federal law in making the benefit determination; or constitutes a statement of policy or guidance with respect to the plan concerning the denied treatment option or benefit or the claimant's diagnosis, without regard to whether such advice or statement was relied upon in making the benefit determination.

Legal Action

If your plan is governed by ERISA, you have the right to bring a civil action under section 502(a) of ERISA if you are not satisfied with the outcome of the appeals procedure. In most instances, you may not initiate a legal action against Cigna until you have completed the internal appeal process. However, no action will be brought at all unless brought within three years after a claim is submitted for In-Network services or for Out-of-Network services.

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CIGNA HEALTH AND LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, a Cigna company (hereinafter called Cigna)

CERTIFICATE RIDER – Nevada Residents

Rider Eligibility: Each Employee who is located in Nevada

You will become insured on the date you become eligible, including if you are not in Active Service on that date due to your health status.

This rider forms a part of the certificate issued to you by Cigna.

The provisions set forth in this rider comply with the legal requirements of Nevada group insurance plans covering insureds located in Nevada. These provisions supersede any provisions in your certificate to the contrary unless the provisions in your certificate result in greater benefits.

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Important Notices

Nevada Division of Insurance

You can contact the Nevada Division of Insurance at the following:

The Department of Business Industry, Division of Insurance

Toll free number: (888) 872-3234

Hours of operation of the division: Mondays through Fridays from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m., Pacific Standard Time (PST).

If you have local telephone access to the Carson City and Las Vegas offices of the Division of Insurance, you should call the local numbers.

Local telephone numbers are: Carson City, **702-687-4270** and Las Vegas, **702-486-4009**

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When You Have A Complaint Or An Appeal

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We want you to be completely satisfied with the care and services you receive. That is why we have established a process for addressing your concerns and solving your problems.

Start with Customer Service

We are here to listen and help. If you have a concern regarding a person, a service, the quality of care, or contractual benefits, you can call our toll-free number and explain your concern to one of our Customer Service representatives. Please call us at the Customer Service toll-free number that appears on your Benefit Identification card, explanation of benefits or claim form.

We will do our best to resolve the matter on your initial contact. If we need more time to review or investigate your concern, we will get back to you as soon as possible, but in any case within 30 days.

If you are not satisfied with the results of a coverage decision, you can start the Appeals Procedure.

Appeals Procedure

Cigna has a two step Appeals Procedure for coverage decisions. To initiate an appeal for most claims, you must submit a request for an appeal within 365 days of receipt of a denial notice. If you appeal a reduction or termination in coverage for an ongoing course of treatment that Cigna previously approved, you will receive, as required by applicable law, continued coverage pending the outcome of an appeal. You can call us at the Customer Service toll-free number that appears on your Benefit Identification card, explanation of benefits or claim form, or you can write to us at the following address:

Cigna
National Appeals Organization (NAO)
PO Box 188011
Chattanooga, TN 37422

You should state the reason why you feel your appeal should be approved and include any information supporting your appeal. If you are unable or choose not to write, you may ask to register your appeal by telephone. Call us at the toll-free number on your Benefit Identification card, explanation of benefits or claim form.

Level One Appeal

Your appeal will be reviewed and the decision made by someone not involved in the initial decision. Appeals involving Medical Necessity or clinical appropriateness will be considered by a health care professional.

For level one appeals, we will respond in writing with a decision within 15 calendar days after we receive an appeal for a required preservice or concurrent care coverage determination (decision). We will respond within 30 calendar days after we receive an appeal for a postservice coverage determination. If more time or information is needed to make the determination, we will notify you in writing to request an extension of up to 15 calendar days and to specify any additional information needed to complete the review.

You may request that the appeal process be expedited if the time frames under this process would seriously jeopardize your life, health or ability to regain maximum function or in the opinion of your Physician would cause you severe pain which cannot be managed without the requested services.

Cigna's Physician Reviewer, in consultation with the treating Physician, will decide if an expedited appeal is necessary. When an appeal is expedited, we will respond orally with a decision within 72 hours, followed up in writing.

Level Two Appeal

If you are dissatisfied with our level one appeal decision, you may request a second review. To start a level two appeal, follow the same process required for a level one appeal.

A second review will be conducted by the Appeals Committee, which consists of at least three people. Anyone involved in the prior decision may not vote on the Committee. For appeals involving Medical Necessity or clinical appropriateness, the Committee will consult with at least one Physician Reviewer in the same or similar specialty as the care under consideration, as determined by Cigna's Physician Reviewer. You may present your situation to the Committee in person or by conference call.

For required preservice and concurrent care coverage determinations, the Committee review will be completed within 15 calendar days. For postservice claims, the Committee review will be completed within 30 calendar days. If more time or information is needed to make the determination, we will notify you in writing to request an extension of up to 15 calendar days and to specify any additional information needed by the Committee to complete the review.

You will be notified in writing of the Committee's decision within five working days after the Committee meeting, and within the Committee review time frames above if the Committee does not approve the requested coverage.

You may request that the appeal process be expedited if the time frames under this process would seriously jeopardize your life, health or ability to regain maximum function or in the opinion of your Physician would cause you severe pain which cannot be managed without the requested services, or your appeal involves nonauthorization of an admission or continuing inpatient Hospital stay. Cigna's Physician Reviewer, in consultation with the treating Physician will decide if an expedited appeal is necessary. When an appeal is expedited, we will respond orally with a decision within 72 hours, followed up in writing.

Independent External Review Procedure

If you are not fully satisfied with the decision of Cigna's level two appeal, you may request that your appeal be referred to an Independent Review Organization. The Independent Review Organization is composed of persons who are not employed by Cigna HealthCare or any of its affiliates. A decision to use the voluntary level of appeal will not affect the claimant's rights to any other benefits under the plan.

There is no charge for you to initiate this independent review process. Cigna will abide by the decision of the Independent Review Organization.

You may, within four months after receiving notice of the adverse determination, submit a request to the Office for Consumer Health Assistance for an external review of the adverse determination. Within five days after receiving a request, the Office for Consumer Health Assistance shall notify you and Cigna that the request has been filed and shall assign an Independent Review Organization.

Within five days after receiving notification specifying the Independent Review Organization assigned, Cigna will provide all documents and materials relating to the adverse determination.

The Independent Review Organization shall, within five days after receiving the request notify you and Cigna if any additional information is required to conduct a review of the adverse determination. Such additional information must be provided within five days. The Independent Review Organization will approve, modify or reverse the adverse determination within 15 days after it receives the information required to make that determination.

Expedited Independent External Reviews

The Office for Consumer Health Assistance will approve or deny a request for an external review of an adverse determination in an expedited manner not later than 72 hours after it receives proof from the provider of health care of the covered person that: the adverse determination concerns an admission, availability of care, continued stay or health care service for which the covered person received emergency services but has not been discharged from the facility providing the services or care; or failure to proceed in an expedited manner may jeopardize the life or health of the covered person or the ability of the covered person to regain maximum function.

If the Office for Consumer Health Assistance approves a request for an external review then it will assign the request to an Independent Review Organization not later than one business day after approving the request. Within 24 hours after receiving notice assigning the request, Cigna will provide to the Independent Review Organization all required documents and materials.

An Independent Review Organization that is assigned to conduct an external review will: complete its external review not later than 48 hours after receiving the assignment, unless the covered person and Cigna agree to a longer period; not later than 24 hours after completing its external review, notify the covered person, the Physician of the covered person, the authorized representative, if any, and Cigna by telephone of its determination; and not later than 48 hours after completing its external review, submit a written decision of its external review to the covered person, the Physician of the covered person, the authorized representative, if any, and Cigna.

External Review - Experimental or Investigational

Within four months after receipt of a notice of an adverse determination that involves a denial of coverage based on a determination that the health care service or treatment recommended or requested is experimental or investigational, you may file a request for external review with the Office for Consumer Health Assistance. You may make an oral request for an expedited external review if the covered person's treating Physician certifies, in writing, that the recommended or requested health care service or treatment would be significantly less effective if not promptly initiated.

Within one business day after receipt of a request for external review the Office for Consumer Health Assistance shall notify Cigna. Within five business days after receipt of the notice, Cigna will complete a preliminary review to determine if the request meets the requirements for review.

Within one business day after completion of the preliminary review, Cigna will notify the Office for Consumer Health Assistance and you whether the request is: complete; eligible for external review; not complete, in which case the health carrier shall include in the notice the information or materials that are needed to make the request complete; or not eligible for external review, in which case the health carrier shall include in the notice the reasons for its ineligibility.

The notice of initial determination must include a statement that a request which is ineligible for external review may be

appealed to the Office for Consumer Health Assistance, and the Office for Consumer Health Assistance may determine that a request for an expedited external review is eligible for external review.

If Cigna determines that a request is eligible for external review, it will notify the Office for Consumer Health Assistance and you within one business day after receipt of the notice from Cigna that the external review request is eligible for external review, the Office for Consumer Health Assistance will: assign an Independent Review Organization to conduct the external review; notify Cigna of the name of the assigned Independent Review Organization; and notify you in writing that the request is eligible for external review and provide the name of the assigned Independent Review Organization.

The notice will include a statement that you may submit in writing to the assigned Independent Review Organization within five business days additional information that the Independent Review Organization will consider when conducting the external review. The Independent Review Organization may accept and consider additional information submitted after the five business days have elapsed.

Within five business days after receipt of the notice, Cigna will provide to the assigned Independent Review Organization any documents and information considered in making the adverse determination. If Cigna fails to provide the documents and information within five business days, the assigned Independent Review Organization may terminate the external review and make a decision to reverse the adverse determination. If the Independent Review Organization elects to terminate the external review and reverse the adverse determination, the Independent Review Organization will immediately notify you, if applicable, Cigna and the Office for Consumer Health Assistance.

Within 20 days after receipt of the opinion of each clinical reviewer assigned to review the case, the assigned Independent Review Organization will make a decision and provide written notice of the decision to you, Cigna, and the Office for Consumer Health Assistance.

Expedited External Reviews - Experimental or Investigational

Upon receipt of a request for an expedited external review, the Office for Consumer Health Assistance shall immediately notify Cigna, and Cigna will immediately determine whether the request meets the requirements for review. Cigna will immediately notify the Office for Consumer Health Assistance and you of its determination regarding eligibility. The notice of initial determination must include a statement that a request which is ineligible for external review may be appealed to the Office for Consumer Health Assistance, and the Office for Consumer Health Assistance may determine that a request for an expedited external review is eligible for external review. If the expedited external review meets the requirements for review, the Office for Consumer Health Assistance will immediately assign an Independent Review Organization and notify Cigna of the name of the assigned Independent Review Organization. Cigna will provide or transmit any documents and information considered in making the adverse determination to the assigned Independent Review Organization electronically or by telephone or facsimile, or any other available expeditious method. Within 48 hours after receipt of the opinion of each clinical reviewer the assigned Independent Review Organization will make a decision and provide notice of the decision orally or in writing to you, Cigna and the Office for Consumer Health Assistance. If the notice provided was not in writing, within 48 hours after providing that notice, the assigned Independent Review Organization will provide written confirmation of the decision to you, Cigna, and the Office for Consumer Health Assistance.

Final Decision

If the determination of an Independent Review Organization concerning an external review of an adverse determination is in favor of the covered person, the determination is final, conclusive and binding upon Cigna. Cigna will immediately approve coverage of the recommended or requested health care service or treatment that was the subject of the adverse determination. The cost of conducting an external review of an adverse determination will be paid by Cigna.

Assistance from the State of Nevada

You have the right to contact the Consumer Service Section for assistance at any time. The Consumer Service Section may be contacted at the following address and telephone number:

For Carson City:
1818 E. College Parkway
Carson City, NV 89706
1-888-872-3234

For Las Vegas:
3300 W. Sahara Ave, Suite 275
Las Vegas, NV 89102
1-888-872-3234

Notice of Benefit Determination on Appeal

Every notice of a determination on appeal will be provided in writing or electronically and, if an adverse determination, will include: the specific reason or reasons for the adverse determination; reference to the specific plan provisions on which the determination is based; a statement that the claimant is entitled to receive, upon request and free of charge, reasonable access to and copies of all documents, records, and other Relevant Information as defined; a statement describing any voluntary appeal procedures offered by the plan and the claimant's right to bring an action under ERISA section 502(a); upon request and free of charge, a copy of any internal rule, guideline, protocol or other similar criterion that was

relied upon in making the adverse determination regarding your appeal, and an explanation of the scientific or clinical judgment for a determination that is based on a Medical Necessity, experimental treatment or other similar exclusion or limit.

You also have the right to bring a civil action under section 502(a) of ERISA if you are not satisfied with the decision on review. 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. You may also contact the Plan Administrator.

Relevant Information

Relevant Information is any document, record, or other information which was relied upon in making the benefit determination; was submitted, considered, or generated in the course of making the benefit determination, without regard to whether such document, record, or other information was relied upon in making the benefit determination; demonstrates compliance with the administrative processes and safeguards required by federal law in making the benefit determination; or constitutes a statement of policy or guidance with respect to the plan concerning the denied treatment option or benefit or the claimant's diagnosis, without regard to whether such advice or statement was relied upon in making the benefit determination.

Legal Action

If your plan is governed by ERISA, you have the right to bring a civil action under section 502(a) of ERISA if you are not satisfied with the outcome of the Appeals Procedure. In most instances, you may not initiate a legal action against Cigna until you have completed the Level One and Level Two Appeal processes. If your Appeal is expedited, there is no need to complete the Level Two process prior to bringing legal action. However, no action will be brought at all unless brought within three years after proof of claim is required under the plan.

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Definitions

If Domestic Partners are covered under the plan, then the following applies:

Domestic Partner

A Domestic Partner is defined as a person of the same or opposite sex who:

- shares your permanent residence;
- has resided with you for no less than one year;
- is no less than 18 years of age;
- is not a blood relative any closer than would prohibit legal marriage; and
- has signed jointly with you, a notarized affidavit attesting to the above which can be made available to Cigna upon request.

In addition, you and your Domestic Partner will be considered to have met the terms of this definition as long as neither you nor your Domestic Partner:

- has signed a Domestic Partner affidavit or declaration with any other person within twelve months prior to designating each other as Domestic Partners hereunder;
- is currently legally married to another person; or
- has any other Domestic Partner, spouse or spouse equivalent of the same or opposite sex.

You and your Domestic Partner must have registered as Domestic Partners, if you reside in a state that provides for such registration.

The section of this certificate entitled "COBRA Continuation Rights Under Federal Law" will not apply to your Domestic Partner and his or her Dependents.

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CERTIFICATE RIDER – New Jersey Residents

Rider Eligibility: Each Employee who is located in New Jersey

You will become insured on the date you become eligible, including if you are not in Active Service on that date due to your health status.

This rider forms a part of the certificate issued to you by Cigna.

The provisions set forth in this rider comply with the legal requirements of New Jersey group insurance plans covering insureds located in New Jersey. These provisions supersede

any provisions in your certificate to the contrary unless the provisions in your certificate result in greater benefits.

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Definitions

Dependent

Dependents include:

- your lawful spouse, including civil union partners.

The term child includes any child acquired through a civil union.

The rights of married persons under federal law may not be available to parties to a civil union.

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Medically Necessary/Medical Necessity

Medically Necessary Covered Services and Supplies means or describes a health care service that a health care provider, exercising his prudent clinical judgment, would provide to a covered person for the purpose of evaluating, diagnosing or treating an illness, injury, disease or its symptoms and that is: in accordance with the generally accepted standards of medical practice; clinically appropriate, in terms of type, frequency, extent, site and duration, and considered effective for the covered person's illness, injury or disease; not primarily for the convenience of the covered person or the health care provider; and not more costly than an alternative service or sequence of services at least as likely to produce equivalent therapeutic or diagnostic results as to the diagnosis or treatment of that covered person's illness, injury or disease.

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CIGNA HEALTH AND LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, a Cigna company (hereinafter called Cigna)

CERTIFICATE RIDER – North Carolina Residents

Rider Eligibility: Each Employee who is located in North Carolina

You will become insured on the date you become eligible, including if you are not in Active Service on that date due to your health status.

This rider forms a part of the certificate issued to you by Cigna.

The provisions set forth in this rider comply with the legal requirements of North Carolina group insurance plans covering insureds located in North Carolina. These provisions supersede any provisions in your certificate to the contrary unless the provisions in your certificate result in greater benefits.

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Definitions

Dependent

The term child means a child born to you or a child legally adopted by you, or a foster child including that child from the first day of placement in your home regardless of whether the adoption has become final.

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CIGNA HEALTH AND LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, a Cigna company (hereinafter called Cigna)

CERTIFICATE RIDER – North Dakota Residents

Rider Eligibility: Each Employee who is located in North Dakota

You will become insured on the date you become eligible, including if you are not in Active Service on that date due to your health status.

This rider forms a part of the certificate issued to you by Cigna.

The provisions set forth in this rider comply with the legal requirements of North Dakota group insurance plans covering insureds located in North Dakota. These provisions supersede any provisions in your certificate to the contrary unless the provisions in your certificate result in greater benefits.

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Definitions

Dependent

Dependents include:

- any unmarried child of yours who is
  - less than 22 years old.
  - 22 or more years old and primarily supported by you and incapable of self-sustaining employment by reason of mental or physical disability. Proof of the child's condition and dependence must be submitted to Cigna within 31 days after the date the child ceases to qualify above. From time to time, but not more frequently than once a year, Cigna may require proof of the continuation of such condition and dependence.

  If students are covered then the following bullet will apply:
  - 22 years but less than 26 years old, unmarried, enrolled in school as a full-time student and primarily supported by you.

The term child means a child born to you or a child legally adopted by you, including that child from the first day of placement by a licensed child placement agency or by the birth parent. It also includes a stepchild who lives with you and a child born to one of your Dependent children, as long as your grandchild is living with you and primarily supported by you.

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CIGNA HEALTH AND LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, a Cigna company (hereinafter called Cigna)

CERTIFICATE RIDER – Ohio Residents

Rider Eligibility: Each Employee who is located in Ohio

You will become insured on the date you become eligible, including if you are not in Active Service on that date due to your health status.

This rider forms a part of the certificate issued to you by Cigna.

The provisions set forth in this rider comply with the legal requirements of Ohio group insurance plans covering insureds located in Ohio. These provisions supersede any provisions in your certificate to the contrary unless the provisions in your certificate result in greater benefits.

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Definitions

Dependent

The term child means a child born to you or a child legally adopted by you, including that child from the first day of placement in your home, regardless of whether the adoption has become final.

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CIGNA HEALTH AND LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, a Cigna company (hereinafter called Cigna)

CERTIFICATE RIDER – Oklahoma Residents

Rider Eligibility: Each Employee who is located in Oklahoma

You will become insured on the date you become eligible, including if you are not in Active Service on that date due to your health status.

This rider forms a part of the certificate issued to you by Cigna.

The provisions set forth in this rider comply with the legal requirements of Oklahoma group insurance plans covering insureds located in Oklahoma. These provisions supersede any provisions in your certificate to the contrary unless the provisions in your certificate result in greater benefits.

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When You Have a Complaint or an Appeal

For the purposes of this section, any reference to "you", "your" or "Member" also refers to a representative or provider designated by you to act on your behalf, unless otherwise noted.

We want you to be completely satisfied with the care and services you receive. That is why we have established a process for addressing your concerns and solving your problems.

Start with Customer Service

We are here to listen and help. If you have a concern regarding a person, a service, the quality of care, or contractual benefits, you can call our toll-free number and explain your concern to one of our Customer Service representatives.

You can also express that concern in writing. Please call us at the Customer Services toll-free number or address that appears on your Benefit Identification card, explanation of benefits or claim form.

We will do our best to resolve the matter on your initial contact. If we need more time to review or investigate your concern, we will get back to you as soon as possible, but in any case within 30 days.

If you are not satisfied with the results of a coverage decision, you can start the appeals procedure.

Appeals Procedure

Cigna has a two-step appeals procedure for coverage decisions. To initiate an appeal for most claims, you must submit a request for an appeal within 365 days of receipt of a denial notice. If you appeal a reduction or termination in coverage for an ongoing course of treatment that Cigna previously approved, you will receive, as required by applicable law, continued coverage pending the outcome of an appeal. Appeals may be submitted to the following address:

Cigna
National Appeals Organization (NAO)
PO Box 188011
Chattanooga, TN 37422

You should state the reason why you feel your appeal should be approved and include any information supporting your appeal. If you are unable or choose not to write, you may ask to register your appeal by telephone. Call or write to us at the toll-free number or address on your Benefit Identification card, explanation of benefits or claim form.

If Cigna does not adhere to internal claim and appeals processes, including responding within regulatory timeframes, you can be deemed to have exhausted the process, and can proceed to external review, if available, and pursue other remedies under the law as applicable.

Level One Appeal

Your appeal will be reviewed and the decision made by someone not involved in the initial decision. Appeals involving Medical Necessity or clinical appropriateness will be considered by an Oklahoma licensed Physician.

For level one appeals, we will respond in writing with a decision within 15 calendar days after we receive an appeal for a preservice or concurrent care coverage determination (decision). We will respond within 30 calendar days after we receive an appeal for a postservice coverage determination. If more time or information is needed to make the determination, we will notify you in writing to request an extension of up to 15 calendar days and to specify any additional information needed to complete the review.

You may request that the appeal process be expedited if, the time frames under this process would seriously jeopardize your life, health or ability to regain maximum function or in the opinion of your Physician would cause you severe pain which cannot be managed without the requested services.

Cigna's Physician reviewer, in consultation with the treating Physician, will decide if an expedited appeal is necessary. When an appeal is expedited, we will respond orally with a decision within 72 hours, followed up in writing.

Level Two Appeal

If you are dissatisfied with our level one appeal decision, you may request a second review. To start a level two appeal, follow the same process required for a level one appeal.

If the appeal involves a coverage decision based on issues of Medical Necessity, clinical appropriateness or experimental treatment, a medical review will be conducted by a Physician reviewer in the same or similar specialty as the care under consideration, as determined by Cigna's Physician reviewer. For Medical Necessity issues, the review will include an Oklahoma licensed Physician. For all other coverage plan-related appeals, a second-level review will be conducted by someone who was a) not involved in any previous decision related to your appeal, and b) not a subordinate of previous decision makers. Provide all relevant documentation with your second-level appeal request.

For required preservice and concurrent care coverage determinations, Cigna's review will be completed within 15 calendar days. For postservice claims, Cigna's review will be completed within 30 calendar days. If more time or information is needed to make the determination, we will notify you in writing to request an extension of up to 15 calendar days and to specify any additional information needed to complete the review.

You will be notified in writing of the decision within five working days after the decision is made, and within the review time frames above if Cigna does not approve the requested coverage.

You may request that the appeal process be expedited if, (a) the time frames under this process would seriously jeopardize your life, health or ability to regain maximum function or in the opinion of your Physician would cause you severe pain which cannot be managed without the requested services; or (b) your appeal involves nonauthorization of an admission or continuing inpatient Hospital stay. Cigna's Physician reviewer, in consultation with the treating Physician will decide if an expedited appeal is necessary. When an appeal is expedited, we will respond orally with a decision within 72 hours, followed up in writing.

Independent Review Procedure

If you are not fully satisfied with the decision of Cigna's level two appeal review regarding your Medical Necessity or clinical appropriateness issue, you may request that your appeal be referred to an Independent Review Organization. The Independent Review Organization is composed of persons who are not employed by Cigna HealthCare or any of its affiliates. A decision to use the Independent Review level of appeal will not affect the claimant's rights to any other benefits under the plan.

There is no charge for you to initiate this Independent Review process. Cigna will abide by the decision of the Independent Review Organization.

In order to request a referral to an Independent Review Organization, certain conditions apply.

The reason for the denial must be based on a Medical Necessity or clinical appropriateness determination by Cigna. Administrative, eligibility or benefit coverage limits or exclusions are not eligible for appeal under this process; if you are requesting a standard external review, send all paperwork to:

Oklahoma Insurance Department
External Review
Triad II, 7645 E 63rd
7645 E 63rd Street, Suite 102
Tulsa, OK, 74113

If you are requesting an expedited external review, call the Insurance Department at 800-522-0071 or 405-521-2828 before sending your paperwork, and you will receive instructions on the quickest way to submit the application and supporting information.

The Independent Review Organization will render an opinion within 45 days. When requested and if (a) a delay would be detrimental to your condition, as determined by Cigna's Physician reviewer, or if (b) your appeal concerns an admission, availability of care, continued stay, or health care item or service for which you received emergency services, but you have not yet been discharged from a facility, the review shall be completed within 72 hours.

Assistance from the State of Oklahoma

You have the right to contact the Oklahoma Department of Insurance for assistance at any time. The Commissioner of Insurance may be contacted at the following address and telephone number:

Oklahoma Insurance Department
Five Corporate Plaza
3625 NW 56th Street, Suite 100
Oklahoma City, OK 73112 -4511
Toll Free: 1-800-522-0071

Notice of Benefit Determination on Appeal

Every notice of a determination on appeal will be provided in writing or electronically and, if an adverse determination, will include: the specific reason or reasons for the adverse determination; reference to the specific plan provisions on which the determination is based; a statement that the claimant is entitled to receive, upon request and free of charge, reasonable access to and copies of all documents, records, and other Relevant Information as defined; a statement describing any voluntary appeal procedures offered by the plan and the

claimant's right to bring an action under ERISA section 502(a); upon request and free of charge, a copy of any internal rule, guideline, protocol or other similar criterion that was relied upon in making the adverse determination regarding your appeal, and an explanation of the scientific or clinical judgment for a determination that is based on a Medical Necessity, experimental treatment or other similar exclusion or limit. You also have the right to bring a civil action under section 502(a) of ERISA if you are not satisfied with the decision on review. 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. You may also contact the Plan Administrator.

Relevant Information

Relevant Information is any document, record, or other information which: was relied upon in making the benefit determination; was submitted, considered, or generated in the course of making the benefit determination, without regard to whether such document, record, or other information was relied upon in making the benefit determination; demonstrates compliance with the administrative processes and safeguards required by federal law in making the benefit determination; or constitutes a statement of policy or guidance with respect to the plan concerning the denied treatment option or benefit or the claimant's diagnosis, without regard to whether such advice or statement was relied upon in making the benefit determination.

Legal Action

If your plan is governed by ERISA, you have the right to bring a civil action under section 502(a) of ERISA if you are not satisfied with the outcome of the appeals procedure. In most instances, you may not initiate a legal action against Cigna until you have completed the level one and level two appeal processes. If your appeal is expedited, there is no need to complete the level two process prior to bringing legal action.

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When You Have a Complaint or an Appeal

For the purposes of this section, any reference to "you," "your" or "Member" also refers to a representative or provider designated by you to act on your behalf, unless otherwise noted.

We want you to be completely satisfied with the care and services you receive. That is why we have established a process for addressing your concerns and solving your problems.

Start with Customer Service

We are here to listen and help. If you have a concern regarding a person, a service, the quality of care, or contractual benefits, you can call our toll-free number and explain your concern to one of our Customer Service representatives.

You can also express that concern in writing. Please call us at the Customer Services toll-free number or address that appears on your Benefit Identification card, explanation of benefits or claim form.

We will do our best to resolve the matter on your initial contact. If we need more time to review or investigate your concern, we will get back to you as soon as possible, but in any case within 30 days.

If you are not satisfied with the results of a coverage decision, you can start the appeals procedure.

Appeals Procedure

Cigna has a two-step appeals procedure for coverage decisions. To initiate an appeal for most claims, you must submit a request for an appeal within 365 days of receipt of a denial notice. However, if Cigna reduces or terminates coverage (except where the reduction or termination is due to a plan amendment or termination) for an ongoing course of treatment that Cigna previously approved, and the reduction or termination in coverage will occur before the end of the period of time or number of treatments that Cigna approved, then to initiate an appeal you must submit a request for an appeal of that reduction or termination in coverage within 30 days of receipt of the denial notice. If you appeal timely a reduction or termination in coverage for an ongoing course of treatment that Cigna previously approved, you will receive, as required by applicable law, continued coverage pending the outcome of an appeal. Appeals may be submitted to the following address:

Cigna
National Appeals Organization (NAO)
PO Box 188011
Chattanooga, TN 37422

You should state the reason why you feel your appeal should be approved and include any information supporting your appeal. If you are unable or choose not to write, you may ask to register your appeal by telephone. Call or write to us at the toll-free number or address on your Benefit Identification card, explanation of benefits or claim form.

If Cigna does not adhere to internal claim and appeals processes, including responding within regulatory timeframes, you can be deemed to have exhausted the process, and can proceed to external review, if available, and pursue other remedies under the law as applicable.

Level One Appeal

Your appeal will be reviewed and the decision made by someone not involved in the initial decision. Appeals involving Medical Necessity or clinical appropriateness will be considered by an Oklahoma licensed Physician. For level one appeals, we will respond in writing with a decision within 15 calendar days after we receive an appeal for a preservice or concurrent care coverage determination (decision). We will respond within 30 calendar days after we receive an appeal for a postservice coverage determination. If more time or information is needed to make the determination, we will notify you in writing to request an extension of up to 15 calendar days and to specify any additional information needed to complete the review.

You may request that the appeal process be expedited if, the time frames under this process would seriously jeopardize your life, health or ability to regain maximum function or in the opinion of your Physician would cause you severe pain which cannot be managed without the requested services.

Cigna's Physician reviewer, in consultation with the treating Physician, will decide if an expedited appeal is necessary. When an appeal is expedited, we will respond orally with a decision within 72 hours, followed up in writing.

Level Two Appeal

If you are dissatisfied with our level one appeal decision, you may request a second review. To start a level two appeal, follow the same process required for a level one appeal.

If the appeal involves a coverage decision based on issues of Medical Necessity, clinical appropriateness or experimental treatment, a medical review will be conducted by a Physician reviewer in the same or similar specialty as the care under consideration, as determined by Cigna's Physician reviewer. For Medical Necessity issues, the review will include an Oklahoma licensed Physician. For all other coverage plan-related appeals, a second-level review will be conducted by someone who was a) not involved in any previous decision related to your appeal, and b) not a subordinate of previous decision makers. Provide all relevant documentation with your second-level appeal request.

For required preservice and concurrent care coverage determinations, Cigna's review will be completed within 15 calendar days. For postservice claims, Cigna's review will be completed within 30 calendar days. If more time or information is needed to make the determination, we will notify you in writing to request an extension of up to 15 calendar days and to specify any additional information needed to complete the review.

You will be notified in writing of the decision within five working days after the decision is made, and within the review time frames above if Cigna does not approve the requested coverage.

You may request that the appeal process be expedited if, (a) the time frames under this process would seriously jeopardize your life, health or ability to regain maximum function or in the opinion of your Physician would cause you severe pain which cannot be managed without the requested services; or (b) your appeal involves nonauthorization of an admission or continuing inpatient Hospital stay. Cigna's Physician reviewer, in consultation with the treating Physician will decide if an expedited appeal is necessary. When an appeal is expedited, we will respond orally with a decision within 72 hours, followed up in writing.

Independent Review Procedure

If you are not fully satisfied with the decision of Cigna's level two appeal review regarding your Medical Necessity or clinical appropriateness issue, you may request that your appeal be referred to an Independent Review Organization. The Independent Review Organization is composed of persons who are not employed by Cigna HealthCare or any of its affiliates. A decision to use the Independent Review level of appeal will not affect the claimant's rights to any other benefits under the plan.

There is no charge for you to initiate this Independent Review process. Cigna will abide by the decision of the Independent Review Organization.

In order to request a referral to an Independent Review Organization, certain conditions apply.

The reason for the denial must be based on a Medical Necessity or clinical appropriateness determination by Cigna. Administrative, eligibility or benefit coverage limits or exclusions are not eligible for appeal under this process; if you are requesting a standard external review, send all paperwork to:

Oklahoma Insurance Department
External Review
Triad II, 7645 E 63rd
7645 E 63rd Street, Suite 102
Tulsa, OK, 74113

If you are requesting an expedited external review, call the Insurance Department at 800-522-0071 or 405-521-2828 before sending your paperwork, and you will receive instructions on the quickest way to submit the application and supporting information.

The Independent Review Organization will render an opinion within 45 days. When requested and if (a) a delay would be detrimental to your condition, as determined by Cigna's Physician reviewer, or (b) your appeal concerns an admission, availability of care, continued stay, or health care item or service for which you received emergency services, but you have not yet been discharged from a facility, the review shall be completed within 72 hours.

Assistance from the State of Oklahoma

You have the right to contact the Oklahoma Department of Insurance for assistance at any time. The Commissioner of Insurance may be contacted at the following address and telephone number:

Oklahoma Insurance Department
Five Corporate Plaza
3625 NW 56th Street, Suite 100
Oklahoma City, OK 73112 -4511
Toll Free: 1-800-522-0071

Notice of Benefit Determination on Appeal

Every notice of a determination on appeal will be provided in writing or electronically and, if an adverse determination, will include: the specific reason or reasons for the adverse determination; reference to the specific plan provisions on which the determination is based; a statement that the claimant is entitled to receive, upon request and free of charge, reasonable access to and copies of all documents, records, and other Relevant Information as defined; a statement describing any voluntary appeal procedures offered by the plan and the claimant's right to bring an action under ERISA section 502(a); upon request and free of charge, a copy of any internal rule, guideline, protocol or other similar criterion that was relied upon in making the adverse determination regarding your appeal, and an explanation of the scientific or clinical judgment for a determination that is based on a Medical Necessity, experimental treatment or other similar exclusion or limit. You also have the right to bring a civil action under section 502(a) of ERISA if you are not satisfied with the decision on review. 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. You may also contact the Plan Administrator.

Relevant Information

Relevant Information is any document, record, or other information which: was relied upon in making the benefit determination; was submitted, considered, or generated in the course of making the benefit determination, without regard to whether such document, record, or other information was relied upon in making the benefit determination; demonstrates compliance with the administrative processes and safeguards required by federal law in making the benefit determination; or constitutes a statement of policy or guidance with respect to the plan concerning the denied treatment option or benefit or the claimant's diagnosis, without regard to whether such advice or statement was relied upon in making the benefit determination.

Legal Action

If your plan is governed by ERISA, you have the right to bring a civil action under section 502(a) of ERISA if you are not satisfied with the outcome of the appeals procedure. In most instances, you may not initiate a legal action against Cigna until you have completed the level one and level two appeal processes. If your appeal is expedited, there is no need to complete the level two process prior to bringing legal action.

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CIGNA HEALTH AND LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, a Cigna company (hereinafter called Cigna)

CERTIFICATE RIDER – Oregon Residents

Rider Eligibility: Each Employee who is located in Oregon

You will become insured on the date you become eligible, including if you are not in Active Service on that date due to your health status.

This rider forms a part of the certificate issued to you by Cigna.

The provisions set forth in this rider comply with the legal requirements of Oregon group insurance plans covering insureds located in Oregon. These provisions supersede any provisions in your certificate to the contrary unless the provisions in your certificate result in greater benefits.

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Definitions

Dependent

The term child means a child born to you. It also means:

- a child legally adopted by you, including that child from the date of placement. Coverage for such child will include the necessary care and treatment of conditions existing prior to the date of placement including medically diagnosed congenital defects or birth abnormalities, regardless of any pre-existing condition limitation in the policy.

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CIGNA HEALTH AND LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, a Cigna company (hereinafter called Cigna)

CERTIFICATE RIDER – South Carolina Residents

Rider Eligibility: Each Employee who is located in South Carolina

You will become insured on the date you become eligible, including if you are not in Active Service on that date due to your health status.

This rider forms a part of the certificate issued to you by Cigna.

The provisions set forth in this rider comply with the legal requirements of South Carolina group insurance plans covering insureds located in South Carolina. These provisions supersede any provisions in your certificate to the contrary unless the provisions in your certificate result in greater benefits.

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Definitions

Dependent

The term child means a child born to you, a child legally adopted by you or an adopted child of whom you have custody according to the decree of the court provided you have paid premiums. Adoption proceedings must be instituted by you, and completed within 31 days after the child's birth date, and a decree of adoption must be entered within one year from the start of proceedings, unless extended by court order due to the child's special needs. It also includes a stepchild who lives with you.

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CIGNA HEALTH AND LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, a Cigna company (hereinafter called Cigna)

CERTIFICATE RIDER – Tennessee Residents

Rider Eligibility: Each Employee who is located in Tennessee

You will become insured on the date you become eligible, including if you are not in Active Service on that date due to your health status.

This rider forms a part of the certificate issued to you by Cigna.

The provisions set forth in this rider comply with the legal requirements of Tennessee group insurance plans covering insureds located in Tennessee. These provisions supersede any provisions in your certificate to the contrary unless the provisions in your certificate result in greater benefits.

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When You Have A Complaint Or An Appeal

For the purposes of this section, any reference to ", you," "your" or "Member" also refers to a representative or provider designated by you to act on your behalf, unless otherwise noted.

We want you to be completely satisfied with the care and services you receive. That is why we have established a process for addressing your concerns and solving your problems.

Start with Member Services

We are here to listen and help. If you have a concern regarding a person, a service, the quality of care, or contractual benefits, you can call our toll-free number and explain your concern to one of our Customer Service representatives. You can also

express that concern in writing. Please call or write to us at the following:

Customer Services toll-free number or address that appears on your Benefit Identification card, explanation of benefits or claim form.

We will do our best to resolve the matter on your initial contact. If we need more time to review or investigate your concern, we will get back to you as soon as possible, but in any case within 30 days.

If you are not satisfied with the results of a coverage decision, you can start the appeals procedure.

Appeals Procedure

Cigna has a two-step appeals procedure for coverage decisions. To initiate an appeal for most claims, you must submit a request for an appeal within 180 days of receipt of a denial notice. If you appeal a reduction or termination in coverage for an ongoing course of treatment that Cigna previously approved, you will receive, as required by applicable law, continued coverage pending the outcome of an appeal. Appeals may be submitted to the following address:

Cigna
National Appeals Organization (NAO)
PO Box 188011
Chattanooga, TN 37422

You should state the reason why you feel your appeal should be approved and include any information supporting your appeal. If you are unable or choose not to write, you may ask to register your appeal by telephone. Call us at the toll-free number on your Benefit Identification card, explanation of benefits or claim form.

Level One Appeal

Your appeal will be reviewed and the decision made by someone not involved in the initial decision. Appeals involving Medical Necessity or clinical appropriateness will be considered by a health care professional.

For level one appeals, we will respond in writing with a decision within 15 calendar days after we receive an appeal for a required preservice or concurrent care coverage determination (decision). We will respond within 30 calendar days after we receive an appeal for a postservice coverage determination. If more time or information is needed to make the determination, we will notify you in writing to request an extension of up to 15 calendar days and to specify any additional information needed to complete the review.

You may request that the appeal process be expedited if, the time frames under this process would seriously jeopardize your life, health or ability to regain maximum function or in the opinion of your Physician would cause you severe pain which cannot be managed without the requested services Cigna's Physician reviewer, in consultation with the treating Physician, will decide if an expedited appeal is necessary. When an appeal is expedited, we will respond orally with a decision within 48 hours, followed up in writing.

Level Two Appeal

If you are dissatisfied with our level one appeal decision, you may request a second review. To start a level two appeal, follow the same process required for a level one appeal.

Most requests for a second review will be conducted by the Appeals Committee, which consists of at least three people. Anyone involved in the prior decision may not vote on the Committee. For appeals involving Medical Necessity or clinical appropriateness, the Committee will consult with at least one Physician reviewer in the same or similar specialty as the care under consideration, as determined by Cigna's Physician reviewer. You may present your situation to the Committee in person or by conference call.

For level two appeals we will acknowledge in writing that we have received your request and schedule a Committee review. For required preservice and concurrent care coverage determinations, the Committee review will be completed within 15 calendar days. For postservice claims, the Committee review will be completed within 30 calendar days. If more time or information is needed to make the determination, we will notify you in writing to request an extension of up to 15 calendar days and to specify any additional information needed by the Committee to complete the review. You will be notified in writing of the Committee's decision within five working days after the Committee meeting, and within the Committee review time frames above if the Committee does not approve the requested coverage.

You may request that the appeal process be expedited if, the time frames under this process would seriously jeopardize your life, health or ability to regain maximum function or in the opinion of your Physician would cause you severe pain which cannot be managed without the requested services; or your appeal involves nonauthorization of an admission or continuing inpatient Hospital stay. Cigna's Physician reviewer, in consultation with the treating Physician will decide if an expedited appeal is necessary. When an appeal is expedited, we will respond orally with a decision within 48 hours, followed up in writing.

Independent Review Procedure

If you are not fully satisfied with the decision of Cigna's level two appeal review regarding your Medical Necessity or clinical appropriateness issue, you may request that your appeal be referred to an Independent Review Organization. The Independent Review Organization is composed of persons who are not employed by Cigna HealthCare or any of its affiliates. A decision to use the voluntary level of appeal will not affect the claimant's rights to any other benefits under the plan.

There is no charge for you to initiate this independent review process. Cigna will abide by the decision of the Independent Review Organization.

In order to request a referral to an Independent Review Organization, certain conditions apply. The reason for the denial must be based on a Medical Necessity or clinical appropriateness determination by Cigna. Administrative, eligibility or benefit coverage limits or exclusions are not eligible for appeal under this process.

To request a review, you must notify the Appeals Coordinator within 180 days of your receipt of Cigna's level two appeal review denial. Cigna will then forward the file to the Independent Review Organization.

The Independent Review Organization will render an opinion within 30 days. When requested and when a delay would be detrimental to your condition, as determined by Cigna's Physician reviewer, the review shall be completed within three days.

The Independent Review Program is a voluntary program arranged by Cigna.

Assistance from the State of Tennessee

You have the right to contact the Department of Commerce and Insurance for assistance at any time. The Commissioner's Office may be contacted at the following address and telephone number:

Tennessee Department of Commerce and Insurance
500 James Robertson Parkway
Nashville, TN 37423
800-342-4029

Notice of Benefit Determination on Appeal

Every notice of a determination on appeal will be provided in writing or electronically and, if an adverse determination, will include: the specific reason or reasons for the adverse determination; reference to the specific plan provisions on which the determination is based; a statement that the claimant is entitled to receive, upon request and free of charge, reasonable access to and copies of all documents, records, and other Relevant Information as defined; a statement describing any voluntary appeal procedures offered by the plan and the claimant's right to bring an action under ERISA section 502(a); upon request and free of charge, a copy of any internal rule, guideline, protocol or other similar criterion that was relied upon in making the adverse determination regarding your appeal, and an explanation of the scientific or clinical judgment for a determination that is based on a Medical Necessity, experimental treatment or other similar exclusion or limit.

You also have the right to bring a civil action under section 502(a) of ERISA if you are not satisfied with the decision on review. 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. You may also contact the Plan Administrator.

Relevant Information

Relevant Information is any document, record, or other information which was relied upon in making the benefit determination; was submitted, considered, or generated in the course of making the benefit determination, without regard to whether such document, record, or other information was relied upon in making the benefit determination; demonstrates compliance with the administrative processes and safeguards required by federal law in making the benefit determination; or constitutes a statement of policy or guidance with respect to the plan concerning the denied treatment option or benefit or the claimant's diagnosis, without regard to whether such advice or statement was relied upon in making the benefit determination.

Legal Action

If your plan is governed by ERISA, you have the right to bring a civil action under section 502(a) of ERISA if you are not satisfied with the outcome of the appeals procedure. In most instances, you may not initiate a legal action against Cigna until you have completed the level one and level two appeal processes. If your appeal is expedited, there is no need to complete the level two process prior to bringing legal action.

Appeal to the State of Tennessee

You have the right to contact the Department of Commerce and Insurance for assistance at any time. The Commissioner's Office may be contacted at the following address and telephone number:

Tennessee Department of Commerce and Insurance
500 James Robertson Parkway
Nashville, TN 37423
800-342-4029

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CIGNA HEALTH AND LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY, a Cigna company (hereinafter called Cigna)

CERTIFICATE RIDER – Texas Residents

Rider Eligibility: Each Employee who is located in Texas

You will become insured on the date you become eligible, including if you are not in Active Service on that date due to your health status.

This rider forms a part of the certificate issued to you by Cigna.

The provisions set forth in this rider comply with the legal requirements of Texas group insurance plans covering insureds located in Texas. These provisions supersede any provisions in your certificate to the contrary unless the provisions in your certificate result in greater benefits.

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IMPORTANT NOTICE

To obtain information or make a complaint:

You may call Cigna's toll-free telephone number for information or to make a complaint at:

1-800-244-6224

You may contact the Texas Department of Insurance to obtain information on companies, coverages, rights or complaints at:

1-800-252-3439

You may write the Texas Department of Insurance:

P.O. Box 149104
Austin, TX 78714-9104
FAX # (512) 490-1007

Web: www.tdi.texas.gov

E-mail: ConsumerProtection@tdi.texas.gov

PREMIUM OR CLAIM DISPUTES: Should you have a dispute concerning your premium or about a claim, you should contact the company first. If the dispute is not resolved, you may contact the Texas Department of Insurance.

ATTACH THIS NOTICE TO YOUR POLICY: This notice is for information only and does not become a part or condition of the attached document.

AVISO IMPORTANTE

Para obtener información o para presentar una queja:

Usted puede llamar al número de teléfono gratuito de Cigna para obtener información o para presentar una queja al:

1-800-244-6224

Usted puede comunicarse con el Departamento de Seguros de Texas para obtener información sobre companías, coberturas, derechos o quejas al:

1-800-252-3439

Usted puede escribir al Departamento de Seguros de Texas a:

P.O. Box 149104
Austin, TX 78714-9104
FAX # (512) 490-1007

Web: www.tdi.texas.gov

E-mail: ConsumerProtection@tdi.texas.gov

DISPUTAS POR DE SEGUROS O RECLAMAIONES: Si tiene una disputa relacionada con su prima de seguro o con una reclamacion, usted debe comunicarse con la compañía primero. Si la disputa no es resuelta, usted puede comunicarse con el Departamento de Seguros de Texas.

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When You Have A Complaint Or An Adverse Determination Appeal

For the purposes of this section, any reference to "you," "your" or "Member" also refers to a representative or provider designated by you to act on your behalf, unless otherwise noted.

We want you to be completely satisfied with the care you receive. That is why we have established a process for addressing your concerns and solving your problems.

When You Have a Complaint

We are here to listen and help. If you have a complaint regarding a person, a service, the quality of care, a rescission of coverage, or contractual benefits not related to Medical Necessity, you can call our toll-free number and explain your concern to one of our Customer Service representatives. A complaint does not include: a misunderstanding or problem of misinformation that can be promptly resolved by Cigna by clearing up the misunderstanding or supplying the correct information to your satisfaction; or you or your provider's dissatisfaction or disagreement with an adverse determination.

You can also express that complaint in writing. Please call us at the Customer Service Toll-Free Number that appears on your Benefit Identification card, explanation of benefits or claim form, or write to us at the following address:

Cigna
National Appeals Organization (NAO)
PO Box 188011
Chattanooga, TN 37422

We will do our best to resolve the matter on your initial contact. If we need more time to review or investigate your complaint, we will send you a letter acknowledging the date on which we received your complaint no later than the fifth working day after we receive your complaint. We will respond in writing with a decision 30 calendar days after we receive a complaint for a post service coverage determination. If more time or information is needed to make the determination, we will notify you in writing to request an extension of up to 15 calendar days and to specify any additional information needed to complete the review.

You may request that the appeal process be expedited if, (a) the time frames under this process would seriously jeopardize your life, health or ability to regain maximum function or in the opinion of your Physician would cause you severe pain which cannot be managed without the requested services; or (b) your appeal involves non-authorization of an admission or continuing inpatient Hospital stay.

Cigna's Physician reviewer, or your treating Physician, will decide if an expedited appeal is necessary. When a complaint is expedited, we will respond orally with a decision within the earlier of: 72 hours; or one working day, followed up in writing within 3 calendar days.

If you are not satisfied with the results of a coverage decision, you can start the complaint appeals procedure.

Complaint Appeals Procedure

To initiate an appeal of a complaint resolution decision, you must submit a request for an appeal in writing to the following address:

Cigna
National Appeals Organization (NAO)
PO Box 188011
Chattanooga, TN 37422

You should state the reason why you feel your appeal should be approved and include any information supporting your appeal. If you are unable or choose not to write, you may ask to register your appeal by telephone. Call us at the toll-free number on your Benefit Identification card, explanation of benefits or claim form.

Your complaint appeal request will be conducted by the Complaint Appeals Committee, which consists of at least three people. Anyone involved in the prior decision, or subordinates of those people, may not vote on the Committee. You may present your situation to the Committee in person or by conference call.

We will acknowledge in writing that we have received your request within five working days after the date we receive your request for a Committee review and schedule a Committee review. The Committee review will be completed within 30 calendar days. If more time or information is needed to make the determination, we will notify you in writing to request an extension of up to 15 calendar days and to specify any additional information needed by the Committee to complete the review.

You will be notified in writing of the Committee's decision within five working days after the Committee meeting, and within the Committee review time frames above if the Committee does not approve the requested coverage.

You may request that the appeal process be expedited if, the time frames under this process would seriously jeopardize your life, health or ability to regain maximum function or in the opinion of your Physician would cause you severe pain which cannot be managed without the requested services; or your appeal involves non-authorization of an admission or continuing inpatient Hospital stay. Cigna's Physician reviewer or your treating Physician will decide if an expedited appeal is necessary. When an appeal is expedited, we will respond orally with a decision within the earlier of: 72 hours; or one working day, followed up in writing within three calendar days.

When You Have an Adverse Determination Appeal

An Adverse Determination is a decision made by Cigna that the health care service(s) furnished or proposed to be furnished to you is (are) not Medically Necessary or clinically appropriate. An Adverse Determination also includes a denial by Cigna of a request to cover a specific prescription drug prescribed by your Physician. If you are not satisfied with the Adverse Determination, you may appeal the Adverse Determination orally or in writing. You should state the reason why you feel your appeal should be approved and include any information supporting your appeal. We will acknowledge the appeal in writing within five working days after we receive the Adverse Determination Appeal request.

Your appeal of an Adverse Determination will be reviewed and the decision made by a health care professional not involved in the initial decision.

We will respond in writing with a decision within 30 calendar days after receiving the Adverse Determination appeal request.

You may request that the Adverse Determination Appeal Process be expedited if it relates to: (a) emergency denials, (b) denials of care for life-threatening conditions, (c) denials of continued stays for hospitalized enrollees; and (d) denial of

prescription drugs or intravenous infusions for which the Member is receiving benefits under the Agreement; or (e) step therapy requests.

Cigna's Physician reviewer or your treating Physician will decide if an expedited appeal is necessary. When an appeal is expedited, we will respond orally with a decision within the earlier of: 72 hours; or one working day, followed up in writing within three calendar days.

In addition, your treating Physician may request in writing a specialty review within 10 working days of our written decision. The specialty review will be conducted by a Physician in the same or similar specialty as the care under consideration. The specialty review will be completed and a response sent within 15 working days of the request. Specialty review is voluntary. If the specialty reviewer upholds the initial adverse determination and you remain dissatisfied, you are still eligible to request a review by an Independent Review Organization.

Independent Review Procedure

If you are not fully satisfied with the decision of Cigna's Adverse Determination appeal process or if you feel your condition is life-threatening, you may request that your appeal be referred to an Independent Review Organization. In addition, your treating Physician may request in writing that Cigna conduct a specialty review. The specialty review request must be made within 10 days of receipt of the Adverse Determination appeal decision letter.

Cigna must complete the specialist review and send a written response within 15 days of its receipt of the request for specialty review. If the specialist upholds the initial Adverse Determination, you are still eligible to request a review by an Independent Review Organization. The Independent Review Organization is composed of persons who are not employed by Cigna or any of its affiliates. A decision to use the voluntary level of appeal will not affect the claimant's rights to any other benefits under the plan.

There is no charge for you to initiate this independent review process and the decision to use the process is voluntary. Cigna will abide by the decision of the Independent Review Organization.

In order to request a referral to an Independent Review Organization, certain conditions apply. The reason for the denial must be based on a Medical Necessity or clinical appropriateness determination by Cigna. Administrative, eligibility or benefit coverage limits or exclusions are not eligible for appeal under this process. You will receive detailed information on how to request an Independent Review and the required forms you will need to complete with every Adverse Determination notice.

The Independent Review Program is a voluntary program arranged by Cigna.

Appeal to the State of Texas

You have the right to contact the Texas Department of Insurance for assistance at any time for either a complaint or an Adverse Determination appeal. The Texas Department of Insurance may be contacted at the following address and telephone number:

Texas Department of Insurance
333 Guadalupe Street
P.O. Box 149104
Austin, TX 78714-9104
1-800-252-3439

If you are not fully satisfied with the decision of Cigna's internal appeal review you may request that your appeal be referred to an Independent Review Organization (IRO). The IRO is composed of persons who are not employed by Cigna, or any of its affiliates. A decision to request an external review to an IRO will not affect the claimant’s rights to any other benefits under the plan.

There is no charge for you to initiate an external review. Cigna and your benefit plan will abide by the decision of the IRO.

Notice of Benefit Determination on Appeal

Every notice of an appeal decision will be provided in writing or electronically and, if an adverse determination, will include: information sufficient to identify the claim; the specific reason or reasons for the denial decision; reference to the specific plan provisions on which the decision is based; a statement that the claimant is entitled to receive, upon request and free of charge, reasonable access to and copies of all documents, records, and other Relevant Information as defined; a statement describing any voluntary appeal procedures offered by the plan and the claimant's right to bring an action under ERISA Section 502(a); upon request and free of charge, a copy of any internal rule, guideline, protocol or other similar criterion that was relied upon in making the adverse determination regarding your appeal, and an explanation of the scientific or clinical judgment for a determination that is based on a Medical Necessity, experimental treatment or other similar exclusion or limit; and information about any office of health insurance consumer assistance or ombudsman available to assist you in the appeal process. A final notice of adverse determination will include a discussion of the decision.

You also have the right to bring a civil action under Section 502(a) of ERISA if you are not satisfied with the decision on review. 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. You may also contact the Plan Administrator.

Relevant Information

Relevant Information is any document, record, or other information which was relied upon in making the benefit determination; was submitted, considered, or generated in the course of making the benefit determination, without regard to whether such document, record, or other information was relied upon in making the benefit determination; demonstrates compliance with the administrative processes and safeguards required by federal law in making the benefit determination; or constitutes a statement of policy or guidance with respect to the plan concerning the denied treatment option or benefit or the claimant's diagnosis, without regard to whether such advice or statement was relied upon in making the benefit determination.

Legal Action Under Federal Law

If your plan is governed by ERISA, you have the right to bring a civil action under Section 502(a) of ERISA if you are not satisfied with the outcome of the Appeals Procedure. If your Complaint is expedited, there is no need to complete the Complaint Appeal process prior to bringing legal action.

Definitions

Dependent

Dependents are:

- any unmarried child of yours who is
  - less than 25 years old.
  - 25 or more years old and primarily supported by you and incapable of self-sustaining employment by reason of mental or physical disability. Proof of the child's condition and dependence must be submitted to Cigna within 31 days after the date the child ceases to qualify above. During the next two years Cigna may, from time to time, require proof of the continuation of such condition and dependence. After that, Cigna may require proof no more than once a year.

The term child includes your natural child, stepchild, or legally adopted child, or the child for whom you are the legal guardian, or the child who is the subject of a lawsuit for adoption by you, or the child who is supported pursuant to a court order imposed on you (including a qualified medical child support order) or your grandchild who is your Dependent for federal income tax purposes at the time of application.

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CERTIFICATE RIDER – Utah Residents

Rider Eligibility: Each Employee who is located in Utah

You will become insured on the date you become eligible, including if you are not in Active Service on that date due to your health status.

This rider forms a part of the certificate issued to you by Cigna.

The provisions set forth in this rider comply with the legal requirements of Utah group insurance plans covering insureds located in Utah. These provisions supersede any provisions in your certificate to the contrary unless the provisions in your certificate result in greater benefits.

Eligibility - Effective Date

Dependent Insurance

Exception for Newborns

Any Dependent child born or adopted (and placed with you within 30 days of birth), while you are insured will become insured on the date of his birth if you elect Dependent Insurance, according to the following:

If enrolling the adopted or newborn child changes the premium; no later than 31 days after his birth.

If additional premium is not required for the newborn or adopted child to receive coverage, the certificate holder must enroll a newly born or adopted child no later than 30 days after the first notification of denial of a claim for services for that child.

If you do not elect to insure your newborn or adopted child within such time, coverage for that child will end on the 31st day after birth. No benefits for expenses incurred beyond the 31st day will be payable.

Covered Expenses

- coverage for at least 48 hours of inpatient care following a normal vaginal delivery and at least 96 hours of inpatient care following a cesarean section. Charges for the newborn will also be covered.

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When You Have A Complaint Or An Appeal

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We want you to be completely satisfied with the care and services you receive. That is why we have established a process for addressing your concerns and solving your problems.

Start With Customer Service

We are here to listen and to help. If you have a concern regarding a person, a service, the quality of care, or contractual benefits, you can call our toll-free number and explain your concern to one of our Customer Service representatives. Please call us at the Customer Service toll-free number that appears on your Benefit Identification card, explanation of benefits or claim form.

We will do our best to resolve the matter on your initial contact. If we need more time to review or investigate your concern, we will get back to you as soon as possible, but in any case within 30 days.

If you are not satisfied with the results of a coverage decision, you can start the appeals procedure.

Appeals Procedure

Cigna has a two step appeals procedure for coverage decisions. To initiate an appeal for most claims, you must submit a request for an appeal within 365 days of receipt of a denial notice. If you appeal a reduction or termination in coverage for an ongoing course of treatment that Cigna previously approved, you will receive, as required by applicable law, continued coverage pending the outcome of an appeal. Appeals may be submitted to the following address:

Cigna
National Appeals Organization (NAO)
PO Box 188011
Chattanooga, TN 37422

You should state the reason why you feel your appeal should be approved and include any information supporting your appeal. If you are unable or choose not to write, you may ask to register your appeal by telephone. Call us at the toll-free number or address on your Benefit Identification card, explanation of benefits or claim form.

Level One Appeal

Your appeal will be reviewed and the decision made by someone not involved in the initial decision. Appeals involving Medical Necessity or clinical appropriateness will be considered by a health care professional.

For level one appeals, we will respond in writing with a decision within 15 calendar days after we receive an appeal for a required preservice or concurrent care coverage determination (decision). We will respond within 30 calendar days after we receive an appeal for a postservice coverage determination. If more time or information is needed to make the determination, we will notify you in writing to request an extension of up to 15 calendar days and to specify any additional information needed to complete the review.

You may request that the appeal process be expedited if, the time frames under this process would seriously jeopardize your life, health or ability to regain maximum function or in the opinion of your Physician would cause you severe pain which cannot be managed without the requested services.

If you request that your appeal be expedited, you may also ask for an expedited external independent review at the same time, if the time to complete an expedited level one appeal would be detrimental to your medical condition.

Cigna's Physician reviewer, in consultation with the treating Physician, will decide if an expedited appeal is necessary. When an appeal is expedited, we will respond orally with a decision within 72 hours, followed up in writing.

Level Two Appeal

If you are dissatisfied with our level one appeal decision, you may request a second review. To start a level two appeal, follow the same process required for a level one appeal.

If the appeal involves a coverage decision based on issues of Medical Necessity, clinical appropriateness or experimental treatment, a medical review will be conducted by a Physician reviewer in the same or similar specialty as the care under consideration, as determined by Cigna’s Physician reviewer. For all other coverage plan-related appeals, a second-level review will be conducted by someone who was not involved in any previous decision related to your appeal, and not a subordinate of previous decision makers. Provide all relevant documentation with your second-level appeal request.

For required preservice and concurrent care coverage determinations, Cigna’s review will be completed within 15 calendar days. For postservice claims, Cigna’s review will be

completed within 30 calendar days. If more time or information is needed to make the determination, we will notify you in writing to request an extension of up to 15 calendar days and to specify any additional information needed to complete the review.

In the event any new or additional information (evidence) is considered, relied upon or generated by Cigna in connection with the level two appeal, Cigna will provide this information to you as soon as possible and sufficiently in advance of the decision, so that you will have an opportunity to respond. Also, if any new or additional rationale is considered by Cigna, Cigna will provide the rationale to you as soon as possible and sufficiently in advance of the decision so that you will have an opportunity to respond.

You will be notified in writing of the decision within five working days after the decision is made, and within the review time frames above if Cigna does not approve the requested coverage.

You may request that the appeal process be expedited if the time frames under this process would seriously jeopardize your life, health or ability to regain maximum function or in the opinion of your Physician would cause you severe pain which cannot be managed without the requested services; or your appeal involves nonauthorization of an admission or continuing inpatient Hospital stay. Cigna's Physician reviewer, in consultation with the treating Physician will decide if an expedited appeal is necessary. When an appeal is expedited, we will respond orally with a decision within 72 hours, followed up in writing.

Independent Review Procedure

If you are not fully satisfied with the decision of Cigna's level two appeal review regarding your Medical Necessity or clinical appropriateness issue, you may request that your appeal be referred to an Independent Review Organization. The Independent Review Organization is composed of persons who are not employed by Cigna HealthCare or any of its affiliates. A decision to use the voluntary level of appeal will not affect the claimant's rights to any other benefits under the plan.

There is no charge for you to initiate this independent review process. Cigna will abide by the decision of the Independent Review Organization.

In order to request a referral to an Independent Review Organization, certain conditions apply. The reason for the denial must be based on a Medical Necessity or clinical appropriateness determination by Cigna. Administrative, eligibility or benefit coverage limits or exclusions are not eligible for appeal under this process.

To request a review, you must notify the Appeals Coordinator within 180 days of your receipt of Cigna's level two appeal review denial. Cigna will then forward the file to the Independent Review Organization.

The Independent Review Organization will render an opinion within 30 days, unless the review is expedited. An expedited independent review is available if the adverse benefit determination: (a) involves a medical condition which would seriously jeopardize your life or health or would jeopardize your ability to regain maximum function; (b) in the opinion of the your attending provider, would subject you to severe pain that cannot be adequately managed without the care or treatment that is the subject of the adverse benefit determination; or (c) concerns an admission, availability of care, continued stay or health care service for which you received emergency services, but have not been discharged from a facility. The Independent Review Organization will as soon as possible, but no later than 72 hours after receipt of the request for an expedited independent review, make a decision to uphold or reverse the adverse benefit determination.

The Independent Review Program is a voluntary program arranged by Cigna.

Assistance from the State of Utah

You have the right to contact the Utah State Department of Insurance for assistance at any time. The Utah State Department of Insurance may be contacted at the following address and telephone number:

Utah State Department of Insurance
State Office Building, Room 3110
Salt Lake City, UT 84114-6901
800-439-3805

Notice of Benefit Determination on Appeal

Every notice of a determination on appeal will be provided in writing or electronically and, if an adverse determination, will include: information sufficient to identify the claim; the specific reason or reasons for the adverse determination; reference to the specific plan provisions on which the determination is based; a statement that the claimant is entitled to receive, upon request and free of charge, reasonable access to and copies of all documents, records, and other Relevant Information as defined; a statement describing any voluntary appeal procedures offered by the plan and the claimant's right to bring an action under ERISA section 502(a); upon request and free of charge, a copy of any internal rule, guideline, protocol or other similar criterion that was relied upon in making the adverse determination regarding your appeal, and an explanation of the scientific or clinical judgment for a determination that is based on a Medical Necessity, experimental treatment or other similar exclusion or limit; and information about any office of health insurance consumer assistance or ombudsman available to assist you in the appeal process. A final notice of adverse determination will include a discussion of the decision.

You also have the right to bring a civil action under section 502(a) of ERISA if you are not satisfied with the decision on review. 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. You may also contact the Plan Administrator.

Relevant Information

Relevant Information is any document, record, or other information which was relied upon in making the benefit determination; was submitted, considered, or generated in the course of making the benefit determination, without regard to whether such document, record, or other information was relied upon in making the benefit determination; demonstrates compliance with the administrative processes and safeguards required by federal law in making the benefit determination; or constitutes a statement of policy or guidance with respect to the plan concerning the denied treatment option or benefit or the claimant's diagnosis, without regard to whether such advice or statement was relied upon in making the benefit determination.

Legal Action

If your plan is governed by ERISA, you have the right to bring a civil action under section 502(a) of ERISA if you are not satisfied with the outcome of the appeals procedure. However, you may not initiate a legal action against Cigna until the earliest of: (a) 60 days after proof of loss has been furnished as required under the plan; (b) waiver by Cigna of proof of loss; or (c) Cigna's denial of full payment. However, no action will be brought at all unless brought within three years after proof of claim is required under the plan.

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Definitions

Dependent

A child also includes a legally adopted child, including that child from the date of placement for adoption. Coverage for an adopted child will begin from:

- the moment of birth, if adoption occurs within 30 days of the child's birth; or
- the date of placement, if placement for adoption occurs 30 days or more after the child's birth.

This coverage requirement ends if the child is removed from placement prior to the child being legally adopted.

"Placement For Adoption" means the assumption and retention by a person of a legal obligation for total or partial support of a child in anticipation of the adoption of the child.

When an administrative or court order exists, coverage will be provided by Cigna without regard to the enrollment period, dependency, residence or service area. You, your lawful spouse; or your Domestic Partner; state agency, or child support enforcement program may enroll the child.

A child may not be denied coverage on the sole basis that the child does not reside with you or because the child is solely dependent on a former spouse or Domestic Partner; rather than you.

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CERTIFICATE RIDER – Vermont Residents

Rider Eligibility: Each Employee who is located in Vermont

You will become insured on the date you become eligible, including if you are not in Active Service on that date due to your health status.

This rider forms a part of the certificate issued to you by Cigna.

The provisions set forth in this rider comply with the legal requirements of Vermont group insurance plans covering insureds located in Vermont. These provisions supersede any provisions in your certificate to the contrary unless the provisions in your certificate result in greater benefits.

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Important Notices

Vermont Mandatory Civil Unions Endorsement for Health Insurance

Purpose:

Vermont law requires that health insurers offer coverage to parties to a civil union that is equivalent to coverage provided to married persons. This endorsement is part of and amends this policy, contract or certificate to comply with Vermont law.

Definitions, Terms, Conditions and Provisions

The definitions, terms, conditions and any other provisions of the policy, contract, certificate and/or riders and endorsements to which this mandatory endorsement is attached are hereby amended and superseded as follows:

Terms that mean or refer to a marital relationship, or that may be construed to mean or refer to a marital relationship, such as “marriage,” “spouse,” “husband,” “wife,” “dependent,” “next of kin,” “relative,” “beneficiary,” “survivor,” “immediate family” and any other such terms include the relationship created by a civil union established according to Vermont law.

Terms that mean or refer to the inception or dissolution of a marriage, such as “date of marriage,” “divorce decree,” “termination of marriage” and any other such terms include the inception or dissolution of a civil union established according to Vermont law.

Terms that mean or refer to family relationships arising from a marriage, such as “family,” “immediate family,” “dependent,” “children,” “next of kin,” “relative,” “beneficiary,” “survivor” and any other such terms include family relationships created by a civil union established according to Vermont law.

“Dependent” means a spouse, party to a civil union established according to Vermont law, and a child or children (natural, stepchild, legally adopted or a minor or disabled child who is dependent upon the insured for support and maintenance) who is born to or brought to a marriage or to a civil union established according to Vermont law.

“Child” or “covered child” means a child (natural, stepchild, legally adopted or a minor or disabled child who is dependent upon the insured for support and maintenance) who is born to or brought to a marriage or to a civil union established according to Vermont law.

Caution: Federal Rights May or May Not Be Available

Vermont law grants parties to a civil union the same benefits, protections and responsibilities that flow from marriage under state law. However, some or all of the benefits, protections and responsibilities related to health insurance that are available to married persons under federal law may not be available to parties to a civil union. For example, federal law, the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 known as "ERISA," controls the employer/employee relationship with regard to determining eligibility for enrollment in private employer health benefit plans. Because of ERISA, Act 91 does not state requirements pertaining to a private employer's enrollment of a party to a civil union in an ERISA employee welfare benefit plan. However, governmental employers (not federal government) are required to provide health benefits to the dependents of a party to a civil union if the public employer provides health benefits to the dependents of married persons. Federal law also controls group health insurance continuation rights under "COBRA" for employers with 20 or more employees as well as the Internal Revenue Code treatment of health insurance premiums. As a result, parties to a civil union and their families may or may not have access to certain benefits under this policy, contract, certificate, rider or endorsement that derive from federal law. You are advised to seek expert advice to determine your rights under this contract.

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When You Have A Complaint Or An Appeal (Grievance)

For the purposes of this section, any reference to "you", "your" or "Member" also refers to a representative or provider designated by you to act on your behalf, unless otherwise noted.

We want you to be completely satisfied with the care and services you receive. That is why we have established a process for addressing your concerns and solving your problems.

Customer Service

We are here to listen and help. If you have a concern regarding a person, a service, the quality of care, or contractual benefits, you are welcome to call our toll-free number and explain your concern to one of our Customer Service representatives. You can also express that concern in writing. Please call or write to us at the following:

Customer Services toll-free number or address that appears on your Benefit Identification card, explanation of benefits or claim form.

We will do our best to resolve the matter on your initial contact. If we need more time to review or investigate your concern, we will get back to you as soon as possible, but in any case within 30 days.

You must pay for services given by a Participating Provider or non-Participating Provider if your claim is denied.

If you are not satisfied with the results of a coverage decision, you can start the appeals procedure.

Appeals Procedure

Cigna has a two-step appeals procedure for coverage decisions.

While a level one appeal is a required part of the process, a level two appeal is completely voluntary. For example, if a level one appeal is not resolved to your satisfaction, you may choose to make an external appeal to an Independent Panel of Mental Health Care Providers or to an Independent Review Organization, as described later in this provision, rather than pursuing Cigna's voluntary level two appeal process.

The voluntary level two appeal review will be done without deference to the initial adverse benefit determination or to the adverse determination of a level one appeal.

The appeal review takes into account all comments, documents, records, and other information relating to the appeal that you submit, regardless of whether that information was submitted or considered: in the initial benefit determination (for a level one or a voluntary level two appeal); or during the level one appeal (for a voluntary level two appeal). Additional assistance is also available from the Vermont Department of Financial Regulation, as described later in this provision.

To initiate an appeal for most claims, you must submit a request for an appeal within 365 days of receipt of a denial notice. If you appeal a reduction or termination in coverage for an ongoing course of treatment that Cigna previously approved, you will receive, as required by applicable law, continued coverage pending the outcome of an appeal. Appeals may be submitted to the following address:

Cigna
National Appeals Organization (NAO)
PO Box 188011
Chattanooga, TN 37422

You should state the reason why you feel your appeal should be approved and include any information supporting your appeal, including any written comments, documents, records and other information relating to your appeal. If you are unable or choose not to write, you may ask to register your appeal by telephone. Reasonable accommodations will be made to help a person with a disability participate in the appeal process. Additionally, if English is not your primary language, we will provide you with information about how to file an appeal and how to participate in the appeal process, in your primary language, upon your request. Call or write to us at the toll-free number or address on your Benefit Identification card, explanation of benefits or claim form. We will document the appeal for you and provide copies of that documentation to you, or to your representative.

For any appeal related to an adverse benefit determination, should a reversal of that decision be made during any step of the appeal process, Cigna will promptly authorize or otherwise arrange for coverage of a covered service that was denied or restricted. Neither you nor your treating provider will be liable for any services provided before notification to you of the adverse benefit determination and the final outcome of any appeal or independent external review.

Level One Appeal

Your appeal will be reviewed and the decision made by someone not involved in the initial decision. This person will also not be the subordinate of any individual who was involved with the initial decision or other issue that is the subject of the appeal. Appeals involving an adverse benefit determination that is based in whole or in part on a medical judgment will be considered by a

health care professional who is a clinical peer of your treating provider.

You may request that we identify to you any clinical expert whose advice we obtained in connection with your adverse benefit determination, regardless of whether or not that expert's advice was relied on when the determination was made. Any clinical expert we ask to consult with us regarding your level one appeal will not be the same clinical expert (if any) we consulted with regarding the adverse benefit determination that is the subject of your appeal, or the subordinate of that clinical expert (if any).

A Cigna medical director or his or her designee will offer to directly communicate with your treating provider, or your treating provider's designee, before the appeal is decided.

You will have reasonable access to, and may obtain copies of, all documents, records and other information relevant to your appeal upon request and free of charge, within two business days. In the case of a concurrent or urgent pre-service review, you will have access to or may obtain the materials immediately upon request.

Level One Urgent, Pre-service Appeal

For an urgent pre-service level one appeal, we will orally notify you and your treating provider (if known) of our determination as soon as is possible based on your medical condition, but in no case later than 72 hours after we receive the appeal. We will send written confirmation of the determination to you and your treating provider (if known), within 24 hours of our oral notification to you.

Mental health/substance abuse and pharmacy benefit requests are generally considered urgent under Vermont regulatory requirements.

Level One Non-Urgent, Pre-service Appeal

For a non-urgent pre-service level one appeal, we will send written confirmation to you and your treating provider (if known) of our determination as soon as is possible based on your medical condition, but in no case later than 30 calendar days after we receive the appeal.

Level One Concurrent Review Appeal

For a level one appeal related to a request to continue or extend a course of treatment (i.e. a concurrent review), we will orally notify you and your treating provider (if known) of our determination as soon as is possible based on your medical condition, but in no case later than 24 hours after we receive the appeal. We will send written confirmation of the determination to you and your treating provider (if known), within 24 hours of our oral notification to you.

Level One Post-Service Appeal

For a level one post-service appeal, we will send written confirmation to you and your treating provider (if known) of our determination within a reasonable time period, but in no case later than 60 calendar days after we receive the appeal.

Level One Appeal Not Related to an Adverse Benefit Determination

For a level one appeal not related to an adverse benefit determination, we will send written confirmation to you within 60 calendar days after we receive the appeal.

Voluntary Level Two Appeal

If you are dissatisfied with our level one appeal decision, you may request a voluntary second review. To start a voluntary level two appeal, follow the same process required for a level one appeal. If you decide to pursue a voluntary second level appeal review, that decision has no effect on your right to any other benefits under this plan.

The voluntary level two appeal review will be done without deference to the initial adverse benefit determination or to the adverse determination of a level one appeal.

Neither you nor your provider acting on your behalf are responsible for any fees or costs associated with a voluntary level two appeal, should you choose to pursue one.

You will have reasonable access to, and may obtain copies of, all documents, records and other information relevant to your appeal upon request and free of charge, within two business days. In the case of a concurrent or urgent pre-service review, you will have access to or may obtain the materials immediately upon request.

Most requests for a second review will be conducted by the Appeals Committee, which consists of at least three people. Anyone who is a member of the Committee may not: have been involved in the initial adverse benefit determination or other issue that is the subject of the appeal; have been involved in the adverse determination of the level one appeal; or be the subordinate of any person involved with the initial determination or other issue that is the subject of the appeal. For appeals

involving Medical Necessity or clinical appropriateness, the Committee will consult with at least one Physician reviewer in the same or similar specialty as the care under consideration, as determined by Cigna's Physician reviewer.

You may request that we identify to you any clinical expert whose advice we obtained in connection with your adverse benefit determination, regardless of whether or not that expert's advice was relied on when the determination was made. Any clinical expert we ask to consult with us regarding your voluntary level two appeal will not be the same clinical expert (if any) we consulted with regarding the adverse benefit determination that is the subject of your appeal, or the subordinate of that clinical expert (if any).

For a voluntary level two appeal we will acknowledge in writing that we have received your request and schedule a Committee review. You will be consulted regarding setting the meeting date for a voluntary second level appeal review. You may present your situation to the Committee in person or by conference call; however, participating in person or via telephone is not a requirement for the voluntary second level appeal meeting to proceed.

Voluntary Level Two Urgent, Pre-service Appeal

For an urgent pre-service voluntary level two appeal, we will orally notify you and your treating provider (if known) of our determination as soon as is possible based on your medical condition, but in no case later than 72 hours after we receive the appeal. We will send written confirmation of the determination to you and your treating provider (if known), within 24 hours of our oral notification to you.

Mental health/substance abuse and pharmacy benefit requests are generally considered urgent under Vermont regulatory requirements.

Voluntary Level Two Non-Urgent, Pre-service Appeal

For a non-urgent pre-service voluntary level two appeal, we will send written confirmation to you and your treating provider (if known) of our determination as soon as is possible based on your medical condition, but in no case later than 30 calendar days after we receive the appeal.

Voluntary Level Two Concurrent Review Appeal

For a voluntary level two appeal related to a request to continue or extend a course of treatment (i.e. a concurrent review), we will orally notify you and your treating provider (if known) of our determination as soon as is possible based on your medical condition, but in no case later than 24 hours after we receive the appeal. We will send written confirmation of the determination to you and your treating provider (if known), within 24 hours of our oral notification to you.

Voluntary Level Two Post-Service Appeal

For a voluntary level two post-service appeal, we will send written confirmation to you and your treating provider (if known) of our determination within a reasonable time period, but in no case later than 60 calendar days after we receive the appeal.

Voluntary Level Two Appeal Not Related to an Adverse Benefit Determination

For a voluntary level two appeal not related to an adverse benefit determination, we will send written notification to you within 60 calendar days after we receive the appeal.

External Review Procedure For Mental Health/Substance Abuse Issues

If you are dissatisfied with either a level one appeal decision or a voluntary level two appeal decision, you may request an External Review of your issue by an Independent Panel of Mental Health Care Providers (IP). To start the External Review by an IP, you, your mental health care provider or your representative on your behalf, must file a written request with Cigna and the IP. You must include your consent for Cigna to release confidential patient files to the IP. The IP address is:

Independent Panel of Mental Health Care Providers
Department of Financial Regulation
89 Main Street
Montpelier, VT 05620-3601
800-631-7788(toll-free) or 802-282-2900

When Cigna receives your request for an External Review, Cigna will send the file supporting the initial decision and the appeal decision(s) to the IP within: 24 hours of receiving the request in emergency situations; and within five working days of receiving the request in all other situations.

The IP may address inquiries to any of the parties (you, your mental health care provider or your authorized

representative, or Cigna) and may set a reasonable time period for a response. If Cigna does not provide all necessary information in the required time periods, the delay will result in a presumption in your favor and will not delay the IP's review of the issue. The IP also has the authority to request any or all of the parties to meet with the IP. The IP will make its review decision within 24 hours of receiving all necessary information in emergency situations; and within 15 working days in all other situations. The IP will send its decision by mail or facsimile to Cigna and to the person who filed the request for External Review. Emergency decisions will be communicated by telephone, facsimile or delivered by express mail as appropriate. Cigna is required to abide by the IP's decision. If you have a complaint about a matter that is not related to Medical Necessity or clinical appropriateness, you may file a consumer complaint with the Insurance Consumer Services Division at the following address:

Insurance Consumer Services Division
Department of Financial Regulation
89 Main Street, Drawer 20
Montpelier, VT 05620-3101
802.828.3302

External Review Procedure For Non-Mental Health/Substance Abuse Issues

If you are dissatisfied with a level one appeal or a voluntary level two appeal decision, you may request an External Review of your issue by an Independent Review Organization (IRO).

You (or your authorized representative or your provider on your behalf) may file a written request for External Review within 90 days from the date you receive Cigna's final, written appeal decision. External Appeals for non-Mental Health/Substance Abuse issues may be requested for the following reasons:

- The health care service is a covered benefit that Cigna has determined to be not Medically Necessary.
- A limitation is placed on the selection of a health care provider that you claimed to be inconsistent with limits imposed by this plan and any applicable laws and regulations.
- The health care treatment has been determined to be experimental or investigational or an off-label use of a drug.

The written request for External Review must be filed with the Vermont Department of Financial Regulation at the following address:

External Appeals Program
Vermont Department of Financial Regulation
89 Main Street, Montpelier, VT 05620-3601
Telephone: 800-631-7788 (toll-free) or 802-828-2900

The insured must file on a form provided by the Department and include the $25 fee or a request for a waiver or reduction of the fee, for the general release of medical records relevant to the appeal, identification of insurer and a copy of the denial level from the relevant level of appeal. An oral request will also be accepted if made within the 90-day period provided that the request is confirmed in writing on the state request form within 10 calendar days. The External Appeal program is a voluntary program.

Once notified by the Department that the External Appeal has been accepted for review by an IRO, Cigna must submit all information relevant to the appeal, including: the review criteria used in making the decision; copies of any applicable policies or procedures; and copies of all medical records considered in making the decision in the appeal process. Cigna may request an extension of up to 10 days to submit information and documentation, granted by the DFR for good cause.

Cigna must pay the costs of the External Appeal to the Department within 30 days of notification of the reasonable and necessary costs of the review by the IRO.

The Department will provide the request form for an External Appeal. An oral request will also be accepted if made within the 90-day period provided that the request is confirmed in writing on the state request form within 10 calendar days. Within five working days of receiving the External Appeal request the Department will process the form and materials, and accept the appeal for review by an IRO after determining: that you are or were insured; the service is a covered service under the plan; the External Appeal involves an appealable decision; you have exhausted the internal process; and all information has been provided.

The Vermont Department of Financial Regulation ("Department") will notify you when the External Appeal submission is complete, and whether the External Appeal has been accepted for review by an IRO. Cigna must submit any required documentation within 10 calendar days from the date Cigna receives the

request notice. Cigna may request a 10-calendar day extension for good cause. You may have an extension for any reason.

The Department shall provide copies of documentation (and follow-up information) to you and to Cigna; each will have three working days to file responsive documentation with the Department.

The Department will assign the External Appeal on a rotating basis to an IRO for clinical review.

The Department will review the determination of the IRO and then issue the determination to you and to Cigna, which will be binding on Cigna but not on you.

The IRO will conduct a full review, and may request any additional information from you, Cigna, or the Department. The IRO will complete the review, and forward its written determination to the Department within five calendar days from receipt if the External Appeal involves emergency or urgently needed care; and 30 calendar days from receipt for all other External Appeal requests. The IRO's written determination will include the clinical rationale for the determination. The IRO may request an extension from the Commissioner.

Additional Assistance from the state of Vermont

You have the right to contact the Vermont Department of Financial Regulation for assistance at any time. The Department may be contacted at the following address and telephone number:

Health Insurance Consumer Services Division
Department of Financial Regulation
89 Main Street, Montpelier, VT 05620-3101
800-631-7788 (toll-free) or 802-828-2900

The Office of Health Care Advocate's telephone hotline service can also provide help to Vermonters who have problems or questions about health care and health insurance. Contact them at:

Office of Health Care Advocate
264 North Winooski Avenue
Burlington, VT 05402
Telephone: 888-917-7787 or 802-863-2316
TTY: 888-884-1955 or 802-863-2473

Applies to All Issues

Notice of Benefit Determination on Appeal

Every notice of a determination on appeal will be provided in writing or electronically and, if an adverse determination, will include: the specific reason or reasons for the adverse determination; reference to the specific plan provisions on which the determination is based; a statement that the claimant is entitled to receive, upon request and free of charge, reasonable access to and copies of all documents, records, and other Relevant Information as defined; a statement describing any voluntary appeal procedures offered by the plan and the claimant's right to bring an action under ERISA section 502(a); and upon request and free of charge, a copy of any internal rule, guideline, protocol or other similar criterion that was relied upon in making the adverse determination regarding your appeal, and an explanation of the scientific or clinical judgment for a determination that is based on a Medical Necessity, experimental treatment or other similar exclusion or limit.

You also have the right to bring a civil action under section 502(a) of ERISA if you are not satisfied with the decision on review. 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. You may also contact the Plan Administrator.

Relevant Information

Relevant Information is any document, record, or other information which was relied upon in making the benefit determination; was submitted, considered, or generated in the course of making the benefit determination, without regard to whether such document, record, or other information was relied upon in making the benefit determination; or constitutes a statement of policy or guidance with respect to the plan concerning the denied treatment option or benefit or the claimant's diagnosis, without regard to whether such advice or statement was relied upon in making the benefit determination.

Legal Action

If your plan is governed by ERISA, you have the right to bring a civil action under section 502(a) of ERISA if you are not satisfied with the outcome of the Appeals Procedure. In most instances, you may not initiate a legal action against Cigna until you have completed the level one and level two appeal processes. If your appeal is expedited, there is no need to complete the level two process prior to bringing legal action.

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CERTIFICATE RIDER – Washington Residents

Rider Eligibility: Each Employee who is located in Washington

You will become insured on the date you become eligible, including if you are not in Active Service on that date due to your health status.

This rider forms a part of the certificate issued to you by Cigna.

The provisions set forth in this rider comply with the legal requirements of Washington group insurance plans covering insureds located in Washington. These provisions supersede any provisions in your certificate to the contrary unless the provisions in your certificate result in greater benefits.

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Notice

Coordination of Benefits Included – See Table of Contents for Location of Coordination of Benefits Section. Your Benefits may be affected by other Insurance.

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Notice regarding Coordination of Benefits

If you are covered by more than one health benefit plan and you do not know which is your primary plan, you or your provider should contact any one of the health plans to verify which plan is primary. The health plan you contact is responsible for working with the other plan to determine which is primary and will let you know within thirty calendar days.

CAUTION: All health plans have timely claims filing requirements. If you or your provider fails to submit your claim to a secondary health plan within that plan's claim filing time limit, the plan can deny the claim. If you experience delays in the processing of your claim by the primary health plan, you or your provider will need to submit your claim to the secondary health plan within its claim filing time limit to prevent a denial of the claim.

To avoid delay in claims processing, if you are covered by more than one plan you should promptly report to your providers and plans any changes in your coverage.

Washington Network Information

The network name for the Cigna Vision product is "Cigna Vision Network".

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Eligibility - Effective Date

Exception to Late Entrant Definition

If a child support order is issued requiring health coverage for your eligible Dependent, coverage may be elected without any enrollment restrictions when application is made by the Employee, the child's other parent or the state agency responsible for enforcement. An eligible Dependent child cannot be terminated from coverage until Cigna receives satisfactory written evidence that the court order is no longer in effect or that the child will be enrolled under a comparable health plan which takes effect no later than the effective date of disenrollment.

Exception for Newborns

Any Dependent child born while you are insured for Vision Insurance will be automatically insured for Vision Insurance for the first 31 days of life. If payment of an additional premium is required to provide coverage for a child, to continue coverage beyond 31days, you must elect Dependent Vision Insurance for your newborn child within the 60 day enrollment period which begins on the first day of birth. If Dependent Vision Insurance is not elected within the 60 day enrollment period, you may be required to wait until the next plan enrollment period to enroll the child for coverage under the plan. Coverage shall include, but not be limited to, coverage for congenital anomalies of such infant children from the moment of birth.

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When You Have a Complaint or an Appeal

For the purposes of this section, any reference to "you", "your" or "Member" also refers to a representative or provider designated by you to act on your behalf, unless otherwise noted.

We want you to be completely satisfied with the care you receive. That is why we have established a process for addressing your concerns and solving your problems.

You can start the appeals process at any time.

Start with Customer Service

We are here to listen and help. If you have a Grievance, you can call our toll-free number found on your Benefit Identification card or in the "Important Notices" section of this certificate and explain your concern to one of our Customer Service representatives.

A Grievance is a written complaint submitted by or on behalf of an insured person regarding service delivery issues other than denial of payment for medical services or nonprovision of medical services, including dissatisfaction with medical care, waiting time for medical services, provider or staff attitude or demeanor, or dissatisfaction with service provided by the health carrier.

We will do our best to resolve the matter on your initial contact. If we need more time to review or investigate your concern, we will get back to you as soon as possible, but in any case within 30 days.

Appeals Procedure

Cigna has a two-step appeals procedure for coverage decisions involving Adverse Determinations and Non-certification. An Adverse Determination or Non-certification coverage decision is a decision by Cigna to deny, modify, reduce, or terminate payment, coverage, authorization, or provision of health care services or benefits including the admission to or continued stay in a facility. It also includes a rescission of coverage.

To initiate an appeal, you must submit a request for an appeal in writing within one year of receipt of a denial notice, to the following address:

Cigna
National Appeals Organization (NAO)
PO Box 188011
Chattanooga, TN 37422

You should state the reason why you feel your appeal should be approved and include any information supporting your appeal. If you are unable to or choose not to write, you may ask to register your appeal by telephone. Call or write to us at the toll-free number or address on your Benefit Identification card, the "Important Notices" section of this certificate, explanation of benefits or claim form. We will acknowledge in writing, within seventy-two hours, that we have received your request.

Level One Appeal

Your appeal will be reviewed and the decision made by someone not involved in the initial decision. Appeals involving Medical Necessity or clinical appropriateness will be considered by a health care professional.

For level one appeals, we will respond in writing with a decision within 14 calendar days after we receive an appeal for a required pre service or Concurrent Care Coverage Determination (decision). We will respond within 14 calendar days after we receive an appeal for a post service coverage determination. If more time or information is needed to make the determination, we will notify you in writing, in this case, the decision will be made within 30 days. For appeals based on experimental treatment exclusions, the decision will be made within 20 days. Any extension beyond 20 days will require your informed written consent.

You may request that the appeal process be expedited if, (a) the time frames under this process would seriously jeopardize your life, health or ability to regain maximum function or in the opinion of your Physician would cause you severe pain which cannot be managed without the requested services; or (b) your appeal involves non authorization of an admission or continuing inpatient Hospital stay.

Your treating Physician, will decide if an expedited appeal is necessary. When an appeal is expedited, we will respond orally with a decision within 72 hours, followed up in writing.

Level Two Appeal

If you are dissatisfied with our level one appeal decision, you may request a second review. To start a level two appeal, follow the same process required for a level one appeal.

If the appeal involves a coverage decision based on issues of Medical Necessity, clinical appropriateness or experimental treatment, a medical review will be conducted by a Physician Reviewer in the same or similar specialty as the care under consideration, as determined by Cigna's Physician Reviewer. For all other coverage plan-related appeals, a second-level review will be conducted by someone who was a) not involved in any previous decision related to your appeal, and b) not a subordinate of previous decision makers. Provide all relevant documentation with your second-level appeal request.

For required pre service and Concurrent Care Coverage Determinations, Cigna's review will be completed within 14 calendar days. For post service claims, Cigna's review will be completed within 14 calendar days.

We may request additional information if needed to complete the review. If more time or information is needed to make the determination, we will notify you in writing. Any extension will not delay the decision beyond 30 days without your informed written consent. In the case of appeals based on experimental treatment exclusions, your informed written consent is needed for any extension beyond 20 days. In the event any new or additional information (evidence) is considered, relied upon or generated by Cigna in connection with the level-two appeal, Cigna will provide this information to you as soon as possible and sufficiently in advance of the decision, so that you will have an opportunity to respond.

Also, if any new or additional rationale is considered by Cigna, Cigna will provide the rationale to you as soon as possible and sufficiently in advance of the decision so that you will have an opportunity to respond.

You will be notified in writing of Cigna's decision within five working days after the decision is made, and within the review time frames above if Cigna does not approve the requested coverage.

You may request that the appeal process be expedited if, (a) the time frames under this process would seriously jeopardize your life, health or ability to regain maximum function or in the opinion of your Physician would cause you severe pain which cannot be managed without the requested services; or (b) your appeal involves non authorization of an admission or continuing inpatient Hospital stay. Your treating Physician will decide if an expedited appeal is necessary. When an appeal is expedited, we will respond orally with a decision within 72 hours, followed up in writing no later than 72 hours after the date of the decision.

Contacting the State of Washington

You have the right to contact the Office of the Insurance Commissioner for assistance at any time. The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services has designated the Washington State Office of the Insurance Commissioner's Consumer Protection Division as the current health insurance consumer assistance office or ombudsman.

You have the right to contact the Office of the Insurance Commissioner for assistance at any time. The Commissioner may be contacted at the following telephone number:

Washington State Office of the Insurance Commissioner
Consumer Protection Division
OIC Consumer Assistance Hotline 1-800-562-6900

Notice of Benefit Determination on Appeal

Every notice of a determination on appeal will be provided in writing or electronically and, if an adverse determination, will include: (1) information sufficient to identify the claim; (2) the specific reason or reasons for the adverse determination; (3) reference to the specific plan provisions on which the determination is based; (4) a statement that the claimant is entitled to receive, upon request and free of charge, reasonable access to and copies of all documents, records, and other Relevant Information as defined; (5) a statement describing any voluntary appeal procedures offered by the plan and the claimant's right to bring an action under ERISA section 502(a); (6) upon request and free of charge, a copy of any internal rule, guideline, protocol or other similar criterion that was relied upon in making the adverse determination regarding your appeal, and an explanation of the scientific or clinical judgment for a determination that is based on a Medical Necessity, experimental treatment or other similar exclusion or limit; and (7) information about any office of health insurance consumer assistance or ombudsman available to assist you with the appeal process. A final notice of an adverse determination will include a discussion of the decision.

You also have the right to bring a civil action under section 502(a) of ERISA if you are not satisfied with the decision on review. 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. You may also contact the Plan Administrator.

Relevant Information

Relevant Information is any document, record, or other information which (a) was relied upon in making the benefit determination; (b) was submitted, considered, or generated in the course of making the benefit determination, without regard to whether such document, record, or other information was relied upon in making the benefit determination; (c) demonstrates compliance with the administrative processes and safeguards required by federal law in making the benefit determination; or (d) constitutes a statement of policy or guidance with respect to the plan concerning the denied treatment option or benefit or the claimant's diagnosis, without regard to whether such advice or statement was relied upon in making the benefit determination.

Legal Action

If your plan is governed by ERISA, you have the right to bring a civil action under section 502(a) of ERISA if you are not satisfied with the outcome of the Appeals Procedure. In most instances, you may not initiate a legal action against Cigna until you have completed the Level One and Level Two Appeal processes. If your Appeal is expedited, there is no need to complete the Level Two process prior to bringing legal action. However, no action will be brought at all unless brought within 3 years after a claim is submitted for In-Network Services or within three years after proof of claim is required under the Plan for Out-of-Network services.

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Definitions

Dependent

Dependents are:

- your lawful spouse; who is not eligible for health coverage through his/her own Employer
- your eligible spouse as determined under the terms of the Employer's plan and reported by the Employer to Cigna;

- your Domestic Partner; and
- any child of yours who is
  - less than 26 years old.
  - your eligible dependent as determined under the terms of the Employer's plan and reported by the Employer to Cigna; and
  - 26 or more years old, and primarily supported by you and incapable of self-sustaining employment by reason of mental or physical disability.

  Proof of the child's condition and dependence may be required to be submitted to the plan within 31 days after the date the child ceases to qualify above. The plan may require proof not more frequently than annually after the two year period following the childs's attainment of the limiting age.

The term child means a child born to you or a child legally adopted by you including a child for whom you assume legal obligation for total or partial support, in anticipation of adoption, but with no requirement that the adoption be final. It also includes a stepchild. If your Domestic Partner has a child, that child will also be included as a Dependent.

Benefits for a Dependent child will continue until the last day of the calendar month in which the limiting age is reached.

Anyone who is eligible as an Employee will not be considered as a Dependent spouse. A child under age 26 may be covered as either an Employee or as a Dependent child. You cannot be covered as an Employee while also covered as a Dependent of an Employee.

No one may be considered as a Dependent of more than one Employee.

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CERTIFICATE RIDER – Wisconsin Residents

Rider Eligibility: Each Employee who is located in Wisconsin

You will become insured on the date you become eligible, including if you are not in Active Service on that date due to your health status.

This rider forms a part of the certificate issued to you by Cigna.

The provisions set forth in this rider comply with the legal requirements of Wisconsin group insurance plans covering insureds located in Wisconsin. These provisions supersede any provisions in your certificate to the contrary unless the provisions in your certificate result in greater benefits.

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When You Have A Complaint Or An Appeal

For the purposes of this section, any reference to "you", "your" or "Member" also refers to a representative or provider designated by you to act on your behalf, unless otherwise noted.

We want you to be completely satisfied with the care and services you receive. That is why we have established a process for addressing your concerns and solving your problems.

Start with Member Services

We are here to listen and help. If you have a concern regarding a person, a service, the quality of care, or contractual benefits, you can call our toll-free number and explain your concern to one of our Customer Service representatives. You can also express that concern in writing. Please call or write to us at the following:

> Customer Services Toll-Free Number or address that appears on your Benefit Identification card, explanation of benefits or claim form.

We will do our best to resolve the matter on your initial contact. If we need more time to review or investigate your

concern, we will get back to you as soon as possible, but in any case within 30 days.

If you are not satisfied with the results of a coverage decision, you can start the appeals procedure.

Appeals Procedure

Cigna has a one step appeals procedure for coverage decisions. To initiate an appeal for most claims, you must submit a request for an appeal within 365 days of receipt of a denial notice. However, if Cigna reduces or terminates coverage (except where the reduction or termination is due to a plan amendment or termination) for an ongoing course of treatment that Cigna previously approved, and the reduction or termination in coverage will occur before the end of the period of time or number of treatments that Cigna approved, then to initiate an appeal you must submit a request for an appeal of that reduction or termination in coverage within 30 days of receipt of the denial notice. If you appeal timely a reduction or termination in coverage for an ongoing course of treatment that Cigna previously approved, you will receive, as required by applicable law, continued coverage pending the outcome of an appeal. Appeals may be submitted to the following address:

Cigna
National Appeals Organization (NAO)
PO Box 188011
Chattanooga, TN 37422

You should state the reason why you feel your appeal should be approved and include any information supporting your appeal. If you are unable or choose not to write, you may ask to register your appeal by telephone. Call or write to us at the toll-free number or address on your Benefit Identification card, explanation of benefits or claim form.

Most requests for an appeal will be conducted by the Appeals Committee, which consists of at least three people. Anyone involved in the prior decision may not vote on the Committee. For appeals involving Medical Necessity or clinical appropriateness, the Committee will consult with at least one Physician reviewer in the same or similar specialty as the care under consideration, as determined by Cigna's Physician reviewer. You may present your situation to the Committee in person or by conference call.

We will acknowledge in writing that we have received your request and schedule a Committee review. A written notification, including the time and place of the meeting, will be sent to you at least seven calendar days before the meeting. The Committee review will be completed within 30 calendar days. If more time or information is needed to make the determination, we will notify you in writing to request an extension of up to 15 calendar days and to specify any additional information needed by the Committee to complete the review. You will be notified in writing of the Committee's decision within five working days after the Committee meeting, and within the Committee review time frames above if the Committee does not approve the requested coverage.

You may request that the appeal process be expedited if, the time frames under this process would seriously jeopardize your life, health or ability to regain maximum function or in the opinion of your Physician would cause you severe pain which cannot be managed without the requested services. Cigna's Physician reviewer, in consultation with the treating Physician will decide if an expedited appeal is necessary. When an appeal is expedited, we will respond orally with a decision within 72 hours, followed up in writing.

Assistance from the State of Wisconsin

You have the right to contact the Wisconsin Office of the Commissioner of Insurance for assistance at any time. The Wisconsin Commissioner of Insurance may be contacted at the following address and telephone number:

Office of the Commissioner of Insurance
121 West Wilson Street
Madison, WI 53702
608-266-0103 (In Madison)
800-236-8517 (Outside Madison)

Notice of Benefit Determination on Appeal

Every notice of a determination on appeal will be provided in writing or electronically and, if an adverse determination, will include: the specific reason or reasons for the adverse determination; reference to the specific plan provisions on which the determination is based; a statement that the claimant is entitled to receive, upon request and free of charge, reasonable access to and copies of all documents, records, and other Relevant Information as defined; a statement describing any voluntary appeals procedures offered by the plan and the claimant's right to bring an action under ERISA section 502(a); upon request and free of charge, a copy of any internal rule, guideline, protocol or other similar criterion that was relied upon in making the adverse determination regarding your appeal, and an explanation of the scientific or clinical judgment for a determination that is based on a Medical Necessity, experimental treatment or other similar exclusion or limit.

You also have the right to bring a civil action under section 502(a) of ERISA if you are not satisfied with the decision on review. 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. You may also contact the Plan Administrator.

Relevant Information

Relevant Information is any document, record, or other information which was relied upon in making the benefit determination; was submitted, considered, or generated in the

course of making the benefit determination, without regard to whether such document, record, or other information was relied upon in making the benefit determination; demonstrates compliance with the administrative processes and safeguards required by federal law in making the benefit determination; or constitutes a statement of policy or guidance with respect to the plan concerning the denied treatment option or benefit or the claimant's diagnosis, without regard to whether such advice or statement was relied upon in making the benefit determination.

Legal Action

If your plan is governed by ERISA, you have the right to bring a civil action under section 502(a) of ERISA if you are not satisfied with the outcome of the appeals procedure. In most instances, you may not initiate a legal action against Cigna until you have completed the appeal process.