

# **Benefits Booklet**

## **Kelowna Cabs (1981) Ltd.**

**Plan Number:** G0116398

**Class:** A - All Employees

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## **A message from your plan sponsor**

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Kelowna Cabs (1981) Ltd. is pleased to be able to offer you medical and financial security by sponsoring your group benefits program. We have selected Manulife Financial as a partner to help us deliver the program. They are committed to providing excellent service for us.

At this point, you will have received some basic information about how you can connect with Manulife Financial and how to submit claims. Now, I would encourage you to spend a few moments reviewing our plan's coverage so you can better understand what's available. You'll learn about not only the more routine things, but also about some of the benefits available that you may need to draw on in a time of crisis. Your plan is here to offer you some support in the event you encounter unforeseen circumstances in the future.

After reviewing the coverage, if you have any questions, check in with our plan administrator.

## **Your Group Benefit Program**

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Your Group Benefit Program has been arranged by Michael Frame at Mountain View Benefits.

( 778 ) 755 - 3301

## Core Coverage and Services

Your plan sponsor has chosen to offer the following benefits to form the coverage in this program:

### Dental

Benefit Details	Your Plan's Coverage
Waiting Period	3 months
Deductible	None
Dental Fee Guide	Current Fee Guide for General Practitioners for your Province of Residence
Coverage ends	At the earlier of age 75 or your retirement
Combined Maximum applies to: Level I Level II Level III Level IV	\$1,500 per calendar year
<p>Level I - Basic Services</p> <p>Includes items such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ complete oral exam, one per 2 calendar years</li> <li>▪ full-mouth x-rays, one per 2 calendar years</li> <li>▪ one unit of light scaling and one unit of polishing once every 9 months, when the service is performed outside Quebec, or prophylaxis once every 9 months, when the service is performed in Quebec</li> <li>▪ bitewing x-rays, two films, once every 9 months</li> <li>▪ recall exams, and fluoride treatments, once every 9 months</li> <li>▪ routine diagnostic and laboratory procedures</li> <li>▪ fillings, retentive pins and pit and fissure sealants Replacement fillings are covered provided:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- the existing filling is at least 12 months old and must be replaced either due to significant breakdown of the existing filling or recurrent decay, or</li> <li>- the existing filling is amalgam and there is medical evidence indicating that the patient is allergic to amalgam</li> </ul> </li> <li>▪ pre-fabricated full coverage restorations (metal and plastic)</li> <li>▪ space maintainers (appliances placed for orthodontic purposes are not covered)</li> <li>▪ minor surgical procedures and post surgical care</li> <li>▪ extractions (including impacted and residual roots)</li> <li>▪ consultations, anaesthesia, and conscious sedation</li> <li>▪ denture repairs, relines and rebases, only if the expense is incurred later than 3 months after the date of the initial placement of the denture</li> <li>▪ injection of antibiotic drugs when administered by a Dentist in conjunction with dental surgery</li> </ul>	80% to a combined maximum of \$1,500 per calendar year

**Benefit Details****Your Plan's Coverage****Level II - Supplementary Services**

Includes items such as:

- surgical procedures not included in Level I (excluding implant surgery)
- periodontal services for treatment of diseases of the gums and other supporting tissue of the teeth, including:
  - scaling not covered under Level I, and root planing, up to a combined maximum of 6 units per calendar year(s) ;
  - provisional splinting; and
  - occlusal equilibration, up to a maximum of 8 units per calendar year(s)
- endodontic services which include root canals and therapy, root amputation, apexifications and periapical services
- root canals and therapy are limited to one initial treatment plus one re-treatment per tooth per lifetime
- re-treatment is covered only if the expense is incurred more than 12 months after the initial treatment

80% to a combined maximum of \$1,500 per calendar year

**Level III - Dentures**

Includes items such as:

- initial provision of full or partial removable dentures
- replacement of removable dentures, provided the dentures are required because:
  - a natural tooth is extracted and the existing appliance cannot be made serviceable;
  - the existing appliance is at least 60 months old; or
  - the existing appliance is temporary and is replaced with the permanent dentures within 12 months of its installation
- dentures required solely to replace a natural tooth which was missing prior to becoming insured for this eligible expense, are not covered

50% to a combined maximum of \$1,500 per calendar year

**Level IV - Major Restorative Services**

Includes items such as:

- crowns and onlays when the function of a tooth is impaired due to cuspal or incisal angle damage caused by trauma or decay
- inlays, covering at least 3 surfaces, provided the tooth cusp is missing
- initial provision of fixed bridgework
- replacement of bridgework, provided the new bridgework is required because:
  - a natural tooth is extracted and the existing appliance cannot be made serviceable;
  - the existing appliance is at least 60 months old; or
  - the existing appliance is temporary and is replaced with the permanent bridge within 12 months of its installation
- bridgework required solely to replace a natural tooth which was missing prior to becoming insured under this Plan is not covered

50% to a combined maximum of \$1,500 per calendar year

Exclusions

*No Dental Care benefits will be payable for expenses resulting from:*

- war, insurrection, the hostile actions of any armed forces or participation in a riot or civil commotion
- the committing of or the attempt to commit an assault or criminal offence
- injuries sustained while operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of any intoxicant or if blood contains more than 80 milligrams of alcohol per 100 millilitres of blood at the time of injury.
- dental care which is cosmetic, unless required because of an accidental injury which occurred while the patient was insured under this benefit
- anti-snoring or sleep apnea devices
- broken dental appointments, third party examinations, travel to and from appointments, or completion of claim forms
- services which are payable under any other part of this policy, by any government plan or legally mandated program
- services or supplies provided by an employer, association or trade union's medical or dental department
- services or supplies for which no charge would normally be made in the absence of insurance
- treatment rendered for a full mouth reconstruction, for a vertical dimension or for a correction of temporomandibular joint dysfunction
- replacement of removable dental appliances which have been lost, mislaid or stolen
- laboratory fees which exceed reasonable and customary charges
- services or supplies which are performed or provided by the insured person, an immediate family member or a person who lives with the insured person
- implants, or any services rendered in conjunction with implants. However, where an implant is the choice of treatment and a denture or bridge would produce professionally adequate results for the condition, Manulife Financial will pay the cost of the implant expense and any related services, at a cost equal to the least expensive cost of a denture or bridge
- treatment which is not generally recognized by the dental profession as an effective, appropriate and essential form of treatment for the dental condition
- services or supplies which are not specified as a covered expense under this benefit

*If you anticipate charges for any treatment to exceed \$500, please submit a pre-treatment plan before receiving the service so you can understand what portion your plan may cover.*

*Your plan will pay benefits for the least expensive course of treatment when there are two or more courses of treatment covered that would produce professionally adequate results for a given condition. Manulife's professional dental consultant will aid in evaluating the various courses of treatment available to determine which is professionally adequate.*

*If you apply for coverage for Dental insurance for yourself or your dependents late, Late Dental Application insurance will be limited to \$125 for you and \$125 for each of your dependents for the first 12 months of coverage.*

*All claims must be submitted within 12 months after the date the expense was incurred. However, upon termination of your insurance, all claims must be submitted no later than 90 days from the termination date.*

## Extended Health Care Benefit

This benefit has many components that extend your coverage to a wide variety of health care providers and services. Under the broad category there may be coinsurances, deductibles, maximums and limitations that apply to specific components of the coverage.

This plan will not automatically assume eligibility for all drugs, services and supplies. New drugs, existing drugs with new indications, services and supplies are reviewed by Manulife Financial using the due diligence process. Once this process has been completed, the decision will be made by Manulife Financial to include as a covered expense, include with prior authorization criteria, exclude or apply maximum limits.

Benefit Details	Your Plan's Coverage
Waiting Period	3 months
Maximum	Unlimited
Deductible	Nil
Co-insurance	<p>100% for Hospital Care, Vision</p> <p>80% for Drugs</p> <p>100% for Medical Services &amp; Supplies, Professional Services</p> <p><b>Note:</b> The Co-insurance applicable to Private Duty Nursing Services is shown below under EHC - Medical Supplies and Services.</p>
Coverage Ends	At the earlier of age 75 or your retirement

Exclusions

*No Extended Health Care benefits are payable for expenses related to:*

- for Medical Travel Emergencies and Emergency Travel Assistance only, self-inflicted injuries, unless medical evidence establishes that the injuries are related to a mental health illness
- war, insurrection, the hostile actions of any armed forces or participation in a riot or civil commotion
- committing or attempting to commit an assault or criminal offence
- injuries sustained while operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of any intoxicant or if blood contains more than 80 milligrams of alcohol per 100 millilitres of blood at the time of injury.
- an illness or injury for which benefits are payable under any government plan, workers' compensation or legally mandated program
- charges for periodic check-ups, broken appointments, third party examinations, travel for health purposes, or completion of claim forms
- services or supplies provided by an employer, association or trade union's medical or dental department
- services or supplies for which no charge would normally be made in the absence of insurance
- services and supplies where reimbursement would have been made under a government-sponsored plan, in the absence of insurance
- services or supplies which are not permitted by law to be paid
- services or supplies which are required for recreation or sports
- services or supplies which would have been payable by the Provincial Plan if proper application had been made
- medical treatment which is not usual or customary, or is experimental or investigational in nature
- medical or surgical care which is cosmetic
- services or supplies which are performed or provided by the insured person, an immediate family member or a person who lives with the insured person
- services or supplies which are provided while confined in a hospital on an in-patient basis
- services or supplies which are not specified as a covered expense under this benefit

*All claims must be submitted within 12 months after the date the expense was incurred. However, upon termination of your insurance, all claims must be submitted no later than 90 days from the termination date.*



# EHC - Drugs

80% Co-insurance

Benefit Details	Your Plan's Coverage
<p data-bbox="40 294 560 336">Prescription Drugs with Generic Substitution</p> <p data-bbox="40 367 495 409">Includes the following drug classes:</p> <ul data-bbox="40 451 787 819" style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ drugs for the treatment of an illness or injury which by law or convention requires the written prescription of a physician or dentist when prescribed in writing by a physician or dentist and dispensed by a licensed pharmacist</li><li>▪ oral contraceptives</li><li>▪ life-sustaining drugs</li><li>▪ preventive vaccines and medicines (oral or injected)</li><li>▪ injectable medications (charges made by a practitioner or physician to administer injectable medications are not covered)</li><li>▪ standard syringes, needles and diagnostic aids, required for the treatment of diabetes</li></ul> <p data-bbox="40 840 397 882">No coverage for / excludes:</p> <ul data-bbox="40 924 787 1407" style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ fertility drugs</li><li>▪ anti-smoking drugs</li><li>▪ anti-obesity drugs</li><li>▪ sexual dysfunction drugs</li><li>▪ drugs, biologicals and related preparations which are administered in hospital on an in-patient or out-patient basis</li><li>▪ drugs determined to be ineligible as a result of due diligence</li><li>▪ cotton swabs, rubbing alcohol, automatic jet injectors and similar equipment used in the treatment of diabetes</li><li>▪ charges to administer serums, vaccines &amp; injectable drugs</li><li>▪ experimental or investigational drugs not approved as an effective, appropriate and essential treatment of an illness or injury</li><li>▪ natural health products (products with a NPN)</li></ul>	<p data-bbox="820 304 1315 346">\$3,000 per calendar year(s) maximum</p> <p data-bbox="820 441 1567 504"><i>Drugs with individual maximums are also subject to your plan's overall drug maximum, if applicable.</i></p>

**Benefit Details****Your Plan's Coverage**

*Payment of Covered Expenses - Covered expenses for any prescribed drug will not exceed the price of the lower cost alternative drug that can legally be used to fill the prescription, as listed in the Provincial Drug Benefit Formulary or a lower cost alternative that provides therapeutically similar results as identified by Manulife Financial.*

*Manulife Financial can limit the covered expense for any drug to that of a lower cost interchangeable drug at the time the drug is purchased.*

*If there is no lower cost alternative drug for the prescribed drug, the amount payable is based on the cost of the prescribed drug.*

*No Substitution Prescriptions - If your prescription contains a written direction from your physician or dentist that the prescribed drug is not to be substituted with another product, the maximum amount covered is the price of the lower cost alternative drug that can legally be used to fill the prescription, as listed in the Provincial Drug Benefit Formulary or a lower cost alternative that provides therapeutically similar results as identified by Manulife Financial.*

*If there is no lower cost alternative drug for the prescribed drug, the amount payable is based on the cost of the prescribed drug.*

*Reimbursement at the cost of a prescribed drug, where a lower cost alternative drug is available, will only be considered if medical evidence is provided by the treating physician to support why the lower cost alternative drug cannot be tolerated or is ineffective.*

*There is a limitation on quantity of drugs that can be dispensed and claimed at one time, to the lesser of:*

*a) the quantity prescribed by the Physician or Dentist; or*

*b) a 34 day supply; or*

*c) up to a 100 day supply may be payable in long term therapy where the larger quantity is recommended as appropriate by the Physician and the Pharmacist.*

*If you are a Quebec resident, your plan's coverage will coordinate with RAMQ.*

# EHC - Vision

100% Co-insurance

Benefit Details	Your Plan's Coverage
Prescription Glasses, Contact Lenses, Laser Eye Surgery, Eye Exams, Visual Training	<p>\$200 per 2 calendar year(s) for prescription glasses, elective contact lenses , repairs and elective laser vision correction procedures</p> <p>If contact lenses are required to treat a severe condition, or if vision in the better eye can be improved to a 20/40 level with contact lenses but not with glasses, the maximum payable will be \$200 during any 2 calendar year(s)</p> <p>Eye Exams - once per 2 calendar year(s)</p> <p>Visual Training - \$200 per lifetime</p>

# EHC - Health Care Professionals (Professional Services)

100% Co-insurance

Benefit Details	Your Plan's Coverage
<p>Services provided by the following licensed practitioners: Chiropractor, Osteopath, Podiatrist/Chiropodist, Massage Therapist, Naturopath, Speech Therapist, Physiotherapist, Psychologist, Acupuncturist</p>	<p>\$500 per calendar year(s) for Chiropractor</p> <p>\$500 per calendar year(s) for Osteopath</p> <p>\$500 per calendar year(s) for Podiatrist/Chiropodist</p> <p>\$500 per calendar year(s) for Massage Therapist</p> <p>\$500 per calendar year(s) for Naturopath</p> <p>\$500 per calendar year(s) for Speech Therapist</p> <p>\$500 per calendar year(s) for Physiotherapist</p> <p>\$500 per calendar year(s) for Psychologist</p> <p>\$500 per calendar year(s) for Acupuncturist</p> <p>The maximum for each specialty includes one x-ray (\$25 maximum) per calendar year.</p> <p><i>Expenses for some of these professional services may be payable in part by provincial plans. Coverage for the balance of such expenses prior to reaching the provincial plan maximum may be prohibited by provincial legislation. In those provinces, expenses under this benefit program are payable after the Provincial Plan's maximum for the benefit year has been paid.</i></p> <p><i>Recommendation by a physician for Professional Services is not required.</i></p>

# EHC - Medical Supplies and Services

100% Co-insurance (unless otherwise stated)

For all medical equipment and supplies, coverage is limited to the cost of the device or item that adequately meets the patient's fundamental medical needs.

Benefit Details	Your Plan's Coverage
<p>Private Duty Nursing Services</p> <p>Provided by a registered nurse or registered nursing assistant who has completed an approved medications training program</p> <p>Excludes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ custodial care, homemaking duties or supervision</li> <li>▪ services performed by a nurse practitioner who is an immediate family member or who lives with the patient</li> <li>▪ services performed while confined to a hospital, nursing home or other similar institution</li> <li>▪ services that could be performed by a person with lesser qualifications, a relative, a friend or a member of the patient's household</li> </ul>	<p>100% Co-insurance</p> <p>\$10,000 per calendar year(s)</p> <p><i>Submit a detailed treatment plan estimate before Private Duty Nursing services begin so we can advise you of what benefit may be provided.</i></p>
<p>Hearing Aids</p>	<p>\$500 per 5 calendar year(s)</p> <p><i>Includes cost, installation, repair and maintenance of Hearing Aids (including charges for batteries)</i></p>
<p>Orthopaedic Shoes/Orthotics</p>	<p>\$150 per calendar year(s) for Stock-item Orthopaedic Shoes</p> <p>Custom Made Shoes which are required because of a medical abnormality that, based on medical evidence, cannot be accommodated in a stock-item orthopaedic shoe or a modified stock-item orthopaedic shoe, up to a maximum of 1 pair per calendar year (must be constructed by a certified orthopaedic footwear specialist)</p> <p>\$400 per 3 calendar year(s) for Custom Made Orthotic Foot Appliances</p> <p><i>Must be recommended by a physician or podiatrist.</i></p>
<p>Medical Equipment</p> <p>Includes items such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ ambulance (licensed including air ambulance, provided in province of residence)</li> <li>▪ mobility equipment (crutches, canes, walkers, wheelchairs)</li> </ul>	<p>4 per calendar year for surgical brassieres</p> <p>\$250 per lifetime for wigs and hairpieces</p>

**Benefit Details**

- manual hospital beds
- respiratory and oxygen equipment
- other equipment usually found only in hospitals
- non-dental external prostheses
- braces (other than foot braces), trusses, collars, leg orthosis, casts and splints
- ileostomy, colostomy and incontinence supplies
- medicated dressings and burn garments
- oxygen
- charges for the treatment required as a result of an injury to natural teeth or jaw
- surgical brassieres
- wigs and hairpieces for temporary hair loss associated with medical treatment

**Your Plan's Coverage**

*Medical equipment dispensed by a hospital is not an eligible expense.*

*In the province of Quebec, microscopic and other similar diagnostic tests and services rendered in a licensed laboratory are included, up to a maximum of \$1,000 per calendar year.*

*Accidental dental treatment to the natural teeth or jaw must be provided within 12 months of the accident. Injuries sustained while biting or chewing are not covered.*

Surgical Stockings

\$400 per calendar year

EHC - Hospital

100% Co-insurance

Benefit Details	Your Plan's Coverage
General or Rehabilitation hospitals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• in a Semi-Private Room</li><li>• in excess of the hospital's public ward charge</li></ul> <p><i>Charges for any portion of the cost of ward accommodation, utilization or copayment fees (or similar charges) will not be covered.</i></p> <p><i>Manulife Financial will coordinate payment after any provincial plan coverage has first been applied.</i></p>

# EHC - Medical and Non-Medical Travel Emergencies

Benefit Details	Your Plan's Coverage
<p>Emergency medical coverage</p> <p>Conditions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Coverage is for immediate medical treatment required for:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- a sudden, unexpected injury or a new medical condition which occurs while an insured person is travelling outside of their province of residence; or</li> <li>- a specific medical problem or chronic condition that was diagnosed but medically stable prior to departure.</li> </ul> </li> <li>▪ Coverage is available for medical emergencies related to pregnancy as long as travel is completed at least 4 weeks before the due date.</li> <li>▪ Valid Government Health Insurance Plan (GHP) coverage is required for you and your dependents.</li> </ul>	<p>100% with a lifetime maximum of \$5,000,000</p> <p>Coverage is limited to 60 days per trip.</p> <p>Stable means in the 90 days before departure, the insured person has not:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ been treated or tested for any new symptoms or conditions;</li> <li>▪ had an increase or worsening of any existing symptoms;</li> <li>▪ changed treatments or medications (other than normal adjustments for ongoing care);</li> <li>▪ been admitted to the hospital for treatment of the condition.</li> </ul> <p>Coverage is not available if you (or your dependent) have scheduled non-routine appointments, tests or treatments for the condition or an undiagnosed condition.</p> <p>A medical emergency ends when the attending physician feels that, based on the medical evidence, a patient is stable enough to return to their home province or territory.</p> <p><i>You are typically responsible for payment of medical expenses amounting to less than \$200 CDN. When you return from your trip, you can submit a claim to be reimbursed for those expenses through the normal claim submission process.</i></p> <p><i>For charges over \$200 CDN, contact the service partner shown on your benefits card as soon as possible to arrange for payment directly to the treating physician or facility.</i></p>
<p>Non-Emergency medical coverage</p> <p>Conditions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ recommendation by a practicing physician in Canada is required</li> <li>▪ suggests that you submit a detailed treatment plan with cost estimates before treatment begins. You will then be advised of any benefit that will be provided.</li> </ul>	<p>50% with a maximum of \$3,000 every 3 calendar year(s)</p>



**Benefit Details****Your Plan's Coverage**

## Emergency Travel Assistance

## Including:

- 24 hour access to multi-lingual service representatives
- referral to local medical care and treatment monitoring
- payment of medical bills, medical transportation, return home of dependent children, visit by a family member, trip interruption/delay coverage, support through convalescence after hospital discharge, identification and/or return of a deceased traveller, meals and accommodation, vehicle return, pre-trip advice on passport, visa, vaccination and inoculation requirements for a destination, assistance in replacing lost documents and tickets, referral to legal assistance in your foreign destination, telephone interpretation service, emergency message service, and
- after-hours medical advice phone support

100% with all maximums below stated in Canadian Funds.

\$1,000 for return of vehicle

\$2,000 for meals and accommodations

\$5,000 for return of deceased

\$5,000 for Trip Cancellation (see Trip Cancellation for additional information)

*See Emergency Travel Assistance for additional information, a list of phone numbers for frequent Canadian travel destinations and for participating countries.*

## Counselling Services [Workplace Advisor]

Your plan also includes access to services and information you will use to help you live a healthier life. You can access these services on the Plan Member Secure Site.

<b><i>Benefit Details</i></b>	<b><i>Your Plan's Coverage</i></b>
<p>Short term counselling for you and any dependents for a wide range of issues from psychological problems to addictions, and from family and marital concerns to nutritional counselling for example.</p> <p>Online self-help courses on a variety of topics including but not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Embracing Workplace Change</li><li>• Taking Control of Stress / Taking Control of Your Mood</li><li>• Taking Control of Job Loss / Taking Control of Your Career</li><li>• Taking Control of Alcohol Use</li><li>• Foundations of Effective Parenting</li><li>• Resolving Conflict in Intimate Relationships</li></ul> <p>Database to search for childcare or eldercare resources in your area</p>	<p>Approximately 4 to 6 hours of short-term counselling for an unlimited number of issues.</p> <p>You can receive counselling by phone, online or in person.</p> <p><b><i>To access counselling services online:</i></b></p> <p><i>Visit the Plan Member Secure Site</i></p> <p><b><i>To access any of the Workplace advisor services by phone:</i></b></p> <p><i>Call 1-866-644-0326 to reach a representative any time, 24 hours a day.</i></p> <p><i>If you use a TTY/TDD device, call 1-888-384-1152.</i></p>
<p>Personalized information and tools that are selected by counselling professionals with your best interests in mind.</p>	

Whether you or a family member have been diagnosed with a critical or chronic health condition, or you are simply curious about the services available in your area, Health Service Navigator® points you to agencies or resources that may be able to provide the information you need, including:

- tips and tools you can use to navigate through the Canadian health care landscape
- a national physician search database
- provincial health plan information
- health, medical condition, treatment plan options and medication information you can trust, and
- a second medical opinion service for times when you may want to double check a serious medical diagnosis you, your spouse or your child has received

With the exception of the second opinion service (which is available by phone only), Health Service Navigator tools are all available for you or your spouse or children any time on the Plan Member Secure Site.

## Life Insurance

You may also wish to consider supplementing this coverage by purchasing any available *Optional* or *Personal Benefits* coverage available for your plan.

<b>Benefit Details</b>	<b>Your Plan's Coverage</b>
<i>For you as the employee</i>	
Waiting Period	3 months
Benefit Amount	\$25,000
Non-Evidence Limit	\$25,000
Reduction and Termination Age	Your benefit amount reduces by 50% at age 65 and terminates at age 75 or retirement, whichever is earlier
Qualifying Period for Waiver of Premium	182 days
Waiver of Premium	<p>If you become Totally Disabled while insured and prior to age 65 and meet the Waiver of Premium Entitlement Criteria, your Life Insurance will continue without payment of premium.</p> <p>Totally Disabled means a restriction or lack of ability due to an illness or injury which prevents you from performing the essential duties of any occupation for which you are qualified, or may reasonably become qualified by training, education or experience.</p> <p>The availability of work will not be considered by Manulife Financial in assessing your disability.</p> <p>If you must hold a government permit or licence to perform the duties of your job, you will not be considered Totally Disabled solely because your permit or licence has been withdrawn or not renewed.</p>
Conversion Privilege	<p>If your Group Benefits terminate or reduce, you may be eligible to convert your Life Insurance to an individual policy, without needing to provide medical evidence. Your application for the individual policy along with the first monthly premium must be received by Manulife Financial within 31 days of the termination or reduction of your Life Insurance. If you die during this 31-day period, the amount of Life Insurance available for conversion will be paid to your beneficiary or estate, even if you didn't apply for conversion.</p> <p>See the conversion option details in the Individual plan options section.</p>
<i>For your spouse and your dependents</i>	
Waiting Period	3 months

**Benefit Details****Your Plan's Coverage**

Benefit Amount

\$5,000 for your spouse and \$2,500 for each dependent child

Termination Age

The earlier of Plan member's age 75 or retirement

Qualifying Period for Waiver of Premium

182 days

Waiver of Premium

If you become Totally Disabled while insured and prior to age 65 and meet the Waiver of Premium Entitlement Criteria, your Life Insurance will continue without payment of premium.

Conversion Privilege

If your spouse's Life insurance terminates, you may be eligible to convert the terminated insurance to an individual policy, without medical evidence. Your spouse's application for the individual policy, along with the first monthly premium, must be received by Manulife Financial within 31 days of the termination date.

See the conversion option details in the Individual plan options section.

Your beneficiary or estate must submit a claim within 90 days of the date of death. He or she can obtain the necessary paperwork from your plan sponsor. Claims for Waiver of Premium must be submitted within 180 days of the end of the qualifying period.

If you are terminally ill and not expected to live more than 24 months, and you require financial assistance, you may qualify for a Compassionate Assistance loan.

You have the right to designate and/or change a beneficiary, subject to governing law. The necessary forms are available from your Plan Administrator.

You should review your beneficiary designation to be sure that it reflects your current intent.

# Survivor Benefit

Benefit Details	Your Plan's Coverage
<p>If you die while your dependents are insured under the program, Manulife Financial will continue coverage for some benefits without payment of premium:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Dependent Life</li><li>▪ Extended Health Care</li><li>▪ Dental Care</li></ul>	<p>Coverage will continue until the earliest of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ the date your dependent is no longer a dependent</li><li>▪ the date similar coverage is obtained elsewhere</li><li>▪ the date which is 2 years from your death or</li><li>▪ the date the Group Policy terminates</li></ul>

# Accidental Death and Dismemberment Insurance

The amount payable for each loss is a percentage of the Accidental Death and Dismemberment benefit amount which was in effect for you on the date of your injury.

Benefit Details	Your Plan's Coverage
Waiting Period	3 months
Benefit Amount	\$25,000
Non-Evidence Limit	\$25,000
Reduction and Termination Age	Your benefit amount reduces by 50% at age 65 and terminates at age 71 or retirement, whichever is earlier
<p><b>Covered losses must:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ be as a direct result of the accidental injury</li> <li>▪ have occurred within 365 days from the date of the accidental injury</li> <li>▪ be total and irreversible or irrecoverable</li> </ul> <p><b>Exclusions:</b></p> <p>No Accidental Death &amp; Dismemberment benefits will be payable if the loss results from any of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ suicide or self-inflicted injuries</li> <li>▪ war or insurrection, the hostile actions of any armed forces, or participation in a riot or civil commotion</li> <li>▪ an infection (except pyogenic infections from an accidental cut or wound), illness or disease, or the medical treatment of any illness or disease, or bodily or mental infirmity</li> <li>▪ riding in, boarding or leaving, or descending from, any aircraft as a pilot, operator or member of the crew</li> <li>▪ riding in, boarding or leaving, or descending from, any aircraft which is owned, operated or leased by or on behalf of your employer</li> <li>▪ committing or attempting to commit an assault or criminal offence</li> <li>▪ injuries sustained while operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of any intoxicant, including alcohol</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Loss of Life - 100%</li> <li>▪ Loss of or Loss of Use of Both Hands or Both Feet - 100%</li> <li>▪ Loss of Sight of Both Eyes - 100%</li> <li>▪ Loss of One Hand and One Foot - 100%</li> <li>▪ Loss of One Hand and Sight of One Eye - 100%</li> <li>▪ Loss of One Foot and Sight of One Eye - 100%</li> <li>▪ Loss of Hearing in Both Ears and Speech - 100%</li> <li>▪ Loss of or Loss of Use of One Arm or One Leg - 75%</li> <li>▪ Loss of or Loss of Use of One Hand or One Foot- 66 2/3%</li> <li>▪ Loss of sight of One Eye - 66 2/3%</li> <li>▪ Loss of Speech or Hearing in Both Ears - 66 2/3%</li> <li>▪ Loss of Thumb and Index Finger or at least Four Fingers of One Hand - 33 1/3%</li> <li>▪ Loss of All Toes of One Foot - 25%</li> <li>▪ Loss of Hearing in One Ear - 25%</li> <li>▪ Hemiplegia, Paraplegia or Quadriplegia - 200%</li> </ul> <p><i>In the case of loss of speech or hearing, or loss of use of an arm, hand or leg, the loss must be continuous for 12 months and determined to be permanent, after which time the benefit is payable.</i></p> <p><i>Only one percentage, the largest, will be paid for multiple losses to the same limb due to any one accident. No more than 100% will be paid for all losses due to any one accidental injury, except in the case of hemiplegia, paraplegia or quadriplegia, where the total amount paid will not exceed 200% (provided the benefit is paid while you are living).</i></p>

**Benefit Details****Your Plan's Coverage**

Exposure and Disappearance

If a loss occurs due to unavoidable exposure to the elements, after a conveyance in which you were travelling made a forced landing, or was lost, wrecked, stranded or sank, a benefit will be payable for that loss. The amount payable will be determined in accordance with the covered loss list.

If you disappear after a conveyance in which you were travelling made a forced landing, or was lost, wrecked, stranded or sank, a benefit for loss of life will be payable if your body is not found within 365 days after the incident occurred.

Waiver of Premium

If your Employee Life Insurance premium is waived because you are totally disabled, the premium for this benefit will also be waived. Accidental Death and Dismemberment Waiver of Premium ends if this plan terminates.

Non-Duplication of Expenses

Expenses which are eligible under this benefit and for which you are also eligible under any other benefit, policy, or plan providing similar coverage will be paid first under such other benefit, policy or plan. Any expenses not paid under any other coverage will then be considered under this benefit, subject to any stated maximum.

The total combined amount of payments from all coverage combined will not exceed 100% of the eligible expenses incurred.

***Additional benefits related to covered losses or accidental death***

Rehabilitation

\$10,000 maximum payment for reasonable and necessary expenses incurred within 3 years from the date of the loss listed above for a rehabilitation program in order to return to gainful employment.

Repatriation

\$10,000 maximum payment for expenses to prepare and return your body to your residence if your death, which resulted directly from an accidental injury, occurs 150 kilometres or more from your residence.

Family Transportation

\$1,500 per accident maximum payment for the hotel and travel expense incurred by a direct family member if you are confined to a hospital which is 150 kilometres or more from your residence. If travelling by a method of transportation not licensed to transport fare-paying passengers expenses are reimbursed at a rate of \$0.20 per kilometre.



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Spousal Occupational Training

\$10,000 maximum payment for reasonable and necessary expenses incurred by your spouse within 3 years from the date of your loss listed above for an occupational training program to become qualified for employment for which he or she would not otherwise have sufficient qualifications.

Dependent Education

\$5,000 or 5% of your Accidental Death and Dismemberment benefit whichever is less is the yearly maximum for a maximum of 4 years, for the payment of tuition for each child who is enrolled as a full-time student:

- in a school for higher learning above the secondary school level at the time of your death, or
- at the secondary school level, but who enrolls as a full-time student in a school for higher learning within 365 days after your death

if you die as a direct result of an accidental injury

*Claims must be submitted within 90 days of the date of injury or death. Necessary paperwork is available from your plan sponsor. Claims for Waiver of Premium must be submitted within 180 days of the end of the qualifying period.*

*You have the right to designate and/or change a beneficiary, subject to governing law. The necessary forms are available from your Plan Administrator.*

*You should review your beneficiary designation to be sure that it reflects your current intent.*

## **Individual plan options available to purchase if you are leaving the plan**

When your group coverage ends, your relationship with Manulife doesn't have to stop there. You have the option to purchase your own personal plans.

### Conversion Option

Some core coverage benefits (Life, Optional Life, Critical Illness, Optional Critical Illness) give you the option to purchase individual coverage when your group benefits terminate or reduce, without needing to provide medical evidence. Your application for the individual policy along with the first monthly premium must be received by Manulife Financial within 31 days of the termination or reduction of your coverage. Other specific conditions for coverage may be noted in each benefit information section of this document.

For more information on the conversion privilege, please see your Plan Administrator. Provincial differences may exist.

## FollowMe™ Health

The FollowMe Health plan is specially designed for those whose group health coverage has recently or will soon come to an end. FollowMe Health allows you to continue enjoying health and dental benefits without completion of a medical questionnaire, so there's no need to worry about interruption of coverage for you or your loved ones.

If you apply within 60 days of your loss of group health and dental benefits, you will qualify without having to complete a medical questionnaire.

With four different plans and levels of coverage to choose from, you're certain to find the FollowMe Health plan that meets your needs.

*To find out more, request a brochure, get a quote, apply online or print an application, go to [www.coverme.com](http://www.coverme.com) or call 1-877-COVER ME® (1-877-268-3763)*

# Definitions

Explanation of some of the terms used in this document

## **Co-insurance**

The way the cost of a service is shared between you and your plan. It exists in addition to any deductibles. So for example, an 80% co-insurance means that after the deductible has been satisfied, your plan will cover up to 80% of the bill and you would pay the rest.

## **Co-payment**

The fixed amount that you must pay towards the cost of a service each time you use your plan. Most often, co-payments exist in situations where a claim is settled at point of sale. For instance, you might see a drug benefit with a \$2.00 co-pay amount. Regardless of the cost of the prescription being filled, you are required to pay \$2.00.

## **Dependent**

Your Spouse or Child who is insured under the Provincial Plan.

## **Spouse**

your legal spouse, or a person continuously living with you in a role like that of a marriage partner for at least 12 months.

## **Child**

your natural or adopted child, or stepchild, who is:

- unmarried
- under the age stated below:
  - for Dental coverage - under age 21, or under age 25 if a full-time student;
  - for Extended Health Care coverage - under age 21, or under age 25 if a full-time student
  - for other coverages (if applicable) - under age 21, or under age 25 if a full-time student;
- not employed on a full-time basis
- not eligible for insurance as an employee under this or any other Group Benefit Program

a child who is incapacitated on the date he or she reaches the age when insurance would normally terminate will continue to be an eligible dependent. However, the child must have been insured under this Benefit Program immediately prior to that date

a child is considered incapacitated if he or she is incapable of engaging in any substantially gainful activity and is dependent on the employee for support, maintenance and care, due to a mental or physical disability. Manulife Financial may require written proof of the child's condition as often as may reasonably be necessary

a stepchild must be living with you to be eligible

a newborn child shall become eligible from the moment of birth

birth is defined as the complete live delivery of a child from its mother

## **Drugs**

- must be prescribed in writing by a physician, dentist or other health care professional whose scope of practice within their province permits them to write a prescription;
- must be dispensed by a licensed pharmacist;
- must have been approved for use by Health Canada and have a drug identification number(DIN).

## **RAMQ - Drug Benefit and Pharmacy Services for persons who reside in Quebec**

If you and your dependents reside in Quebec, the following provisions apply to your drug benefit coverage:

- drugs that are on the List of Insured Drugs that is published by the Régie de l'assurance-maladie du Québec (RAMQ List), provided such drugs are on the list at the time the expense is incurred; and
- covered pharmacy services that are to be paid when the drug is on the RAMQ List; and

- drugs that are listed as a covered expense under your drug plan but are not on the RAMQ List.

The following provisions apply to the coverage of drugs that are on the RAMQ List and pharmacy services for private plans, as legislated by An Act Respecting Prescription Drug Insurance and the Health Insurance Act (R.S.Q. c., A-29-01). Coverage for all other drugs will be subject to the regular provisions included in your benefit plan.

#### **a) Benefit Percentage**

Prior to the annual out-of-pocket maximum being reached, the percentage of covered drug expenses payable under this benefit will be as follows:

- i) For any drug on the RAMQ List which is not otherwise covered under the terms of this benefit, the percentage payable is the percentage as set out by legislation.
- ii) For any Legislated pharmacy services which are not otherwise covered under the terms of the Policy, the percentage is as set out by the then applicable Legislation.
- iii) For any drug on the RAMQ List which is covered under the terms of this benefit, the percentage payable is the greater of:
  - the benefit percentage stated under the benefit; or
  - the percentage as set out by the then applicable legislation.

After the annual out-of-pocket maximum has been reached, the percentage of covered drug expenses payable under this benefit will be 100%.

#### **b) Annual Out-of-Pocket Maximum**

The annual out-of-pocket maximum is a portion of covered drug expenses or covered pharmacy services which must be paid by you and your spouse in a calendar year, before the percentage payable under this benefit will be 100%. Amounts that will be applied to the annual out-of-pocket maximum are:

- i) deductible amounts, and
- ii) the portion of covered drug expenses that is paid by an insured person, when the percentage of covered expenses payable under this benefit is less than 100%; and
- iii) covered pharmacy services that are performed by pharmacists for drugs on the RAMQ formulary.

The annual out-of-pocket maximum for you and your spouse is as stipulated in the legislation and includes those portions of covered drug expenses and covered pharmacy services relating to a drug on the RAMQ formulary paid for your dependent children.

For the purposes of calculating the out-of-pocket maximum for you and your spouse, those portions of covered drug expenses and covered pharmacy services paid for your dependent children will be applied to the person who is closest to reaching the annual out-of-pocket maximum.

#### **c) Deductible**

Deductible amounts (if any) for the drug benefit will apply, until the annual out-of-pocket maximum is reached. Thereafter, the deductible will not apply.

#### **d) Lifetime Maximums**

Lifetime maximums (if any) will not apply to drugs on the RAMQ List or covered pharmacy services. Drug and pharmacy service coverage provided after the lifetime maximum stated under this plan is reached is subject to the following conditions:

- i) only drugs that are on the RAMQ List are covered, and
- ii) covered pharmacy services that are performed for drugs on the RAMQ List, and
- iii) the percentage payable by Manulife Financial for covered expenses is the percentage as set out by legislation.

#### **e) Eligible Dependent Children**

Your eligible dependent children who are in full-time attendance at an accredited educational institution will be covered until the later of:

- i) the age specified in this Benefit Booklet or
- ii) age 26.

Drug coverage and covered pharmacy services provided for dependent children after the age stated in this Benefit Booklet is subject to the following conditions:

- only drugs that are on the RAMQ List are covered, and
- covered pharmacy services performed for a drug on the RAMQ List, and
- the percentage payable by Manulife Financial for covered expenses is the percentage as set out by legislation.

#### **f) Termination Age for Covered Drug and Pharmacy Service Expenses**

Provided you are otherwise eligible for the drug benefit, the termination age (if any) for the drug benefit will not apply. Drug coverage provided after the termination age specified under The Benefit is subject to the following conditions:

- i) only drugs that are on the RAMQ List are covered,
- ii) only covered pharmacy services related to a drug on the RAMQ List,
- iii) the percentage payable by Manulife Financial for covered expenses is the percentage as stipulated in the legislation
- iv) the Annual Out-of-Pocket Maximum is as stipulated in the legislation

Coverage for drugs that are listed as a covered expense under this Benefit but not on the RAMQ List will be subject to all the standard provisions included in this Benefit Booklet.

### **Due Diligence**

A process employed by Manulife Financial to assess new drugs, existing drugs with new indications, services or supplies to determine eligibility under the plan. This process may use pharmacoeconomics, cost effectiveness analysis reference information from existing Federal or Provincial formularies, recognized clinical practice guidelines, or an advisory body.

### **Earnings**

Earnings are your regular rate of pay from your employer (prior to deductions)

including regular bonuses

including regular overtime pay

Earnings may include other income as agreed to in writing by your employer and Manulife Financial.

If you are being paid on a commission basis, your earnings will be as reported on your T4/T4A form for the previous two calendar years. If you have less than two years of service with your employer, your earnings will include an average of the total commissions paid over your actual period of employment.

For the purposes of determining the amount of your benefit at the time of claim, your earnings will be the lesser of:

the amount reported on your claim form, or

the amount reported by your employer to Manulife Financial and for which premiums have been paid.

### **Experimental or Investigational**

Not approved as an effective, appropriate and essential treatment of an illness or injury.

### **Interchangeable Drug**

Includes but is not limited to:

a generic equivalent to the brand name drug deemed to be interchangeable by law where the drug is dispensed;

a drug that contains the same active ingredient that has not been deemed interchangeable in the province where the drug is dispensed; but has been identified as interchangeable by Manulife Financial.

### **Lower Cost Alternative**

If two or more drugs, supplies or services result in therapeutically similar results, or prescribing guidelines recommend alternate drugs, supplies or services be tried first that are lower in cost, the lower cost alternative will be considered.

### **Medical and Non Medical Travel Emergencies**

Sudden, unexpected injuries which occur or unforeseen illnesses which begin while travelling out-of-province or out-of-Canada for business or pleasure and for accidents or illnesses that were not previously diagnosed or treated in Canada.

### **Medically Necessary**

Accepted and recognized by the Canadian medical profession and Manulife Financial as effective, appropriate and essential treatment of a phase of an illness or injury. Manulife Financial has the right after due diligence has been completed to determine whether the drug, service or supply is eligible under the Plan.

### **Non-Evidence Limit**

The amount of insurance benefits you can receive without needing to provide proof of good health. Anything over this figure means that Manulife must review medical evidence before you are approved for the higher amount.

### **Out-Of-Pocket Maximum**

This is the maximum amount of money you will have to pay on your own before your insurance benefits begin to take over and pay. It includes things like deductibles, and co-insurance, but not things like co-payments or your monthly premium.

**Prior Authorization**

A claims management feature applied to a specific list of drugs, supplies or services to determine eligibility based on predefined clinical criteria and a pharmacoeconomic or cost effectiveness evaluation.

**Pyogenic Infection**

A bacterial infection or inflammation that produces a generally viscous, yellowish-white fluid formed in infected tissue. The fluid consists of white blood cells, dead tissue and cellular debris.

**Reasonable and Customary Charges**

The lowest of:

the prevailing amount charged for the same or comparable service or supply in the area in which the charge is incurred, as determined by Manulife Financial; or

the amount shown in the applicable professional association fee guide; or

the maximum price established by law