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- Locate a participating vision provider.
- Verify eligibility and plan design information.
- Review claim status and claim history for your entire family.
- View and print processed claims with one click.
- Obtain claims forms\* and educational information.

- Get instant answers to Frequently Asked Questions.
- Access trained customer service representatives.

.....1-855-638-3931

###TDD/TYY for the hearing impaired: 1-800-428-4833

- Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 11 p.m., Eastern Time, to speak with a live customer service representative
- MetLife Vision Claims P.O. Box 997565, Sacramento, CA 95899-7565



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Member Name

**Member Benefits AABN**

Member ID

**TS 05343606**

Group Number

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## Group Vision Benefits Overview

This plan overview will outline your in-network and out-of-network vision benefits, help you find a vision specialist and share MetLife contact information.

### With your Vision Preferred Provider Organization Plan, you can:

- Go to any licensed vision specialist and receive coverage. Just remember your benefit dollars go further when you stay in-network.
- Choose from a large network of ophthalmologists, optometrists and opticians from private practices to retailers like Costco<sup>®</sup> Optical and Visionworks.
- Take advantage of our service agreement with Walmart and Sam's Club—they check your eligibility and process claims even though they are out-of-network.

### In-network value added features:

Additional lens enhancements:<sup>1</sup>  
Average 20-25% savings on all other lens enhancements.

Savings on glasses and sunglasses:<sup>1</sup>  
Get 20% savings on additional pairs of prescription glasses and non-prescription sunglasses, including lens enhancements. At times, other promotional offers may also be available.

Laser vision correction:<sup>2</sup>  
Savings averaging 15% off the regular price or 5% off a promotional offer for laser surgery including PRK, LASIK and Custom LASIK. This offer is only available at MetLife participating locations.

### In-network benefits

There are no claims for you to file when you go to a participating vision specialist. Simply pay your copay and, if applicable, any amount over your allowance at the time of service.

	Frequency
<b>Eye exam</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Eye health exam, dilation, prescription and refraction for glasses: Covered in full.</li> <li>• Retinal imaging:<sup>1</sup>Up to a <b>\$39</b> copay on a routine retinal screening performed by a private practice.</li> </ul>	Once every 12 months
<b>Frame</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Allowance: <b>\$130</b> after <b>\$0</b> eyewear copay</li> <li>• Costco: <b>\$70</b> allowance after <b>\$0</b> eyewear copay</li> </ul> <p>You will receive an additional <b>20%</b> savings on the amount that you pay over your allowance. This offer is available from all participating locations except Costco.<sup>1</sup></p>	Once every <b>24</b> months
<b>Standard corrective lenses</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Single vision, lined bifocal, lined trifocal, lenticular: Covered in full.</li> </ul>	Once every <b>12</b> months
<b>Standard lens enhancements<sup>1</sup></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Polycarbonate (child up to age 18), and <b>Ultraviolet(UV) coating</b>: Covered in full.</li> <li>• Progressive, Polycarbonate (adult), Photochromic, Anti-reflective and Scratch-resistant coatings and Tints: Your cost will be limited to a copay that MetLife has negotiated for you. These copays can be viewed after enrollment at <a href="http://www.metlife.com/mybenefits">www.metlife.com/mybenefits</a>.</li> </ul>	Once every <b>12</b> months
<b>Contact lenses<sup>1</sup></b> (instead of eye glasses) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Contact fitting and evaluation:<sup>1</sup> Covered in full with a maximum copay of <b>\$60</b>.</li> <li>• Elective lenses: <b>\$130</b> allowance</li> <li>• Necessary lenses: Covered in full.</li> </ul>	Once every <b>12</b> months

### We're here to help

Find a participating vision specialist:  
[www.metlife.com](http://www.metlife.com) or call 1-855-MET-EYE1 (1-855-638-3931)

Get a claim form:  
[www.metlife.com](http://www.metlife.com)

General questions:  
[www.metlife.com](http://www.metlife.com) or call 1-855-MET-EYE1 (1-855-638-3931)

To enroll: Contact Member Benefits at 1-800-282-8626

## Out-of-network reimbursement

You pay for services and then submit a claim for reimbursement. The same benefit frequencies for **in-network benefits** apply. Once you enroll, visit [www.metlife.com/mybenefits](http://www.metlife.com/mybenefits) for detailed out-of-network benefits information.

• Eye exam: up to <b>\$45</b>	• Single vision lenses: up to <b>\$30</b>	• Lined trifocal lenses: up to <b>\$65</b>
• Frames: up to <b>\$70</b>	• Lined bifocal lenses: up to <b>\$50</b>	• Progressive lenses: up to <b>\$50</b>
• Contact lenses:	• Lenticular lenses: up to <b>\$100</b>	
- Elective up to <b>\$105</b>		
- Necessary up to <b>\$210</b>		

## Exclusions and Limitations of Benefits

This plan does not cover the following services, materials and treatments

### SERVICES AND EYEWEAR

- Services and/or materials not specifically included in the Vision Plan Benefits Overview (Schedule of Benefits).
- Any portion of a charge above the Maximum Benefit Allowance or reimbursement indicated in the Schedule of Benefits.
- Any eye examination or corrective eyewear required as a condition of employment.
- Services and supplies received by you or your dependent before the Vision Insurance starts.
- Missed appointments.
- Services or materials resulting from or in the course of a Covered Person's regular occupation for pay or profit for which the Covered Person is entitled to benefits under any Worker's Compensation Law, Employer's Liability Law or similar law. You must promptly claim and notify the Company of all such benefits.
- Local, state, and/or federal taxes, except where MetLife is required by law to pay.
- Services or materials received as a result of disease, defect, or injury due to war or an act of war (declared or undeclared), taking part in a riot or insurrection, or committing or attempting to commit a felony.
- Services and materials obtained while outside the United States, except for emergency vision care.
- Services, procedures, or materials for which a charge would not have been made in the absence of insurance.
- Services: (a) for which the employer of the person receiving such services is not required to pay; or (b) received at a facility maintained by the Employer, labor union, mutual benefit association, or VA hospital.
- Services, to the extent such services, or benefits for such services, are available under a Government Plan. This exclusion will apply whether or not the person receiving the services is enrolled for the Government Plan. We will not exclude payment of benefits for such services if the Government Plan requires that Vision Insurance under the Group Policy be paid first. Government Plan means any plan, program, or coverage which is established under the laws or regulations of any government. The term does not include any plan, program, or coverage provided by a government as an employer or Medicare.
- Plano lenses (lenses with refractive correction of less than  $\pm 0.50$  diopter).
- Two pairs of glasses instead of bifocals.
- Replacement of lenses, frames and/or contact lenses, furnished under this Plan which are lost, stolen, or damaged, except at the normal intervals when Plan Benefits are otherwise available.
- Contact lens insurance policies and service agreements.

- Refitting of contact lenses after the initial (90 day) fitting period.
- Contact lens modification, polishing, and cleaning.

### TREATMENTS

- Orthoptics or vision training and any associated supplemental testing.
- Medical and surgical treatment of the eye(s).

### MEDICATIONS

- Prescription and non-prescription medications.

<sup>1</sup> All lens enhancements are available at participating private practices. Maximum copays and pricing are subject to change without notice. Please check with your provider for details and copays applicable to your lens choice. Please contact your local Costco to confirm your availability of lens enhancements and pricing prior to receiving services. Additional discounts may not be available in certain states.

<sup>2</sup> Custom LASIK coverage only available using wavefront technology with the microkeratome surgical device. Other LASIK procedures may be performed at an additional cost to the member. Additional savings on laser vision care is only available at participating locations.

**Important:** If you or your family members are covered by more than one health care plan, you may not be able to collect benefits from both plans. Each plan may require you to follow its rules or use specific doctors and hospitals, and it may be impossible to comply with both plans at the same time. Before you enroll in this plan, read all of the rules very carefully and compare them with the rules of any other plan that covers you or your family.

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MetLife Vision benefits are underwritten by Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, New York, NY. Certain claims and network administration services are provided through Vision Service Plan (VSP), Rancho Cordova, CA. VSP is not affiliated with Metropolitan Life Insurance Company or its affiliates. In certain states, availability of MetLife's Group Vision benefits is subject to regulatory approval. Like most group benefit programs, benefit programs offered by MetLife and its affiliates contain certain exclusions, exceptions, reductions, limitations, waiting periods, and terms for keeping them in force. Please contact MetLife or your plan administrator for costs and complete details.



Metropolitan Life Insurance Company  
200 Park Avenue, New York, New York 10166-0188

**CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE**

Metropolitan Life Insurance Company ("MetLife"), a stock company, certifies that You and Your Dependents are insured for the benefits described in this certificate, subject to the provisions of this certificate. This certificate is issued to You under the Group Policy and it includes the terms and provisions of the Group Policy that describe Your insurance. **PLEASE READ THIS CERTIFICATE CAREFULLY.**

This certificate is part of the Group Policy. The Group Policy is a contract between MetLife and the Policyholder and may be changed or ended without Your consent or notice to You.

Policyholder: American Association of Businesss Networking  
Group Policy Number: TS 05343606-G  
Type of Insurance: Vision Insurance  
MetLife Toll Free Number(s):  
For General Information 1-855-METEYE1

**THIS CERTIFICATE ONLY DESCRIBES VISION INSURANCE.**

**THE BENEFITS OF THE POLICY PROVIDING YOUR COVERAGE ARE GOVERNED PRIMARILY BY THE LAW OF A STATE OTHER THAN FLORIDA.**

**THE GROUP INSURANCE POLICY PROVIDING COVERAGE UNDER THIS CERTIFICATE WAS ISSUED IN A JURISDICTION OTHER THAN MARYLAND AND MAY NOT PROVIDE ALL THE BENEFITS REQUIRED BY MARYLAND LAW.**

**For Residents of North Dakota:** If you are not satisfied with your Certificate, You may return it to Us within 20 days after You receive it, unless a claim has previously been received by Us under Your Certificate. We will refund within 30 days of our receipt of the returned Certificate any Premium that has been paid and the Certificate will then be considered to have never been issued. You should be aware that, if you elect to return the Certificate for a refund of premiums, losses which otherwise would have been covered under your Certificate will not be covered.

**WE ARE REQUIRED BY STATE LAW TO INCLUDE THE NOTICE(S) WHICH APPEAR ON THIS PAGE AND IN THE NOTICE(S) SECTION WHICH FOLLOWS THIS PAGE. PLEASE READ THE(SE) NOTICE(S) CAREFULLY.**

## NOTICE FOR RESIDENTS OF TEXAS

**For Texas Residents:**

### IMPORTANT NOTICE

To obtain information or make a complaint:

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

1-855-METEYE1

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) 475-1771

Web: <http://www.tdi.state.tx.us>

Email: [ConsumerProtection@tdi.state.tx.us](mailto:ConsumerProtection@tdi.state.tx.us)

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

#### **ATTACH THIS NOTICE TO YOUR CERTIFICATE:**

This notice is for information only and does not become a part or condition of the attached document.

**Para Residentes de Texas:**

### AVISO IMPORTANTE

Para obtener informacion o para someter una queja:

Usted puede llamar al numero de telefono gratis de MetLife para informacion o para someter una queja al

1-855-METEYE1

Puede comunicarse con el Departamento de Seguros de Texas para obtener informacion acerca de companias, coberturas, derechos o quejas al

1-800-252-3439

Puede escribir al Departamento de Seguros de Texas  
P.O. Box 149104  
Austin, TX 78714-9104  
Fax # (512) 475-1771

Web: <http://www.tdi.state.tx.us>

Email: [ConsumerProtection@tdi.state.tx.us](mailto:ConsumerProtection@tdi.state.tx.us)

**DISPUTAS SOBRE PRIMAS O RECLAMOS:** Si tiene una disputa concerniente a su prima o a un reclamo, debe comunicarse con MetLife primero. Si no se resuelve la disputa, puede entonces comunicarse con el departamento (TDI).

#### **UNA ESTE AVISO A SU CERTIFICADO:**

Este aviso es solo para proposito de informacion y no se convierte en parte o condicion del documento adjunto.

# NOTICE FOR RESIDENTS OF TEXAS

## Routine Questions on Vision Insurance Claims

If there is any question about a claim payment, an explanation may be requested from MetLife by dialing 1-855-METEYE1.

## Claim Denial Appeals

If a claim is denied in whole or in part, under the terms of this certificate, a request may be submitted to Us by a Covered Person or a Covered Person's authorized representative for a full review of the denial. A Covered Person may designate any person, including their provider, as their authorized representative. References in this section to "Covered Person" include the Covered Person's authorized representative, where applicable.

**Initial Appeal.** All requests for review must be made within one hundred eighty (180) calendar days following denial of a claim. A Covered Person may review, during normal business hours, any documents used by Us pertinent to the denial. A Covered Person may also submit Written comments or supporting documentation concerning the claim to assist in Our review. Our response to the initial appeal, including specific reasons for the decision, shall be communicated to the Covered Person within thirty (30) calendar days after receipt of the request for the appeal.

**Second Level Appeal.** If a Covered Person disagrees with the response to the initial appeal of the denied claim, the Covered Person has the right to a second level appeal. A request for a second level appeal must be submitted to Us within sixty (60) calendar days after receipt of Our response to the initial appeal. We shall communicate Our final determination to the Covered Person within thirty (30) calendar days from receipt of the request, or as required by any applicable state or federal laws or regulations. Our communication to the Covered Person shall include the specific reasons for the determination.

**Other Remedies.** When a Covered Person has completed the appeals stated herein, additional voluntary alternative dispute resolution options may be available, including mediation or arbitration. Additional information is available from the U.S. Department of Labor or the insurance regulatory agency for the Covered Persons' state of residency. Additionally, under the provisions of ERISA (Section 502(a)(1)(B) 29 U.S.C. 1132(a)(1)(B)), the Covered Person has the right to bring a civil action when all available levels of reviews, including the appeal process, have been completed. ERISA remedies may apply in those instances where the claims were not approved in whole or in part as the result of appeals under this Policy and the Covered Person disagrees with the outcome of such appeals.

**Time of Action.** No action in law or in equity shall be brought to recover on this Policy prior to the Covered Person exhausting his/her rights under this Policy and/or prior to the expiration of sixty (60) calendar days after the claim and any applicable documentation has been filed with Us. No such action shall be brought after the expiration of any applicable statute of limitations, in accordance with the terms of this Policy. No such action shall be brought after the expiration of three (3) years from the last date that the claim and any applicable invoices were submitted to Us, and no such action shall be brought at all unless brought within three (3) years from the expiration of the time within which such materials are required to be submitted in accordance with the terms of this Policy.

**Insurance Fraud:** Any Covered Person who intends to defraud, knowingly facilitates a fraud, submits a claim containing false or deceptive information, or who commits any other similar act as defined by applicable state or federal law, is guilty of insurance fraud. Such an act is grounds for immediate termination of the coverage under this Policy of the Covered Person committing such fraud.

## **NOTICE FOR RESIDENTS OF ARKANSAS**

If You have a question concerning Your coverage or a claim, first contact the Policyholder or group account administrator. If, after doing so, You still have a concern, You may call the toll free telephone number shown on the Certificate Face Page.

If You are still concerned after contacting both the Policyholder and MetLife, You should feel free to contact:

Arkansas Insurance Department  
Consumer Services Division  
1200 West Third Street  
Little Rock, Arkansas 72201  
(501) 371-2640 or (800) 852-5494

## **NOTICE FOR RESIDENTS OF CALIFORNIA**

### **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

**TO OBTAIN ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, OR TO MAKE A COMPLAINT, CONTACT THE POLICYHOLDER OR THE METLIFE CLAIM OFFICE SHOWN ON THE EXPLANATION OF BENEFITS YOU RECEIVE AFTER FILING A CLAIM.**

**IF, AFTER CONTACTING THE POLICYHOLDER AND/OR METLIFE, YOU FEEL THAT A SATISFACTORY SOLUTION HAS NOT BEEN REACHED, YOU MAY FILE A COMPLAINT WITH THE CALIFORNIA INSURANCE DEPARTMENT AT:**

**DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE  
300 SOUTH SPRING STREET  
LOS ANGELES, CA 90013  
1 (800) 927-4357**



## NOTICE FOR RESIDENTS OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

California law provides that for vision insurance, domestic partners of California's residents must be treated the same as spouses. If the certificate does not already have a definition of domestic partner, then the following definition applies:

**“Domestic Partner** means each of two people, one of whom is an Member of the Policyholder, a resident of California and who have registered as domestic partners or members of a civil union with the California or another government recognized by California as having similar requirements.

For purposes of determining who may become a Covered Person, the term does not include any person who:

- is in the military of any country or subdivision of a country;
- is insured under the Group Policy as an Member.”

If the certificate already has a definition of domestic partner, that definition will apply to California residents, as long as it recognizes as a domestic partner any person registered as the Member's domestic partner with the California government or another government recognized by California as having similar requirements.

Wherever the term Spouse appears, except in the definition of Spouse, it shall be replaced by Spouse or Domestic Partner.

Wherever the term step-child appears, it is replaced by step-child or child of Your Domestic Partner.

## **NOTICE FOR RESIDENTS OF GEORGIA**

### **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

The laws of the state of Georgia prohibit insurers from unfairly discriminating against any person based upon his or her status as a victim of family violence.

## **NOTICE FOR RESIDENTS OF IDAHO**

If You have a question concerning Your coverage or a claim, first contact the Policyholder. If, after doing so, You still have a concern, You may call the toll free telephone number shown on the Certificate Face Page.

If You are still concerned after contacting both the Policyholder and MetLife, You should feel free to contact:

Idaho Department of Insurance  
Consumer Affairs  
700 West State Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor  
PO Box 83720  
Boise, Idaho 83720-0043  
1-800-721-3272 or [www.DOI.Idaho.gov](http://www.DOI.Idaho.gov)

## **NOTICE FOR RESIDENTS OF ILLINOIS**

### **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

To make a complaint to MetLife, You may write to:

MetLife  
P.O. Box 997100  
Sacramento, CA 95899-7100

The address of the Illinois Department of Insurance is:

Illinois Department of Insurance  
Public Services Division  
Springfield, Illinois 62767

## **NOTICE FOR RESIDENTS OF NORTH CAROLINA**

UNDER NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL STATUTE SECTION 58-50-40, NO PERSON, EMPLOYER, PRINCIPAL, AGENT, TRUSTEE, OR THIRD PARTY ADMINISTRATOR, WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PAYMENT OF GROUP HEALTH OR LIFE INSURANCE OR GROUP HEALTH PLAN PREMIUMS, SHALL:

(1) CAUSE THE CANCELLATION OR NONRENEWAL OF GROUP HEALTH OR LIFE INSURANCE, HOSPITAL, MEDICAL, OR DENTAL SERVICE CORPORATION PLAN, MULTIPLE EMPLOYER WELFARE ARRANGEMENT, OR GROUP HEALTH PLAN COVERAGES AND THE CONSEQUENTIAL LOSS OF THE COVERAGES OF THE PERSONS INSURED, BY WILLFULLY FAILING TO PAY THOSE PREMIUMS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS OF THE INSURANCE OR PLAN CONTRACT, AND

(2) WILLFULLY FAIL TO DELIVER, AT LEAST 45 DAYS BEFORE THE TERMINATION OF THOSE COVERAGES, TO ALL PERSONS COVERED BY THE GROUP POLICY A WRITTEN NOTICE OF THE PERSON'S INTENTION TO STOP PAYMENT OF PREMIUMS. THIS WRITTEN NOTICE MUST ALSO CONTAIN A NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS COVERED BY THE GROUP POLICY OF THEIR RIGHTS TO HEALTH INSURANCE CONVERSION POLICIES UNDER ARTICLE 53 OF CHAPTER 58 OF THE GENERAL STATUTES AND THEIR RIGHTS TO PURCHASE INDIVIDUAL POLICIES UNDER THE FEDERAL HEALTH INSURANCE PORTABILITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT AND UNDER ARTICLE 68 OF CHAPTER 58 OF THE GENERAL STATUTES.

VIOLATION OF THIS LAW IS A FELONY. ANY PERSON VIOLATING THIS LAW IS ALSO SUBJECT TO A COURT ORDER REQUIRING THE PERSON TO COMPENSATE PERSONS INSURED FOR EXPENSES OR LOSSES INCURRED AS A RESULT OF THE TERMINATION OF THE INSURANCE.

## **NOTICE FOR RESIDENTS OF NORTH DAKOTA**

### **FREE LOOK PERIOD FOR LIFE AND HEALTH INSURANCE**

If You are not satisfied with Your certificate, You may return it to Us within 20 days after You receive it, unless a claim has previously been received by Us under Your certificate. We will refund within 30 days of Our receipt of the returned certificate any Premium that has been paid and the certificate will then be considered to have never been issued. You should be aware that, if You elect to return the certificate for a refund of premiums. Losses which otherwise would have been covered under Your certificate will not be covered.

## **NOTICE FOR RESIDENTS OF PENNSYLVANIA**

Vision Insurance for a Dependent Child may be continued past the age limit if that Child is a full-time student and insurance ends due to the Child being ordered to active duty (other than active duty for training) for 30 or more consecutive days as a member of the Pennsylvania National Guard or a Reserve Component of the Armed Forces of the United States.

Insurance will continue if such Child:

- re-enrolls as a full-time student at an accredited school, college or university that is licensed in the jurisdiction where it is located;
- re-enrolls for the first term or semester, beginning 60 or more days from the child's release from active duty;
- continues to qualify as a Child, except for the age limit; and
- submits the required Proof of the child's active duty in the National Guard or a Reserve Component of the United States Armed Forces.

Subject to the Date Insurance For Your Dependents Ends subsection of the section entitled ELIGIBILITY PROVISIONS: INSURANCE FOR YOUR DEPENDENTS, this continuation will continue until the earliest of the date:

- the insurance has been continued for a period of time equal to the duration of the child's service on active duty; or
- the child is no longer a full-time student.

## NOTICE FOR RESIDENTS OF UTAH

### Notice of Protection Provided by Utah Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association

This notice provides a brief summary of the Utah Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association ("the Association") and the protection it provides for policyholders. This safety net was created under Utah law, which determines who and what is covered and the amounts of coverage.

The Association was established to provide protection in the unlikely event that your life, health, or annuity insurance company becomes financially unable to meet its obligations and is taken over by its insurance regulatory agency. If this should happen, the Association will typically arrange to continue coverage and pay claims, in accordance with Utah law, with funding from assessments paid by other insurance companies.

The basic protections provided by the Association are:

- Life Insurance
  - o \$500,000 in death benefits
  - o \$200,000 in cash surrender or withdrawal values
- Health Insurance
  - o \$500,000 in hospital, medical and surgical insurance benefits
  - o \$500,000 in long-term care insurance benefits
  - o \$500,000 in disability income insurance benefits
  - o \$500,000 in other types of health insurance benefits
- Annuities
  - o \$250,000 in withdrawal and cash values

The maximum amount of protection for each individual, regardless of the number of policies or contracts, is \$500,000. Special rules may apply with regard to hospital, medical and surgical insurance benefits.

**Note: Certain policies and contracts may not be covered or fully covered.** For example, coverage does not extend to any portion of a policy or contract that the insurer does not guarantee, such as certain investment additions to the account value of a variable life insurance policy or a variable annuity contract. Coverage is conditioned on residency in this state and there are substantial limitations and exclusions. For a complete description of coverage, consult Utah Code, Title 3 IA, Chapter 28.

Insurance companies and agents are prohibited by Utah law to use the existence of the Association or its coverage to encourage you to purchase insurance. When selecting an insurance company, you should not rely on Association coverage. If there is any inconsistency between Utah law and this notice, Utah law will control.

To learn more about the above protections, as well as protections relating to group contracts or retirement plans, please visit the Association's website at [www.utlifega.org](http://www.utlifega.org) or contact:

Utah Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Assoc.  
60 East South Temple, Suite 500  
Salt Lake City UT 84111  
(801) 320-9955

Utah Insurance Department  
3110 State Office Building  
Salt Lake City UT 84114-6901  
(801) 538-3800

A written complaint about misuse of this Notice or the improper use of the existence of the Association may be filed with the Utah Insurance Department at the above address.



## NOTICE FOR RESIDENTS OF VIRGINIA

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING YOUR INSURANCE

In the event You need to contact someone about this insurance for any reason please contact Your agent. If no agent was involved in the sale of this insurance, or if You have additional questions You may contact the insurance company issuing this insurance at the following address and telephone number:

MetLife  
P.O. Box 997100  
Sacramento, CA 95899-7100

To phone in a claim related question, You may call Claims Customer Service at:  
1-855-METEYE1

If You have been unable to contact or obtain satisfaction from the company or the agent, You may contact the Virginia State Corporation Commission's Bureau of Insurance at:

The Office of the Managed Care Ombudsman  
Bureau of Insurance  
P.O. Box 1157  
Richmond, VA 23209  
1-877-310-6560 - toll-free  
1-804-371-9032 - locally  
[www.scc.virginia.gov](http://www.scc.virginia.gov) - web address  
[ombudsman@scc.virginia.gov](mailto:ombudsman@scc.virginia.gov) - email

Or:

The Virginia Department of Health (The Center for Quality Health Care Services and Consumer Protection)  
3600 West Broad St  
Suite 216  
Richmond, VA 23230  
1-800-955-1819

Written correspondence is preferable so that a record of Your inquiry is maintained. When contacting Your agent, company or the Bureau of Insurance, have Your policy number available.

## **NOTICE FOR RESIDENTS OF VIRGINIA**

### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING YOUR INSURANCE**

If You have any questions regarding an appeal or grievance concerning the vision services that You have been provided that have not been satisfactorily addressed by this Vision Insurance, You may contact the Virginia Office of the Managed Care Ombudsman for assistance.

You may contact the Virginia Office of the Managed Care Ombudsman either by dialing toll free at (877) 310-6560, or locally at (804) 371-9032, via the internet at Web address [www.scc.virginia.gov](http://www.scc.virginia.gov), email at [ombudsman@scc.virginia.gov](mailto:ombudsman@scc.virginia.gov), or mail to:

The Office of the Managed Care Ombudsman  
Bureau of Insurance, P.O. Box 1157  
Richmond, VA 23218

## NOTICE FOR RESIDENTS OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

Washington law provides that the following apply to Your certificate:

Wherever the term "**Spouse**" appears in this certificate it shall, unless otherwise specified, be read to include Your Domestic Partner.

**Domestic Partner** means each of two people, one of whom is an Member of the Policyholder, who have registered as each other's domestic partner, civil union partner or reciprocal beneficiary with a government agency where such registration is available.

Wherever the term "step-child" appears in this certificate it shall be read to include the children of Your Domestic Partner.

## **NOTICE FOR RESIDENTS OF WEST VIRGINIA**

### **FREE LOOK PERIOD:**

If You are not satisfied with Your certificate, You may return it to Us within 10 days after You receive it, unless a claim has previously been received by Us under Your certificate. We will refund within 10 days of our receipt of the returned certificate any Premium that has been paid and the certificate will then be considered to have never been issued. You should be aware that, if You elect to return the certificate for a refund of premiums, losses which otherwise would have been covered under Your certificate will not be covered.

## NOTICE FOR RESIDENTS OF WISCONSIN

### KEEP THIS NOTICE WITH YOUR INSURANCE PAPERS

**PROBLEMS WITH YOUR INSURANCE?** - If you are having problems with your insurance company or agent, do not hesitate to contact the insurance company or agent to resolve your problem.

MetLife  
P.O. Box 997100  
Sacramento, CA 95899-7100  
1-855-METEYE1

You can also contact the **OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE**, a state agency which enforces Wisconsin's insurance laws, and file a complaint. You can contact the **OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE** by contacting:

Office of the Commissioner of Insurance  
Complaints Department  
P.O. Box 7873  
Madison, WI 53707-7873  
1-800-236-8517 outside of Madison or 608-266-0103 in Madison.

# **NOTICE FOR RESIDENTS OF ALL STATES WHO ARE INSURED FOR VISION INSURANCE**

## **Notice Regarding Your Rights and Responsibilities**

### **Rights:**

- We will treat communications, financial records and records pertaining to your care in accordance with all applicable laws relating to privacy.
- Decisions with respect to vision treatment are the responsibility of You and the Vision Provider. We neither require nor prohibit any specified treatment. However, only certain specified services are covered for benefits. Please see the Vision Insurance sections of this certificate for more details.
- You may request a written response from MetLife to any written concern or complaint.

### **Responsibilities:**

- You are responsible for the prompt payment of any charges for services performed by the Vision Provider not fully covered by your Vision Insurance.
- You should consult with the Vision Provider about treatment options, proposed and potential procedures, anticipated outcomes, potential risks, anticipated benefits and alternatives. You should share with the Vision Provider the most current, complete and accurate information about your medical and vision history and current conditions and medications.
- You should follow the treatment plans and health care recommendations agreed upon by You and the Vision Provider.

## **NOTICE FOR RESIDENTS OF LOUISIANA, MINNESOTA, MONTANA, NEW MEXICO, TEXAS, UTAH AND WASHINGTON**

### **The Definition of Child In The Definitions Section Of This Certificate Is Modified For The Coverage Listed Below:**

#### **For Louisiana Residents (Vision Insurance):**

The term also includes Your grandchildren residing with You. The age limit for children and grandchildren will not be less than 26, regardless of the child's or grandchild's marital status, student status or full-time employment status. Your natural child, adopted child, stepchild or grandchild under age 26 will not need to be supported by You to qualify as a Child under this insurance. In addition, marital status will not prevent or cease the continuation of insurance for a mentally or physically handicapped child or grandchild past the age limit.

#### **For Minnesota Residents (Vision Insurance):**

The term also includes Your grandchildren who are financially dependent upon You and reside with You continuously from birth. The age limit for children and grandchildren will not be less than 25 regardless of the child's or grandchild's student status or full-time employment status. Your natural child, adopted child or stepchild under age 25 will not need to be supported by You to qualify as a Child under this insurance.

#### **For Montana Residents (Vision Insurance):**

The term also includes newborn infants of any person insured under this certificate. The age limit for children will not be less than 25, regardless of the child's student status or full-time employment status. Your natural child, adopted child or stepchild under age 25 will not need to be supported by You to qualify as a child under this insurance.

#### **For New Mexico Residents (Vision Insurance):**

The age limit for children will not be less than 25, regardless of the child's student status or full-time employment status. Your natural child, adopted child or stepchild will not be denied vision insurance coverage under this certificate because:

- that child was born out of wedlock;
- that child is not claimed as Your dependent on Your federal income tax return; or
- that child does not reside with You.

#### **For Texas Residents (Vision Insurance):**

The term also includes Your grandchildren. The age limit for children and grandchildren will not be less than 25, regardless of the child's or grandchild's student status, full-time employment status or military service status. Your natural child, adopted child or stepchild under age 25 will not need to be supported by You to qualify as a Child under this insurance. In addition, grandchildren must be able to be claimed by You as a dependent for Federal Income Tax purposes at the time You applied for Insurance.

#### **For Utah Residents (Vision Insurance):**

The age limit for children will not be less than 26, regardless of the child's student status or full-time employment status. Your natural child, adopted child or stepchild under age 26 will not need to be supported by You to qualify as a Child under this insurance.

#### **For Washington Residents (Vision Insurance):**

The age limit for children will not be less than 26, regardless of the child's marital status, student status, or full-time employment status. Your natural child, adopted child or stepchild under age 26 will not need to be supported by You to qualify as a Child under this insurance.

## **NOTICE FOR RESIDENTS OF ALL STATES FRAUD WARNING**

If You have applied for insurance under a policy issued in one of the following states, **or** if You reside in one of the following states, note the following applicable warning:

### **For Residents of New York - only applies to Accident and Health Insurance**

Any person who knowingly and with intent to defraud any insurance company or other person files an application for insurance or statement of claim containing any materially false information, or conceals for the purpose of misleading, information concerning any fact material thereto, commits a fraudulent insurance act, which is a crime, and shall also be subject to a civil penalty not to exceed five thousand dollars and the stated value of the claim for each such violation.

### **For Residents of Florida**

Any person who knowingly and with intent to injure, defraud or deceive any insurer files a statement of claim or an application containing any false, incomplete or misleading information is guilty of a felony of the third degree.

### **For Residents of Massachusetts**

Any person who knowingly and with intent to defraud any insurance company or other person files an application for insurance or a statement of claim containing any materially false information or conceals, for the purpose of misleading, information concerning any fact material thereto commits a fraudulent insurance act, and may subject such person to criminal and civil penalties.

### **For Residents of New Jersey**

Any person who includes any false or misleading information on an application for an insurance policy or who knowingly files a statement of claim containing any false or misleading information is subject to criminal and civil penalties.

### **For Residents of Oklahoma**

Any person who knowingly, and with intent to injure, defraud or deceive any insurer, makes any claim for the proceeds of an insurance policy containing any false, incomplete or misleading information is guilty of a felony.

### **For Residents of Kansas, Oregon and Vermont**

Any person who knowingly and with intent to defraud any insurance company or other person files an application for insurance containing any materially false information or conceals, for the purpose of misleading, information concerning any fact material thereto may be guilty of insurance fraud, and may be subject to criminal and civil penalties.

### **For Residents of Puerto Rico**

Any person who, knowingly and with the intent to defraud, presents false information in an insurance request form, or who presents, helps or has presented, a fraudulent claim for the payment of a loss or other benefit, or presents more than one claim for the same damage or loss, will incur a felony, and upon conviction will be penalized for each violation with a fine no less than five thousand (5,000) dollars nor more than ten thousand (10,000), or imprisonment for a fixed term of three (3) years, or both penalties. If aggravated circumstances prevail, the fixed established imprisonment may be increased to a maximum of five (5) years; if attenuating circumstances prevail, it may be reduced to a minimum of two (2) years.

### **For Residents of Virginia and Washington**

It is a crime to provide knowingly false, incomplete or misleading information to an insurance company for the purpose of defrauding the company. Penalties include imprisonment, fines and denial of insurance benefits.

### **For Residents of All Other States**

Any person who knowingly and with intent to defraud any insurance company or other person files an application for insurance or a statement of claim containing any materially false information or conceals, for the purpose of misleading, information concerning any fact material thereto commits a fraudulent insurance act, which is a crime and subjects such person to criminal and civil penalties.



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## SCHEDULE OF BENEFITS

This schedule shows the benefits that are available under the Group Policy. You and Your Dependents will only be insured for the benefits:

- for which You and Your Dependents become and remain eligible, and
- which You elect, if subject to election; and
- which are in effect.

### BENEFIT

### BENEFIT AMOUNT AND HIGHLIGHTS

#### Vision Insurance For You and Your Dependents

#### For All Members who elect the High Option Vision Plan excluding Texas residents

Service Interval (months)	Exam	Lenses	Frame	Contacts
	12	12	24	12

<b>Exam In-Network Co-Pay</b>	\$0
<b>Materials In-Network Co-Pay</b> <i>Co-payment shall not apply to Elective Contact Lenses</i>	\$0

	In-Network Coverage (Using an In-Network Vision Provider)		Out-of-Network Coverage (Using an Out-of-Network Vision Provider)	
<b>EYE EXAMINATION</b> <b>(one per frequency)</b>	<b>Covered in full*</b> Comprehensive examination of visual functions and prescription of corrective eyewear.		<b>Covered up to \$45 allowance</b> Comprehensive examination of visual functions and prescription of corrective eyewear.	
<b>STANDARD CORRECTIVE LENSES</b>	<b>Covered in full after Materials co-pay*</b> Lenses (Single, Lined Bifocal, Lined Trifocal or Lenticular)		Single Vision	\$30 allowance
			Lined Bifocal	\$50 allowance
			Lined Trifocal	\$65 allowance
			Lenticular	\$100 allowance
<b>STANDARD LENS OPTIONS<sup>1</sup></b>	Ultra Violet Coating	Covered in full*	Applied to the allowance for the applicable corrective lens	
	Polycarbonate (child up to age 18)	Covered in full*		
	Progressive		\$50 allowance	
	Polycarbonate (adult) Scratch Resistant Coating Tints Anti-Reflective Coating Photochromic  These lens options are available with "not to exceed" pricing/maximum copay. <sup>1</sup>		Applied to the allowance for the applicable corrective lens	

## SCHEDULE OF BENEFITS (CONTINUED)

	<b>In-Network Coverage (Using an In-Network Vision Provider)</b>	<b>Out-of-Network Coverage (Using an Out-of-Network Vision Provider)</b>
<b>FRAMES</b>	<p><b>Covered up to a \$130* allowance</b></p> <p>Frames are covered to the allowance of \$70* at Costco locations.</p> <p>In-Network Vision Providers prescribe and/or order Covered Person's lenses, verify the accuracy of finished lenses, and assist Covered Person with frame selection and adjustment.</p> <p>Frames are covered up to the allowance of \$70* at Costco and \$130* at other optical retail locations.</p>	<p><b>Covered up to a \$70 allowance</b></p>

	<b>In-Network Coverage (Using an In-Network Vision Provider)</b>	<b>Out-of-Network Coverage (Using an Out-of-Network Vision Provider)</b>
<b>CONTACT LENSES</b>		
<b>FITTING AND EVALUATION</b>	<p><b>Standard and Premium fit:</b></p> <p>Covered Person receives 15% off of contact lens exam services; Covered Persons Co-payment will never exceed \$60.</p>	<p><b>Applied to the allowance for the contact lenses</b></p>
<b>ELECTIVE</b>	<p><b>Covered up to \$130</b></p> <p>Contact lenses are provided in place of lens and frame benefits available herein.</p>	<p><b>Covered up to \$105</b></p> <p>Contact lenses are provided in place of lens and frame benefits available herein.</p>
<b>NECESSARY</b>	<p><b>Covered in full after material Co-payment*</b></p> <p>Necessary contact lenses are a Plan Benefit when specific benefit criteria are satisfied and when prescribed by Covered Person's In-Network Vision Provider.</p> <p>Contact lenses are provided in place of lens and frame benefits available herein.</p>	<p><b>Covered up to \$210</b></p> <p>Necessary contact lenses are a Plan Benefit when specific benefit criteria are satisfied and when prescribed by Covered Person's In-Network Vision Provider.</p> <p>Contact lenses are provided in place of lens and frame benefits available herein.</p>

<b>Value Added Features</b>	
<b>ADDITIONAL DISCOUNTS ON GLASSES AND SUNGLASSES</b>	20% Discount off additional pairs of prescription glasses and non-prescription sunglasses. Including lens options.
<b>LASER VISION CORRECTION</b>	Discounts averaging 15-20% off the regular price or 5% off a promotional offer for laser surgery including PRK, LASIK, and Custom LASIK. Discounts only available from MetLife participating facilities.

\* Less any applicable Co-payment.

<sup>1</sup> All lens options are available at participating private practice provider offices, and not to exceed copays and pricing are subject to change without notice. Please check with your provider for details and copays applicable to your lens choice. At this time, all lens options and "not to exceed" copays and pricing are not available at Costco. Please contact your local Costco to confirm the availability of lens options and pricing prior to receiving services.

## DEFINITIONS

As used in this certificate, the terms listed below will have the meanings set forth below. When defined terms are used in this certificate, they will appear with initial capitalization. The plural use of a term defined in the singular will share the same meaning.

**Anisometropia** means a condition of unequal refractive state of the two eyes, one eye requiring a different lens correction than the other.

**Child** means the following: (for residents of Louisiana, Minnesota, Montana, New Mexico, Texas, Utah and Washington, the Child Definition is modified as explained in the Notice pages of this certificate - please consult the Notice):

For Vision Insurance, Your natural or adopted child; Your stepchild (including the child of a Domestic Partner) or a child who resides with and is fully supported by You; and who, in each case, is under age 26.

The definition of Child includes newborns.

The definition of Child includes an adopted Child beginning on the later of:

- the child's date of birth; or
- the date You initiate an application for adoption of the child.

If You provide Us notice, a Child also includes a child for whom You must provide Vision Insurance due to a Qualified Medical Child Support Order as defined in the United States Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 as amended.

**The term does not include** any person who:

- is on active duty in the military of any country or international authority; however, active duty for this purpose does not include weekend or summer training for the reserve forces of the United States, including the National Guard; or
- is insured under the Group Policy as a Member.

**Contributory Insurance** means insurance for which the Policyholder requires You to pay any part of the premium.

Contributory Insurance includes: Vision Insurance for You and Vision Insurance for Your Dependents.

**Co-Payment or Co-Pay** means a fixed dollar amount for which We are not responsible, as shown in the Schedule of Benefits. You must pay Your Co-Payment at the time services are rendered or materials ordered.

**Covered Person(s)** means a Member and/or a Dependent covered under this Certificate.

**Covered Services and Materials** means a vision service or materials used to treat Your or Your Dependent's vision condition which is:

- prescribed or performed by a Vision Provider while such person is insured for Vision Insurance;
- Necessary to treat the condition; and
- described in the SCHEDULE OF BENEFITS, VISION INSURANCE, or VISION INSURANCE: DESCRIPTION OF COVERED SERVICES AND MATERIALS sections of this certificate.

**Dependent(s)** means Your Spouse and/or Child.

**Domestic Partner** means each of two people, one of whom is a Member of the Policyholder, who:

## DEFINITIONS (Continued)

- have registered as each other's domestic partner, civil union partner or reciprocal beneficiary with a government agency where such registration is available; or
- are of the same or opposite sex and have a mutually dependent relationship so that each has an insurable interest in the life of the other. Each person must be:
  1. 18 years of age or older;
  2. unmarried;
  3. the sole domestic partner of the other person and have been so for the immediately preceding 6 months;
  4. sharing a primary residence with the other person and have been so for the immediately preceding 6 months; and
  5. not related to the other in a manner that would bar their marriage in the jurisdiction in which they reside.

A Domestic Partner declaration attesting to the existence of an insurable interest in one another's lives must be completed and Signed by the Member.

**In-Network Vision Provider** means an optometrist, ophthalmologist, or optician licensed and otherwise qualified to practice vision care and/or provide vision care materials who is contracted to provide Plan Benefits to Covered Persons of MetLife and accepts reimbursement at the negotiated rate.

**Keratoconus** means a development or dystrophic deformity of the cornea in which it becomes cone shaped due to a thinning and stretching of the tissue in its central area.

**Maximum Benefit Allowance** means the maximum amount We will allow for Covered Services and Materials provided by a Vision Provider.

**Member** means a dues paying member, in good standing, of The Association of Professionals.

**Necessary** means Covered Services and Materials that are necessary and meet with professionally recognized standards of practice. The fact that a Vision Provider may prescribe, order, recommend or approve a service or material does not, in itself, make it medically necessary, or make it a Covered Service and Material even though it is listed in the Group Policy or the Benefit Schedule as Covered Service and Material.

**Noncontributory Insurance** means insurance for which You are not required to pay any part of the premium.

**Out-of-Network Vision Provider/Non-Network Vision Provider** means any optometrist, optician, ophthalmologist or other licensed and qualified vision care provider who has not contracted to provide vision care services and/or vision care materials to Covered Persons of MetLife.

**Plan or Plan Benefits** means the vision care services and vision care materials which a Covered Person is entitled to receive by virtue of coverage under this Certificate.

**Progressive Lens** means a multifocal lens that makes the transition from distance to near vision by a gradual, progressive addition of power. The result is a lens with a seamless appearance.

**Proof** means Written evidence satisfactory to Us that a person has satisfied the conditions and requirements for any benefit described in this certificate. When a claim is made for any benefit described in this certificate, Proof must establish:

- the nature and extent of the loss or condition;
- Our obligation to pay the claim; and
- the claimant's right to receive payment.

## DEFINITIONS (Continued)

Proof must be provided at the claimant's expense.

**Service Interval or Frequency** means a period of consecutive months, as shown in the SCHEDULE OF BENEFITS, in which You or Your Dependent may receive Covered Services and Materials. This period starts on Your or Your Dependent's effective date of coverage. A subsequent service interval starts after vision services or materials are received. Once Covered Services and Materials are received during any service interval, additional services are not covered during the same service interval and are subject to an additional charge.

**Signed** means any symbol or method executed or adopted by a person with the present intention to authenticate a record, which is on or transmitted by paper or electronic media which is acceptable to Us and consistent with applicable law.

**Spouse** means Your lawful spouse. The term also includes Your Domestic Partner

**The term does not include** any person who:

- is on active duty in the military of any country or international authority; however, active duty for this purpose does not include weekend or summer training for the reserve forces of the United States, including the National Guard; or
- is insured under the Group Policy as a Member.

**Vision Provider** means an eye care professional who is an optometrist, ophthalmologist, or registered dispensing optician, who:

- Is licensed as such by the proper authorities in the jurisdiction where such services are performed;
- Is acting within the scope of such license; and

**The term does not include:**

- You;
- Your Spouse; or
- any member of Your immediate family including Your and/or Your Spouse's:
  - parents;
  - children (natural, step or adopted);
  - siblings;
  - grandparents; or
  - grandchildren.

**We, Us and Our** mean MetLife.

**Written or Writing** means a record which is on or transmitted by paper or electronic media which is acceptable to Us and consistent with applicable law.

**Year or Yearly** means the 12 month period that begins January 1.

**You and Your** mean a Member who is insured under the Group Policy for the insurance described in this certificate.

## **ELIGIBILITY PROVISIONS: INSURANCE FOR YOU**

### **ELIGIBLE CLASS(ES)**

All Members who elect the High Option Vision Plan excluding Texas residents

### **DATE YOU ARE ELIGIBLE FOR INSURANCE**

You may only become eligible for the insurance available for Your class as shown in the SCHEDULE OF BENEFITS.

#### **For All Members who elect the High Option Vision Plan excluding Texas residents**

If You are in an eligible class on January 01, 2014, You will be eligible for insurance on that date.

If You enter an eligible class after January 01, 2014, You will be eligible for insurance on the date You enter that class.

### **ENROLLMENT PROCESS FOR VISION INSURANCE**

If You are eligible for insurance, You may enroll for such insurance by completing the required form in Writing. If You enroll for Contributory Insurance, You will be notified how much You will be required to contribute.

### **DATE YOUR INSURANCE TAKES EFFECT**

#### **Rules for Contributory Insurance**

If You complete the enrollment process for Contributory Vision Insurance, such insurance will take effect on the later of:

- the date You become eligible for such insurance; and
- the date You enroll

and benefits will become effective after you satisfy the timely entrant benefit waiting period(s) as shown in the SCHEDULE OF BENEFITS.

If You enroll for insurance and You subsequently cancel coverage or allow the insurance to lapse, You may not re-enroll for insurance for a period of 24 months.

### **DATE YOUR INSURANCE ENDS**

Your insurance will end on the earliest of:

1. the date the Group Policy ends;
2. the date insurance ends for Your class;
3. the end of the period for which the last premium has been paid for You;
4. the date You cease to be a Member.

In certain cases insurance may be continued as stated in the section entitled CONTINUATION OF INSURANCE WITH PREMIUM PAYMENT.

## **ELIGIBILITY PROVISIONS: INSURANCE FOR YOUR DEPENDENTS**

### **ELIGIBLE CLASS(ES) FOR DEPENDENT INSURANCE**

All Members who elect the High Option Vision Plan excluding Texas residents

### **DATE YOU ARE ELIGIBLE FOR DEPENDENT INSURANCE**

You may only become eligible for the Dependent insurance available for Your eligible class as shown in the SCHEDULE OF BENEFITS.

#### **For All Members who elect the High Option Vision Plan excluding Texas residents**

If You are in an eligible class on January 01, 2014, You will be eligible for Dependent insurance on that date.

If You enter an eligible class after January 01, 2014, You will be eligible for Dependent insurance on the date You enter that class.

**Waiting Period** means the period of continuous membership in an eligible class that You must wait before You become eligible for Dependent insurance. This period begins on the date You enter an eligible class and ends on the date You complete the period(s) specified.

No person may be insured as a Dependent of more than one Member.

### **ENROLLMENT PROCESS FOR DEPENDENT VISION INSURANCE**

If You are eligible for Dependent Insurance, You may enroll for such insurance by completing the required form in Writing for each Dependent to be insured. If You enroll for Contributory Insurance, You will be notified how much You will be required to contribute.

In order to enroll for Vision Insurance for Your Dependents, You must either (a) already be enrolled for Vision Insurance for You or (b) enroll at the same time for Vision Insurance for You.

### **DATE YOUR INSURANCE TAKES EFFECT FOR YOUR DEPENDENTS**

#### **Rules for Contributory Insurance**

If You request Contributory Dependent Insurance, such insurance will take effect as follows:

- if You are not required to give evidence of Your insurability, such insurance will take effect on the date You become eligible and benefits will become effective after the dependent satisfies the timely entrant benefit waiting period(s) as shown in the SCHEDULE OF BENEFITS.
- if You are **required** to give evidence of Your insurability and We determine that You are insurable, such insurance will take effect on the date We state in Writing and benefits will become effective after the dependent satisfies the timely entrant benefit waiting period(s) as shown in the SCHEDULE OF BENEFITS.

### **DATE YOUR INSURANCE FOR YOUR DEPENDENTS ENDS**

A Dependent's insurance will end on the earliest of:

1. the date Your Vision Insurance ends;
2. the date You die;
3. the date the Group Policy ends;



## **ELIGIBILITY PROVISIONS: INSURANCE FOR YOUR DEPENDENTS**

4. the date Insurance for Your Dependents ends under the Group Policy;
5. the date Insurance for Your Dependents ends for Your class;
6. the date You cease to be a Member;
7. the end of the period for which the last premium has been paid;
8. the date the person ceases to be a Dependent;
9. for Utah residents, the last day of the calendar month the person ceases to be a Dependent.

In certain cases insurance may be continued as stated in the section entitled CONTINUATION OF INSURANCE WITH PREMIUM PAYMENT.

## **CONTINUATION OF INSURANCE WITH PREMIUM PAYMENT**

### **FOR MENTALLY OR PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED CHILDREN**

Insurance for a Dependent Child may be continued past the age limit if that child is incapable of self-sustaining employment because of a mental or physical handicap as defined by applicable law. Proof of such handicap must be sent to Us within 31 days after the date the Child attains the age limit and at reasonable intervals after such date.

Subject to the DATE INSURANCE FOR YOUR DEPENDENTS ENDS subsection of the section entitled ELIGIBILITY PROVISIONS: INSURANCE FOR YOUR DEPENDENTS, insurance will continue while such Child:

- remains incapable of self-sustaining employment because of a mental or physical handicap; and
- continues to qualify as a Child, except for the age limit.

## **EVIDENCE OF INSURABILITY**

No evidence of insurability is required for the insurance described in this certificate.

## **VISION INSURANCE**

Benefits are available for Covered Services and Materials provided by either In-Network Vision Providers or Out-of-Network Vision Providers. However, You may be able to reduce Your out-of-pocket costs by using In-Network Vision Providers because Out-of-Network Vision Providers have not entered into an agreement to limit their charges. You are always free to receive services from any Vision Provider. You do not need any authorization from Us before seeing a Vision Provider.

In-Network Vision Providers have agreed to provide Covered Services and Materials as listed in the SCHEDULE OF BENEFITS.

If You or a Dependent incur a charge for Covered Services and Materials from an Out-of-Network Vision Provider, Proof of such service must be sent to Us. When We receive such Proof, We will review the claim and if We approve it, will pay the insurance in effect on the date that service was completed.

The benefits available under this Vision Insurance are set forth on the SCHEDULE OF BENEFITS. In addition to the Co-Payment, if applicable, You may be responsible for:

- the cost of any services or materials that are not Covered Services and Materials; and
- the cost of any service or material that is in excess of the Maximum Benefit Allowance listed on the SCHEDULE OF BENEFITS.

We do not provide vision services. Whether or not benefits are available for a particular service does not mean You should or should not receive the service. You and Your Vision Provider have the right and are responsible at all times for choosing the course of treatment and services to be performed.

When requesting Covered Services and Materials from an In-Network Vision Provider, We recommend that You confirm that the Vision Provider is currently an In-Network Vision Provider at the time that the Covered Services and Materials are provided.

You can obtain a customized listing of MetLife's In-Network Vision Providers either by calling 1-855-METEYE1 or by visiting Our website at [www.metlife.com/mybenefits](http://www.metlife.com/mybenefits).

## **PLAN BENEFITS**

We will pay benefits for charges incurred by You or a Dependent for Covered Services and Materials as shown in the SCHEDULE OF BENEFITS, subject to the conditions set forth in this certificate.

If You receive Covered Services and Materials from an In-Network Vision Provider, We will pay the provider directly for all covered benefits.

If You or Your Dependent receive Covered Services and Materials from an Out-of-Network Vision Provider, and You assign payment of Vision Insurance benefits to Your or Your Dependent's Vision Provider, We will pay benefits directly to the Vision Provider. Otherwise, We will pay Vision Insurance benefits to You.

### **In-Network**

If Covered Services and Materials are provided by an In-Network Vision Provider, We will base the benefit on the Plan Benefits listed on the SCHEDULE OF BENEFITS.

If an In-Network Vision Provider provides Covered Services and Materials, You will be responsible for paying:

- the Co-Payment, if applicable; and
- the cost of any service or material that is in excess of the Plan Benefits listed on the SCHEDULE OF BENEFITS.

## **VISION INSURANCE (CONTINUED)**

### **Out-of-Network**

If Covered Services and Materials are provided by an Out-of-Network Vision Provider, We will base the benefit on the Plan Benefits listed on the SCHEDULE OF BENEFITS, subject to the Maximum Benefit Allowance.

Out-of-Network Vision Providers may charge You more than the Maximum Benefit Allowance. If an Out-of-Network Vision Provider provides Covered Services and Materials, You will be responsible for paying any amount in excess of the Maximum Benefit Allowance charged by the Out-of-Network Vision Provider.

### **Necessary Contact Lenses**

Necessary contact lenses are a Plan Benefit when specific benefit criteria are satisfied and when prescribed by Covered Person's In-Network Vision Provider. Generally, coverage will be authorized for the following reasons:

- Aphakia—379.31 or 743.35.
- Nystagmus—379.50 through 379.56, 386.11, 386.12 or 386.2.
- Keratoconus—371.60, 371.61, 371.62, 743.41, or 743.42.
- Corneal transplant—V42.5.
- Corneal dystrophies—371.50 through 371.58.
- Anisometropia greater than or equal to 2.00 diopters difference in any meridian based on the spectacle prescription.
- High ametropia greater than or equal to  $\pm 10.00$  diopters in either eye in any meridian based on the spectacle prescription.
- Irregular astigmatism—367.22.

The codes listed above are from the International Classification of Diseases, Ninth Revision, Clinical Modification and are used to describe diseases, injuries, symptoms and conditions. If You have questions about the diagnoses listed above or the codes included with the diagnoses, please contact Your Vision Provider.

## VISION INSURANCE: DESCRIPTION OF COVERED SERVICES AND MATERIALS

Subject to the Service Intervals and Plan Benefits indicated in the SCHEDULE OF BENEFITS, the following will be Covered Services and Materials:

1. One complete visual examination, if indicated as a Covered Service on the SCHEDULE OF BENEFITS. Dilation is included as a Covered Service when provided by an In-Network Vision Provider.
2. Standard corrective lenses. We will cover a pair of standard single vision, lined bifocal, lined trifocal or lenticular lenses that are necessary to correct vision. Standard corrective lenses are as follows:
  - eyesizes up to and including 60mm;
  - multi-focal lenses in all segment widths
  - prism and slab off
  - base curves (regardless of curve)
  - lenses with the combined power in any meridian is +/- .50 diopters or greater in at least one eye
  - plastic or glass lenses.
3. The following lens options described in the SCHEDULE OF BENEFITS: tint (solid and gradient), standard plastic scratch coating, standard polycarbonate (if you are less than 18 years of age, standard anti-reflective coating, plastic photocromic, polarized premium anti-reflective.
4. Contact lenses.
  - A standard fitting and 1 follow-up visit by a Vision Provider.
  - The following contact lenses options, as described in the SCHEDULE OF BENEFITS: conventional, disposable, and Necessary.
5. Necessary low vision aids.
6. We do not cover costs above the Maximum Benefit Allowance shown in the SCHEDULE OF BENEFITS for frames. If frames are selected that are more expensive than that amount, You will be charged the difference between the Maximum Benefit Allowance and the Vision Provider's charge for the more expensive frame.
7. Necessary contact lenses in lieu of all benefits for vision materials.

## VISION INSURANCE: EXCLUSIONS

We will not pay Vision Insurance benefits for charges incurred for:

1. Services and/or materials not specifically included in the SCHEDULE OF BENEFITS as covered Plan Benefits.
2. Any portion of a charge in excess of the Maximum Benefit Allowance or reimbursement indicated in the SCHEDULE OF BENEFITS
3. Plano lenses (lenses with refractive correction of less than  $\pm .50$  diopter).
4. Two pairs of glasses instead of bifocals.
5. Replacement of lenses, frames and/or contact lenses furnished under this Plan which are lost, stolen or damaged, except at the normal intervals when Plan Benefits are otherwise available.
6. Orthoptics or vision training and any associated supplemental testing.
7. Medical or surgical treatment of the eye.
8. Prescription or non-prescription medications.
9. Contact lens insurance policies and service agreements.
10. Refitting of contact lenses after the initial (90-day) fitting period.
11. Contact lens modification, polishing and cleaning.
12. Any eye examination or any corrective eyewear required as a condition of employment.
13. Services or supplies received by You or Your Dependent before the Vision Insurance starts for that person.
14. Missed appointments.
15. Services or materials resulting from or in the course of a Covered Person's regular occupation for pay or profit for which the Covered Person is entitled to benefits under any Workers' Compensation Law, Employer's Liability Law or similar law. You must promptly claim and notify the Company of all such benefits.
16. Local, state and/or federal taxes, except where MetLife is required by law to pay.
17. Services:
  - for which the employer of the person receiving such services is required to pay; or
  - received at a facility maintained by the Policyholder, labor union, mutual benefit association, or VA hospital.
18. Services, to the extent such services, or benefits for such services, are available under a Government Plan. This exclusion will apply whether or not the person receiving the services is enrolled for the Government Plan. We will not exclude payment of benefits for such services if the Government Plan requires that Vision Insurance under the Group Policy be paid first.

## **VISION INSURANCE: EXCLUSIONS (continued)**

**Government Plan** means any plan, program, or coverage which is established under the laws or regulations of any government.

**The term does not include:**

- any plan, program or coverage provided by a government as an employer; or
  - Medicare.
19. Services or materials received as a result of disease, defect, or injury due to war or an act of war (declared or undeclared), taking part in a riot or insurrection, or committing or attempting to commit a felony.
  20. Services and materials obtained while outside the United States, except for emergency vision care.
  21. Services, procedures, or materials for which a charge would not have been made in the absence of insurance.



## VISION INSURANCE: COORDINATION OF BENEFITS

When You or a Dependent incur charges for Covered Services and Materials, there may be other Plans, as defined below, that also provide benefits for those same charges. In that case, We may reduce what We pay based on what the other Plans pay. This Coordination of Benefits section explains how and when We do this.

### DEFINITIONS

In this section, the terms set forth below have the following meanings:

**Allowable Expense** means a necessary vision expense for which both of the following are true:

- a Covered Person must pay it, and
- it is at least partly covered by one or more of the Plans that provide benefits to the Covered Person.

If a Plan provides fixed benefits for specified events or conditions (instead of benefits based on expenses incurred) such benefits are Allowable Expenses.

If a Plan provides benefits in the form of services, We treat the reasonable cash value of each service performed as both an Allowable Expense and a benefit paid by that Plan.

**The term does not include:**

- expenses for services performed because of a Job-Related Injury or Sickness;
- any amount of expenses in excess of the higher reasonable and customary fee for a service, if two or more Plans compute their benefit payments on the basis of reasonable and customary fees;
- any amount of expenses in excess of the higher negotiated fee for a service, if two or more Plans compute their benefit payments on the basis of negotiated fees; and
- any amount of benefits that a Primary Plan does not pay because the covered person fails to comply with the Primary Plan's managed care or utilization review provisions, these include provisions requiring:
  - second surgical opinions;
  - pre-certification of services;
  - use of providers in a Plan's network of providers; or
  - any other similar provisions.

If You or a Dependent are also covered under an HMO plan, we will not use this provision to refuse to pay benefits because an HMO member has elected to have vision services provided by a non-HMO provider and the HMO's contract does not require the HMO to pay for providing those services.

**Claim Determination Period** means a calendar year or plan year. A Claim Determination Period for any Covered Person will not include periods of time during which that person is not covered under This Plan.

**Custodial Parent** means a Parent awarded custody, other than joint custody, by a court decree. In the absence of a court decree, it means the Parent with whom the child resides more than half of the Year without regard to any temporary visitation.

**HMO** means a Health Maintenance Organization or Vision Health Maintenance Organization.

**Job-Related Injury or Sickness** means any injury or sickness:

- for which You are entitled to benefits under a workers' compensation or similar law, or
- any arrangement that provides for similar compensation; or arising out of employment for wage or profit.

**Parent** means a person who covers a child as a dependent under a Plan.

**Plan** means any of the following if it provides benefits or services for an Allowable Expense:

- a group insurance plan;
- an HMO;
- a blanket plan;

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- uninsured arrangements of group or group type coverage;
- a group practice plan;
- a group service plan;
- a group prepayment plan;
- any other plan that covers people as a group;
- any other coverage required or provided by any law or any governmental program, except Medicaid.

### The term does not include any of the following:

- individual or family insurance or subscriber contracts;
- individual or family coverage through closed panel Plans or other prepayment, group practice or individual practice Plans;
- hospital indemnity coverage;
- a school blanket plan that only provides accident-type coverage on a 24 hour basis, or a "to and from school basis," to students in a grammar school, high school or college;
- disability income protection coverage;
- accident only coverage;
- specified disease or specified accident coverage;
- nursing home or long term care coverage; or
- any government program or coverage if, by state or Federal law, its benefits are excess to those of any private insurance plan or other non-government plan.

The provisions of This Plan which limit benefits based on benefits or services provided under:

- Government Plans; or
- Plans which the employer, Policyholder (or an affiliate) contributes to or sponsors;

will not be affected by these Coordination of Benefits provisions.

Each policy, contract or other arrangement for benefits is a separate Plan. If part of a Plan reserves the right to reduce what it pays based on benefits or services provided by other Plans, that part will be treated separately from any parts which do not. If two people are both insured under This Plan as Members, each person's insurance will be treated as a separate Plan.

**This Plan** means the vision benefits described in this certificate, except for any provisions in this certificate that limit insurance based on benefits for services provided under government plans, or plans which the Policyholder (or an affiliate) contributes to or sponsors.

**Primary Plan** means a Plan that pays its benefits first under the "Rules to Decide Which Plan Is Primary" section. A Primary Plan pays benefits as if the Secondary Plans do not exist.

**Secondary Plan** means a Plan that is not a Primary Plan. A Secondary Plan may reduce its benefits by amounts payable by the Primary Plan. If there are more than two Plans that provide coverage, a Plan may be Primary to some plans, and Secondary to others.

## RULES TO DECIDE WHICH PLAN IS PRIMARY

When more than one Plan covers the person for whom Allowable Expenses were incurred, We determine which plan is primary by applying the rules in this section.

When there is a basis for claim under This Plan and another Plan, This Plan is Secondary unless:

- the other Plan has rules coordinating its benefits with those of This Plan; and
- This Plan is primary under This Plan's rules.

The first rule below which will allow Us to determine which Plan is Primary is the rule that We will use.

**Dependent or Non-Dependent:** A Plan that covers a person other than as a dependent (for example, as an employee, member, subscriber, or retiree) is Primary and shall pay its benefits before a Plan that covers the person as a dependent; except that if the person is a Medicare beneficiary and, as a result of federal law or

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regulations, Medicare is:

- Secondary to the Plan covering the person as a dependent; and
- Primary to the Plan covering the person as other than a dependent (e.g., a retired employee),

then the order of benefits between the two Plans is reversed and the Plan that covers the person as a dependent is Primary.

**Child Covered Under More Than One Plan – Court Decree:** When This Plan and another Plan cover the same Child as the Dependent of two or more Parents, and the specific terms of a court decree state that one of the Parents must provide health coverage or pay for the Child's health care expenses, that Parent's Plan is Primary if the Plan has actual knowledge of those terms. This rule applies to Claim Determination Periods that start after the Plan is given notice of the court decree.

**Child Covered Under More Than One Plan – The Birthday Rule:** When This Plan and another Plan cover the same Child as the Dependent of two or more Parents, the Primary Plan is the Plan of the Parent whose birthday falls earlier in the Year if:

- the Parents are married; or
- the Parents are not separated (whether or not they have ever married); or
- a court decree awards joint custody without specifying which Parent must provide health coverage.

If both Parents have the same birthday, the Plan that covered either of the Parents longer is the Primary Plan.

However, if the other Plan does not have this rule, and if as a result the Plans do not agree on the order of benefits, the rule in the other Plan will determine the order of benefits.

**Child Covered Under More than One Plan – Custodial Parent:** When This Plan and another Plan cover the same Child as the Dependent of two or more Parents, if the Parents are not married, or are separated (whether or not they ever married), or are divorced, the Primary Plan is:

- the Plan of the Custodial Parent; then
- the Plan of the spouse of the Custodial Parent; then
- the Plan of the non-custodial Parent; and then
- the Plan of the spouse of the non-custodial Parent.

**Active or Inactive Employee:** A Plan that covers a person as an employee who is neither laid off nor retired is Primary to a Plan that covers the person as a laid-off or retired employee (or as that person's Dependent). If the other Plan does not have this rule and, if as a result, the Plans do not agree on the order of benefits, this rule is ignored.

**Continuation Coverage:** The Plan that covers a person as an active employee, member or subscriber (or as that employee's Dependent) is Primary to a Plan that covers that person under a right of continuation pursuant to federal law (e.g., COBRA) or state law. If the Plan that covers the person has not adopted this rule, and if, as a result, the Plans do not agree on the order of benefits, this rule shall not apply.

**Longer/Shorter Time Covered:** If none of the above rules determine which Plan is Primary, the Plan that has covered the person for the longer time shall be Primary to a Plan that has covered the person for a shorter time.

**No Rules Apply:** If none of the above rules determine which Plan is Primary, the Allowable Expenses shall be shared equally between all the Plans. In no event will This Plan pay more than it would if it were Primary.

## **VISION INSURANCE: COORDINATION OF BENEFITS (CONTINUED)**

### **EFFECT ON BENEFITS OF THIS PLAN**

If This Plan is Secondary, when the total Allowable Expenses incurred by a covered person in any Claim Determination Period are less than the sum of:

- the benefits that would be payable under This Plan without applying this Coordination of Benefits provision; and
- the benefits that would be payable under all other Plans without applying Coordination of Benefits or similar provisions;

then We will reduce the benefits that would otherwise be payable under This Plan. The sum of these reduced benefits plus all benefits payable for such Allowable Expenses under all other Plans will not exceed the total of the Allowable Expenses. Benefits payable under all other Plans include all benefits that would be payable if the proper claims had been made on time.

### **FACILITY OF PAYMENT**

A payment made under another Plan may include an amount which should have been paid under This Plan. If it does, We may pay that amount to the organization which made that payment. That amount will then be treated as though it were a benefit paid under This Plan. We will not have to pay that amount again. The term "payment made" includes benefits provided in the form of services, in which case We may pay the reasonable cash value of the benefits provided in the form of services.

### **RIGHT OF RECOVERY**

If the amount We pay is more than We should have paid under this Coordination of Benefits provision, We may recover the excess from one or more of:

- the person We have paid or for whom We have paid;
- insurance companies; or
- other organizations.

The amount of the payment includes the reasonable cash value of any benefits provided in the form of services.

## **VISION INSURANCE: FILING A CLAIM**

### **CLAIMS FOR VISION INSURANCE**

If you select an In Network Vision Provider, You do not need to file a claim.

If you select an Out-of-Network Vision Provider, You may provide full payment to the Out-of-Network Vision Provider at the time of service and submit the invoice including an itemized statement of charges with Your claim form, or You may be able to assign the claim to the Out-of-Network Vision Provider. If the Out-of-Network Vision Provider accepts the assignment, the provider or she will submit the claim on your behalf. You will be responsible for any charges not covered by the Plan.

Out of network claim forms needed to file for benefits under the group insurance program can be obtained by calling MetLife at 1-855-METEYE1. Vision claim forms can also be downloaded from [www.metlife.com/mybenefits](http://www.metlife.com/mybenefits). The instructions on the claim form should be followed carefully. This will expedite the processing of the claim.

When We receive the claim form and Proof, Your claim will be paid subject to the terms and provisions of this certificate and the Group Policy.

### **CLAIMS FOR VISION INSURANCE BENEFITS**

**When a claimant files a claim for Vision Insurance benefits described in this certificate**, both the notice of claim and the required Proof should be sent to Us within 180 days from the date of service.

Claim and Proof may be given to Us by following the steps set forth below:

#### **Step 1**

A claimant can request a claim form by downloading it from [www.metlife.com/mybenefits](http://www.metlife.com/mybenefits).

#### **Step 2**

Complete the claim form as instructed and return it with the invoice.

#### **Step 3**

The claimant must give Us Proof not later than 180 days from the date of service.

## VISION INSURANCE: PROCEDURES FOR VISION CLAIMS

### Routine Questions on Vision Insurance Claims

If there is any question about a claim payment, an explanation may be requested from MetLife by dialing 1-855-METEYE1.

### Claim Denial Appeals

If a claim is denied in whole or in part, under the terms of this certificate, a request may be submitted to Us by a Covered Person or a Covered Person's authorized representative for a full review of the denial. A Covered Person may designate any person, including their provider, as their authorized representative. References in this section to "Covered Person" include the Covered Person's authorized representative, where applicable.

**Initial Appeal.** All requests for review must be made within one hundred eighty (180) calendar days following denial of a claim. A Covered Person may review, during normal business hours, any documents used by Us pertinent to the denial. A Covered Person may also submit Written comments or supporting documentation concerning the claim to assist in Our review. Our response to the initial appeal, including specific reasons for the decision, shall be communicated to the Covered Person within thirty (30) calendar days after receipt of the request for the appeal.

**Second Level Appeal.** If a Covered Person disagrees with the response to the initial appeal of the denied claim, the Covered Person has the right to a second level appeal. A request for a second level appeal must be submitted to Us within sixty (60) calendar days after receipt of Our response to the initial appeal. We shall communicate Our final determination to the Covered Person within thirty (30) calendar days from receipt of the request, or as required by any applicable state or federal laws or regulations. Our communication to the Covered Person shall include the specific reasons for the determination.

**Other Remedies.** When a Covered Person has completed the appeals stated herein, additional voluntary alternative dispute resolution options may be available, including mediation or arbitration. Additional information is available from the U.S. Department of Labor or the insurance regulatory agency for the Covered Persons' state of residency. Additionally, under the provisions of ERISA (Section 502(a)(1)(B) 29 U.S.C. 1132(a)(1)(B)), the Covered Person has the right to bring a civil action when all available levels of reviews, including the appeal process, have been completed. ERISA remedies may apply in those instances where the claims were not approved in whole or in part as the result of appeals under this Policy and the Covered Person disagrees with the outcome of such appeals.

**Time of Action.** No action in law or in equity shall be brought to recover on this Policy prior to the Covered Person exhausting his/her rights under this Policy and/or prior to the expiration of sixty (60) calendar days after the claim and any applicable documentation has been filed with Us. No such action shall be brought after the expiration of any applicable statute of limitations, in accordance with the terms of this Policy. No such action shall be brought after the expiration of three (3) years from the last date that the claim and any applicable invoices were submitted to Us, and no such action shall be brought at all unless brought within three (3) years from the expiration of the time within which such materials are required to be submitted in accordance with the terms of this Policy.

**Insurance Fraud:** Any Covered Person who intends to defraud, knowingly facilitates a fraud, submits a claim containing false or deceptive information, or who commits any other similar act as defined by applicable state or federal law, is guilty of insurance fraud. Such an act is grounds for immediate termination of the coverage under this Policy of the Covered Person committing such fraud.

## **GENERAL PROVISIONS**

### **Assignment**

The rights and benefits under the Group Policy are not assignable prior to a claim for benefits, except as required by law. Upon receipt of a Covered Service, You may assign Vision Insurance benefits to the Vision Provider providing such service.

### **Claims for Medicaid Eligible Individuals**

As required by law, to the extent that payment has been made by the Missouri Division of Medical Services for Covered Services furnished to a Medicaid eligible individual, the Missouri Division of Medical Services is considered to have acquired the rights of the Medicaid eligible individual to payment by Us for such Covered Services.

### **Entire Contract**

Your insurance is provided under a contract of group insurance with the Policyholder. The entire contract with the Policyholder is made up of the following:

1. the Group Policy and its Exhibits, which include the certificate(s);
2. the Policyholder's application; and
3. any amendments and/or endorsements to the Group Policy.

### **Incontestability: Statements Made by You**

Any statement made by You will be considered a representation and not a warranty. We will not use such statement to avoid insurance, reduce benefits or defend a claim unless the following requirements are met:

1. the statement is in a Written application or enrollment form;
2. You have Signed the application or enrollment form; and
3. a copy of the application or enrollment form has been given to You or Your Beneficiary.

### **Conformity with Law**

If the terms and provisions of this certificate do not conform to any applicable law, this certificate shall be interpreted to so conform.

**"THIS IS THE END OF THE CERTIFICATE. THE FOLLOWING IS ADDITIONAL INFORMATION"**



## Privacy Notice to Our Customers

This Privacy Notice is given to you on behalf of **METROPOLITAN LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY**.

**TO PLAN SPONSORS AND GROUP INSURANCE CONTRACTHOLDERS: THIS NOTICE EXPLAINS HOW WE TREAT INFORMATION ABOUT ANYONE WHO APPLIES FOR OR OBTAINS OUR PRODUCTS AND SERVICES UNDER EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS THAT WE INSURE OR GROUP INSURANCE CONTRACTS THAT WE ISSUE. PLEASE NOTE THAT WE REFER TO THESE INDIVIDUALS IN THIS NOTICE BY USING THE TERM “YOU”, AS IF THIS NOTICE WERE BEING ADDRESSED TO THESE INDIVIDUALS.**

**Why We Need to Know about You:** We need to know about you (and anyone else to be insured) so that we can provide the insurance and other products and services you've asked for. We may also need information from you and others to help us verify identities in order to prevent money laundering and terrorism. What we need to know includes address, age and other basic information. But we may need more information, including finances, employment, health, hobbies or business conducted with us, with other MetLife companies (our “**affiliates**”) or with other companies.

**How We Learn about You:** What we know about you (and anyone else to be insured) we get mostly from you. But we may also have to find out more from other sources in order to make sure that what we know is correct and complete. Those sources may include adult relatives, employers, consumer reporting agencies, health care providers and others. Some of our sources may give us reports and may disclose what they know to others.

**How We Protect What We Know About You:** We treat what we know about you confidentially. Our employees are told to take care in handling your information. They may get information about you only when there is a good reason to do so. We take steps to make our computer data bases secure and to safeguard the information we have.

**How We Use and Disclose What We Know About You:** We may use anything we know about you to help us serve you better. We may use it, and disclose it to our affiliates and others, for any purpose allowed by law. For instance, we may use your information, and disclose it to others, in order to:

- Help us evaluate your request for a product or service
- Help us process claims and other transactions
- Confirm or correct what we know about you
- Help us prevent fraud, money laundering, terrorism and other crimes by verifying what we know about you
- Help us comply with the law
- Help us run our business
- Process data for us
- Perform research for us
- Audit our business

Other reasons we may disclose what we know about you include:

- Doing what a court or government agency requires us to do; for example, complying with a search warrant or subpoena
- Telling another company what we know about you, if we are or may be selling all or any part of our business or merging with another company
- Giving information to the government so that it can decide whether you may get benefits that it will have to pay for
- Telling a group customer about its members' claims or cooperating in a group customer's audit of our service
- Telling your health care provider about a medical problem that you have but may not be aware of
- Giving your information to a peer review organization if you have health insurance with us
- Giving your information to someone who has a legal interest in your insurance, such as someone who lent you money and holds a lien on your insurance or benefits

Generally, we will disclose only the information we consider reasonably necessary to disclose.

We may use what we know about you in order to offer you our other products and services. We may share your information with other companies to help us. Here are our other rules on using your information to market products and services:

- We will not share information about you with any of our affiliates for use in marketing its products to you, unless we first notify you. You will then have an opportunity to tell us not to share your information by “opting out.”
- Before we share what we know about you with another financial services company to offer you products or services through a joint marketing arrangement, we will let you “opt-out.”
- We will not disclose information to unaffiliated companies for use in selling their products to you, except through such joint marketing arrangements.
- We will not share your health information with any other company, even one of our affiliates, to permit it to market its products and services to you.

**How You Can See and Correct Your Information:** Generally, we will let you review what we know about you if you ask us in writing. (Because of its legal sensitivity, we will not show you anything that we learned in connection with a claim or lawsuit.) If you tell us that what we know about you is incorrect, we will review it. If we agree with you, we will correct our records. If we do not agree with you, you may tell us in writing, and we will include your statement when we give your information to anyone outside MetLife.

**You Can Get Other Material from Us:** In addition to any other privacy notice we may give you, we must give you a summary of our privacy policy once each year. You may have other rights under the law. If you want to know more about our privacy policy, please contact us at our website, [www.metlife.com](http://www.metlife.com), or write to Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, c/o MetLife Privacy Office - Inst, P.O. Box 489, Warwick, RI 02887-9954. Please identify the specific product or service you are writing about.

