

# The Power Sector Benefit Trust

**Life & Health  
Insurance  
Benefit Booklet  
for Ontario Members**

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Great-West Life is a leading Canadian life and health insurer. Great-West Life's financial security advisors work with our clients from coast to coast to help them secure their financial future. We provide a wide range of retirement savings and income plans; as well as life, disability and critical illness insurance for individuals and families. As a leading provider of employee benefits in Canada, we offer effective benefit solutions for large and small employee groups.

### **Great-West Life Online**

Information and details on Great-West Life's corporate profile, our products and services, investor information, news releases and contact information can all be found at our website <http://www.greatwestlife.com>.

This booklet describes the principal features of the group benefit plan sponsored by the Power Sector Benefit Trust, but **Group Policy No. 330591 and Plan Document No. 56105** issued by Great-West Life are the governing documents. If there are variations between the information in the booklet and the provisions of the policies and plan document, the policies and plan document will prevail.

This booklet contains important information and should be kept in a safe place known to you and your family.

## **The Plan is administered by**



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## **Protecting Your Personal Information**

At Great-West Life, we recognize and respect the importance of privacy. When you apply for coverage or benefits, we establish a confidential file of personal information. We limit access to personal information in your file to Great-West Life staff or persons authorized by Great-West Life who require it to perform their duties, to persons to whom you have granted access, and to persons authorized by law.

We use the personal information to administer the group benefit plan under which you are covered. This includes many tasks, such as:

- determining your eligibility for coverage under the plan
- enrolling you for coverage
- assessing your claims and providing you with payment
- managing your claims
- verifying and auditing eligibility and claims
- underwriting activities, such as determining the cost of the plan, and analyzing the design options of the plan
- preparing regulatory reports, such as tax slips

Your plan sponsor has an agreement with Great-West Life in which your plan sponsor has financial responsibility for some or all of the benefits in the plan and we process claims on your plan sponsor's behalf. We may exchange personal information with your health care providers, your plan administrator, other insurance or reinsurance companies, administrators of government benefits or other benefit programs, other organizations, or service providers working with us when necessary to administer the plan.

All claims under this plan are submitted through you as plan member. We may exchange personal information about claims with you and a person acting on your behalf when necessary to confirm eligibility and to mutually manage the claims.

The personal information in your file will be kept in The Power Sector Benefit Trust Administration Office as well as the offices of Great-West Life or in the offices of an organization authorized

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by us. You may request to review or correct the personal information in your file. A request to review or correct your file should be made in writing and sent to

The Power Sector Benefit Trust Administration Office

at

555 Burnhamthorpe Road Suite 306

Etobicoke ON M9C 2Y3

or check out our website

at

[WWW.CUSW.CA](http://WWW.CUSW.CA)

Claims submissions should be sent to the address on the claim form or contact your plan administrator at 1-888-250-2270 for details.

For more information about our privacy guidelines, please ask for Great-West Life's *Privacy Guidelines* brochure.

### **Liability for Benefits**

Your plan sponsor, Power Sector Benefit Trust has entered into an agreement with The Great-West Life Assurance Company whereby Power Sector Benefit Trust will have full liability for Pay Direct Drug, Healthcare and Dentalcare benefits outlined in this booklet. This means Power Sector Benefit Trust has agreed to fund these benefits and they are, therefore, uninsured. All claims will, however, be processed by Great-West Life.

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## DEFINITIONS

**Policy Renewal** Date is May 1st of each year.

**Common-law Spouse** means a person of the same, where applicable by law, or opposite sex whom you publicly represent as your spouse.

**Common-law Child** means a child of your common-law spouse from another relationship who resides with and is in the care and custody of you and your common-law spouse.

**Employment** as referred to in this booklet shall mean active membership in The Power Sector Benefit Trust.

**Fund** means The Power Sector Benefit Trust Plan.

**Welfare Plan** means all the benefits for which you are eligible under the Fund including benefits which may not be provided by us or any other Insurance Company.

**Monthly Draw** means an amount equal to the sum of the monthly premium payments required for your benefits under the Welfare Plan.

**Welfare Account** will consist of all payments made to the Fund on your behalf, excluding all amounts deducted on your behalf.

**Hour Bank** means the record of hours worked by a Member and hours deducted which is kept by the administrator for the purposes of determining the commencement, continuation and termination of a Member's coverage.

**Retired, Retirement or Retire** means the Member's cessation of active duties while covered under this plan or voluntarily electing to leave active duties after attaining the age of 55.

### GROUP INSURANCE PLAN FOR EMPLOYEES OF

#### The Power Sector Benefit Trust

Group Life & Health Insurance Policy No. 330591

Group Benefit Plan No. 56105

The following outlines the benefits available from May 1st, 2005.

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## BENEFIT DESCRIPTION

### Life Insurance

Flat amount of \$50,000.

### Reductions

Each Member's Life Insurance will reduce 50% on the Member's 65th birthday. The reduced coverage of \$25,000 will continue until the Member's death.

### Accidental Death and Dismemberment

Flat amount of \$50,000 for each member and spouse.

### Reductions

Each Member's Accidental Death and Dismemberment insurance will reduce 50% on the Member's 65th birthday.

**Accidental Death and Dismemberment Benefits cease on the Member's 70th birthday.**

Each Spouse's Accidental Death and Dismemberment insurance will reduce 50% on the Member's 65th birthday.

**Spouse's Accidental Death and Dismemberment Benefits cease on the Member's 70th birthday.**

Each Spouse's Accidental Death and Dismemberment insurance will reduce 50% on the Member's 65th birthday. Benefits cease on the Member's 70th birthday.

### Dependent's Group Life

Spouse:.....\$ 25,000

Each Child:.....\$ 5,000

Benefits for children commence 14 days after birth.

### Reductions

Each spouse's life insurance will reduce 50% on the Member's 75th birthday. The reduced coverage of \$12,500 will continue until the spouse's death.

**Please Note: This extension in the full amount of Spouse's coverage is only effective after December 1st, 2004.**

Eligible dependent children would continue to be covered for \$5,000 throughout the coverage of the spouse.

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## **Long Term Disability**

### **Amount of Insurance**

60% of monthly earnings to a maximum monthly benefit of \$2,000.

Any amount which is not an integral multiple of \$1.00 will be rounded to the next \$1.00.

Benefit payments are taxable.

Benefits are paid monthly in arrears after an elimination period of 119 days and terminate on the earlier of your cessation of disability, death, or attainment of age 65, except if you were under age 65 when you became disabled you will receive at least 12 months of payment provided you remain disabled.

**Long Term Disability benefits terminate at age 65.**

### **Pay Direct Drugs**

Your deductible per prescription is nil.

Reimbursement is 100% of eligible charges.

Your maximum Dispensing Fee is \$5.00 per Drug Identification Number (DIN).

**Pay Direct Drug benefits do not terminate with age.**

### **Healthcare**

Your deductible per calendar year is nil.

Reimbursement is 100% of eligible charges.

Healthcare benefits, excluding Emergency Out-of country/province treatment and Travel Assistance, do not terminate with age.

**Emergency Out-of country/province treatment and Travel Assistance benefits terminate at age 75.**

### **Dental**

Great-West Life will pay on the basis of the current year's Dental Association Suggested Schedule of Fees for General Practitioners as of the 1st of the month following the month in which Great-West Life receives the new Schedule.

Your deductible per calendar year is nil.

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### **Basic Services**

Reimbursement is 100% of Insured Charges. The overall maximum is unlimited.

### **Major Restorative**

Reimbursement is 50% of eligible charges. The overall maximum is \$1,500 per person in any calendar year.

### **Orthodontics**

Reimbursement is 50% of eligible charges.  
Maximum is \$1,500 in the lifetime per dependent child.

**Dental benefits do not terminate with age.**

### **Changes In Coverage**

Changes in coverage due to dependency status will take effect on the first day of the month coincident with or next following the date of the change. You must be a Member in good standing in order for your insurance to increase. In order for the change in benefit to occur, Great-West Life must also be properly notified by the Power Sector Benefit Trust.

### **Termination Of Benefits**

Long Term Disability benefits terminate at age 65. Accidental Death and Dismemberment benefits terminate at age 70. Emergency Out-of country/province treatment and Travel Assistance benefits terminate at age 75.

All other benefits do not terminate with age.

## **YOUR ELIGIBILITY**

If you are a member or applicant of The Power Sector Benefit Trust, you are eligible to be insured on the first day of the policy month coincident with or next following the day you have accumulated, and there has been recorded, at least two monthly draws in your Welfare Account.

You may elect to have the necessary amount added to your Welfare Account by making the required contribution to the Fund.

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Your Welfare Account may not exceed an amount equal to 120 times the Monthly Draw. The Monthly Draw will be deducted from your Welfare Account on the first day of each policy Month.

### **Commencement of Your Coverage**

You automatically become covered on your eligibility date, provided you have completed an application.

## **YOUR ELIGIBLE DEPENDENTS**

Dependents eligible for benefits are either your spouse or commonlaw spouse and each unmarried child, stepchild or common law child who is dependent upon you for support and is under 19 years of age or under 25 years of age if a fulltime student. Dependent children over the age of 19 will be covered if mentally or physically impaired. Anyone who is in fulltime service in any naval, military or air force will not be eligible as dependents.

### **Commencement of Your Dependent's Coverage**

Your dependent's coverage will commence on the same date as your coverage if you request dependent coverage on your application.

If you do not request dependent coverage when you become insured and later want such coverage, you must complete an application.

Once you have dependent coverage, an additional child will automatically become insured on the date the child qualifies as your dependent. No application is necessary.

If your dependent other than a newborn is confined in a hospital when coverage should commence, coverage will not begin until your dependent's discharge.

You must complete a new application if you wish to add or change a legally married or commonlaw spouse, with coverage in the case of a common-law spouse commencing on the first day of the Policy Month next following the date such dependent is acquired.

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## **GENERAL HEALTH EXCLUSIONS**

No amount of benefit will be payable for any charge that resulted either directly or indirectly from, or was in any manner or degree associated with, or occasioned by, any one or more of the following:

- a) intentionally selfinflicted injury while sane or insane,
- b) war, insurrection or hostilities of any kind whether or not you or your dependent were a participant in such action,
- c) participation in a riot or civil commotion,
- d) committing or attempting to commit a criminal offence or provoking an assault.

Additional exclusions are found under the respective Benefit Descriptions in this booklet.

## **TERMINATION OF INSURANCE**

You are no longer insured from the date your employment terminates or the policy terminates. Insurance terminates the day before you enter service in any naval, military or air force.

If you are a Member of The Power Sector Benefit Trust your insurance will terminate on the last day of the month in which your Welfare Account does not have an amount equal to at least one Monthly Draw.

For the rules governing reinstatement of Insurance, please see your Policy Administrator.

For benefits on termination see Conversion of Your Life Insurance under your Life Insurance Benefit.

**Life Insurance benefits may now remain in force until the death of the member at any age as long as premiums are paid through your Welfare Account. As long as you are covered for the Life Insurance Benefit, you may maintain the Healthcare and Dental benefit until the death of the member.**

**PLEASE NOTE: Out of Country/Province Coverage and Travel Assistance will cease for both members and depen-**

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dents at the member's Age 75, with a corresponding drop in the premium of the Healthcare benefit.

## **YOUR LIFE INSURANCE BENEFIT**

Your designated beneficiary will be paid a lump sum amount in the case of your death. You may appoint one or more beneficiaries or change your appointment at any time by completing a "Change in Beneficiary Designation" form obtained from the Power Sector Benefit Trust. Any amount of coverage for which there is no beneficiary will be payable to your estate.

### **Waiver of Premium**

Coverage on your life will continue if you become totally disabled for at least 6 consecutive months. You must become disabled while covered before your 65th birthday. No premium payments will be required as of your date of disability.

This coverage will terminate without conversion privileges on your 65th birthday.

"Totally Disabled" means your complete inability to engage in any gainful occupation for which you are reasonably fitted by education, training or experience. Great-West Life must receive initial proof that you are totally disabled no later than 12 months after your date of disability.

### **Extension of Benefits**

The termination of the policy will not affect the continuation of your coverage under the Waiver of Premium provision.

### **Conversion of Your Life Insurance**

You may convert your Group Life Coverage to an Individual Life Policy upon termination of your employment or termination of the policy. You must be under age 65 to convert but evidence of good health is not required. The policy will be one of the standard life insurance conversion forms available by Great-West Life or any of its affiliates. For limits on the amount of coverage that may be selected please see the Power Sector Benefit Trust. It may not include any provision for disability, accidental death or other special benefit.

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An application and the first premium due for the individual policy must be received by Great-West Life within 31 days after the termination of your group coverage. In the case of your death during this 31 day period, the amount of coverage, subject to any limits, will be paid to your designated beneficiary.

## **YOUR DEPENDENT'S LIFE INSURANCE BENEFITS**

You will be paid a lump sum amount, if living, otherwise your estate, in the case of your insured dependent's death.

### **Waiver of Premium**

Your dependent will continue to be insured if your premiums are being waived. During such period, no premium payment will be required for this benefit. No additional dependent may become insured and there may not be any increases in the amount of insurance on your covered dependents.

### **Conversion of Your Dependent Life Insurance**

You, if living, otherwise your spouse, may ask Great-West Life to issue an Individual Life Policy for your spouse upon termination of your employment, death, or termination of the policy. Evidence of good health is not required. The policy will be one of the standard life insurance conversion forms available by Great-West Life or any of its affiliates. For limits on the amount of insurance that may be selected please see the Power Sector Benefit Trust. The policy may not include any provision for disability, accidental death or other special benefit.

There is no provision for the conversion of the Group Life Insurance on an Insured child.

An application and the first premium due for the Individual Policy must be received by Great-West Life within 31 days after the termination of your group coverage. In the case of your spouse's death during this 31 day period, the amount of insurance, subject to any limits, will be paid to you.

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## ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT BENEFIT

You will be paid a lump sum if you have an accident while you are insured which causes death or a loss. The loss must occur within 365 days of the accident.

In the case of loss of life, the full amount will be paid to your beneficiary as appointed in your Basic Group Life Policy.

These percentage amounts will be paid to you if an accident results in the loss or irrecoverable loss of use of:

The sight of both eyes.....	100%
Both hands <u>or</u> both feet.....	100%
A hand <u>and</u> a foot.....	100%
The sight of an eye <u>and</u> either a hand or a foot.....	100%
Speech <u>and</u> hearing in both ears.....	100%
An arm <u>or</u> a leg.....	75%
A hand <u>or</u> a foot.....	50%
The sight of one eye.....	50%
Speech <u>or</u> hearing in both ears.....	50%

These percentage amounts will be paid if an accident results in the complete severance of:

A thumb <u>and</u> an index finger of a hand.....	25%
All four fingers of a hand.....	25%
All of the toes of a foot.....	12.5%

In no case will more than the full amount be paid for all losses resulting from one accident. If as a result of one accident you suffer a number of losses for one limb, payment will be made only for the loss providing the largest amount.

### Exclusions

These exclusions are in addition to those described under "General Health Exclusions":

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- e) Bodily or mental infirmity or illness or disease of any kind, or medical or surgical treatment thereof.
  - f) Travel or flight in any aircraft except solely as a passenger in a powered civil aircraft having a valid and current airworthiness certificate, and operated by a duly licensed or certified pilot while such aircraft is being used for the sole purpose of transportation. Descent from any aircraft in flight will be deemed to be part of such flight.

**Note:** Crew members are not covered.

- g) Taking or attempting to take your own life, whether you are in possession of your mental faculties or not at that time.
- h) In the course of operating a motor vehicle, no payment will be made if the loss or injury leading to the loss occurs while
  - i) under the influence of any intoxicant, or
  - ii) if the individual's blood alcohol concentration was in excess of 80 milligrams of alcohol per 100 millilitres of blood.

### **How to Submit a Claim**

Claim forms are available from the Power Sector Benefit Trust. This form must be completed in full and submitted within 90 days from the date of loss.

If the Group Insurance Policy terminates, no payment will be made unless the claim is submitted within 90 days of the termination date.

## **LONG TERM DISABILITY BENEFIT**

You will be paid a monthly amount based on your predisability monthly income after the elimination period of 119 days if you become disabled while insured.

Benefits are paid only if you are under the continuing care of a legally licensed physician or surgeon. For a disability arising from any medical condition, you must be receiving appropriate treatment as agreed upon by Great-West Life and your treating physician. We reserve the right to seek and accept an indepen-

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dent medical opinion from a physician specialized in the treatment of the medical condition.

You must be disabled for a continuous period due to the same or related causes. A continuous period of disability includes all periods which are not separated by more than 30 days during the elimination period. If you return to work and have a recurrence of the disability within six consecutive months after the initial satisfaction of the elimination period, your disability claim resumes without a further elimination period.

### **Definition of Disability**

“Disabled” and “Disability” means that due to injury, disease, illness, pregnancy or mental disorder you are not able to perform the essential duties of your regular occupation with your employer or with any other employer, during the first 24 months of payment. Thereafter, it means that you are not able to perform the duties of your own or any other occupation for which you are reasonably fitted by education, training or experience without consideration to the availability of such occupations and you are not able to earn the percentage of your pre-disability monthly earnings, shown in the Long Term Disability section of the Benefit Description, currently 60%.

### **Waiver of Premium**

Great-West Life will waive the premium payments while you are receiving benefits from the date of disability.

### **Rehabilitation Provision**

To help you recover while still receiving payments, you may engage in a Great-West Life approved rehabilitation program. You may satisfy the elimination period while engaged in such program.

If you receive an income under the Rehabilitation program, the amount of your Benefit payable to you will be reduced according to the Return-to-Work Allowance Section.

Your Benefit payments will be stopped on the earlier of the following dates:

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1. The date you cease to participate in the program or your 65th birthday if earlier.
  2. The date you cease to be disabled.
  3. The date you would otherwise cease to receive benefits.

Great-West Life will pay expenses incurred by you, other than usual employment expenses, for services and equipment associated with an approved rehabilitation program. The expenses must be approved in advance by Great-West Life in writing.

### **Return-to-Work Allowance**

If you are able to return to your regular occupation or any other occupation on a part-time basis under a program pre-approved by Great-West Life or you are participating in a Rehabilitation program in accordance with the Rehabilitation section Great-West Life will continue to pay Benefits while you are not able to return to your regular or any other occupation on a full-time basis because of your Disability.

In no event will Benefits be paid beyond the date you would otherwise cease to receive Benefits.

The amount of the Benefit payments payable to you will be the amount of Benefit reduced as follows:

1. During the first 12 months of your return to work, or participation in a Rehabilitation program, so that the total of the monthly income you are receiving from (i) this policy, (ii) the sources described in the Integration section, and (iii) the gross income you are receiving each month from your employment, does not exceed 100% of your Pre-disability Monthly Earnings.
2. After you have returned to work or participated in a Rehabilitation program for 12 months, so that the total of the monthly income you are receiving from (i) this policy, using the following formula, (ii) the sources described in the Integration section, and (iii) the gross income you are receiving each month from your employment, does not exceed 100% of your Pre-disability Monthly Earnings.

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$$\frac{A - B}{A} \times C$$

**A** = Your Pre-Disability Monthly earnings

**B** = Your Monthly earnings received while you are disabled.

**C** = Your benefit as figured above, but not including adjustments with any Cost of Living Adjustment.

### **Integration of Benefits**

Benefits will be reduced by payments you are entitled to receive under the Workplace Safety and Insurance Act, any other employment income other than described in the Return to Work Allowance section, or any income replacement benefits you are entitled to receive under a provincial motor vehicle accident insurance plan. If you have not applied or applied and have not received notice, Great-West Life will estimate your benefits until they receive written notice that your application has been approved or declined.

If necessary, benefits will be further reduced so that your total monthly gross income from all sources is not more than 80% of your pre-disability monthly income. Income from all sources includes:

- a) Great-West Life's disability benefit.
- b) Any indemnity payable to you under any Workplace Safety and Insurance Act or similar legislation.
- c) Any disability benefits under the Canada/Quebec Pension plan or a plan in another country for which there is a reciprocal agreement, including additional benefits payable for any family member plus subsequent cost of living increases.
- d) Any income replacement benefits which you are entitled to receive under any Provincial motor vehicle accident insurance plan if the benefits payable under the EI Act are not taken into account when determining the amount of benefits payable under the provincial plan.
- e) Any indemnity for loss of time payable to you under an insured or uninsured plan which covers you on a group

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basis, including a professional or other association type plan.

- f) Any continuation of salary from your employer.
- g) Any benefits received under any retirement or pension plan of your employer.
- h) Any damages for loss of income recovered from a third party and arising out of the same circumstances that caused your disability.
- i) Any income from any employment other than as described in the other sections.

### **Exclusions**

The following exclusions are in addition to those described in the General Health Exclusions. No benefits will be paid with respect to the disability

- e) during the period which you are on leave of absence, including Pregnancy Leave of Absence. If you become disabled while on leave of absence, the leave of absence will be deemed to end on the day before the date on which you are scheduled to return to work.
- f) during any period while you are permanently or temporarily outside of Canada and the United States unless approved in advance by Great-West Life. If you become disabled, your disability will be deemed to commence on the date you return to Canada or the United States.
- g) during any period you refuse to participate in a rehabilitative program offered by Great-West Life or you refuse a rehabilitative job offered to you for which you are reasonably suited unless your disability prevents you from participating in such program or from performing the duties of such job.
- h) if you refuse or fail to undergo medical, psychiatric or psychological treatment or participate in a rehabilitation program or substance abuse treatment program, considered beneficial to you as recommended by Great-West Life and your physician.
- i) for any period that you are incarcerated in a jail, prison,

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- mental institution or other correctional facility, due to a Criminal Code Offence.
- j) for any disability that occurs while you are operating a motor vehicle or you have the care or control of a motor vehicle, whether it is in motion or not, and
    - (i) your ability to operate the motor vehicle is impaired by alcohol or a drug, or
    - (ii) your blood alcohol concentration is in excess of 80 milligrams of alcohol per 100 millilitres of blood.
  - k) for any period you are engaged in any business or occupation, other than as approved under Rehabilitation and Return to Work Allowance section.
  - l) for any period that you refuse an alternate job offered by your company for which you are reasonably suited, unless your disability prevents you from performing the duties of the alternate job.

### **Extension of Benefits**

If you are disabled at the time of termination of employment or cancellation of the plan, your payments will continue to be paid for that one period of disability, provided you are entitled to this benefit.

### **How to Submit a Claim**

Claim Forms are available from the Power Sector Benefit Trust. This form must be completed in full and submitted immediately but no later than twelve months from the onset of the disability. It is in your best interest to submit your claim as soon as possible since it helps to ensure prompt payment.

If the Group Insurance Policy terminates, no payment will be made for any claim unless proof is submitted within 90 days of the termination date.

## **PAYDIRECT DRUG BENEFIT (PLAN 88G)**

The Drug Coverage on your group is being administered by Emergis Inc.

Any eligible drug charge will be paid if:

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1. it is medically necessary;
  2. it is reasonable and customary;
  3. payment is not prohibited by a Government Sponsored plan in your Province or Territory of residence.

### **Eligible Charges**

This is a generic drug plan. The ingredient cost of the lowest priced interchangeable product will be paid unless the prescription written is for a brand name that is directed by the prescriber as not interchangeable. The prescription must bear the notation "DO NOT PRODUCT SELECT", "NO SUB", or "NO SUBSTITUTION" on the actual script in the prescriber's own handwriting in order to be eligible for payment.

Medications, prescribed in writing by a Physician or Dentist bearing a Drug Identification Number on their labels, listed as prescription requiring in Federal or Provincial Drug Schedules and some other non-prescription requiring drugs, including Eprex and Norflex, are covered. Included are Tylenol #3 and containing codeine-contin prescribed in 50, 100, 150, and 200 mg. dosage, injectable drugs, injectable vitamins, insulins, allergy extracts, oral contraceptives, extemporaneous preparations or compounds, disposable needles, disposable syringes, lancets and testing materials for monitoring diabetes and drugs in the following categories:

antimalarials	nitroglycerine
fibrinolytics	potassium replacements
fluorides, single entity	thyroid agents
iron salts, single entity	topical enzymatic debriding agents
	vasodilating nitrates

### **Maintenance Drugs**

Any single purchase of drugs or medicines which would be considered reasonable and customary to be consumed or used within a 4 month period.

Antiasthmatics	Cardiacagents
Antibiotics for acne	Estrogens
Anticoagulants	Hypoglycemics
Anticonvulsants	Oral Contraceptives
Antiparkinson	Potassium Replacements
Antituberculosis	Thyroid Agents

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Charges for the following are not covered whether or not they have been prescribed for medical reasons.

1. Atomizers, appliances, prosthetic devices, colostomy supplies, first aid kits or equipment, electronic diagnostic monitoring or testing equipment, delivery or extension devices for inhaled medications, spring loaded devices used to hold lancets, alcohol, alcohol swabs, disinfectants, cotton, bandages or supplies and accessories for the above.
2. Oral vitamins, minerals, dietary supplements, infant formulas or injectable total parenteral nutrition solutions whether or not prescribed for a medical reason, except where Federal or Provincial law requires a prescription for their sale.
3. Diaphragms, condoms, jellies/foams/sponges/ suppositories, intrauterine devices, contraceptive implants or appliances normally used for contraception, whether or not prescribed for a medical reason.
4. Proprietary medicines which
  - a. are registered under Division 10 of the Food and Drug Act, Canada, and
  - b. bear a General Public (GP) number on their label
5. Prescriptions dispensed by a physician, clinic, dentist or in any non-accredited hospital pharmacy, or for treatment as an inpatient or out patient in any hospital, including emergency status and investigational status drugs, unless otherwise approved by Great-West Life.
6. All preventative immunization vaccines and toxoids.
7. All homeopathic preparations.
8. Items deemed cosmetic (even if a prescription is legally required) e.g. topical minoxidil, sunscreens etc.
9. Any medication which the insured is eligible to receive under a Provincial Drug Benefit Plan.
10. Nicotine resin containing products.
11. Supplies for recreation or sports, whether or not medically necessary.

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12. Fertility Drugs.
  13. Oral antihistamines.
  14. Allergy extracts, compounded in a laboratory and not bearing a Drug Identification Number (DIN).

### **Exclusion**

This exclusion is in addition to those described under “General Health Exclusions”:

- e) Any cause which entitles you or your dependent to apply for and receive indemnity or compensation under any Workers’ Compensation Act.

### **Lost or Stolen Cards**

Lost or stolen cards should be reported immediately, in writing, to the servicing Great-West Life regional office. Upon receipt of written notice, a replacement card will automatically be issued with a new issue number. In most cases, the pharmacist will not honour the lost or stolen card because the name on the prescription will be different from that on the card. However, if you notify Great-West Life immediately it will greatly reduce the risk of fraudulent claims being paid.

## **HEALTHCARE BENEFIT**

This Coverage includes:

- Nursing Care
- Nursing Care Outside Your Home
- Ambulance
- Aids, Services & Supplies
- Accidental Dental
- Emergency Treatment
- Travel Assistance Benefit
- Diagnostic Test
- Speech Therapy

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Massage Therapy

Clinical Psychology

Hearing Aids

Visioncare

Paramedical Services

You will be paid for any of the charges incurred by you or your dependent provided that the charge meets all of the following conditions.

1. It is medically necessary for the treatment of bodily injury, illness or disease.
2. It is reasonable and customary.
3. It is recommended and authorized by a physician or surgeon legally licensed to practise medicine.
4. Payment for services covered under this plan is not prohibited by the Provincial Government (plan) in your province of residence.
5. It is not more than the difference between the actual cost of the charge and the amount you are entitled to apply for and receive under any Government Sponsored plan in your province or territory of residence.

### **Nursing Care**

The services of a registered nurse or registered nursing assistant at your residence up to an individual maximum of \$10,000 per calendar year; subject to prior approval by Great-West Life.

Payment will not be made for services which are for custodial care and do not require the skill of a registered nurse or registered nursing assistant.

The services will not be considered as eligible expenses if the RN or RNA is normally resident in your home.

### **Nursing Care Outside Your Home**

Nursing Care outside your home will be covered, provided that it is for active treatment or convalescent care provided by a legally licensed Nursing Home or other facility on the recommendation of licensed physician. The maximum benefit will be \$10,000 per calendar year.

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**This coverage has been added on a trial basis from June 1st, 2002 until April 30th, 2006.**

### **Ambulance**

Licensed ambulance or other emergency service, when medically necessary, to transport you or your dependent from the place where injury, disease, illness, pregnancy or mental disorder is suffered to the nearest hospital where adequate treatment can be rendered, from one hospital to another, and from a hospital to your residence.

Charges for the fare of one attendant to accompany you or your dependent if transportation is not provided by a licensed ambulance service.

### **Aids, Services & Supplies**

Purchase of braces, crutches, artificial limbs or eyes and prosthetic devices approved by Great-West Life.

An initial pair of frames and one corrective prosthetic lens, for each eye, that is prescribed after cataract surgery.

Rental of a wheelchair, hospital bed including mattresses or other approved durable equipment for temporary therapeutic use. This equipment may be purchased subject to Great-West Life's approval prior to the purchase.

Oxygen.

Custom made Orthopaedic shoes and adjustments to stock item footwear, as an integral part of a brace and custom-made boots, when prescribed by a podiatrist or physician.

Custom made foot orthotics which are medically necessary for the insured person's regular daily living activities and not solely for recreation or sport.

Blood and blood products when required for transfusion.

Colostomy and ileostomy supplies.

Catheterization equipment.

Neuromuscular stimulants.

Sleep apnea and heart rate monitor.

Radium and radioactive isotope treatments.

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Insulin pumps and/or devices for the automatic injection of insulin when medically required for the treatment of diabetes when alternative methods of injection are inadequate and it has been prescribed by a diabetic specialist. The maximum charge is \$7,000 per lifetime, not subject to the reasonable and customary charge requirement.

Enhanced external counter pulsation therapy, provided it is Medically Necessary for the treatment of acute angina, alternative medical treatments have been pursued, it is recommended by a cardiovascular specialist and it is performed by a fully licensed facility authorized to perform such treatments, up to a maximum of \$7,000 per lifetime for each Person.

**This coverage has been added on a trial basis from January 1st, 2003 until April 30th, 2006 .**

### **Accidental Dental**

Charges by a legally licensed dentist for dental treatment of injuries to natural teeth, or replacement of natural teeth, for accidents suffered by you or your dependent while insured under this benefit.

The charges will be subject to all of the following conditions:

- The treatment is necessitated by a direct accidental blow to the mouth and not by an object or food placed wittingly or unwittingly in the mouth.
- The accidental blow occurs while the person is insured.
- The treatment is received within twelve months after the accidental blow.
- The treatment is the least expensive that will provide a professionally adequate treatment.
- No payment will be made for any part of the charge which exceeds the amount shown for the treatment in the current Dental Association Schedule of Fees for General Practitioners in your province of residence.
- If treatment is to be received more than 90 days after the accidental blow, a treatment plan must be submitted to Great-West Life within 90 days of the accident.

### **Emergency Treatment**

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The following Emergency treatment required by you or your dependent while temporarily absent from your province or territory of residence because of business or vacation and not for health reasons will be reimbursed at 100% subject to the following conditions. There is a **maximum of \$1,000,000** for an Emergency for you and each of your dependents under this Emergency Treatment section and the Travel Assistance Benefit. This limitation is not applicable to in-Canada emergency health care benefits. When emergency treatment for a condition is completed, any ongoing treatment related to that condition is not covered.

Room and board in a Licensed Hospital up to the hospital's standard ward rate for each day of confinement.

Hospital services and supplies furnished by a Licensed Hospital.

Diagnosis and treatment by a physician or surgeon legally licensed to practise medicine.

**In the event of a medical emergency, you or someone acting on your behalf must contact the Travel Assistance Centre prior to seeking medical treatment.** If it is not reasonably possible for you to contact the Travel Assistance Centre prior to seeking medical treatment due to the nature of the medical emergency, you must contact the Travel Assistance Centre as soon as possible. Failure to contact the Travel Assistance Centre as described will result in a reduction of benefits in the case of hospitalization of 40% of eligible costs. All costs for such emergency will be limited to your emergency out-of-province/country coverage and Travel Assistance coverage maximum or \$25,000, whichever is less. This limitation is not applicable to in-Canada emergency health care benefits.

If a physician or the Travel Assistance provider recommends you or your dependents be moved to a different facility at the destination, and you choose not to go, eligible costs for emergency coverage and Travel Assistance coverage will in the case of hospitalization be reduced by 40% of eligible costs. All costs for such emergency will be limited to your emergency out-of-province/country coverage and Travel Assistance coverage maximum or \$25,000, whichever is less. This limitation is not applicable to in-Canada emergency health care

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benefits.

If a physician or the Travel Assistance provider recommends you or your dependent return to your home province, and you choose not to go, emergency coverage and Travel Assistance coverage will end.

“Hospital” means an institution having diagnostic facilities that provides active, chronic care or emergency treatment with physicians and registered nurses in attendance 24 hours a day and is licensed by the appropriate governmental authority. It does not include an institution providing convalescent care, a nursing home for the aged, a rest home or any other facility providing similar care.

We will not pay for any costs resulting directly or indirectly:

- (a) from an accident occurring while the insured person was operating a vehicle, vessel or aircraft, if the insured person:
  - i) was impaired by drugs or alcohol, or
  - ii) had a blood alcohol level higher than 80 milligrams of alcohol per 100 millilitres of blood.
- (b) from the abuse of illegal substances.

**Travelling outside Canada while pregnant:** We will not cover any pregnancy related costs which are incurred outside of Canada within nine weeks of the expected delivery date. Costs associated with a child born outside Canada within nine weeks of the expected delivery date, or after the expected delivery date, are not covered.

**Note:** If you are travelling and require medical care, please contact the Assistance Centre using the telephone number on the Travel Assistance card. The Travel Assistance Centre number and services are available 24 hours a day.

**PLEASE NOTE: Out of Country/Province Coverage and Travel Assistance will cease for both members and dependents at the member’s Age 75, with a corresponding drop in the premium of the Healthcare benefit.**

**Travel Assistance Benefit**

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The following services with respect to medical and personal emergencies required by you or your dependent while temporarily absent from your province or territory of residence because of business or vacation and not for health reasons will be reimbursed at 100% subject to the following conditions. When emergency treatment for a condition is completed, any ongoing treatment related to that condition is not covered.

- on the spot medical assistance
- emergency medical payments
- telephone interpretation service
- medical evacuation
- assistance with lost documents or luggage
- return of dependent children or a travelling companion
- visit of a family member
- transmission and retention of urgent messages
- help to locate Embassy or Consulate services
- assistance in the event of death to transport the remains
- return of a vehicle to your home or nearest rental agency

We will not pay for any costs resulting directly or indirectly:

- (a) from an accident occurring while the insured person was operating a vehicle, vessel or aircraft, if the insured person:
  - i) was impaired by drugs or alcohol, or
  - ii) had a blood alcohol level higher than 80 milligrams of alcohol per 100 millilitres of blood.
- (b) from the abuse of illegal substances.

**Note:** For specific details, please refer to your Great-West Life Travel Assistance brochure which can be obtained through the Power Sector Benefit Trust.

Please contact the Travel Assistance Centre using the telephone number on the Travel Assistance card.

**Travelling outside Canada while pregnant:** We will not cover any pregnancy related costs which are incurred outside of

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Canada within nine weeks of the expected delivery date. Costs associated with a child born outside Canada within nine weeks of the expected delivery date, or after the expected delivery date, are not covered.

**PLEASE NOTE: Out of Country/Province Coverage and Travel Assistance will cease for both members and dependents at the member's Age 75, with a corresponding drop in the premium of the Healthcare benefit.**

### **Diagnostic Test**

Diagnostic tests, radium treatments and X-ray examinations, excluding dental X-rays, that are incurred in your province or territory of residence.

### **Speech Therapy**

The services of a registered speech therapist, who is not normally resident in the insured person's home, up to an individual maximum of \$500 per calendar year.

### **Massage Therapy**

The services of a qualified massage therapist, who is not normally resident in the insured person's home, up to an individual maximum of \$500 per calendar year.

### **Clinical Psychology**

The services, personally performed, by a registered clinical psychologist registered in the province where the services are rendered, up to an individual maximum of \$500 per calendar year.

These services will not be considered as eligible expenses if the registered clinical psychologist is normally resident in your home.

### **Hearing Aids**

The purchase of hearing aids and repairs, fittings and adjustments, excluding batteries, up to an individual maximum of \$300 every 2 calendar years.

### **Visioncare**

Prescription eye glasses, contact lenses or laser eye surgery and the fittings of such eyewear for the purpose of correcting vision are subject to a combined maximum of \$300 in any two consecutive calendar years. Laser Eye Surgery will also be

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covered to a maximum of \$300 every two consecutive calendar years.

A pair of contact lenses up to a maximum of \$300 in any 2 consecutive calendar years if visual acuity is improved to at least a 20/40 level and this level of acuity is not possible through wearing eye glasses accompanied by a letter of verification. Otherwise, contact lenses are subject to the \$300 maximum as stated for eye glasses.

**Note:** All charges must be recommended or approved by a legally licensed physician, surgeon, optometrist or ophthalmologist.

All claims must be supported by an official receipt indicating name of patient and the date the eyewear or surgery was received.

### **Paramedical Services**

The maximum amount payable per classification of practitioner is \$500 in any calendar year.

Laboratory tests and X-ray examinations recommended or approved by a legally licensed chiropractor, osteopath, chiropodist or podiatrist.

The services of any of these legally licensed classification of practitioners:

- Chiropractors
- Osteopaths
- Chiropodists or Podiatrists
- Physiotherapists

**Note:** The maximum charge for each treatment will be as determined by the Schedule of Fees approved by the Association of which the practitioner is a member, and where there is no approved Schedule of Fees, an amount as determined by Great-West Life.

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## Exclusions

These exclusions are in addition to those described under “General Health Exclusions”:

- e) Any cause which entitles you or your dependent to apply for and receive indemnity or compensation under the Workers’ Compensation Act.
- f) An examination by, or the services of, a physician or surgeon, if required solely for the use of a third party.
- g) Any treatment to correct temporomandibular joint dysfunction.
- h) Any service or treatment which you or your dependent would receive without being charged.
- i) Any treatment deemed cosmetic.
- j) Any service incurred under this plan for which payment is prohibited by the Provincial Government plan in your province or territory of residence.

## Extension of Benefits

If you or your dependent are disabled at the time of termination of your employment, Healthcare charges as a result of such disability will continue to be paid up to 90 days, provided the benefit remains in force.

## How to Submit a Claim

Claim forms are available from the Power Sector Benefit Trust. This form must be completed in full and submitted with the original bills within 180 days after the end of the calendar year in which the claim was incurred.

**Note:** To ensure prompt claims service, any receipts should include:

- your name or your dependent’s name receiving the service or treatment
- the date and the type of each service or treatment
- the charge for each date
- the prescription numbers for prescribed drugs and medicine
- the name of the drug or the medicine

## How to make an out-of-province/country claim:

There are special rules for claiming the costs of emergency treatment outside of your province or territory of residence or Canada.

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- For all medical expenses, you must contact the Travel Assistance provider at the time of the emergency. This will enable the Travel Assistance provider to co-ordinate payment directly with the hospital and/or medical provider involved. In addition, with your approval the Travel Assistance provider will co-ordinate payment with your Provincial Health Care plan.
  - If a medical provider or hospital bills you directly, send the bill along with your claim form to the Travel Assistance provider.

**Note:** If your spouse has insurance with another carrier, please also refer to the “Coordination of Benefits” section for claim submission information.

## **DENTAL BENEFIT**

If you or your dependent require any insured treatments or services, you will be reimbursed for such charges but only to the extent:

- that they are the least expensive service, supply or method of treatment which Great-West Life determines will produce a professionally adequate result,
- that if the charge exceeds the least expensive service, Great-West Life may provide payment based on the cost of alternative services which are defined in this provision as eligible charges,
- that the treatment for it has been performed, recommended or approved by a legally licensed dentist or denturist,
- that Great-West Life is not prohibited from paying it by any applicable law of the jurisdiction where you reside at the time the charge is incurred.

### **Assignment of Benefits**

We reserve the right to refuse any assignment of benefit under this provision.

### **Important Note**

A general overview of the services covered, along with the limitations that apply, can be found on the following pages. Your

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plan covers these treatments and services provided that the treatment is the least expensive that will produce a professionally adequate result (as determined by Great-West Life). If the charge exceeds the cost of the least expensive service, Great-West Life will pay the cost of the least expensive service.

In some cases, such as undergoing extensive treatment, Great-West Life may require proof from your dentist that the services to be performed meet this criteria. This request is a normal cost control procedure and often just a copy of the x-rays taken is considered acceptable proof.

### **PreAuthorization For Treatment Over \$500.00**

If dental expenses are estimated to be greater than \$500.00, you must submit a “Pre-determination” to Great-West Life. A Pre-determination is simply an outline of the proposed treatment which is prepared, by your dentist, prior to any work being performed. Great-West Life will advise you of the portion that is covered by your company dental plan, enabling you to determine your costs.

**Note:** In order to determine benefits payable, Great-West Life may require additional information such as:

1. A complete dental chart showing extractions, missing teeth, fillings, prostheses, periodontal pocket depths, and the date of any work previously done.
2. An itemized claim form for all dental care.
3. Pre-operative x-rays, study models, and laboratory reports.

Great-West Life cannot pay the dental claim until the additional information requested is submitted to us.

## **DENTAL 1 CHARGES**

This coverage includes:

Diagnostic

X-Rays

Tests

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Preventative

Minor Restorative

Minor Surgical

Additional Services

**A. Diagnostic**

- (1) Clinical (Complete) Examinations (not more than 1 examination per dentist):

01101, 01102, 01103, 01201, 01301, 01401, 01501, 01601, 01701, 01801 (other than in the Province of Quebec).

01110, 01115, 01120, 01125, 01130, 01135, 01500, 01605, 01717, 01805 (in the Province of Quebec).

- (2) Recall Examinations (not more than 1 examination in any period of 9 consecutive months for insured age 19 and up, and 1 examination in any period of 6 consecutive months for dependent children of the insured under age 19):

01202, (other than in the Province of Quebec).

01200 (in the Province of Quebec).

- (3) Specific Examinations:

01204, 01302, 01402, 01502, 01602, 01702, 01703, 01802 (other than in the Province of Quebec).

01400 (in the Province of Quebec).

- (4) Emergency Examination:

01205 (other than in the Province of Quebec).

01300 (in the Province of Quebec).

It is provided, however, that there will be no more than 4 examinations, of any kind, in any calendar year or more than 2 Clinical (Complete) Examinations and Recall Examinations in total in any calendar year.

**B. X-Rays**

- (1) Full Mouth Series consisting of a minimum of 16 films including bitewings in any period of 36 consecutive months. (not applicable to the Dependent children of an

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Employee while they are under 12 years of age, other than for Orthodontia):

02102 (other than in the Province of Quebec).

The Quebec Dental Association Suggested Fee Guide does not list codes for this procedure.

- (2) Panorex (not more than once in any period of 36 consecutive months):

02601 (other than in the Province of Quebec).

02600 (in the Province of Quebec).

- (3) Periapical (not more than 16 films in any period of 36 consecutive months)

02111 to 02125 inclusive (other than in the Province of Quebec).

02111 to 02116 inclusive (in the Province of Quebec).

- (4) Bitewing (not more than 4 films in any period of 12 consecutive months):

02141 to 02144 inclusive (in all Provinces).

- (5) Occlusal:

02131 to 02134 inclusive (other than in the Province of Quebec).

02131, 02132 (in the Province of Quebec).

### **C. Tests**

- (1) Biopsy of Oral Tissue:

04311 to 04313 inclusive, 04321, 04322, 04323 (other than in the Province of Quebec)

04302, 04311, 04312 (in the Province of Quebec).

- (2) Pulp Vitality Test (not in conjunction with Root Canal Therapy if rendered within 30 days):

04501, 04509 (other than in the Province of Quebec).

The Quebec Dental Association Suggested Fee Guide does not list codes for this procedure.

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## **D. Preventive**

- (1) Polishing (not more than once in any period of 9 consecutive months for insured age 19 and up, and not more than once in any period of 6 consecutive months for dependent children of the insured under age 19, with a maximum of 1 unit per recall visit):

11101, 11102, 11107, 11109 (other than in the Province of Quebec).

11100, 11200, 11300 (in the Province of Quebec).

- (2) Recall Scaling (not more than once in any period of 9 consecutive months for insured age 19 and up, and not more than once in any period of 6 consecutive months for dependent children of the insured under age 19, with a maximum of 1 unit per recall visit):

11111 to 11117 inclusive, 11119 (other than in the Province of Quebec).

The Quebec Dental Association Suggested Fee Guide does not list codes for this procedure.

- (3) Preventive Recall Package (not more than one in any period of 9 consecutive months for insured age 19 and up, and not more than one in any period of 6 consecutive months for dependent children of the insured under age 19):

11201 to 11203 inclusive, 11301 to 11303 inclusive (other than in the Province of Quebec). It is provided, however, that 11301 to 11303 inclusive will apply only to an Insured while he is under 19 years of age.

The Quebec Dental Association Suggested Fee Guide does not list codes for this procedure.

- (4) Fluoride (This applies only to a dependent child of the Insured while he is under 19 years of age. Not more than 1 in any period of 6 consecutive months):

12101 (other than in the Province of Quebec).

12400 (in the Province of Quebec).

- (5) Oral Hygiene Instruction (No more than once in a lifetime period):

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13211 (other than in the Province of Quebec).

13200 (in the Province of the Quebec).

- (6) Pit and Fissure Sealants (This applies only to an Insured while he is under 19 years of age. Not more than once per posterior tooth in any period of 36 consecutive months):

13401, 13409 (other than in the Province of Quebec).

13401, 13404 (in the Province of the Quebec).

- (7) Space Maintainers (This applies only to the Dependent children of an Employee while they are under 15 years of age):  
15101 to 15104 inclusive, 15201, 15202, 15301, 15302, 15401 to 15403 inclusive, 15501 (other than in the Province of Quebec).

15100, 15110, 15111, 15120, 15200, 15210, 15400 (in the Province of Quebec).

- (8) Space Maintainers Maintenance (This applies only to the Dependent children of an Employee while they are under 15 years of age):

15601 to 15604 inclusive (other than in the Province of Quebec).

The Quebec Dental Association Suggested Fee Guide does not list codes for this procedure.

#### **E. Minor Restorative**

The fee for restorative procedures will include local anaesthesia, removal of decay, pulp protection, placement of a base and occlusal adjustment.

Charges for finishing or polishing are not an eligible expense.

Multiple restorations on a common surface placed on the same service date will be considered a single restoration.

The maximum Benefit payable will not exceed the fee for a 5 surface restoration regarding the same tooth during one sitting.

- (1) Amalgam Restorations (Only if more than 24 consecutive months have elapsed since the last restoration):

21111 to 21115 inclusive, 21121 to 21125 inclusive, 21211 to 21215 inclusive, 21221 to 21225 inclusive,

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- 21231 to 21235 inclusive (other than in the Province of Quebec).
- 21101 to 21105 inclusive, 21121 to 21125 inclusive, 21211 to 21215 inclusive, 21221 to 21225 inclusive, 21231 to 21235 inclusive, 21241 to 21245 inclusive (in the Province of Quebec)
- (2) Tooth Coloured (Only if more than 24 consecutive months have elapsed since the last restoration):
- 23101 to 23105 inclusive, 23111 to 23115 inclusive, 23211 to 23215 inclusive, 23221 to 23225 inclusive, 23311 to 23315 inclusive, 23321 to 23325 inclusive, 23401 to 23405 inclusive, 23411 to 23415 inclusive, 23501 to 23505 inclusive, 23511 to 23515 inclusive (other than in the Province of Quebec).
- 23111 to 23115 inclusive, 23118, 23211 to 23215 inclusive, 23221 to 23225 inclusive, 23311 to 23315 inclusive, 23411 to 23415 inclusive (in the Province of Quebec).
- (3) Retentive Pins:
- 21401 to 21405 inclusive (other than in the Province of Quebec).
- 21301 to 21304 inclusive (in the Province of Quebec).
- (4) Caries, Trauma, Pain Control (Only when placed on a separate date from the final restoration):
- 20111, 20119, 20121, 20129 (in all Provinces).
- (5) Veneer Applications, other than for cosmetic purposes (Only if more than 24 consecutive months have elapsed since the last restoration):
- 23121, 23122 (other than in the Province of Quebec).
- 23122 (in the Province of Quebec).
- (6) Stainless Steel, Plastic and Polycarbonate full coverage restorations (This applies only to the Dependent children of an Employee while they are under 14 years of age. No more than once per tooth in any period of 36 consecutive months):
- 22201, 22202, 22211, 22212, 22301, 22302, 22311, 22312, 22401, 22411, 22501, 22511 (other than in the

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Province of Quebec).

27403, 27413, 27421 to 27424 inclusive (in the Province of Quebec).

## **F. Minor Surgical**

### (1) Extractions:

71101, 71109, 71201, 71209, 72111, 72119, 72211, 72219, 72221, 72229 (other than in the Province of Quebec, but the maximum Benefit payable for the extraction of maxillary (upper) third molars will not exceed the fee for procedure code 72211).

71101, 71111, 72100, 72210, 72220, 72230 (in the Province of Quebec, but the maximum Benefit payable for the extraction of maxillary (upper) third molars will not exceed the fee for procedure code 72220).

### (2) Residual Root Removal:

72311, 72319, 72321, 72329, 72331, 72339 (other than in the Province of Quebec).

72300, 72310, 72320 (in the Province of Quebec).

## **G. Additional Services**

### (1) Anaesthesia, used in conjunction with an eligible dental procedure:

92212 to 92219 inclusive, 92301 to 92309 inclusive, 92411 to 92419 inclusive, 92421 to 92429 inclusive, 92431 to 92439 inclusive, 92441 to 92449 inclusive, 92451 to 92459 inclusive (other than in the Province of Quebec).

92201, 92310, 92311 (in the Province of Quebec).

## **DENTAL 2 CHARGES**

This coverage includes:

Endodontics

Periodontics

Removable Prosthodontics – Related treatment

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## A. Endodontics

The fee for the following procedures will include, where applicable, treatment plan, local anaesthesia, tooth isolation, clinical procedures, sutures, appropriate radiographs (x-rays) and followup care:

- (1) Pulpotomy (Not in conjunction with restorations or Root Canal Therapy if rendered within 30 days):  
32221, 32222, 32231, 32232 (other than in the Province of Quebec).  
32201, 32202, 32210 (in the Province of Quebec).
- (2) Root Canal Therapy:  
33111, 33121, 33131, 33141, 33401 to 33403 inclusive. (other than in the Province of Quebec)  
33100, 33200, 33300, 33400 (in the Province of Quebec)
- (3) Apexification:  
33601 to 33604 inclusive. (other than in the Province of Quebec)  
33521 to 33523 inclusive (in the Province of Quebec)
- (4) Periapical Services  
34111, 34121, 34122, 34131 to 34133 inclusive, 34141, 34151, 34161 to 34163 inclusive (other than in the Province of Quebec)  
34101, 34111, 34201, 34203 (in the Province of Quebec).
- (5) Root Amputation:  
34411, 34412. (other than in the Province of Quebec)  
34401, 34402. (in the Province of Quebec)
- (6) Hemisection:  
34421 to 34423 inclusive. (other than in the Province of Quebec)39230. (in the Province of Quebec)
- (7) Intentional Removal, Apical Filling and Reimplantation:  
34451 to 34453 inclusive. (in all Provinces)

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(8) Retrofilling:

34211, 34221, 34222, 34231 to 34233 inclusive, 34241, 34251, 34261 to 34263 inclusive. (other than in the Province of Quebec)

34201, 34203 (in the Province of Quebec)

**B. Periodontics**

The fee for surgical procedures will include local anaesthesia, surgical dressing, sutures and routine post-operative care for one month.

Charges for post-treatment evaluation are not an eligible expense.

(1) Non-Surgical Procedures:

41101 to 41104 inclusive, 41109, 41301, 41302 (other than in the Province of Quebec).

41200, 41300 (in the Province of Quebec).

(2) Definitive Surgical Procedures:

42111, 42201, 42311, 42321, 42339, 42411, 42421, 42431, 42441, 42451, 42511, 42521, 42531 (other than in the Province of Quebec).

42001 to 42003 inclusive, 42010, 42100, 42101, 42200, 42300 (in the Province of Quebec)

(3) Adjunctive Surgical Procedures:

42821, 42822, 42831, 42832 (other than in the Province of Quebec).

42720 (in the Province of Quebec).

(4) Occlusal Equilibration (not more than 4 units in any calendar year):

43311 to 43314 inclusive, 43317, 43319, (other than in the Province of Quebec).

43300, 43310 (in the Province of Quebec).

(5) Scaling and/or Root Planing (not more than 8 units in any calendar year):

11111 to 11117 inclusive, 11119, 43421 to 43427 inclusive, 43429 (other than in the Province of Quebec).

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43411 to 43414 inclusive, 43417, 43419, 42000, 42001  
(in the Province of Quebec).

- (6) Periodontal Appliances including impression and insertion (not more than 1 appliance per arch in any period of 24 consecutive months):

43611, 43612 (in all Provinces).

- (7) Periodontal Appliance Repair, Maintenance and Adjustments (not more than 4 adjustments in any calendar year):

43621 to 43623 inclusive, 43629 (other than in the Province of Quebec).

43622 (in the Province of Quebec).

**C. Removable Prosthodontics - Related Treatment**

- (1) Denture Adjustments (Only if more than 3 months have elapsed since the denture insertion):

54201, 54202, 54209 (other than in the Province of Quebec).

54250 (in the Province of Quebec).

- (2) Denture Repairs

55101, 55102, 55201 to 55203 inclusive, 55301, 55302, 55401 to 55403 inclusive (other than in the Province of Quebec).

55101 to 55104 inclusive, 55201 to 55204 inclusive, 55520, 55530 (in the Province of Quebec).

- (3) Denture Rebasing and Relining including 3 months post delivery adjustments (No more than one reline or rebase in any period of 36 consecutive months):

56211 to 56213 inclusive, 56221 to 56223 inclusive, 56231 to 56233 inclusive, 56241 to 56243 inclusive, 56311 to 56313 inclusive, 56321 to 56323 inclusive, (other than in the Province of Quebec).

56200 to 56202 inclusive, 56210 to 56212 inclusive, 56220 to 56222 inclusive, 56230 to 56232 inclusive, 56260 to 56263 inclusive, 56280, 56290 (in the Province of Quebec).

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- (4) Tissue Conditioning including 3 months post-delivery adjustments (No more than one in any period of 36 consecutive months):

56511 to 56513 inclusive, 56521 to 56523 inclusive (other than in the Province of Quebec).

56270 to 56273 inclusive (in the Province of Quebec).

#### **D. Major Surgical**

The fee for surgical procedures will include local anaesthesia, appropriate radiographs (x-rays), surgery, control of hemorrhage, sutures and routine postsurgical care.

Post-treatment evaluation is not an eligible expense.

- (1) Alveoloplasty, Gingivoplasty, Stomatoplasty, Vestibuloplasty:

73111, 73121, 73151 to 73154 inclusive, 73161, 73171, 73172, 73181 to 73184 inclusive, 73211, 73411 (other than in the Province of Quebec).

73100, 73110, 73133 to 73135 inclusive, 73140, 73150, 73151, 73171 to 73176 inclusive, 73181 to 73186 inclusive, 73381 to 73384 inclusive, 73401 to 73404 inclusive (in the Province of Quebec).

- (2) Surgical Excision:

74111 to 74118 inclusive, 74631 to 74638 inclusive (other than in the Province of Quebec).

74108, 74109, 74408, 74409, 74410 (in the Province of Quebec).

- (3) Surgical Incision:

75111, 75112, 75121, 75122, 75301, 75302 (other than in the Province of Quebec).

75100, 75110 (in the Province of Quebec).

- (4) Fractures:

76201 to 76204 inclusive, 76301 to 76305 inclusive, 76911 to 76913 inclusive, 76921 to 76924 inclusive, 76931 to 76934 inclusive, 76941, 76949, 76951, 76952, 76959, 76961, 76962 (other than in the Province of Quebec).

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76210, 76310, 76910 to 76913 inclusive, 76950, 76951 (in the Province of Quebec).

(5) Frenectomy:

77801 to 77803 inclusive (in all Provinces).

(6) Miscellaneous:

79111 to 79113 inclusive, 79311 to 79314 inclusive, 79321, 79322, 79331, 79333, 79341, 79343, 79401, 79402, 79602 (other than in the Province of Quebec).

79104 to 79106 inclusive, 79301, 79303 to 79306 inclusive, 79308, 79400, 79401, 79601 (in the Province of Quebec).

### **Dental 2 Extension of Insurance**

If an Insured's insurance under this provision terminates due to one of the reasons shown below and he had commenced root canal treatment prior to such termination, he will continue to be insured for any charges incurred for such treatment during the 30 days after such termination:

1. Termination of an Employee's employment.
2. The Employee ceases to qualify under the definition of Employee.
3. Termination of this policy, except when this policy is replaced by a policy issued by another insurer.

### **Dental 2 Extension of Insurance on Replacement of this Policy**

If an Insured is undergoing root canal treatment, the insurer with the policy in force at the date the canal is closed will be responsible for the charges incurred.

## **DENTAL 3 CHARGES**

This coverage includes:

Major restorative

Removable Prosthodontics

Fixed Prosthodontics

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## A. Major Restorative

The fee for the following procedures will include, where applicable, treatment plan, occlusal records, local anaesthesia, subgingival preparation of the tooth and supporting structures, removal of decay and old restoration, tooth preparation, pulp protection, impressions, temporary coverage, insertion, occlusal adjustments and cementation:

- (1) Inlay/Onlay Restorations (Only if more than five years have elapsed since the last placement covered by this benefit plan):

25111 to 25114 inclusive, 25121 to 25124 inclusive, 25131 to 25134 inclusive, 25141 to 25143 inclusive, 25511, 25521, 25531 (other than in the Province of Quebec).

25121 to 25123 inclusive, 25521 (in the Province of Quebec).

- (2) Retentive pins in Inlays, Onlays and Crowns (Only if more than five years have elapsed since the last placement covered by this benefit plan):

25601 to 25605 inclusive (other than in the Province of Quebec).

25601 to 25604 inclusive (in the Province of Quebec).

- (3) Crowns (Only if more than five years have elapsed since the last placement covered by this benefit plan):

27111, 27131, 27151, 27201, 27211, 27221, 27301, 27311 (other than in the Province of Quebec).

27100, 27110, 27200, 27210, 27300, 27310 (in the Province of Quebec).

- (4) Veneer Applications, other than for cosmetic purposes (Only if more than 5 years have elapsed since the last placement covered by this plan):

27601, 27602 (other than in the Province of Quebec).

23121 (in the Province of Quebec).

- (5) Other Services (Only if more than five years have elapsed since the last placement covered by this benefit plan) :

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21301, 21302, 23601, 23602, 25711 to 25713 inclusive, 25721 to 25723 inclusive, 25731 to 25733 inclusive, 25741 to 25743 inclusive, 25751 to 25756 inclusive, 25761 to 25766 inclusive, 27711, 27721, 29101, 29102, 29301, 29302 (other than in the Province of Quebec).

25751 to 25753 inclusive, 27700, 27701, 27710, 27711, 29100, 29300, 29501 to 29503 inclusive, 29600 (in the Province of Quebec).

## **B. Removable Prosthodontics**

The fee for the following procedures will include, where applicable, treatment plan, impressions, jaw relation records, try-in, insertion, occlusal equilibration and 3 months postinsertion care:

- (1) Complete Dentures (Only if more than five years have elapsed since the last placement covered by this benefit plan):

51101 to 51103 inclusive, 51301 to 51303 inclusive, (other than in the Province of Quebec).

51100, 51110, 51120, 51300, 51310, 51320 (in the Province of Quebec).

- (2) Transitional Dentures:

51601 to 51603 inclusive, 52101 to 52103 inclusive (other than in the Province of Quebec).

51600, 51610, 51620, 52120, 52121 (in the Province of Quebec).

- (3) Acrylic Dentures (Only if more than five years have elapsed since the last placement covered by this benefit plan) :

52111 to 52113 inclusive, 52201 to 52203 inclusive, 52211 to 52213 inclusive, 52301 to 52303 inclusive, 52311 to 52313 inclusive, 52401 to 52403 inclusive, 52411 to 52413 inclusive, 52501 to 52503 inclusive, 52511 to 52513 inclusive (other than in the Province of Quebec).

52120 to 52124 inclusive, 52230 to 52232 inclusive (in the Province of Quebec).

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- (4) Cast Partial Dentures (Only if more than five years have elapsed since the last placement covered by this benefit plan):

53101 to 53103 inclusive, 53111 to 53113 inclusive, 53201 to 53203 inclusive, 53205, 53211 to 53213 inclusive, 53215, 53301, 53302, 53701 to 53703 inclusive, 53711 to 53713 inclusive (other than in the Province of Quebec).

52400, 52410, 52420, 52500, 52510, 52520, 52530 (in the Province of Quebec).

### **C. Fixed Prosthodontics**

The fee for the following procedures will include, where applicable, treatment plan, occlusal records, local anaesthesia, subgingival preparation of the tooth and supporting structures, removal of decay and old restoration, tooth preparation, pulp protection, impressions, temporary coverage, splinting, intraoral indexing for soldering purposes, insertion, occlusal adjustments and cementation:

- (1) Pontics (Only if more than five years have elapsed since the last placement covered by this benefit plan) :

62101, 62501, 62701, 62702 (other in the Province of Quebec).

62000, 62100, 62510, 62700, 62702 (in the Province of Quebec).

- (2) Retainers and Abutments (Only if more than five years have elapsed since the last placement covered by this benefit plan):

67101, 67102, 67111, 67121, 67129, 67131, 67161, 67171, 67181, 67201, 67202, 67211, 67221, 67231, 67241, 67251, 67301, 67311, 67321, 67322, 67331, 67341 (other than in the Province of Quebec).

65500, 65510, 67101, 67200, 67210, 67410, 67721 to 67723 inclusive (in the Province of Quebec).

- (3) Repairs:

66211 to 66213 inclusive, 66221 to 66223 inclusive 66301, 66302, 66711, 66719 (other than in the Province of Quebec).

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66600, 66610, 66620, 66710, 66720 (in the Province of Quebec).

- (4) Retentive Pins in Retainers and Abutments (Only if more than five years have elapsed since the last placement covered by this benefit plan):

69301 to 69305 inclusive (other than in the Province of Quebec).

69701 to 69704 inclusive (in the Province of Quebec).

### **Dental 3 Extension of Insurance**

If an Insured's insurance under this provision terminates due to one of the reasons shown below and he has had a tooth prepared for a crown, inlay, onlay, bridge or denture prior to such termination, he will continue to be insured for any charges incurred with respect to such crown, inlay, onlay, bridge or denture during the 90 days after such termination:

1. Termination of an Employee's employment.
2. The Employee ceases to qualify under the definition of Employee.
3. Termination of this policy, except when this policy is replaced by a policy issued by another insurer.

### **Dental 3 Extension of Insurance on Replacement of this Policy**

If an Insured is undergoing crown, inlay, onlay, bridge or denture work, the insurer with the policy in force at the date the appliance is installed will be responsible for the charges incurred.

### **Dental 3 Limitations**

Charges for replacing an existing crown, inlay, onlay, denture or bridgework will only be paid if it meets one of the conditions shown below:

1. The existing crown, inlay, onlay, denture or bridgework was installed at least 5 years prior to its replacement and cannot be made serviceable.
2. The denture or bridgework replacement is for an equivalent denture or bridgework.
3. The existing denture or bridgework is an immediate tem-

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porary denture or bridgework, for which impressions were taken while the Insured is covered under this provision. The permanent replacement denture or bridgework must be placed within 12 months from the date of installation of the immediate temporary denture or bridgework.

4. The existing denture or bridgework is replaced because additional teeth have been extracted after the denture or bridgework insertion, and while the Insured is covered under this provision.

## **DENTAL 4 CHARGES**

This coverage includes:

### Orthodontic Treatment

#### **Orthodontic Treatment**

Charges incurred with respect to an Insured, who is a Dependent child, for all necessary dental services or treatment which has as its objective the correction of malocclusion of the teeth including but not limited to examinations, x-rays, models, photographs, reports and surgical exposure of teeth.

#### **Payment of Orthodontic Claims**

We will pay for the charges incurred based on one of the following:

- (1) If an estimated cost of treatment is used in place of an itemized statement. Benefits for the insured cost of the charge will be payable on a monthly or quarterly basis as billed by the dentist. The average monthly Benefit will be the total estimated cost of treatment, less the initial cost (case diagnosis, initial appliance cost, treatment plan) divided by the number of months in the treatment plan as specified by the dentist.
- (2) If a separate estimate of the cost of the initial appliance is included, the first payment will be an amount equal to the insured cost of the appliance. The remainder of the payments will be as calculated in accordance with the terms of clause (1) above.
- (3) If a statement is submitted for each treatment as the

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charge is incurred, payment for the insured cost of the charge will be made as such charge is incurred.

- (4) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this provision, if an Insured described above incurs charges described in another section of this provision as part of a treatment described in this Dental 4 Charges section, then such charges will be deemed to have been incurred under this Dental 4 Charges section for the purpose of calculating Benefit Amounts and Maximum Benefit Amounts.

### **Exclusions**

No amount of Benefit will be payable under this provision for any charge that resulted either directly or indirectly from, or was in any manner or degree associated with, or occasioned by, any one or more of:

- Any cause for which the Insured may apply for and receive indemnity or compensation under any Workers' Compensation Act.
- Intentionally selfinflicted injury.
- War, insurrection or hostilities of any kind, whether or not the Insured was a participant in such actions.
- Participating in any riot or civil commotion.
- Committing or attempting to commit a criminal offence or provoking an assault.
- Any Group or Policyholder-Sponsored dental care or treatment.
- Any dental care or treatment for which the Insured is not legally obliged to pay.
- Any dental care or treatment which is principally for cosmetic purposes.
- Any appointments not kept or for the completion of claims forms.
- Any dental treatment that has as its purpose the correction of temporomandibular joint dysfunction.
- Any endodontic treatment commencing prior to the date on which the Insured becomes insured under this provision, except as required to be consistent with the terms of

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the applicable Extension of Insurance on Replacement of this Policy section.

- Replacement of mislaid, lost or stolen appliances.
- Any crowns placed on teeth that are not functionally impaired by incisal or cuspal damage.
- Any crowns, bridges or dentures for which tooth preparations were made prior to the date on which the Insured becomes insured under this provision, except as required to be consistent with the terms of the applicable Extension of Insurance on Replacement of this Policy section.
- Any orthodontic expenses which were incurred prior to the date on which the Insured becomes insured under this provision.
- Any charges incurred for other than metal only crowns or pontics, posterior to the second bicuspid tooth.
- Any procedures, appliances, or restorations used to increase vertical dimension, or to repair or restore teeth damaged or worn due to attrition or vertical wear, or to restore occlusion.
- Any services or supplies for implantology, including tooth implantation and surgical insertion of fabricated implants.

### **How To Submit a Claim**

Claims Forms are available from the Power Sector Benefit Trust. For prompt payment, it is necessary that the claim form be completed in full.

Account bills or receipts for incurred covered charges in any calendar year under the Dental Benefit should be mailed directly to the Group Health Claims Department of The Great-West Life Assurance Company on a monthly basis whenever possible.

A Standard Dental Claim form must be completed in full and submitted with original bills within 180 days after the end of the calendar year in which the claim was incurred for all covered charges. Your dentist will be required to complete a section of the Form so it would be advisable to take the Form with you on your appointment.

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If a delay is anticipated in the submission of a claim, a notice should be sent to Great-West Life with full details well in advance of the last day for filing proof.

If the Benefit Plan for your company terminates, no payment will be made with respect to any claim unless proof is submitted within 90 days of termination of the plan.

## **COORDINATION OF BENEFITS**

When payments for benefits provided under this plan are available to you or your dependent under any other insurance plan, benefits will be coordinated. The amount payable under this plan will be pro-rated and limited to the extent that the total amount available under all coverages will not exceed 100% of the allowable expenses.

### **Order of Benefit Determination**

Payment of benefits will be decided in the following manner.

1. If another plan does not contain a Coordination of Benefits provision, the benefits of that plan will be deemed payable prior to the application of benefits under this plan.
2. If another plan does contain a Coordination of Benefits provision, the benefits of that plan will be coordinated with our benefits as follows:
  1. If your spouse has coverage under another insurance plan, his/her charges must first be submitted under that plan.
  2. Charges for dependent children should first be submitted to the plan of the parent whose month and date of birth comes earlier in the calendar year (excluding the year of birth).

If priority cannot be established in the above manner, the benefits shall be prorated.

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## **THIRD PARTY LIABILITY**

If you or your dependent have the right to recover damages from any person or organization with respect to which benefits are payable by Great-West Life, you will be required to reimburse Great-West Life in the amount of any benefits paid out of the damages recovered.

The term damages will include any lump sum or periodic payments received with respect to:

- (1) past, present or future loss of income, and
- (2) any other benefits, otherwise payable by Great-West Life.

If you or your dependent receive a lump sum payment under judgement or settlement for benefits which would otherwise be payable by Great-West Life, no further benefits will be paid by Great-West Life until the benefits that would otherwise be payable equal the amount of the lump sum.

If a claim for damages is settled before trial, you will be required to reimburse Great-West Life the amount that reasonably reflects the loss of benefits that would otherwise be payable by Great-West Life.

You or your dependent must notify us of any action commenced against a third party and of any judgement or settlement in the circumstances described above.

## **PHYSICAL EXAMINATION AND AUTOPSY**

A physician of Great-West Life's choice may be required to examine anyone in respect to a claim. If required, payment will only be considered after the examination. Great-West Life will pay all expenses of such examination. In the case of death, an autopsy may be performed.

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## **LEGAL ACTION**

No action or proceeding against Great-West Life concerning a claim may be started within sixty days of the date on which initial proof of the claim is given to Great-West Life, or more than one year (or longer by law) after the end of the period when initial proof of claim is required.

## **PURPOSE OF THIS BOOKLET**

These booklet pages are provided solely for the purpose of explaining the principal features of the Group Insurance Plan. All rights with respect to your benefits as a member of the plan will be governed by the Group Policy issued by The Great-West Life Assurance Company.

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## NOTES

This booklet contains important information and should be kept in a safe place known to you and your family.

For help with any problems or to answer any questions about your benefits, you may call:

**The Power Sector Benefit Trust  
Administration Office**

555 Burnhamthorpe Road, Suite 306  
Etobicoke, ON M9C 2Y3

at

**1-888-250-2270**

or check out our website

at

**WWW.CUSW.CA**

You may also get help from our consultant

**Sonny Goldstein, CFP, President  
Goldstein Financial Consultants**

5700 Yonge Street, Suite 1103

Toronto, Ontario, M2M 4K2

Telephone: 1-800-661-0060

Email: [president@goldstein-financial.com](mailto:president@goldstein-financial.com)

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