#### **SCHEDULE**

POLICY NO.: SR2014NC-P-054217

#### POLICYHOLDER INFORMATION:

North Carolina High School Athletic Association PO Box 3216

Chapel Hill, NC 27516

Effective Date: August 1, 2023 Expiration Date: August 1, 2024

#### **ELIGIBILITY:**

All registered North Carolina High School Athletic Association Officials while officiating during covered events, which includes competition at any level. (100% participation)

Travel does not include temporary residence at a hotel or similar facility.

#### **SCOPE OF COVERAGE:**

<u>Class</u> <u>Insured Risk</u> <u>Benefits</u>

ALL Activity Coverage (IRACT062) AD&D (ADSLPERC001)
AME (AME002)

**BENEFITS:** 

Accidental Death & Specific Loss (ADSLPERC001)

Principal Sum Amount
Loss Period
\$10,000.00
Loss within 365 Days of Injury

Medical Expense for Accident (AME002) - Full Excess (TBFE004)

Maximum Benefit Amount

Benefit Percentage

Deductible (Corridor)

Loss Period

Senefit Period

The following riders are attached to and made a part of this policy:

Additional Benefits Rider 0HV6M Guaranty Association Act Notice M20111\_0322

# **ANNUAL PREMIUM:**

This plan has a non-refundable minimum premium of \$3,000.00 per policy year, which is fully earned on the date the coverage goes into effect.

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This policy is issued to North Carolina High School Athletic Association ("the Policyholder").

This policy is a legal contract between the Policyholder and Us. It is issued in consideration of payment of premiums.

This policy is issued in and will be interpreted by the laws of the State of North Carolina, without giving effect to the principles of conflicts of law of that State or any other state. Any part of this policy which is in conflict with the laws of the State of North Carolina is changed to conform to the minimum requirements of that State's laws.

We agree to pay benefits subject to the terms, conditions, and limitations of this policy.

#### EFFECTIVE DATE AND POLICY TERM

This policy takes effect on August 1, 2023 (the Policy Effective Date) at the Policyholder's main office. It expires on August 1, 2024.

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# THIS POLICY INCLUDES AN EXCLUSION FOR PRE EXISTING CONDITIONS

#### POLICY TERM -RENEWAL

This policy goes into effect on the Policy Date shown above. The initial term ends on August 1, 2024. This policy may be renewed for additional terms with our consent. Each term beings and ends at 12:01 a.m., Standard Time, at the main office of the Policyholder.

# THIS IS A BLANKET LIMITED ACCIDENT POLICY. READ IT CAREFULLY. BENEFITS ARE NOT PAYABLE FOR LOSS DUE TO SICKNESS.

#### THIS POLICY IS NOT A MEDICARE SUPPLEMENT POLICY.

If you are eligible for Medicare, review the Guide to Health Insurance for People with Medicare available from Us.

James T. Blackledge
Chief Executive Officer

#### 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.

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# **INSURED RISKS**

Unless otherwise stated in the Schedule, We will pay benefits for a loss only once.

# **ACTIVITY COVERAGE (IRACT062)**

We will pay the benefits in this policy for an Insured while:

- participating in a Sponsored and Supervised Activity;
- traveling directly and without interruption between approved locations authorized by the Policyholder.

# **ELIGIBILITY FOR BENEFITS**

#### **ELIGIBILITY**

Persons who are eligible to be an Insured under this policy are described in the Schedule. This includes persons who may become eligible while this policy is in force.

#### WHEN INSURANCE BEGINS

Insurance for an Insured begins on the later of:

- the Policy Effective Date; or
- the day the Insured becomes eligible under the terms of this policy.

#### **CHANGE IN COVERAGE**

Any change in the Insured's coverage because of change of class as shown in the Schedule will become effective on the date of the change.

#### WHEN INSURANCE ENDS

Insurance for an Insured will end on the earliest of the date:

- the Insured is no longer eligible;
- the Insured enters full time active duty in any Armed Forces;
- any premium for the Insured is due and unpaid, subject to the Grace Period provision; or
- this policy is terminated.

Termination of insurance will not affect a claim incurred while coverage was in effect.

#### **DESCRIPTION OF BENEFITS**

## ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND SPECIFIC LOSS BENEFIT (ADSLPERC001)

If an Insured suffers a loss listed below from an Accident within the Loss Period stated in the Schedule, We will pay the benefit opposite the Loss. If the Insured sustains more than one loss as the result of one Accident, We will pay only the largest benefit to which the Insured is entitled.

The Principal Sum is shown in the Schedule.

# TABLE OF BENEFITS FOR ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND SPECIFIC LOSS

Loss	Benefit Amount
Loss of Life	100% of Principal Sum
Loss of Both Hands	100% of Principal Sum
Loss of Both Feet	100% of Principal Sum
Loss of Entire Sight of Both Eyes	100% of Principal Sum
Loss of One Hand and One Foot	100% of Principal Sum
Loss of One Hand and Entire Sight of One Eye	100% of Principal Sum
Loss of One Foot and Entire Sight of One Eye	100% of Principal Sum
Loss of Speech and Hearing	100% of Principal Sum
Loss of Entire Sight of One Eye	50% of Principal Sum
Loss of Speech or Hearing	50% of Principal Sum
Loss of One Hand or One Foot	50% of Principal Sum
Loss of Thumb and Index Finger	25% of Principal Sum

#### MEDICAL EXPENSE FOR ACCIDENT BENEFIT (AME002)

We will pay the following Medical Expenses incurred as a result of an Accident. The Medical Expense Maximum and any applicable sub-limit amounts are shown in the Schedule.

- 1. Hospital room and board charges, up to the average semi-private daily room rate, for each day in the Hospital;
- 2. Intensive Care Unit charges are payable in lieu of payment for Hospital room and board charges for each day the Insured is confined in an intensive care unit;
- 3. Hospital miscellaneous charges during a hospital confinement. Miscellaneous charges do not include charges for telephone, radio or television, extra beds or cots, meals for guests, take-home items, or other convenience items;
- 4. outpatient charges by a Hospital for:
  - a. emergency room treatment. Treatment must be received within 72 hours of the Accident;
  - b. emergency room physician; or
  - c. use of surgical facilities;
- 5. surgical charges for the primary performance of a surgical procedure by a Physician; subject to the following:
  - a. if bilateral or multiple surgical procedures are performed by one Physician, We will pay the Medical Expenses for the primary procedure;
  - b. for each procedure that is not the primary procedure performed through the same incision as the primary procedure, we will pay 50% of the amount otherwise payable if the additional procedure were the primary procedure;
  - c. if multiple surgical procedures are performed during the same operating session, reimbursement shall be based upon, 100% of Allowable Expense for the primary procedure, 50% of Allowable Expense for the secondary procedure and 25% of Allowable Expense for the third and subsequent procedures;
  - d. any procedure that would not be an integral part of the primary procedure or is unrelated to the diagnosis will be considered incidental and no benefits will be provided for such procedure;
  - e. if multiple unrelated surgical procedures are performed by two or more Physicians on separate operative fields, benefits will be based on the Medical Expenses for each Physician's primary procedure; and
  - f. if two or more Physicians perform a procedure that is normally performed by one Physician, We will only pay the Medical Expenses for the primary Physician;

- 6. surgical charges for assistant surgeon duties will be reimbursed at 25% of the allowable for surgery codes that have been assigned an assistant surgery indicator by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services;
- 7. charges for anesthesia and its administration for surgery;
- 8. Physician's charges for other than pre- or post-operative care for in-Hospital visits or office visits;
- 9. charges for, including Physician's charges for reading or interpreting the results of, Laboratory Tests and diagnostic imaging including X-Ray, MRI, or CAT Scan;
- 10. charges for nursing services, other than routine Hospital care, by or under the supervision of a Nurse;
- 11. treatment of the spine by manual or mechanical means;
- 12. charges for Durable Medical Equipment;
- 13. charges for physiotherapy which includes:
  - a. adjustment;
  - b. diathermy;
  - c. heat treatment;
  - d. manipulation;
  - e. microtherm;
  - f. ultrasonic;
- 14. Ambulance Service (Surface) or/and Ambulance Service (Air);
- 15. Orthopedic Appliances and prosthetics, not including replacements;
- 16. Prescription Drugs;
- 17. dental expense for sound natural teeth; and
- 18. other Medical Expenses as noted in the Schedule.

# **EXCLUSIONS (EXCUS001-NC)**

We will not pay benefits for a loss due to or expenses incurred for:

- 1. intentionally self-inflicted injury, suicide while sane or insane;
- 2. voluntary self-administration of any drug or chemical substance not prescribed by or not taken according to the directions of the Insured's Physician;
- 3. operating a motor vehicle under the influence of a Controlled Substance unless administered on the advice of a Physician and taking the prescribed dosage;
- 4. operating a motor vehicle while having a blood alcohol level that equals or exceeds the legal limit for operating a motor vehicle in the state or jurisdiction where the Injury occurred;
- 5. commitment of or an attempt to commit a felony, or engagement in an illegal activity;
- 6. participation in a riot or insurrection;
- 7. any Injury that results from fighting, brawling, assault or battery;
- 8. an act of declared war:
- 9. active duty service in any Armed Forces;
- 10. operating, learning to operate, or serving as a pilot or crew member of any aircraft unless specified in the Insured Risk section of this policy;
- 11. mountaineering (engaging in the sport of scaling mountains generally requiring the use of picks, ropes, or other special equipment);
- 12. parachuting, except for self-preservation;
- 13. snow skiing, scuba diving, bob-sledding, bungee jumping, ballooning, flight in an ultralight aircraft, sky diving, hang-gliding, glider flying, sailplaning, or parasailing;
- 14. participation in professional racing;
- 15. injuries associated with activities or travel outside the United States;
- 16. sickness, disease, bodily or mental infirmity or medical or surgical treatment thereof, bacterial or viral infection, regardless of how contracted. This does not exclude bacterial infection that is the natural and foreseeable result of an Injury or accidental food poisoning;
- 17. orthodontic braces or appliances;
- 18. services or supplies for treatment of an Occupational Injury or Sickness which are paid under the North Carolina Workers' Compensation Act only to the extent such services or supplies are the liability of the employee, employer or workers' compensation insurance carrier according to a final adjudication under the North Carolina Workers' Compensation Act or an order of the North Carolina Industrial Commission approving a settlement agreement under the North Carolina Workers' Compensation Act;
- 19. treatment in any Veterans Administration or federal Hospital, unless there is a legal obligation to pay;
- 20. charges which the Insured would not have to pay if the Insured did not have insurance;
- 21. a charge which is in excess of the Allowable Expense;
- 22. cosmetic surgery, except reconstructive surgery due to a covered Injury;
- 23. participation in semi-professional and professional sports, play or practice, or any related travel;
- 24. organ transplants;
- 25. elective treatment or surgery that is not prescribed by a Physician and is not Medically Necessary, health treatment, or examination where no Injury is involved;
- 26. preventive medicines or, serums or, vaccines;
- 27. voluntary termination of pregnancy;
- 28. contraceptive methods, devices or aids; elective sterilization or its reversal; artificial insemination; or in-vitro fertilization:
- 29. routine medical care; and normal health checkups;
- 30. rest cures or Custodial Care;
- 31. mental and nervous disorders;
- 32. Pre-existing Conditions;
- 33. infectious disease;
- 34. any Heart or Circulatory Malfunction;
- 35. services or treatment rendered by a Physician, Nurse or any other person who is:
  - employed or retained by the Policyholder; or
  - the Insured or an Immediate Family Member;
- 36. services or treatment incurred to the extent that they are paid or payable under any Other Insurance Plan;

- 37. Injury sustained by reason of a motor vehicle accident to the extent that benefits are paid or payable by any Other Insurance Plan;
- 38. travel in or upon:
  - a snowmobile;
  - any two or three wheeled motor vehicle;
  - any off-road motorized vehicle not requiring licensing as a motor vehicle in the jurisdiction where operated;
- 39. any Accident in which the Insured is operating a motor vehicle without a current and valid motor vehicle operator's license (except in a driver's education program);
- 40. eyeglasses, contact lenses, hearing aids, or related examinations or prescriptions.

#### **TERMS OF BENEFIT PAYMENTS**

We will pay the benefits specified in the DESCRIPTION OF BENEFITS section to all Insureds who suffer a loss within the Scope of Coverage due to Injury.

# **FULL EXCESS MEDICAL EXPENSE (TBFE004)**

We will pay the Medical Expenses an Insured incurs for covered services that exceed amounts payable by any Other Insurance Plan, subject to the Deductible, Benefit Percentage, and Benefit Period shown in the Schedule. We will determine the amount of benefits provided by any Other Insurance Plan without reference to any coordination of benefits, non-duplication of benefits or similar provisions. The amount of benefits provided by an Other Insurance Plan includes any amount to which the Insured is entitled whether or not a claim is made for the benefits. This Policy is secondary to all Other Insurance Plans.

The first Medical Expense must be incurred within the Loss Period stated in the Schedule.

The Maximum Benefit Amount payable and sub-limits under this policy are shown in the Schedule.

#### **CLAIM PROVISIONS**

#### NOTICE OF CLAIM

We must receive written notice within 30 days after a loss occurs or begins, or as soon as reasonably possible. Notice can be given at Our home office or to Our authorized representative. Notice should include:

- the Policyholder's name;
- the policy number; and
- the Insured's name and address.

#### **CLAIM FORMS**

When We receive the notice of the claim, We will send forms for filing proof of loss within 15 days. If We do not send the necessary forms within 15 days, written information may be given that includes the nature, date, cause, and extent of the loss for which claim is made.

#### PROOF OF LOSS

We must be given written proof of loss at Our home office or to Our authorized representative within 180 days after the date of the loss. If the written proof is not given within 180 days, the claim will not be invalidated or reduced if:

- it was not reasonably possible to give proof within 180 days; and
- proof is given as soon as reasonably possible, but not later than one year from the date it is otherwise required, except in the absence of legal capacity.

If the claim is for a continuing loss for which this policy provides periodic payments, written proof that the loss continues must be given to Us or to Our authorized representative at the intervals We require.

#### **Physical Examination and Autopsy**

We have the right to have an Insured examined at Our cost and as often as reasonably necessary while the claim is pending. We may require an autopsy at Our expense unless prohibited by law.

#### **PAYMENT OF CLAIMS**

Benefits will be paid immediately after We receive acceptable proof of loss and confirm benefits are payable.

We will pay benefits for loss of life and any benefits payable to the Insured but unpaid at the Insured's death to the Insured's named beneficiary for this policy. This choice must be in writing and filed with Us, or filed with the Policyholder if We have agreed in advance.

The Insured has the right to change the beneficiary. Unless this right has been given up, the Insured does not need the consent of the beneficiary to make a change.

If the Insured has not named a beneficiary or no beneficiary survives the Insured, We will pay benefits at the Insured's death as follows:

- to the Insured's surviving spouse; if none, then
- in equal shares to the Insured's surviving children; if none, then
- in equal shares to the Insured's surviving parents; if none, then
- in equal shares to the Insured's surviving brothers and sisters; if none, then
- to the Insured's estate.

If benefits are payable to a person who is not legally competent to claim or release benefits, a minor, or an estate, We may pay up to \$1,000 to any relative by blood or marriage whom We find entitled to the payment. This good faith payment satisfies Our legal duty to the extent of the payment.

# **Assignment of Benefits**

The Insured may direct that We pay benefits to a Hospital, Physician or other provider who furnished care, diagnosis, advice or supplies. We are not liable for any actions We take before We receive notice of the assignment. We are not responsible for the validity of any assignment of benefits.

#### **OPPORTUNITY TO REQUEST AN APPEAL**

The claimant may request an appeal, in writing, within 60 days after receiving notice of Our initial claim review decision.

The request for an appeal should include:

- the Policyholder's name and the Policy number or group number;
- the Insured's name and mailing address;
- the name and mailing address of the claimant filing the appeal, if different from the Insured;
- the nature of the appeal; and
- any additional information that may have been omitted from Our review or that We should consider.

By requesting an appeal, the claimant has authorized Us, or anyone We designate, to review any and all records (including, but not limited to, medical records) which We determine may be relevant to the appeal. We will review all information submitted and make Our final determination. No additional appeals are available.

Applicable state laws may contain requirements for claims review and appeal procedures. To the extent that this provision is inconsistent with any state law requirement, the requirement that is most favorable to the claimant will apply.

#### **AUTHORITY TO INTERPRET POLICY**

By purchasing this policy, the Policyholder grants Us the discretion and the final authority to construe and interpret this policy. This means that We have the authority to decide all questions of eligibility and all questions regarding the amount and payment of any policy benefits within the terms of this policy as We interpret it. We will pay benefits under this policy only if We decide, in Our discretion, that a person is entitled to them. In making any decision, We may rely on the accuracy and completeness of any information furnished by the Policyholder, an Insured, or any other third party. Our interpretation of this policy as to the amount of benefits and eligibility will be binding and conclusive on all persons.

The Policyholder further grants Us the authority to delegate to third parties, including, without limitation, any third party administrator with whom We have contracted to provide claims administration and other administrative services, the discretionary authority granted in this policy. The Policyholder expressly grants such third party the full discretionary authority granted to Us under this policy.

#### PREMIUM PROVISIONS

#### REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

The Policyholder or its authorized agent must report to Us any additional information required, as We and the Policyholder agree. We must receive this report before the premium due date.

#### **GRACE PERIOD**

There is a 31-day grace period for payment of each premium due after the first premium. This means that, except for the initial premium, if premium is not paid on or before the date it is due, the premium must be paid in the 31-day period that follows. We will consider premium to be paid on the date We receive it.

Insurance will stay in force during the grace period unless the Policyholder has notified Us of its intention to terminate this policy.

If We have not been notified otherwise and the premium has not been paid, this policy will end on the date premium was due.

#### **CHANGES IN RATES**

We have the right to change the premium rates:

- at any time there is a change in the coverage provided or classes eligible;
- at any time there is a change in the risks We have assumed; or
- after the first 12 months insurance is in effect.

New rates based on coverage or eligibility changes will take effect on the effective date of those changes. Otherwise, we will give 31 days written notice when we change the rates. Notice will be sent to the Policyholder's most recent address in Our records.

#### REINSTATEMENT AFTER TERMINATION

If this policy terminates for any reason, the Policyholder may request to reinstate it. We will reinstate only if:

- an authorized representative in Our home office agrees in writing to reinstate this policy;
- the Policyholder agrees in writing to accept any written conditions of reinstatement that We impose;
- all past due premiums are paid, including any premium for the time insurance was in effect during the grace period;
   and
- the premium due from the date of reinstatement until the next premium due date is paid.

#### **GENERAL PROVISIONS**

#### INSURANCE CONTRACT

The insurance contract consists of:

- this policy;
- the attached Schedule; and
- any riders or endorsements.

The insurance contract may be changed (including reducing or terminating benefits or increasing premium costs) any time We and the Policyholder both agree to a change, unless required by law. No one else has the authority to change the insurance contract. A change in the insurance contract must be:

- in writing;
- made a part of this policy; and
- signed by Our authorized representative in Our home office.

#### **WORKERS COMPENSATION INSURANCE**

This policy does not satisfy any requirement for coverage under any workers compensation law.

#### POLICYHOLDER RECORDS

The Policyholder or its authorized administrator will maintain records of the essential features of each Insured's insurance under this policy.

We have the right to examine the Policyholder's records relating to coverage under this policy. Examination may occur at any reasonable time up to the later of:

- two years after this policy ends; or
- the date of final adjustment and settlement of all claims under this policy.

#### **POLICY TERMINATION**

We may terminate this policy at any time. We will give at least 60 days notice before termination.

The Policyholder may terminate this policy at any time. If the Policyholder fails to pay premiums when due or within the grace period, We will consider notice to have been given to terminate this policy on the date premium was due.

Policy termination will not affect a claim for a loss due to an Accident that occurred while this policy was in effect.

#### **INCONTESTABILITY**

We will not contest this Policy after it has been in force two years, except for nonpayment of premium.

All statements made by the Policyholder to obtain this Policy are considered representations and not warranties. No statement will be used to deny or reduce benefits or be used as a defense to a claim, or to deny the validity of this Policy unless a copy of the instrument containing the statement is, or has been, furnished to the Policyholder.

# **CONFORMITY WITH STATE STATUTES**

Any provision of this policy in conflict with the laws of the state where it is issued on the Policy Effective Date is amended to conform to the minimum requirements of such laws.

#### **LEGAL ACTIONS**

No legal action to recover under this policy can be brought for at least 60 days after We have been given written proof of loss. No legal action can be brought after three years from the time written proof of loss is required to be given to Us.

# **CERTIFICATES OF INSURANCE**

We will deliver a certificate of insurance to the Policyholder for delivery to the Insured, in those states in which it is required. Each certificate will list the benefits, conditions, and limits of this policy. The Insured may request a printed copy of the certificate of insurance from the Policyholder.

#### **DEFINITIONS**

The following capitalized terms have the meaning assigned to them in this section. The assigned definitions apply to both the singular and plural forms of the defined term.

Accident means an unexpected and unintended event, independent of Sickness and all other causes, which:

- causes Injury to an Insured; and
- occurs within the Scope of Coverage.

Ambulance Service (Air) means the service provided:

- by means of a fixed or roto-winged aircraft equipped with life support and medical apparatus; and
- for the primary purpose of transporting an Insured to or from the Hospital where treatment is given.

Ambulance Service (Surface) means the service provided:

- by a commercial or municipal ground ambulance service; and
- for transporting an Insured to or from the Hospital where treatment is given.

Allowable Expense means a Medical Expense otherwise payable under the policy that is not in excess of the 80<sup>th</sup> percentile identified on Context4HealthCare (the "Database"). When there is, in Our determination, minimal data available from the Database for a Medical Expense, We will determine the amount to pay by calculating the unit cost for the applicable service category using the Database and multiplying that by the relative value of the Medical Expense based upon a commercially available relative value scale selected by Us. In the event of an unusually complex medical procedure, a Medical Expense for a new procedure or a Medical Expense that otherwise does not have a relative value that is in Our determination applicable, We will assign a relative value. The Medical Expenses We pay may not reflect the actual charges of a provider and does not take into account the provider's training, experience or category of licensure. A provider may charge the Insured the difference between what the provider charges and the amount We pay under the policy. The Database will be updated by us as information becomes available from the supplier, up to twice each year. We may modify the Database in Our discretion to reflect Our experience. We have the right, in Our discretion, to substitute or replace the Database with another database or databases of comparable purpose, with or without notice.

Ambulatory Surgical Center means a surgical or medical center which:

- has permanent facilities for surgery;
- has an organized medical staff of Physicians and graduate registered nurses (R.N.);
- is authorized by law in the jurisdiction in which it is located to perform surgical services; and
- is licensed (if no license is required, officially approved) under the law.

Benefit Period means the period of time, as stated in the Schedule, from the date of the Injury within which benefits will be paid.

Controlled Substance means any drug or substance, other than alcohol, having the capacity to affect behavior and that is regulated by law with regard to possession and use.

*Deductible (Corridor)* means the amount of eligible Medical Expenses incurred by an Insured for each loss before benefits are payable under this policy. It applies separately to each Insured and each Injury.

*Durable Medical Equipment* means equipment that is Medically Necessary, appropriate for the medical care of the Insured, and ordered by a Physician for the specific use of the Insured. It is equipment that can withstand repeated use, is primarily and customarily used to serve a medical purpose and generally is not useful to an individual in the absence of an Injury.

Heart or Circulatory Malfunction means an acute onset of a cardiovascular or circulatory accident, stroke or other similar traumatic event affecting the heart or circulatory system:

- which is first diagnosed and treated while the Insured's coverage under this policy is in force;
- which occurs as a result of Injury to the Insured while participating in a Sponsored and Supervised Activity; and
- which does not result from a Pre-Existing Condition.

Hospital means an accredited facility licensed by the proper authority of the area in which it is located to provide care and treatment for the condition causing confinement. A Hospital will include a duly licensed state tax-supported institution regardless of whether or not it has an operating room and related equipment for the performance of surgery. A Hospital does not include a facility or institution or part of a facility or institution which is licensed or used principally as a clinic, convalescent home, rest home, nursing home or home for the aged, halfway house or board and care facilities.

*Immediate Family Member* means a spouse or a child, parent, grandparent, brother or sister of the Insured, step-relatives in these same categories, or a person who reared the Insured, or a person whom the Insured reared.

*Injury* means bodily harm which:

- requires treatment by a Physician;
- results in loss due to an Accident, independent of Sickness and all other causes; and
- occurs within the Scope of Coverage.

Bodily harm does not include a Pre-Existing Condition.

*Insured* means a person:

- who is eligible for insurance under the terms of the policy; and
- for whom proper premium has been paid.

Intensive Care Unit means a section, ward, or wing within a Hospital which is separated from other Hospital facilities and:

- is operated exclusively for the purpose of providing professional treatment for critically ill or Injured patients;
- has special supplies and equipment necessary for such treatment which is available on a standby basis for immediate use;
- provides room and board, and constant observation by registered graduate nurses or other specialty trained Hospital personnel; and
- is not maintained for the purpose of providing normal post-operative recovery treatment or service.

*Intoxicated, intoxication* means the Insured's condition as determined and defined by the laws in the jurisdiction in which the loss or cause of loss was incurred; (for the purposes of this exception, the laws governing the operation of motor vehicles while intoxicated will apply to any activity occurring at the time of the accident.)

Laboratory Tests means laboratory procedures identified in Physician Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) as codes 80000-89999 inclusive.

*Loss of a Foot* means Severance above the ankle.

Loss of a Hand means Severance at or above the wrist.

Loss of Hearing means total and permanent loss of hearing which cannot be corrected by any means.

Loss of Sight means the total, permanent loss of sight of the eye or eyes. The loss of sight must be irrecoverable by natural, surgical or artificial means.

Loss of Speech means total, permanent and irrecoverable loss of audible communication.

Loss of a Thumb and Index Finger of the same hand means Severance through or above the metacarpophalangeal joints of the same hand (the joints between the fingers and the hand) from the same Accident.

Loss Period means the period of time stated in the Schedule from the date of an Accident within which the Insured must seek initial treatment for an Injury or death or Specific Loss must occur.

Maximum Benefit Amount means the total benefits payable under an applicable benefit provision. The Maximum Benefit Amount is shown in the Schedule.

*Medical Expenses* means expenses incurred for Medically Necessary services and supplies. Medical Expenses are incurred on the date the service or supply is rendered or provided.

*Medically Necessary, Medical Necessity* means care that is ordered, prescribed, or rendered by a Physician or Hospital, and is determined by Us, or a qualified party or entity selected by Us, to be:

- consistent with the diagnosis and treatment of the loss;
- appropriate with the standards of good medical practice;
- not solely for the convenience of the Insured;
- the most appropriate supply or level of service which can be safely provided; and
- not considered experimental or investigative.

*Nurse* means a professional, licensed, graduate registered nurse (RN), a professional, licensed practical nurse (LPN) or a certified registered nurse anesthetist (CRNA).

Nurse Practitioner means a licensed registered nurse who has received special training for diagnosing and treating routine or minor ailments.

Orthopedic Appliances means braces and appliances that:

- are prescribed by a Physician;
- are primarily and customarily used to serve a medical purpose;
- can withstand repeated use; and
- are Medically Necessary.

Other Insurance Plan means any contract, policy or other arrangement for benefits or services for medical or dental care or treatment under:

- any individual, group, blanket, or franchise policy of accident, disability, or health insurance;
- any arrangement of benefits for members of a group, whether insured or uninsured;
- any prepaid service arrangement such as Blue Cross or Blue Shield, individual or group practice plans, or health maintenance organizations;
- any amount payable for Hospital, medical, or other health services for Injury arising out of a motor vehicle accident to the extent such benefits are payable under any medical expense payment provision (by whatever terminology used including such benefits mandated by law) of any motor vehicle insurance policy;
- any amount payable for services for injuries or diseases related to the Insured's job to the extent that the Insured actually receives benefits under a workers compensation law. If the Insured enters into a settlement to give up the Insured's rights to recover future medical expenses under a workers compensation law, this policy will not pay those medical expenses that would have been payable except for that settlement; or
- any benefits payable under any program provided or sponsored solely or primarily by any federal, state, or local governmental unit or agency or subdivision or through operation of law or regulation, except Medicaid and Tricare.

Outpatient Surgical Center means a surgical or medical center which has:

- permanent facilities for surgery;
- organized medical staff of Physicians and Nurses; and
- is authorized by law in the jurisdiction in which it is located to perform surgical services and is licensed (if no license is required, officially approved) under law.

*Physician* means a legally qualified physician, Nurse Practitioner or Physician's Assistant practicing within the scope of his or her license; and recognized as a physician in the state where services are rendered. Physician does not include:

- the Insured; or
- an Immediate Family Member; or
- a person living with the Insured; or
- a person employed or retained by the Policyholder.

*Physician's Assistant (PA)* means a medical professional, other than the Insured, who is trained and licensed to provide basic medical services under the direction of a Physician.

*Pre-Existing Condition* means those conditions for which medical advice, diagnosis, care, or treatment was received or recommended within the one-year period immediately preceding the effective date of the Insured's coverage.

Prescription Drugs means drugs which:

- under Federal law may only be dispensed by written prescription; and
- are approved for general use by the Food and Drug Administration.

Scope of Coverage means insurance coverage limited to a loss which:

- is within the scope of the risks specified in the INSURED RISKS section of this policy;
- is specified in the DESCRIPTION OF BENEFITS section of this policy;
- occurs during the Loss Period for the loss incurred specified in the Schedule, if any; and
- occurs while this policy is in effect.

Severance means the complete and permanent separation and dismemberment of the part from the body.

Sponsored and Supervised Activity means a Policyholder authorized function:

- in which the Insured participates;
- which is organized by or under its auspices and sanctioned by the appropriate governing authority; and
- which is within the scope of customary activities for such entity.

We, Our, Us means Mutual of Omaha Insurance Company.

X-ray means those procedures identified in Physician Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) as codes 70000-79999 inclusive.

# THIS IS A BLANKET LIMITED ACCIDENT POLICY.

#### **READ IT CAREFULLY.**

#### BENEFITS ARE NOT PAYABLE FOR LOSS DUE TO SICKNESS.

# THIS POLICY IS NOT A MEDICARE SUPPLEMENT POLICY.

If you are eligible for Medicare, review the Guide to Health Insurance for People with Medicare available from Us.

Mutual of Omaha Insurance Company
Home Office:
3300 Mutual of Omaha Plaza
Omaha, Nebraska 68175



#### ADDITIONAL BENEFITS RIDER

This rider is made a part of the policy or certificate to which it is attached. It is subject to all parts of your policy or certificate not in conflict with this rider.

Rider Date (January 1, 2000 or the Policy or Certificate Date, whichever is later)

#### **BENEFITS**

From time to time, we may offer or provide certain persons who apply for coverage with us or become insureds with us with medical management programs and provider network discount arrangements.

In addition, we may arrange for third party service providers (i.e. disease management specialists, health care provider networks, pharmacies, optometrists, dentists and other individual providers), some of which may provide discounted goods and services to those persons who apply for coverage with us or who become our insureds.

While we have arranged these goods, services and/or third party provider discounts, the third party service providers are liable to the applicants/insureds for the provision of such goods and/or services. We are not responsible for the provision of such goods and/or services nor are we liable for the failure of the provision of the same. Further, we are not liable to the applicants/insureds for the negligent provision of such goods and/or services by third party service providers.

MUTUAL OF OMAHA INSURANCE COMPANY

Corporate Secretary

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

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

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

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

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

The North Carolina Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association 4441 SIX FORKS RD STE 106-153
RALEIGH, NC 27609-5729
http://www.nclifega.org/

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

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

#### **COVERAGE**

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

#### **EXCLUSIONS FROM COVERAGE**

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

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

The association also does not provide coverage for:

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

#### LIMITS ON AMOUNT OF COVERAGE

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

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

# CERTIFICATE SCHEDULE

**POLICY NO.**: SR2014NC-P-054217

## POLICYHOLDER INFORMATION:

North Carolina High School Athletic Association PO Box 3216 Chapel Hill, NC 27516

Effective Date: August 1, 2023 Expiration Date: August 1, 2024

#### **ELIGIBILITY:**

All registered North Carolina High School Athletic Association Officials while officiating during covered events, which includes competition at any level. (100% participation)

Travel does not include temporary residence at a hotel or similar facility.

#### **SCOPE OF COVERAGE:**

<u>Class</u> <u>Insured Risk</u> <u>Benefits</u>

ALL Activity Coverage (IRACT062) AD&D (ADSLPERC001)
AME (AME002)

#### **BENEFITS:**

Accidental Death & Specific Loss (ADSLPERC001)

Principal Sum Amount \$10,000.00 Loss Period Loss within 365 Days of Injury

#### Medical Expense for Accident (AME002) - Full Excess (TBFE004)

Maximum Benefit Amount

Benefit Percentage

Deductible (Corridor)

Loss Period

Senefit Period

#### The following riders are attached to and made a part of this certificate:

Additional Benefits Rider 0HV6M

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Mutual of Omaha Insurance Company certifies that Policy SR2014NC-P-054217 has been issued to North Carolina High School Athletic Association ("the Policyholder"). The Policy provides Blanket Limited Accident insurance.

The policy is a legal contract between the Policyholder and Us. It is issued in consideration of payment of premiums.

If the provisions of this Certificate and those of the Policy do not agree, the provisions of the Policy will apply. The Policy is a contract between Mutual of Omaha Insurance Company and the Policyholder.

Certificate Effective Date: August 1, 2023

POLICY NUMBER: SR2014NC-P-054217

#### THIS POLICY INCLUDES AN EXCLUSION FOR PRE EXISTING CONDITIONS

#### POLICY TERM -RENEWAL

This policy goes into effect on the Policy Date shown above. The initial term ends on August 1, 2024. This policy may be renewed for additional terms with our consent. Each term beings and ends at 12:01 a.m., Standard Time, at the main office of the Policyholder.

# THIS IS A BLANKET LIMITED ACCIDENT CERTIFICATE. READ IT CAREFULLY. BENEFITS ARE NOT PAYABLE FOR LOSS DUE TO SICKNESS.

#### THIS CERTIFICATE IS NOT A MEDICARE SUPPLEMENT CERTIFICATE.

If you are eligible for Medicare, review the Guide to Health Insurance for People with Medicare available from Us.

Chief Executive Officer

James T. Blackledge

#### 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.

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# **INSURED RISKS**

Unless otherwise stated in the Schedule, We will pay benefits for a loss only once.

# **ACTIVITY COVERAGE (IRACT062)**

We will pay the benefits in this policy for an Insured while:

- participating in a Sponsored and Supervised Activity;
- traveling directly and without interruption between approved locations authorized by the Policyholder.

# **ELIGIBILITY FOR BENEFITS**

#### **ELIGIBILITY**

Persons who are eligible to be an Insured under the policy are described in the Schedule. This includes persons who may become eligible while the policy is in force.

#### WHEN INSURANCE BEGINS

Insurance for an Insured begins on the later of:

- the Policy Effective Date; or
- the day the Insured becomes eligible under the terms of the policy.

#### **CHANGE IN COVERAGE**

Any change in the Insured's coverage because of change of class as shown in the Schedule will become effective on the date of the change.

#### WHEN INSURANCE ENDS

Insurance for an Insured will end on the earliest of the date:

- the Insured is no longer eligible;
  - the Insured enters full time active duty in any Armed Forces;
  - any premium for the Insured is due and unpaid, subject to the Grace Period provision; or
  - the policy is terminated.

Termination of insurance will not affect a claim incurred while coverage was in effect.

#### **DESCRIPTION OF BENEFITS**

## ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND SPECIFIC LOSS BENEFIT (ADSLPERC001)

If an Insured suffers a loss listed below from an Accident within the Loss Period stated in the Schedule, We will pay the benefit opposite the Loss. If the Insured sustains more than one loss as the result of one Accident, We will pay only the largest benefit to which the Insured is entitled.

The Principal Sum is shown in the Schedule.

# TABLE OF BENEFITS FOR ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND SPECIFIC LOSS

Loss	Benefit Amount
Loss of Life	100% of Principal Sum
Loss of Both Hands	100% of Principal Sum
Loss of Both Feet	100% of Principal Sum
Loss of Entire Sight of Both Eyes	100% of Principal Sum
Loss of One Hand and One Foot	100% of Principal Sum
Loss of One Hand and Entire Sight of One Eye	100% of Principal Sum
Loss of One Foot and Entire Sight of One Eye	100% of Principal Sum
Loss of Speech and Hearing	100% of Principal Sum
Loss of Entire Sight of One Eye	50% of Principal Sum
Loss of Speech or Hearing	50% of Principal Sum
Loss of One Hand or One Foot	50% of Principal Sum
Loss of Thumb and Index Finger	25% of Principal Sum

#### **MEDICAL EXPENSE FOR ACCIDENT BENEFIT (AME002)**

We will pay the following Medical Expenses incurred as a result of an Accident. The Medical Expense Maximum and any applicable sub-limit amounts are shown in the Schedule.

- 1. Hospital room and board charges, up to the average semi-private daily room rate, for each day in the Hospital;
- 2. Intensive Care Unit charges are payable in lieu of payment for Hospital room and board charges for each day the Insured is confined in an intensive care unit;
- 3. Hospital miscellaneous charges during a hospital confinement. Miscellaneous charges do not include charges for telephone, radio or television, extra beds or cots, meals for guests, take-home items, or other convenience items;
- 4. outpatient charges by a Hospital for:
  - a. emergency room treatment. Treatment must be received within 72 hours of the Accident;
  - b. emergency room physician; or
  - c. use of surgical facilities:
- 5. surgical charges for the primary performance of a surgical procedure by a Physician; subject to the following:
  - a. if bilateral or multiple surgical procedures are performed by one Physician, We will pay the Medical Expenses for the primary procedure:
  - b. for each procedure that is not the primary procedure performed through the same incision as the primary procedure, we will pay 50% of the amount otherwise payable if the additional procedure were the primary procedure;
  - c. if multiple surgical procedures are performed during the same operating session, reimbursement shall be based upon, 100% of Allowable Expense for the primary procedure, 50% of Allowable Expense for the secondary procedure and 25% of Allowable Expense for the third and subsequent procedures;
  - d. any procedure that would not be an integral part of the primary procedure or is unrelated to the diagnosis will be considered incidental and no benefits will be provided for such procedure;
  - e. if multiple unrelated surgical procedures are performed by two or more Physicians on separate operative fields, benefits will be based on the Medical Expenses for each Physician's primary procedure; and
  - f. if two or more Physicians perform a procedure that is normally performed by one Physician, We will only pay the Medical Expenses for the primary Physician;

- 6. surgical charges for assistant surgeon duties will be reimbursed at 25% of the allowable for surgery codes that have been assigned an assistant surgery indicator by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services;
- 7. charges for anesthesia and its administration for surgery;
- 8. Physician's charges for other than pre- or post-operative care for in-Hospital visits or office visits;
- 9. charges for, including Physician's charges for reading or interpreting the results of, Laboratory Tests and diagnostic imaging including X-Ray, MRI, or CAT Scan;
- 10. charges for nursing services, other than routine Hospital care, by or under the supervision of a Nurse;
- 11. treatment of the spine by manual or mechanical means;
- 12. charges for Durable Medical Equipment;
- 13. charges for physiotherapy which includes:
  - a. adjustment;
  - b. diathermy;
  - c. heat treatment;
  - d. manipulation;
  - e. microtherm;
  - f. ultrasonic;
- 14. Ambulance Service (Surface) or/and Ambulance Service (Air);
- 15. Orthopedic Appliances and prosthetics, not including replacements;
- 16. Prescription Drugs;
- 17. dental expense for sound natural teeth; and
- 18. other Medical Expenses as noted in the Schedule.

# **EXCLUSIONS (EXCUS001-NC)**

We will not pay benefits for a loss due to or expenses incurred for:

- 1. intentionally self-inflicted injury, suicide while sane or insane;
- 2. voluntary self-administration of any drug or chemical substance not prescribed by or not taken according to the directions of the Insured's Physician;
- 3. operating a motor vehicle under the influence of a Controlled Substance unless administered on the advice of a Physician and taking the prescribed dosage;
- 4. operating a motor vehicle while having a blood alcohol level that equals or exceeds the legal limit for operating a motor vehicle in the state or jurisdiction where the Injury occurred;
- 5. commitment of or an attempt to commit a felony, or engagement in an illegal activity;
- 6. participation in a riot or insurrection;
- 7. any Injury that results from fighting, brawling, assault or battery;
- 8. an act of declared war:
- 9. active duty service in any Armed Forces;
- 10. operating, learning to operate, or serving as a pilot or crew member of any aircraft unless specified in the Insured Risk section of this policy;
- 11. mountaineering (engaging in the sport of scaling mountains generally requiring the use of picks, ropes, or other special equipment);
- 12. parachuting, except for self-preservation;
- 13. snow skiing, scuba diving, bob-sledding, bungee jumping, ballooning, flight in an ultralight aircraft, sky diving, hang-gliding, glider flying, sailplaning, or parasailing;
- 14. participation in professional racing;
- 15. injuries associated with activities or travel outside the United States;
- 16. sickness, disease, bodily or mental infirmity or medical or surgical treatment thereof, bacterial or viral infection, regardless of how contracted. This does not exclude bacterial infection that is the natural and foreseeable result of an Injury or accidental food poisoning;
- 17. orthodontic braces or appliances;
- 18. services or supplies for treatment of an Occupational Injury or Sickness which are paid under the North Carolina Workers' Compensation Act only to the extent such services or supplies are the liability of the employee, employer or workers' compensation insurance carrier according to a final adjudication under the North Carolina Workers' Compensation Act or an order of the North Carolina Industrial Commission approving a settlement agreement under the North Carolina Workers' Compensation Act;
- 19. treatment in any Veterans Administration or federal Hospital, unless there is a legal obligation to pay;
- 20. charges which the Insured would not have to pay if the Insured did not have insurance;
- 21. a charge which is in excess of the Allowable Expense;
- 22. cosmetic surgery, except reconstructive surgery due to a covered Injury;
- 23. participation in semi-professional and professional sports, play or practice, or any related travel;
- 24. organ transplants;
- 25. elective treatment or surgery that is not prescribed by a Physician and is not Medically Necessary, health treatment, or examination where no Injury is involved;
- 26. preventive medicines or, serums or, vaccines;
- 27. voluntary termination of pregnancy;
- 28. contraceptive methods, devices or aids; elective sterilization or its reversal; artificial insemination; or in-vitro fertilization:
- 29. routine medical care; and normal health checkups;
- 30. rest cures or Custodial Care;
- 31. mental and nervous disorders;
- 32. Pre-existing Conditions;
- 33. infectious disease;
- 34. any Heart or Circulatory Malfunction;

- 35. services or treatment rendered by a Physician, Nurse or any other person who is:
  - employed or retained by the Policyholder; or
  - the Insured or an Immediate Family Member;
- 36. services or treatment incurred to the extent that they are paid or payable under any Other Insurance Plan;
- 37. Injury sustained by reason of a motor vehicle accident to the extent that benefits are paid or payable by any Other Insurance Plan;
- 38. travel in or upon:
  - a snowmobile;
  - any two or three wheeled motor vehicle;
  - any off-road motorized vehicle not requiring licensing as a motor vehicle in the jurisdiction where operated;
- 39. any Accident in which the Insured is operating a motor vehicle without a current and valid motor vehicle operator's license (except in a driver's education program);
- 40. eyeglasses, contact lenses, hearing aids, or related examinations or prescriptions.

# **TERMS OF BENEFIT PAYMENTS**

We will pay the benefits specified in the DESCRIPTION OF BENEFITS section to all Insureds who suffer a loss within the Scope of Coverage due to Injury.

# **FULL EXCESS MEDICAL EXPENSE (TBFE004)**

We will pay the Medical Expenses an Insured incurs for covered services that exceed amounts payable by any Other Insurance Plan, subject to the Deductible, Benefit Percentage, and Benefit Period shown in the Schedule. We will determine the amount of benefits provided by any Other Insurance Plan without reference to any coordination of benefits, non-duplication of benefits or similar provisions. The amount of benefits provided by an Other Insurance Plan includes any amount to which the Insured is entitled whether or not a claim is made for the benefits. This Policy is secondary to all Other Insurance Plans.

The first Medical Expense must be incurred within the Loss Period stated in the Schedule.

The Maximum Benefit Amount payable and sub-limits under the policy are shown in the Schedule.

#### **CLAIM PROVISIONS**

#### NOTICE OF CLAIM

We must receive written notice within 90 days after a loss occurs or begins, or as soon as reasonably possible. Notice can be given at Our home office or to Our authorized representative. Notice should include:

- the Policyholder's name;
- the policy number; and
- the Insured's name and address.

#### **CLAIM FORMS**

When We receive the notice of the claim, We will send forms for filing proof of loss within 15 days. If We do not send the necessary forms within 15 days, written information may be given that includes the nature, date, cause, and extent of the loss for which claim is made.

#### PROOF OF LOSS

We must be given written proof of loss at Our home office or to Our authorized representative within 180 days after the date of the loss. If the written proof is not given within 180 days, the claim will not be invalidated or reduced if:

- it was not reasonably possible to give proof within 180 days; and
- proof is given as soon as reasonably possible, but not later than one year from the date it is otherwise required, except in the absence of legal capacity.

If the claim is for a continuing loss for which this policy provides periodic payments, written proof that the loss continues must be given to Us or to Our authorized representative at the intervals We require.

#### **Physical Examination and Autopsy**

We have the right to have an Insured examined at Our cost and as often as reasonably necessary while the claim is pending. We may require an autopsy at Our expense unless prohibited by law.

#### **PAYMENT OF CLAIMS**

Benefits will be paid immediately after We receive acceptable proof of loss and confirm benefits are payable.

We will pay benefits for loss of life and any benefits payable to the Insured but unpaid at the Insured's death to the Insured's named beneficiary for the policy. This choice must be in writing and filed with Us, or filed with the Policyholder if We have agreed in advance.

The Insured has the right to change the beneficiary. Unless this right has been given up, the Insured does not need the consent of the beneficiary to make a change.

If the Insured has not named a beneficiary or no beneficiary survives the Insured, We will pay benefits at the Insured's death as follows:

- to the Insured's surviving spouse; if none, then
- in equal shares to the Insured's surviving children; if none, then
- in equal shares to the Insured's surviving parents; if none, then
- in equal shares to the Insured's surviving brothers and sisters; if none, then
- to the Insured's estate.

If benefits are payable to a person who is not legally competent to claim or release benefits, a minor, or an estate, We may pay up to \$1,000 to any relative by blood or marriage whom We find entitled to the payment. This good faith payment satisfies Our legal duty to the extent of the payment.

# **Assignment of Benefits**

The Insured may direct that We pay benefits to a Hospital, Physician or other provider who furnished care, diagnosis, advice or supplies. We are not liable for any actions We take before We receive notice of the assignment. We are not responsible for the validity of any assignment of benefits.

#### **OPPORTUNITY TO REQUEST AN APPEAL**

The claimant may request an appeal, in writing, within 60 days after receiving notice of Our initial claim review decision.

The request for an appeal should include:

- the Policyholder's name and the Policy number or group number;
- the Insured's name and mailing address;
- the name and mailing address of the claimant filing the appeal, if different from the Insured;
- the nature of the appeal; and
- any additional information that may have been omitted from Our review or that We should consider.

By requesting an appeal, the claimant has authorized Us, or anyone We designate, to review any and all records (including, but not limited to, medical records) which We determine may be relevant to the appeal. We will review all information submitted and make Our final determination. No additional appeals are available.

Applicable state laws may contain requirements for claims review and appeal procedures. To the extent that this provision is inconsistent with any state law requirement, the requirement that is most favorable to the claimant will apply.

#### **AUTHORITY TO INTERPRET POLICY**

By purchasing the policy, the Policyholder grants Us the discretion and the final authority to construe and interpret this policy. This means that We have the authority to decide all questions of eligibility and all questions regarding the amount and payment of any policy benefits within the terms of this policy as We interpret it. We will pay benefits under the policy only if We decide, in Our discretion, that a person is entitled to them. In making any decision, We may rely on the accuracy and completeness of any information furnished by the Policyholder, an Insured, or any other third party. Our interpretation of this policy as to the amount of benefits and eligibility will be binding and conclusive on all persons.

The Policyholder further grants Us the authority to delegate to third parties, including, without limitation, any third party administrator with whom We have contracted to provide claims administration and other administrative services, the discretionary authority granted in this policy. The Policyholder expressly grants such third party the full discretionary authority granted to Us under this policy.

#### **GENERAL PROVISIONS**

#### INSURANCE CONTRACT

The insurance contract consists of:

- the policy;
- the attached Schedule; and
- any riders or endorsements.

The insurance contract may be changed (including reducing or terminating benefits or increasing premium costs) any time We and the Policyholder both agree to a change, unless required by law. No one else has the authority to change the insurance contract. A change in the insurance contract must be:

- in writing;
- made a part of the policy; and
- signed by Our authorized representative in Our home office.

#### **WORKERS COMPENSATION INSURANCE**

The policy does not satisfy any requirement for coverage under any workers compensation law.

#### **INCONTESTABILITY**

We will not contest this Policy after it has been in force two years, except for nonpayment of premium.

All statements made by the Policyholder to obtain this Policy are considered representations and not warranties. No statement will be used to deny or reduce benefits or be used as a defense to a claim, or to deny the validity of this Policy unless a copy of the instrument containing the statement is, or has been, furnished to the Policyholder.

#### **LEGAL ACTIONS**

No legal action to recover under this policy can be brought for at least 60 days after We have been given written proof of loss. No legal action can be brought after three years from the time written proof of loss is required to be given to Us.

#### **DEFINITIONS**

The following capitalized terms have the meaning assigned to them in this section. The assigned definitions apply to both the singular and plural forms of the defined term.

Accident means an unexpected and unintended event, independent of Sickness and all other causes, which:

- causes Injury to an Insured; and
- occurs within the Scope of Coverage.

Ambulance Service (Air) means the service provided:

- by means of a fixed or roto-winged aircraft equipped with life support and medical apparatus; and
- for the primary purpose of transporting an Insured to or from the Hospital where treatment is given.

Ambulance Service (Surface) means the service provided:

- by a commercial or municipal ground ambulance service; and
- for transporting an Insured to or from the Hospital where treatment is given.

Allowable Expense means a Medical Expense otherwise payable under the policy that is not in excess of the 80<sup>th</sup> percentile identified on Context4HealthCare (the "Database"). When there is, in Our determination, minimal data available from the Database for a Medical Expense, We will determine the amount to pay by calculating the unit cost for the applicable service category using the Database and multiplying that by the relative value of the Medical Expense based upon a commercially available relative value scale selected by Us. In the event of an unusually complex medical procedure, a Medical Expense for a new procedure or a Medical Expense that otherwise does not have a relative value that is in Our determination applicable, We will assign a relative value. The Medical Expenses We pay may not reflect the actual charges of a provider and does not take into account the provider's training, experience or category of licensure. A provider may charge the Insured the difference between what the provider charges and the amount We pay under the policy. The Database will be updated by us as information becomes available from the supplier, up to twice each year. We may modify the Database in Our discretion to reflect Our experience. We have the right, in Our discretion, to substitute or replace the Database with another database or databases of comparable purpose, with or without notice.

Ambulatory Surgical Center means a surgical or medical center which:

- has permanent facilities for surgery;
- has an organized medical staff of Physicians and graduate registered nurses (R.N.);
- is authorized by law in the jurisdiction in which it is located to perform surgical services; and
- is licensed (if no license is required, officially approved) under the law.

*Benefit Period* means the period of time, as stated in the Schedule, from the date of the Injury [or initial onset of Sickness] within which benefits will be paid.

Controlled Substance means any drug or substance, other than alcohol, having the capacity to affect behavior and that is regulated by law with regard to possession and use.

Deductible (Corridor) means the amount of eligible Medical Expenses incurred by an Insured for each loss before benefits are payable under this policy. It applies separately to each Insured and each Injury.

*Durable Medical Equipment* means equipment that is Medically Necessary, appropriate for the medical care of the Insured, and ordered by a Physician for the specific use of the Insured. It is equipment that can withstand repeated use, is primarily and customarily used to serve a medical purpose and generally is not useful to an individual in the absence of an Injury.

Heart or Circulatory Malfunction means an acute onset of a cardiovascular or circulatory accident, stroke or other similar traumatic event affecting the heart or circulatory system:

- which is first diagnosed and treated while the Insured's coverage under this policy is in force;
- which occurs as a result of Injury to the Insured while participating in a Sponsored and Supervised Activity; and
- which does not result from a Pre-Existing Condition.

Hospital means an accredited facility licensed by the proper authority of the area in which it is located to provide care and treatment for the condition causing confinement. A Hospital will include a duly licensed state tax-supported institution regardless of whether or not it has an operating room and related equipment for the performance of surgery. A Hospital does not include a facility or institution or part of a facility or institution which is licensed or used principally as a clinic, convalescent home, rest home, nursing home or home for the aged, halfway house or board and care facilities.

*Immediate Family Member* means a spouse or a child, parent, grandparent, brother or sister of the Insured, step-relatives in these same categories, or a person who reared the Insured, or a person whom the Insured reared.

*Injury* means bodily harm which:

- requires treatment by a Physician;
- results in loss due to an Accident, independent of Sickness and all other causes; and
- occurs within the Scope of Coverage.

Bodily harm does not include a Pre-Existing Condition.

*Insured* means a person:

- who is eligible for insurance under the terms of the policy; and
- for whom proper premium has been paid.

Intensive Care Unit means a section, ward, or wing within a Hospital which is separated from other Hospital facilities and:

- is operated exclusively for the purpose of providing professional treatment for critically ill or Injured patients;
- has special supplies and equipment necessary for such treatment which is available on a standby basis for immediate
  use:
- provides room and board, and constant observation by registered graduate nurses or other specialty trained Hospital personnel; and
- is not maintained for the purpose of providing normal post-operative recovery treatment or service.

*Intoxicated, intoxication* means the Insured's condition as determined and defined by the laws in the jurisdiction in which the loss or cause of loss was incurred; (for the purposes of this exception, the laws governing the operation of motor vehicles while intoxicated will apply to any activity occurring at the time of the accident.)

Laboratory Tests means laboratory procedures identified in Physician Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) as codes 80000-89999 inclusive.

Loss of a Foot means Severance above the ankle.

Loss of a Hand means Severance at or above the wrist.

Loss of Hearing means total and permanent loss of hearing which cannot be corrected by any means.

Loss of Sight means the total, permanent loss of sight of the eye or eyes. The loss of sight must be irrecoverable by natural, surgical or artificial means.

Loss of Speech means total, permanent and irrecoverable loss of audible communication.

Loss of a Thumb and Index Finger of the same hand means Severance through or above the metacarpophalangeal joints of the same hand (the joints between the fingers and the hand) from the same Accident.

Loss Period means the period of time stated in the Schedule from the date of an Accident within which the Insured must seek initial treatment for an Injury or death or Specific Loss must occur.

Maximum Benefit Amount means the total benefits payable under an applicable benefit provision. The Maximum Benefit Amount is shown in the Schedule.

*Medical Expenses* means expenses incurred for Medically Necessary services and supplies. Medical Expenses are incurred on the date the service or supply is rendered or provided.

*Medically Necessary, Medical Necessity* means care that is ordered, prescribed, or rendered by a Physician or Hospital, and is determined by Us, or a qualified party or entity selected by Us, to be:

- consistent with the diagnosis and treatment of the loss;
- appropriate with the standards of good medical practice;
- not solely for the convenience of the Insured;
- the most appropriate supply or level of service which can be safely provided; and
- not considered experimental or investigative.

*Nurse* means a professional, licensed, graduate registered nurse (RN), a professional, licensed practical nurse (LPN) or a certified registered nurse anesthetist (CRNA).

Nurse Practitioner means a licensed registered nurse who has received special training for diagnosing and treating routine or minor ailments.

Orthopedic Appliances means braces and appliances that:

- are prescribed by a Physician;
- are primarily and customarily used to serve a medical purpose;
- can withstand repeated use; and
- are Medically Necessary.

Other Insurance Plan means any contract, policy or other arrangement for benefits or services for medical or dental care or treatment under:

- any individual, group, blanket, or franchise policy of accident, disability, or health insurance;
- any arrangement of benefits for members of a group, whether insured or uninsured;
- any prepaid service arrangement such as Blue Cross or Blue Shield, individual or group practice plans, or health maintenance organizations;
- any amount payable for Hospital, medical, or other health services for Injury arising out of a motor vehicle accident to the extent such benefits are payable under any medical expense payment provision (by whatever terminology used including such benefits mandated by law) of any motor vehicle insurance policy;
- any amount payable for services for injuries or diseases related to the Insured's job to the extent that the Insured actually receives benefits under a workers compensation law. If the Insured enters into a settlement to give up the Insured's rights to recover future medical expenses under a workers compensation law, this policy will not pay those medical expenses that would have been payable except for that settlement; or
- any benefits payable under any program provided or sponsored solely or primarily by any federal, state, or local governmental unit or agency or subdivision or through operation of law or regulation, except Medicaid and Tricare.

Outpatient Surgical Center means a surgical or medical center which has:

- permanent facilities for surgery;
- · organized medical staff of Physicians and Nurses; and
- is authorized by law in the jurisdiction in which it is located to perform surgical services and is licensed (if no license is required, officially approved) under law.

*Physician* means a legally qualified physician, Nurse Practitioner or Physician's Assistant practicing within the scope of his or her license; and recognized as a physician in the state where services are rendered. Physician does not include:

- the Insured; or
- an Immediate Family Member; or
- a person living with the Insured; or
- a person employed or retained by the Policyholder.

*Physician's Assistant (PA)* means a medical professional, other than the Insured, who is trained and licensed to provide basic medical services under the direction of a Physician.

*Pre-Existing Condition* means those conditions for which medical advice, diagnosis, care, or treatment was received or recommended within the one-year period immediately preceding the effective date of the Insured's coverage.

Prescription Drugs means drugs which:

- under Federal law may only be dispensed by written prescription; and
- are approved for general use by the Food and Drug Administration.

Scope of Coverage means insurance coverage limited to a loss which:

- is within the scope of the risks specified in the INSURED RISKS section of this policy;
- is specified in the DESCRIPTION OF BENEFITS section of this policy;
- occurs during the Loss Period for the loss incurred specified in the Schedule, if any; and
- occurs while this policy is in effect.

Severance means the complete and permanent separation and dismemberment of the part from the body.

Sponsored and Supervised Activity means a Policyholder authorized function:

- in which the Insured participates;
- which is organized by or under its auspices and sanctioned by the appropriate governing authority; and
- which is within the scope of customary activities for such entity.

We, Our, Us means Mutual of Omaha Insurance Company.

X-ray means those procedures identified in Physician Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) as codes 70000-79999 inclusive.

# THIS IS A BLANKET LIMITED ACCIDENT CERTIFICATE.

#### **READ IT CAREFULLY.**

#### BENEFITS ARE NOT PAYABLE FOR LOSS DUE TO SICKNESS.

# THIS CERTIFICATE IS NOT A MEDICARE SUPPLEMENT CERTIFICATE.

If you are eligible for Medicare, review the Guide to Health Insurance for People with Medicare available from Us.

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#### ADDITIONAL BENEFITS RIDER

This rider is made a part of the policy or certificate to which it is attached. It is subject to all parts of your policy or certificate not in conflict with this rider.

Rider Date (January 1, 2000 or the Policy or Certificate Date, whichever is later)

#### **BENEFITS**

From time to time, we may offer or provide certain persons who apply for coverage with us or become insureds with us with medical management programs and provider network discount arrangements.

In addition, we may arrange for third party service providers (i.e. disease management specialists, health care provider networks, pharmacies, optometrists, dentists and other individual providers), some of which may provide discounted goods and services to those persons who apply for coverage with us or who become our insureds.

While we have arranged these goods, services and/or third party provider discounts, the third party service providers are liable to the applicants/insureds for the provision of such goods and/or services. We are not responsible for the provision of such goods and/or services nor are we liable for the failure of the provision of the same. Further, we are not liable to the applicants/insureds for the negligent provision of such goods and/or services by third party service providers.

MUTUAL OF OMAHA INSURANCE COMPANY

Corporate Secretary

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