

# 2017 ANNUAL NOTICES



## Special Enrollment Notice

If you are declining enrollment for yourself or your dependents (including your spouse) because of other health insurance or group health plan coverage, you may be able to enroll yourself and your dependents in this plan if you or your dependents lose eligibility for that other coverage (or if the employer stops contributing toward your or your dependents' other coverage). However, you must request enrollment within 30 days after your or your dependents' other coverage ends (or after the employer stops contributing toward the other coverage). In addition, if you have a new dependent as a result of marriage, birth, adoption, or placement for adoption, you may be able to enroll yourself and your dependents. However, you must request enrollment within 30 days after the marriage, birth, adoption, or placement for adoption.

To request special enrollment or obtain more information, contact: Charity Thompson, HR Director, at 865-724-2117.

## NEWBORN and MOTHER'S HEALTH PROTECTION ACT NOTICE

Group health plans and health insurance issuers generally may not, under Federal law, restrict benefits for any hospital length of stay in connection with childbirth for the mother or newborn child to less than 48 hours following a vaginal delivery, or less than 96 hours following a caesarean section. However, Federal law generally does not prohibit the mother's or newborn's attending provider, after consulting with the mother, from discharging the mother or her newborn earlier than 48 hours (or 96 hours as applicable). In any case, plans and issuers may not, under Federal law, require that a provider obtain authorization from the plan or the issuer for prescribing a length of stay not in excess of 48 hours (or 96 hours). Plans and issuers may not set the level of benefits or out-of-pocket costs so that any later portion of the 48-hour (or 96-hour) stay is treated in a manner less favorable to the mother or newborn than any earlier portion of the stay. *It is the employee's responsibility to notify the Human Resources Department of pregnancy so they can be provided their statement of rights under the Newborn and Mother's Health Protection Act.*

## WHCRA - Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act Enrollment Notice

If you have had or are going to have a mastectomy, you may be entitled to certain benefits under the Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act of 1998 (WHCRA). For individuals receiving mastectomy-related benefits, coverage will be provided in a manner determined in consultation with the attending physician and the patient for:

- all stages of reconstruction of the breast on which the mastectomy was performed;
- surgery and reconstruction of the other breast to produce a symmetrical appearance;
- prosthesis; and
- treatment of physical complications of the mastectomy, including lymphedema.

These benefits will be provided subject to the same deductibles and coinsurance applicable to other medical and surgical benefits provided under this plan. Therefore, the following deductibles and coinsurance apply:

- **Deductible:** Individual \$1,000/Family \$2,000
- **Coinsurance:** In-Network 80%
- **Out of Pocket Max:** Individual \$3,000/Family \$6,000

If you would like more information on WHCRA benefits, call Charity Thompson, HR Director, at 865-724-2117.

## HIPAA - Summary Notice of Privacy Practices

The use and disclosure of Protected Health Information is regulated by a federal law known as HIPAA (the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act). This notice describes how information about you may be used and disclosed, and how you can get access to this information with regard to your benefits. We keep the health and financial information of our current and former members private, as required by law. This notice explains your rights and our legal duties and privacy practices.

## WHCRA Annual Notice

Do you know that your plan, as required by the Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act of 1998, provides benefits for mastectomy-related services including all stages of reconstruction and surgery to achieve symmetry between the breasts, prostheses, and complications resulting from a mastectomy, including lymphedema? Call Charity Thompson, HR Director, at 865-724-2117.