EMERGENCY MEDICAL

When It Applies

If you experience a medical **emergency** while on your covered trip.

What We Cover

- 1. Emergency medical expenses: as listed below and ordered or prescribed by a physician as medically necessary for diagnosis or treatment of your emergency sickness or injury:
 - a) the services of a **physician**, surgeon or in**hospital** duty nurse;
 - b) hospital room and board charges up to the semi-private room rate. This will include expenses for a cruise ship cabin or hotel room, not already included in the cost of your covered trip, if recommended as a substitute for a hospital room for recovery of an injury or sickness;
 - c) transportation furnished by a professional ambulance company to and from a **hospital**;
 - d) up to \$50 each way if a local taxi service is required to get you to and from the nearest medical service provider for a minor emergency;
 - e) your emergency evacuation from a remote location to the nearest appropriate hospital that can provide the necessary emergency medical treatment as determined and arranged by our emergency assistance provider;
 - f) diagnostic procedures, laboratory procedures and **treatment**, subject to prior approval by **us**;
 - g) medical equipment purchased or rented for therapeutic purposes subject to prior approval by **us**;
 - h)prescription medications required to **treat** any **emergency medical condition** or **injury**, which are prescribed by a **physician** and

dispensed by a licensed pharmacist (maximum 30 day supply).

- i) One follow-up visit following **emergency treatment** or one follow-up visit following **hospital** discharge for an **emergency** that is covered by this **policy.** The follow-up visit must be recommended by a **physician** at the time of discharge and take place within the required time frame recommended for an initial follow-up visit. The cost of this followup visit is limited to \$500.
- With respect to all **emergency** medical expenses, **you** or someone acting on **your** behalf are required to immediately contact **our** 24 hour assistance line at the telephone numbers provided on page 8 of this **policy** before admission to **hospital** or within 24 hours after a life or organ-threatening **emergency.** Failure to do so will result in **you** being responsible for 30% of any eligible expenses incurred.
- The company reserves the right to return you to Canada or to your departure point before any treatment or following emergency treatment for sickness or injury, if the medical evidence obtained from our medical advisor and your local attending physician confirms you are able to return to Canada without endangering your life or health.
- If you elect not to return to Canada following the company's recommendation to do so, any further expenses related to the emergency will not be covered by this policy and all benefits will end.
- Prescription drugs: up to \$50 for prescription drugs lost, stolen or damaged during your covered trip. Up to \$75 will be allowed if the services of a local physician are required to secure the replacement prescription. You must contact our emergency assistance provider.
- 3. **Emergency dental**: treatment ordered by a licensed dentist or dental surgeon as follows:

- a) Up to \$4,000 will be paid for **treatment** or repair of natural or permanently attached artificial teeth which are damaged by an **injury** to the head or mouth. Continuing dental **treatment** completed within 90 days after **you** return to Canada is available provided the **treatment** is related to the **injury**. Services performed by a **family member** are not covered;
- b) up to \$300 to relieve acute pain and suffering not related to an **injury.** Services performed by a **family member** are not covered.
- Emergency paramedical services: performed by a chiropractor, chiropodist, physiotherapist, osteopath or podiatrist for emergency treatment up to \$300 per category of practitioner. Services performed by a family member are not covered.
- 5. Accommodation and meals: commercial accommodation, meals, essential telephone calls, taxi fares or rental vehicle charges incurred by you, your travelling companion, or a family member travelling with you if one of you is relocated to receive emergency medical treatment or one of you is hospitalized beyond your expiry date due to sickness or injury.
 - This benefit is limited to \$350 per day to a maximum of \$1,750. Original receipts and the local attending **physician's** written diagnosis of the **sickness** or **injury** must be submitted for this benefit to qualify for payment.
- Medical evacuation or return home: in response to an emergency sickness or injury as follows:
 - a) the extra cost of a one way **fare** on a commercial airline via the most direct route to return **you** to **your** place of residence; or
 - b)the cost to accommodate a stretcher on a commercial airline via the most direct route to return **you** to **your** place of residence or to the most appropriate medical facility closest to **your** home, plus the reasonable cost of meals, accommodations and airfare expenses

for a qualified medical attendant to accompany **you** if it is deemed **medically necessary;** or

- c) air ambulance transportation when it is medically necessary.
- Benefits must be pre-approved and arranged by us in consultation with our medical advisors, the local treating physician and our emergency assistance provider for coverage to apply. If your unused return travel ticket is refundable, we will deduct the value of the refund from the return transportation cost we arranged or you may choose to turn your unused return ticket over to us.
- 7. Bedside visit: If you are admitted to hospital for an emergency sickness or injury and the local attending physician recommends that a relative or close friend should visit at your bedside, remain with you, or accompany you home, we will reimburse the cost of a round-trip fare by the most direct route and up to \$750 for commercial accommodation and meals. We will automatically insure the accompanying family member or friend for Emergency Medical coverage under this policy until you are medically stable to return to Canada, subject to the eligibility, limitations, conditions, & exclusions of this policy.
 - These benefits are subject to prior approval by **us**.
- 8. Return and escort of children: This benefit is payable if you are confined to a hospital for more than 24 hours or you must return to your home because you have a medical emergency which is covered by this policy or in case of your death. We will pay for the transportation expenses incurred, up to the cost of a one way fare for the return home of any children who are accompanying you. If your child is under 18 years of age, we will also pay the extra cost of a round trip airfare via the most direct route, overnight commercial accommodation, and reasonable meal expenses for an escort to

accompany **your** child home. If the unused return travel ticket is refundable, **we** will deduct the value of the refund from the return transportation cost **we** arranged or **you** may choose to turn **your** unused return ticket over to **us**.

- 9. Child care cost: If you are admitted to hospital for an emergency sickness or injury during your covered trip and need to be relocated to receive emergency medical treatment or are delayed beyond your expiry date, we will reimburse you up to \$50 per day to a maximum of \$500 for the professional child care cost incurred during your covered trip to care for children travelling with you.
 - Original receipts from the professional child care provider are required.
- 10. Return of travelling companion: If you must return to your departure point because of a medical emergency covered by this policy, we will reimburse you for the extra cost of a one way fare on a commercial flight via the most direct route to return your travelling companion back to your departure point. If the unused return travel ticket is refundable, we will deduct the value of the refund from the return transportation cost we arranged.
- 11. Repatriation of remains: If you die during your covered trip, we will reimburse the reasonable expenses incurred up to the maximum amount specified in the Schedule of Maximum Benefits for:
 - a) preparing and transporting **your** remains or ashes back to **your departure point**; or
 - b) the cremation or burial of **your** remains at the location where death occurs.

No benefit is payable for the cost of a headstone, casket and/or funeral service expenses.

Benefits under this section shall not duplicate any benefits available under any other section of this **policy**.

- 12. Identification of remains: If someone is legally required to identify your remains before your body is released, we will reimburse the cost of one person to travel to the place where your remains are located via a round-trip fare by the most direct route and up to \$500 for commercial accommodation and meals. We will automatically insure this person for Emergency Medical coverage under this policy for not more than 3 days until they return to Canada, subject to the eligibility, limitations, conditions, and exclusions of this policy.
 - This benefit must be pre-arranged and approved by **us**.
- 13. Vehicle return: We will pay the expenses associated with returning your vehicle to your home or your rental vehicle to the appropriate rental agency if you are unable to do so because of a medical emergency, up to \$2,000. Return of commercial vehicles is not covered.
- 14. Return of baggage and personal effects: In the event of your medical evacuation or repatriation of remains arranged by the company, if there is insufficient space to accommodate your baggage and personal effects aboard the transport provided, we will reimburse you up to \$500 to cover the cost of shipping these items to your departure point.
- 15. Incidental expenses: If you are required to stay in a hospital for treatment of an emergency sickness or injury as an in-patient while on your covered trip, we will reimburse you up to \$250 for your out of pocket expenses such as television, wi-fi and parking charges. Original receipts (no copies) and proof of payment must be submitted.
- 16. Eyeglasses replacement: In the event your eyeglasses are damaged as a result of a covered injury, we will reimburse you up to \$200 to replace them during your covered trip.
- 17. Return to destination: If, following your emergency medical evacuation arranged by the company to your place of residence, you wish

to return to **your** destination, **we** will reimburse **you** for the cost of a one way **fare** to the city from where the medical evacuation occurred.

- This benefit is available only if:
 - a) **Your** attending **physician** at **your** place of residence determines that **you** require no further **treatment**,
 - b)You receive prior approval by us,
 - c) **You** choose this benefit instead of benefit #13, vehicle return, and
 - d)Your return must be prior to your expiry date.
- Once you return to your destination, a recurrence of the medical condition which necessitated your emergency medical evacuation or related medical condition will not be covered under this policy.
- This benefit can only be used once during **your covered trip.** Upon return to **your** destination, the **effective date** of coverage is the day **you** leave **your departure point** to return to **your** destination.
- 18. Pet care: If you are admitted to hospital for 12 or more hours while on your covered trip coverage is provided up to \$1,500 for your family pet travelling with you on your covered trip for:
 - a) The necessary quarantine accommodations and care in a pet boarding facility while **you** are admitted to **hospital**;
 - b)The necessary preparation and transportation costs to return to **your departure point** if **you** are evacuated or repatriated by the **company**.

All benefits must be pre-approved and arranged by **us.**

POLICY EXCLUSIONS

There is no coverageand no benefit will be payable for any claims resulting from or attributable to:

1. Your or your travelling companion's preexisting condition that was not stable during the time periods indicated in the Stability Table:

STABILITY TABLE		
Age	Stability Period	Counting Back From
0-59	60 days	
60-74	180 days	Departure Date
75-89	365 days	

- 2. Any sickness or injury resulting from:
 - a. a heart condition involving the taking of nitroglycerine more than once per week for the relief of angina within the time periods listed in the Stability Table
 - a lung condition treated with home oxygen or the taking of oral steroids (prednisone or prednisolone) within the time periods listed in the Stability Table;