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Happy Holidays from the Central PA Teamsters Health and Welfare Fund!

Frequently Asked Questions

What co-pays are changing effective January 1, 2012?

- **\$5 increase in Office Visit Copayment** (this includes rehabilitative, mental nervous and substance abuse visits if your plan provides those benefits)
- **Inpatient Hospitalization Copayment: \$100**
- **Outpatient Surgery Copayment: \$100**
- **Emergency Room Copayment Increased from \$50 to \$100**
- **Ambulance/Life Flight Copayment: \$100**

If I go to the ER and am admitted to the hospital from the Emergency Room, will I owe an Emergency Room copay and an Inpatient Hospital copay?

No, you will only owe one copay under those circumstances.

Will the Plans have any Pre-Existing Exclusions after January 1, 2012?

No.

Can I enroll my adult children up to age 26, even if that child is offered coverage through their employer?

Yes.

Do these changes apply to Retiree Plans?

Yes.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES ANNOUNCES HEALTH & WELFARE BENEFIT CHANGES

The Board of Trustees of the Central Pennsylvania Teamsters Health & Welfare Fund announces benefit changes to the Health & Welfare Plans generally effective January 1, 2012. This newsletter includes information about:

- A. Changes to the Plans have been implemented effective January 1, 2012 in order to comply with the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act ("PPACA"), which is often referred to generally as the Health Care Reform Act;
- B. Newly implemented copayments for certain services; and
- C. Changes to the eligibility requirements for retiree coverage.

Summaries of Material Modifications ("SMM's") describing these changes were mailed to Plan participants in late October. New Plan ID cards that include the changes will be mailed to participants shortly.

ACTIVE PLANS 13, 13Y, 14 AND 16

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ADDITIONAL CHANGE TO PLAN 14:

Opt Out-Option

With respect to coverage offered to new groups coming into the Fund, or to existing groups who are either renewing collective bargaining agreements, or who have agreed to reopen the collective bargaining agreement with respect to health benefits coverage, the Fund will offer under Plan 14 an "Opt Out" option to the bargaining parties with the following provisions:

- (1) The Participant may opt out and be covered under other (e.g. spouse's) coverage. (If this option is selected, the Participant's dependents may not be covered under the Plan); or
- (2) The Participant and dependents may remain in the Plan while the Participant's spouse opts out of the Plan; or
- (3) The Participant may remain in the Plan while the Participant's spouse and dependents opt out of the Plan.

The Opt-Out option will only be available to those groups that elect it and pay the applicable contribution. This option will allow a Participant to make an election (once annually, in a manner determined by the Fund) to exercise one of the options described above.

IMPORTANT: If a Participant, spouse or dependent has opted out of the Fund's coverage, but then loses the other health coverage, the affected individuals will have the opportunity to enroll in the Fund's coverage. In order to be eligible to enroll, the Participant or dependent must have had other health coverage when coverage under the Fund was previously declined. If the other coverage was COBRA continuation coverage, enrollment can be requested only after the COBRA continuation coverage is exhausted. If the other coverage was not COBRA continuation coverage, enrollment can be requested when the individual loses eligibility for the other coverage. In addition, a special enrollment opportunity may be triggered when a person becomes a new dependent through marriage, birth, adoption or placement for adoption.

RETIREE PLANS R-4, R-5, AND R-7/65

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Have Health Care Questions? Call NurseLine.

NurseLine is a free service available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week to help you and your family with health issues. Call NurseLine toll-free, at **1-866-491-4462** for help when you are sick, injured or have a health care question.

Moonlighting/ Self-employment

The Health and Welfare Fund does not cover participants or their eligible dependents for illnesses or injuries that arise as a result of performing non-covered employment for wage or profit. Any time such service is rendered for wage or profit, there are no benefits (i.e. medical, short-term disability, etc.) payable by the Fund. Non-covered employment means any employment for which contributions are not made to the Fund. Unfortunately, in the past, there have been cases where an individual was performing odd jobs, i.e. painting, roofing, etc. for which they received payment. The individual was injured while performing the job and as a result, all bills and short-term disability benefits were denied. If you or your spouse intend to render services or be self-employed in any capacity for which a wage or profit is received, you must have the appropriate liability coverage to cover any injuries or illnesses which arise as a result of performing such services. ■



Motor Vehicle Accidents: How Are Medical and Wage Loss Benefits Paid by the Health and Welfare Fund?

The Fund Office receives many questions regarding coverage provided by the Fund when the claim is the result of an injury due to a motor vehicle accident. In accordance with Plan provisions, the Fund will only cover medical expenses on a subrogated basis once the maximum liability has been paid by the motor vehicle insurance carrier. *In other words, the Fund will consider the payment of medical expenses only after benefits from the automobile insurance carrier have been exhausted.*

The subrogation rules above also apply if you are injured while repairing your car or by any other contact with your car.

*In addition, the Fund will **not** provide coverage for short-term disability benefits (except for the first 5 days of missed work) for injuries sustained in a motor vehicle accident.* The only time the Fund will pay more than 5 days of short-term disability benefits is when written proof is submitted verifying that the state in which you reside does not allow you to purchase wage loss protection from your motor vehicle insurance carrier. The state of Pennsylvania allows residents to purchase wage loss protection. It is recommended that you contact your motor vehicle insurance carrier to evaluate the extent to which you are covered for wage loss benefits resulting from a motor vehicle accident. Check with your motor vehicle insurance carrier to ensure that your policy carries at least the minimum coverage required by the state in which you reside.

Do not wait until you have an accident to find out you have no wage loss coverage under your policy. Payment for the first 5 days of short-term disability benefits does not apply to motorcycle accidents. There are no short-term disability benefits payable for injuries sustained as a result of a motorcycle accident.

Prescription Plan Controlled Substance Change

General Prescription Programs (GPP) will now require that prescriptions for controlled substances will only be refilled when 90% of the prescription has been used.

Does the Health & Welfare Fund Offer a Wellness Program?

The Fund offers a Wellness Program that includes:

- a Health Risk Assessment,
- discounts on gyms and Weight Watchers and
- Wellness Reminders.
- Nurseline, a toll-free 24 hour hotline **(1-866-491-4462)** for participants to discuss their medical conditions with a registered nurse.

In addition, the Fund participates in a voluntary Disease Management Program, designed to help participants control diabetes and asthma. Participants who qualify for the program will receive educational materials, individualized support, and resources to help manage their condition.

For more information on the Central PA Teamsters Wellness Program, visit our website: www.CentralPATeamsters.com. It is located in the Health and Welfare Section under-Wellness.

Central Pennsylvania Teamsters Health and Welfare Fund Prescription Drug Benefits

Negative Formulary List*

Aciphex	Deprizine	Luvox	Prozac	Trilipix
Advicor	Dexilant	Mevacor	Relenza	Valturna
Altoprev	Diflucan	Nexium	Rozerem	Viibryd
Ambien**	Edluar	Oleptro	Sarafem	Vimovo
Axid	Effexor	Oravig	Silenor	Vioxx
Bextra	Fibricor	Paxil	Simcor	Vytorin
Cambia	Gilenya	Pepcid***	Sonata**	Xyzal
Celebrex	Lamisil	Pexeva	Sporanox	Zantac***
Celexa	Latuda	Pravachol	Symbyax	Zegerid
Clarinox	Lexapro	Prevacid	Tagamet	Zetia
Crestor	Lipitor	Prilosec****	Tamiflu	Zipsor
Cymbalta	Livalo	Pristiq	Tekamlo	Zocor
Daypro	Lunesta**	Protonix	Trepadone	Zolofit
				Zolpimist

And All Injectables (excluding Insulin and Imitrex)

Effective January 1, 2012, Incivek and Victrelis will be added to the Negative Formulary List.

*Please note that this listing is subject to change. Participants will receive notification (via newsletter, mailings, etc.) of additions and/or deletions.

**By law, controlled substances cannot be mail ordered. General Prescription Programs (GPP) will now require that prescriptions for controlled substances will only be refilled when 90% of the prescription has been used.

***Over the counter dosages are not covered.

****Effective 1/1/09, all new prescriptions for proton pump inhibitors (PPI's) will be subject to a Step Therapy Program. This means that the plan will cover only over-the-counter PPI's as a first step in treatment. If the OTC is ineffective, ask your doctor to write a letter (addressed to the Fund) stating the reason that you must have a prescription PPI.

Prescription Plan Benefits Under Plans 13, R4, R5 and R7

MAIL ORDER COPAYMENTS

\$15 Generic for up to a 90 day supply

\$30 Brand for up to a 90 day supply

\$60 Negative Formulary up to a 90 day supply

RETAIL PHARMACY COPAYMENTS

\$5 Generic for up to a 34 day supply

\$15 Brand for up to a 34 day supply

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Prescription Plan Benefits Under Plans 14, 16 and R6

MAIL ORDER COPAYMENTS

	Option A	Option B	Option C
Generic for up to a 90 day supply	\$15.00	\$30.00	\$30.00
Brand for up to a 90 day supply	\$30.00	\$40.00	\$60.00
Negative Formulary up to a 90 day supply	\$60.00	\$80.00	\$100.00

Prescription Plan Benefits Under Plans 14, 16 and R6 (continued)

RETAIL PHARMACY COPAYMENTS

	Option A	Option B	Option C
Generic for up to a 34 day supply	\$5.00	\$10.00	\$10.00
Brand for up to a 34 day supply	\$15.00	\$20.00	\$30.00
Negative Formulary up to a 34 day supply	\$30.00	\$40.00	\$50.00

Prescription Plan Benefits Under Plan 13Y

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Visit Our Website

Members and their families, as well as contributing employers, can access the Fund website, www.CentralPATeamsters.com for benefits information, announcements, reports and notices, investment reports, forms, wellness information and provider network links.

Participants in the Retirement Income Plan (RIP) 1987 can view their account balances (updated monthly) by visiting the **Pension Web Portal** page. You must register first before you can access your account information.

Smart phone users can access the website by using the scanning feature on their phones. Users must first download a bar code or QR reader app to their smart phone. Simply scan the code and you will be directed to the website.



Important Information from the Fund Office

Fund Office Contact Information

Contact the Fund Office directly with any questions on Health and Welfare benefits. The Fund staff is available Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Health & Welfare Office

(610) 320-5500

Toll free in PA: 1-800-422-8330

Nationwide: 1-800-331-0420

Reminder –

Keep Your Information Current with the Fund Office

Please remember to keep your address, dependent and beneficiary information updated with the Fund. You can call or mail in address changes to the Fund. You can call the Fund office or visit www.CentralPATeamsters.com to obtain beneficiary change forms to complete and send in to the Fund Office.

Note: The Fund Office has extended its hours on a trial basis from 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Visit Our Website at:

www.CentralPATeamsters.com

Central Pennsylvania Teamsters Health and Welfare Fund

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