

**Group Accident  
Insurance Certificate**

The Trustees of Columbia University  
in the City of New York



**IMPORTANT NOTICES  
GROUP ACCIDENT**

If you reside in one of the following states, please read the important notices below:

**Arizona residents:**

**This certificate of insurance may not provide all benefits and protections provided by law in Arizona. Please read this certificate carefully.**

**California residents:**

**FOR CALIFORNIA RESIDENTS: REVIEW THIS CERTIFICATE CAREFULLY. IF YOU ARE 65 OR OLDER ON THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS CERTIFICATE, YOU MAY RETURN IT TO US WITHIN 30 DAYS FROM THE DATE YOU RECEIVE IT AND WE WILL REFUND ANY PREMIUM YOU PAID. IN THIS CASE, THIS CERTIFICATE WILL BE CONSIDERED TO NEVER HAVE BEEN ISSUED.**

**Florida residents:**

**The benefits of the policy providing your coverage are governed primarily by the laws of a state other than Florida.**

**Maryland residents:**

**This Certificate may omit some of the benefits required for a Certificate issued and delivered in Maryland.**

**New Mexico residents:**

**This type of plan is NOT considered "minimum essential coverage" under the Affordable Care Act (ACA) and therefore does NOT satisfy the individual mandate that you have health insurance coverage. If you do not have other health insurance coverage, you may be subject to a federal tax penalty. Please consult your tax advisor.**

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**North Carolina residents:**

**This Certificate of Insurance provides all of the benefits mandated by the North Carolina Insurance Code, but it is issued under a group master policy located in another state and may be governed by that state's law.**

**THIS CERTIFICATE IS NOT A MEDICARE SUPPLEMENT CERTIFICATE. IF YOU ARE ELIGIBLE FOR MEDICARE, REVIEW THE GUIDE TO HEALTH INSURANCE FOR PEOPLE WITH MEDICARE, WHICH IS AVAILABLE FROM LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY OF NORTH AMERICA.**

**The Policy is a legal contract between the Policyholder and Us.**

**BENEFITS MAY BE REDUCED. PLEASE SEE THE SCHEDULE OF BENEFITS**

**IMPORTANT CANCELLATION INFORMATION – PLEASE READ "POLICY TERMINATION" PROVISION**

UNDER NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL STATUTE SECTION 58-50-40, NO PERSON, EMPLOYER, PRINCIPAL, AGENT, TRUSTEE, OR THIRD PARTY ADMINISTRATOR, WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PAYMENT OF GROUP HEALTH OR LIFE INSURANCE OR GROUP HEALTH PLAN PREMIUMS, SHALL: (1) CAUSE THE CANCELLATION OR NONRENEWAL OF GROUP HEALTH OR LIFE INSURANCE, HOSPITAL, MEDICAL, OR DENTAL SERVICE CORPORATION PLAN, MULTIPLE EMPLOYER WELFARE ARRANGEMENT, OR GROUP HEALTH PLAN COVERAGES AND THE CONSEQUENTIAL LOSS OF THE COVERAGES OF THE PERSONS INSURED, BY WILLFULLY FAILING TO PAY THOSE PREMIUMS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS OF THE INSURANCE OR PLAN CONTRACT, AND (2) WILLFULLY FAIL TO DELIVER, AT LEAST 45 DAYS BEFORE THE TERMINATION OF THOSE COVERAGES, TO ALL PERSONS COVERED BY THE GROUP POLICY A WRITTEN NOTICE OF THE PERSON'S INTENTION TO STOP PAYMENT OF PREMIUMS. THIS WRITTEN NOTICE MUST ALSO CONTAIN A NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS COVERED BY THE GROUP POLICY OF THEIR RIGHTS TO HEALTH INSURANCE CONVERSION POLICIES UNDER ARTICLE 53 OF CHAPTER 58 OF THE GENERAL STATUTES AND THEIR RIGHTS TO PURCHASE INDIVIDUAL POLICIES UNDER THE FEDERAL HEALTH INSURANCE PORTABILITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT AND UNDER ARTICLE 68 OF CHAPTER 58 OF THE GENERAL STATUTES. VIOLATION OF THIS LAW IS A FELONY. ANY PERSON VIOLATING THIS LAW IS ALSO SUBJECT TO A COURT ORDER REQUIRING THE PERSON TO COMPENSATE PERSONS INSURED FOR EXPENSES OR LOSSES INCURRED AS A RESULT OF THE TERMINATION OF THE INSURANCE.

**Texas residents:**

**THE INSURANCE POLICY UNDER WHICH THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED IS NOT A POLICY OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE. YOU SHOULD CONSULT YOUR EMPLOYER TO DETERMINE WHETHER YOUR EMPLOYER IS A SUBSCRIBER TO THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION SYSTEM.**



**CIGNA Life Insurance Company of New York**  
**140 East 45<sup>th</sup> Street**  
**New York, New York 10017**

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**CLAIM PAYMENT NOTICE**

**Manner of Payment of Claims**

The Policyholder authorizes that any benefit payment due as a lump sum of \$5,000 or more shall be credited to a draft account with the Insurance Company, in the name of the beneficiary. The beneficiary may withdraw the entire proceeds at any time by issuing one or more drafts, or may withdraw lesser amounts, subject to a minimum account balance set by the Insurance Company from time to time. Interest shall be credited to such account at rates as determined from time to time by the Insurance Company.

**Draft Accounts**

The Insurance Company shall be entitled to retain, as part of its compensation, any earnings on draft accounts created in connection with benefit claims, in excess of interest credited under the terms of the policy.





**CIGNA Life Insurance Company of New York**  
**140 East 45th Street, New York, New York 10017**  
A Stock Insurance Company

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**GROUP ACCIDENT CERTIFICATE**

**THIS CERTIFICATE PROVIDES LIMITED COVERAGE.  
PLEASE READ YOUR CERTIFICATE CAREFULLY.**

We, the CIGNA Life Insurance Company of New York, has issued a Group Policy, YOK 980019 to The Trustees of Columbia University in the City of New York.

We certify that we insure all eligible persons who are enrolled according to the terms of the Group Policy. Your coverage will begin according to the terms set forth in the *Eligibility and Effective Date* provision.

This Certificate describes the benefits and basic provisions of Your coverage. It is not the insurance contract and does not waive or alter any terms of the Policy. If questions arise, the Policy language will govern. You may examine the Policy at the office of the Policyholder.

This Certificate replaces all prior Certificates issued to You under the Group Policy.



William J. Smith, President

**THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED UNDER AN ACCIDENT ONLY POLICY. IT DOES NOT PAY  
BENEFITS FOR LOSS CAUSED BY SICKNESS.**

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## SCHEDULE OF BENEFITS

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*This Certificate is intended to be read in its entirety. In order to understand all the conditions, exclusions and limitations applicable to its benefits, please read all the provisions carefully.*

**The Schedule of Benefits provides a brief outline of your coverage and benefits. Please read the Description of Coverages and Benefits Section for full details.**

**Policyholder:** The Trustees of Columbia University in the City of New York

**Effective Date of Policyholder Participation:** January 1, 2020

**Covered Class:** Class 1 - All active, full-times Employees of the Employer who are United States citizens or permanent resident aliens, regularly working a minimum of 20 hours per week in the United States, excluding Columbia University Post-Doctoral Fellows, Obama Scholars and Members of the Transport Workers Union (TWU).

## SCHEDULE OF BENEFITS

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**This Schedule of Benefits shows maximums, benefit periods and any limitations applicable to benefits provided for each Covered Person unless otherwise indicated. Principal Sum, when referred to in this Schedule, means the Employee's Principal Sum in effect on the date of the Covered Accident causing the Covered Injury or Covered Loss unless otherwise specified.**

### Eligibility Waiting Period

The Eligibility Waiting Period is the period of time the Employee must be in a Covered Class to be eligible for coverage.

For Employees hired on or before the Policy Effective Date: No Waiting Period

For Employees hired after the Policy Effective Date: No Waiting Period

### Time Period for Loss:

Any Covered Loss must occur within: 365 days of the Covered Accident

**Maximum Age for Insurance:** None

## VOLUNTARY ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT BENEFITS

Employee Principal Sum: Units of \$10,000 to the lesser of 10 times salary or \$1,000,000  
Maximum Principal Sum: \$1,000,000

Spouse or Domestic Partner Principal Sum:  
If no Dependent Children are insured: 50% of the Employee's Principal Sum  
If one or more Dependent Children are insured: 40% of the Employee's Principal Sum  
Maximum Principal Sum: \$250,000

Dependent Child Principal Sum:  
If Spouse or Domestic Partner is insured: 10% of the Employee's Principal Sum  
If no Spouse or Domestic Partner is insured: 15% of the Employee's Principal Sum  
Maximum Principal Sum: \$10,000

**SCHEDULE OF COVERED LOSSES**

<b>Covered Loss</b>	<b>Benefit</b>
Loss of Life	100% of the Principal Sum
Loss of Two or More Hands or Feet	100% of the Principal Sum
Loss of Sight of Both Eyes	100% of the Principal Sum
Loss of One Hand or One Foot and Sight in One Eye	100% of the Principal Sum
Loss of Speech and Hearing (in both ears)	100% of the Principal Sum
Quadriplegia	100% of the Principal Sum
Paraplegia	75% of the Principal Sum
Hemiplegia	50% of the Principal Sum
Uniplegia	25% of the Principal Sum
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Monthly Benefit	1% of the Principal Sum
Number of Monthly Benefits When Payable	11 At the end of each month during which the Covered Person remains comatose
Lump Sum Benefit When Payable	100% of the Principal Sum Beginning of the 12 <sup>th</sup> month
Loss of One Hand or Foot	50% of the Principal Sum
Loss of Sight in One Eye	50% of the Principal Sum
Severance and Reattachment of One Hand or Foot	50% of the Principal Sum
Loss of Speech	50% of the Principal Sum
Loss of Hearing (in both ears)	50% of the Principal Sum
Loss of all Four Fingers of the Same Hand	25% of the Principal Sum
Loss of Thumb and Index Finger of the Same Hand	25% of the Principal Sum
Loss of all the Toes of the Same Foot	20% of the Principal Sum

**ADDITIONAL ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT COVERAGES**

Accidental Death and Dismemberment benefits are provided under the following coverages. Any benefits payable under them are as shown in the *Schedule of Covered Losses* and are not paid in addition to any other Accidental Death and Dismemberment benefits.

**EXPOSURE AND DISAPPEARANCE COVERAGE** provides the Principal Sum multiplied by the percentage applicable to the Covered Loss, as shown in the *Schedule of Covered Losses*.

**ADDITIONAL ACCIDENT BENEFITS**

Any benefits payable under these *Additional Accident Benefits* shown below are paid in addition to any other Accidental Death and Dismemberment benefits payable.

**CHILD CARE CENTER BENEFIT**

Benefit Amount	3% of the Employee's Principal Sum subject to a maximum of \$3,000 per year
Maximum Benefit Period	the earlier of 4 years or until the child turns 13 for each surviving Dependent Child

**SEATBELT AND AIRBAG BENEFIT**

Seatbelt Benefit	10% of the Principal Sum subject to a Maximum Benefit of \$25,000
Airbag Benefit	5% of the Principal Sum subject to a Maximum Benefit of \$10,000
Default Benefit	\$1,000

**SPECIAL EDUCATION BENEFIT**

Surviving Dependent Child Benefit	3% of the Principal Sum subject to a Maximum Benefit of \$3,000
Maximum Number of Annual Payments For Each Surviving Dependent Child	4
Default Benefit	\$1,000

**SPOUSE OR DOMESTIC PARTNER RETRAINING BENEFIT**

Benefit	3% of the Principal Sum subject to a Maximum Benefit of \$3,000
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## **GENERAL DEFINITIONS**

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Please note that certain words used in this Certificate have specific meanings. The words defined below and capitalized within the text of this Certificate have the meanings set forth below.

### **Active Service**

An Employee will be considered in Active Service with the Employer on any day that is either of the following:

1. one of the Employer's scheduled work days on which the Employee is performing his regular duties on a full-time basis, either at one of the Employer's usual places of business or at some other location to which the Employer's business requires the Employee to travel;
2. a scheduled holiday, vacation day or period of Employer-approved paid leave of absence, other than sick leave, only if the Employee was in Active Service on the preceding scheduled workday.

A person other than an Employee is considered in Active Service if he is none of the following:

1. an Inpatient in a Hospital or receiving Outpatient care for chemotherapy or radiation therapy;
2. confined at home under the care of a Physician for Sickness or injury;
3. Totally Disabled.

### **Age**

A Covered Person's Age, for purposes of initial premium calculations, is his Age attained on the date coverage becomes effective for him under this Policy. Thereafter, it is his Age attained on his last birthday.

### **Aircraft**

A vehicle which:

1. has a valid certificate of airworthiness; and
2. is being flown by a pilot with a valid license to operate the Aircraft.

### **Annual Compensation**

Your annual base benefits (ABBR) for normal work established by the Policyholder for his job classification, excluding commissions, bonuses, overtime or other extra compensation.

Changes in the Covered Person's amount of insurance resulting from a change in the Employee's amount of Annual Compensation take effect, subject to any Active Service requirement, on the date of change in Annual Compensation.

### **Covered Accident**

A sudden, unforeseeable event that results, directly and independently of all other causes, in a Covered Injury or Covered Loss and meets all of the following conditions:

1. occurs while the Covered Person is insured under this Policy;
2. is not contributed to by disease, Sickness, mental or bodily infirmity;
3. is not otherwise excluded under the terms of this Policy.

### **Covered Injury**

Any bodily harm that results directly and independently of all other causes from a Covered Accident.

### **Covered Loss**

A loss that is all of the following:

1. the result, directly and independently of all other causes, of a Covered Accident;
2. one of the Covered Losses specified in the *Schedule of Covered Losses*;
3. suffered by the Covered Person within the applicable time period specified in the *Schedule of Benefits*.

### **Covered Person**

An eligible person, as defined in the *Schedule of Benefits*, for whom an enrollment form has been accepted by Us and required premium has been paid when due and for whom coverage under this Policy remains in force. The term Covered Person shall include, where this Policy provides coverage, an eligible Spouse and eligible Dependent Children.



**Dependent Child(ren)**

An Employee's child who meets the following requirements:

1. A child from live birth to 19 years old;
2. A child who is 19 or more years old but less than 26 years old and primarily supported by the Employee;
3. A child who is 19 or more years old, primarily supported by the Employee and incapable of self-sustaining employment by reason of mental or physical handicap.

A child, for purposes of this provision, includes an Employee's:

1. natural child;
2. adopted child, beginning with any waiting period pending finalization of the child's adoption. It also means the legally adopted child of the Employee's Spouse provided the child is living with, and is financially dependent upon the Employee;
3. stepchild who resides with the Employee and is financially dependent upon the Employee;
4. child for whom the Employee is the court-appointed legal guardian, as long as the child resides with the Employee and depends on the Employee for financial support. Financial support means that the Employee is eligible to claim the dependent for purposes of Federal and State income tax returns.

**Employee**

For eligibility purposes, an Employee of the Employer who is in one of the Covered Classes.

**Employer**

The Policyholder and any affiliates, subsidiaries or divisions shown in the Schedule of Covered Affiliates and which are covered under this Policy on the date of issue or subsequently agreed to by Us.

**He, His, Him**

Refers to any individual, male or female.

**Nurse**

A licensed graduate Registered Nurse (R.N.), a licensed practical Nurse (L.P.N.) or a licensed vocational Nurse (L.V.N.) and who is not:

1. employed or retained by the Policyholder;
2. living in the Covered Person's household; or
3. a parent, sibling, spouse or child of the Covered Person.

**Physician**

A licensed health care provider practicing within the scope of his license and rendering care and treatment to a Covered Person that is appropriate for the condition and locality and who is not:

1. employed or retained by the Policyholder;
2. living in the Covered Person's household;
3. a parent, sibling, spouse or child of the Covered Person.

**Prior Plan**

The plan of insurance providing similar benefits, sponsored by the Employer in effect immediately prior to this Policy's Effective Date.

**Sickness**

A physical or mental illness.

**Spouse**

The Employee's lawful spouse.

**Totally Disabled or Total Disability**

Totally Disabled or Total Disability means either:

1. inability of the Covered Person who is currently employed to do any type of work for which he is or may become qualified by reason of education, training or experience; or
2. inability of the Covered Person who is not currently employed to perform all of the activities of daily living including eating, transferring, dressing, toileting, bathing, and continence, without human supervision or assistance.

**We, Us, Our**

CIGNA Life Insurance Company of New York.

**You, Your**

The person to whom the certificate is issued.

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## **ELIGIBILITY AND EFFECTIVE DATE PROVISIONS**

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### **Policy Effective Date**

The Insurance Company agrees to provide Accident Insurance Benefits described in this Policy in consideration of the Policyholder's application and payment of the initial premium when due. Insurance coverage begins on the Policy Effective Date shown on this Policy's first page.

### **Eligibility**

An Employee becomes eligible for insurance under this Policy on the date he meets all of the requirements of one of the Covered Classes and completes any Eligibility Waiting Period, as shown in the *Schedule of Benefits*. A Spouse and Dependent Children of an eligible Employee become eligible for any dependent insurance provided by this Policy on the later of the date the Employee becomes eligible and the date the Spouse or Dependent Child meets the applicable definition shown in the *Definitions* section of this Policy. No person may be eligible for insurance under this Policy as both an Employee and a Spouse or Dependent Child at the same time.

### **Effective Date for Individuals**

Insurance becomes effective for an eligible Employee who applies and agrees to make required contributions within 31 days of eligibility, and subject to the *Deferred Effective Date* provision below, on the latest of the following dates:

1. the effective date of this Policy;
2. the date the Employee becomes eligible;
3. the date We receive the Employee's completed enrollment form and the required first premium, during his lifetime.

Insurance becomes effective for an Employee's eligible dependents if the Employee applies and agrees to make required contributions within 31 days of the date his dependents become eligible and, subject to the *Deferred Effective Date* provision below, on the latest of the following dates:

1. the effective date of this Policy;
2. the date the Employee becomes eligible;
3. the date the Employee's insurance becomes effective;
4. the date the dependent meets the definition of Spouse or Dependent Child, as applicable;
5. the date We receive a completed enrollment form for Spouse and Dependent Child coverage and the required first premium, during each dependent's lifetime.

Insurance becomes effective for a newborn Dependent Child automatically from the moment of the child's live birth.

Insurance for that Dependent Child automatically ends 31 days later unless the Employee has a Spouse or other Dependent Children insured under this Policy or makes a request to cover the child and pays the required initial premium, during the child's lifetime.

### **DEFERRED EFFECTIVE DATE**

#### **Active Service**

The effective date of insurance will be deferred for any Employee or any eligible Spouse or Dependent Child who is not in Active Service on the date coverage would otherwise become effective. Coverage will become effective on the later of the date he returns to Active Service and the date coverage would otherwise have become effective.

#### **Effective Date of Changes**

Any increase or decrease in the amount of insurance for the Covered Person resulting from:

1. a change in benefits provided by this Policy; or
2. a change in the Employee's Covered Class will take effect on the date of such change.

Increases will take effect subject to any Active Service requirement.

## **TERMINATION OF INSURANCE**

The insurance on a Covered Person will end on the earliest date below:

1. the date this Policy or insurance for a Covered Class is terminated;
2. the next premium due date after the date the Covered Person is no longer in a Covered Class or satisfies eligibility requirements under this Policy;
3. the last day of the last period for which premium is paid;
4. the next premium due date after the Covered Person attains the maximum Age for insurance under this Policy;
5. with respect to a Spouse or Dependent Child, the date of the death of the covered Employee or the date of divorce from the covered Employee.

Termination will not affect a claim for a Covered Loss or Covered Injury that is the result, directly and independently of all other causes, of a Covered Accident that occurs while coverage was in effect.

## **CONTINUATION OF INSURANCE**

### **Continuation for Layoff, Leave of Absence, Sabbatical or Family Medical Leave**

Insurance for an Employee and Covered Dependents may be continued until the earliest of the following dates if: (a) an Employee is on a temporary layoff, an Employer-approved leave of absence, sabbatical or an Employer-approved family medical leave; and (b) required premium contributions are paid when due.

1. for a layoff: 31 days.
2. for an Employer-approved leave of absence: 24 months.
3. for an Employer-approved research leave of absence: 24 months.
4. for an Employer-approved seasonal leave of absence: 3 months.
5. for an Employer-approved sabbatical: 24 months.
6. for an Employer-approved family medical leave: up to the later of the period of the approved FMLA leave or the leave period required by law in the state in which the Employee is employed.

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## COMMON EXCLUSIONS

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In addition to any benefit-specific exclusions, benefits will not be paid for any Covered Injury or Covered Loss which, directly or indirectly, in whole or in part, is caused by or results from any of the following unless coverage is specifically provided for by name in the *Description of Benefits* Section:

1. intentionally self-inflicted injury, suicide or any attempt thereat;
2. commission or attempt to commit a felony;
3. bungee jumping; parachuting; skydiving; parasailing; hang-gliding;
4. declared or undeclared war or act of war;
5. aviation, except as a fare-paying passenger on a scheduled or charter flight operated by a scheduled airline;
6. Sickness, disease, bodily or mental infirmity, bacterial or viral infection or medical or surgical treatment thereof, except for any bacterial infection resulting from an accidental external cut or wound or accidental ingestion of contaminated food;
7. voluntary ingestion of any narcotic, drug, poison, gas or fumes, unless prescribed or taken under the direction of a Physician and taken in accordance with the prescribed dosage;
8. operating any type of vehicle while under the influence of alcohol or any drug, narcotic or other intoxicant including any prescribed drug for which the Covered Person has been provided a written warning against operating a vehicle while taking it. Under the influence of alcohol, for purposes of this exclusion, means intoxicated, as defined by the law of the state in which the Covered Accident occurred.

Benefits will not be paid for services or treatment rendered by a Physician, Nurse or any other person who is retained or employed by the Policyholder or is a parent, sibling, spouse or child of the Covered Person.

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## CONVERSION PRIVILEGE

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1. If the Covered Person's insurance or any portion of it ends for any of the following reasons:
  - a. employment or membership ends;
  - b. eligibility ends (except for age for the Employee or Covered Spouse);the Covered Person may have Us issue converted accident insurance on an individual policy or an individual certificate under a designated group policy. The Covered Person may apply for an amount of coverage that is:
  - a. in \$1,000 increments;
  - b. not less than \$25,000, regardless of the amount of insurance under the group policy; and
  - c. not more than the amount of insurance he had under the group policy, except as provided above, up to a maximum amount of \$250,000.

The Covered Person must be under age 70 to get a converted policy.

If the Covered Person's insurance or any portion of it ends for non-payment of premium, he may not convert. If the Covered Person's insurance ends for a reason described in 2. below, conversion is subject to that section.

The converted policy or certificate will cover accidental death and dismemberment. The policy or certificate will not contain disability or other additional benefits. The Covered Person need not show Us that he is insurable.

If the Covered Person has converted his group coverage and later becomes insured under the same group plan as before, he may not convert a second time unless he provides, at his own expense, proof of insurability or proof the prior converted policy is no longer in force.

The Covered Person must apply for the individual policy within 31 days after his coverage under this Group Policy ends and pay the required premium, based on Our table of rates for such policies, his Age and class of risk. If the Covered Person has assigned ownership of his group coverage, the owner/assignee must apply for the individual policy.

If the Covered Person suffers a Covered Loss or dies during this 31-day period as the result of an accident that would have been covered under this Group Policy, We will pay as a claim under this Group Policy the amount of insurance that the Covered Person was entitled to convert. It does not matter whether the Covered Person applied for the individual policy or certificate. If such policy or certificate is issued, it will be in exchange for any other benefits under this Group Policy.

The individual policy or certificate will take effect on the day following the date coverage under the Group Policy ended; or, if later, the date application is made.

### **Exclusions**

The converted policy may exclude the hazards or conditions that apply to the Covered Person's group coverage at the time it ends. We will reduce payment under the converted policy by the amount of any benefits paid under the group policy if both cover the same loss.

2. If the Covered Person's insurance ends because this Group Policy is terminated or is amended to terminate insurance for the Covered Person's class, and he has been covered under this Group Policy or, any group accident insurance issued to the Employer which the Group Policy replaced, for at least five years, the Covered Person may have Us issue an individual policy or certificate of accident insurance subject to the same terms, conditions and limitations listed above. However, the amount he may apply for will be limited to the lesser of the following:
  - a. coverage under this Group Policy less any amount of group accident insurance for which he is eligible on the date this Group Policy is terminated or for which he became eligible within 31 days of such termination, or
  - b. \$10,000.

**Extension of Conversion Period**

If the Covered Person is eligible to convert and is not notified of this right at least 15 days prior to the end of the 31 day conversion period, the conversion period will be extended. The Covered Person will have 15 days from the date notice is given to apply for a converted policy or certificate. In no event will the conversion period be extended beyond 90 days. Notice, for the purpose of this section, means written notice presented to the Covered Person by the Policyholder or mailed to the Covered Person's last known address as reported by the Policyholder.

If the Covered Person sustains a Covered Loss or dies during the extended conversion period, but more than 31 days after his coverage under the Group Policy terminates, benefits will not be paid under the Group Policy. If the Covered Person's application for a converted policy or certificate is received by Us and the required premium is paid, benefits may be payable under the converted policy or certificate.

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## **CLAIM PROVISIONS**

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### **Notice of Claim**

Written or authorized electronic/telephonic notice of claim must be given to Us within 31 days after a Covered Loss occurs or begins or as soon as reasonably possible. If written or authorized electronic/telephonic notice is not given in that time, the claim will not be invalidated or reduced if it is shown that written or authorized electronic/telephonic notice was given as soon as was reasonably possible. Notice can be given to Us at Our Home Office in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, such other place as We may designate for the purpose, or to Our authorized agent. Notice should include the Policyholder's name and policy number and the Covered Person's name, address, policy and certificate number.

### **Claim Forms**

We will send claim forms for filing proof of loss when We receive notice of a claim. If such forms are not sent within 15 days after We receive notice, the proof requirements will be met by submitting, within the time fixed in this Policy for filing proof of loss, written or authorized electronic proof of the nature and extent of the loss for which the claim is made.

### **Claimant Cooperation Provision**

Failure of a claimant to cooperate with Us in the administration of the claim may result in termination of the claim. Such cooperation includes, but is not limited to, providing any information or documents needed to determine whether benefits are payable or the actual benefit amount due.

### **Proof of Loss**

Written or authorized electronic proof of loss satisfactory to Us must be given to Us at Our office, within 90 days of the loss for which claim is made. If (a) benefits are payable as periodic payments and (b) each payment is contingent upon continuing loss, then proof of loss must be submitted within 90 days after the termination of each period for which We are liable. If written or authorized electronic notice is not given within that time, no claim will be invalidated or reduced if it is shown that such notice was given as soon as reasonably possible.

### **Time of Payment of Claims**

We will pay benefits due under this Policy for any loss other than a loss for which this Policy provides any periodic payment immediately upon receipt of due written or authorized electronic proof of such loss. Subject to due written or authorized electronic proof of loss, all accrued benefits for loss for which this Policy provides periodic payment will be paid monthly unless otherwise specified in the benefits descriptions and any balance remaining unpaid at the termination of liability will be paid immediately upon receipt of proof satisfactory to Us.

### **Payment of Claims**

All benefits will be paid in United States currency. Benefits for loss of life will be payable in accordance with the Beneficiary provision and these Claim Provisions. All other proceeds payable under this Policy, unless otherwise stated, will be payable to the covered Employee or to his estate.

If We are to pay benefits to the estate or to a person who is incapable of giving a valid release, We may pay \$1,000 to a relative by blood or marriage whom We believe is equitably entitled. Any payment made by Us in good faith pursuant to this provision will fully discharge Us to the extent of such payment and release Us from all liability.

### **Payment of Claims to Foreign Employees**

The Policyholder may, in a fiduciary capacity, receive and hold any benefits payable to covered Employees whose place of employment is other than the United States of America.

We will not be responsible for the application or disposition by the Policyholder of any such benefits paid. Our payments to the Policyholder will constitute a full discharge of Our liability for those payments under this Policy.

### **Physical Examination and Autopsy**

We, at Our own expense, have the right and opportunity to examine the Covered Person when and as often as We may reasonably require while a claim is pending and to make an autopsy in case of death where it is not forbidden by law.



**Legal Actions**

No action at law or in equity may be brought to recover under this Policy less than 60 days after written or authorized electronic proof of loss has been furnished as required by this Policy. No such action will be brought more than three years after the time such written proof of loss must be furnished.

**Beneficiary**

The beneficiary is the person or persons the Employee names or changes on a form executed by him and satisfactory to Us. This form may be in writing or by any electronic means agreed upon between Us and the Policyholder. Consent of the beneficiary is not required to affect any changes, unless the beneficiary has been designated as an irrevocable beneficiary, or to make any assignment of rights or benefits permitted by this Policy.

A beneficiary designation or change will become effective on the date the Employee executes it. However, We will not be liable for any action taken or payment made before We record notice of the change at our Home Office.

If more than one person is named as beneficiary, the interests of each will be equal unless the Employee has specified otherwise. The share of any beneficiary who does not survive the Covered Person will pass equally to any surviving beneficiaries unless otherwise specified.

If there is no named beneficiary or surviving beneficiary, or if the Employee dies while benefits are payable to him, We may make direct payment to the first surviving class of the following classes of persons:

1. spouse;
2. child or children;
3. mother or father;
4. sisters or brothers;
5. estate of the Covered Person.

**Recovery of Overpayment**

If benefits are overpaid, We have the right to recover the amount overpaid by either of the following methods.

1. A request for lump sum payment of the overpaid amount.
2. A reduction of any amounts payable under this Policy.

If there is an overpayment due when the Covered Person dies, Us may recover the overpayment from the Covered Person's estate.

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## **ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS**

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### **Premiums**

All premium rates are expressed in, and all premiums are payable in, United States currency. The premiums for this Policy will be based on the rates set forth in the *Schedule of Benefits*, the plan and amounts of insurance in effect. If a Covered Person's insurance amounts are reduced due to age, premium will be based on the amounts of insurance in force on the day after the reduction took place.

### **Grace Period**

A Grace Period of 31 days will be granted for payment of required premiums under this Policy. Insurance under this Policy for You, Your Spouse and/or Dependent Children will remain in force during the Grace Period. We will reduce any benefits payable for any claims incurred during the grace period by the amount of premium due. If no such claims are incurred and premium is not paid during the grace period, insurance will end on the last day of the period for which premiums were paid.

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## **GENERAL PROVISIONS**

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### **Misstatement of Fact**

If the Covered Person has misstated any fact, all amounts payable under this Policy will be such as the premium paid would have purchased had such fact been correctly stated.

### **30 Day Right To Examine Certificate**

If a Covered Person does not like the Certificate for any reason, it may be returned to Us within 30 days after receipt. We will return any premium that has been paid and the Certificate will be void as if it had never been issued.

### **Multiple Certificates**

The Covered Person may have in force only one certificate at a time under this Policy. If at any time the Covered Person has been issued more than one certificate, then only the largest shall be in effect. We will refund premiums paid for the others for any period of time that more than one certificate was issued.

### **Assignment**

We will be bound by an assignment of a Covered Person's insurance under this Policy only when the original assignment or a certified copy of the assignment, signed by the Covered Person and any irrevocable beneficiary, is filed with Us. The assignee may exercise all rights and receive all benefits assigned only while the assignment remains in effect and insurance under this Policy and the Covered Person's certificate remains in force.

### **Incontestability**

All statements made by the Employer or by an Insured are representations not warranties. No statement will be used to deny or reduce benefits or as a defense to a claim, unless a copy of the instrument containing the statement has been furnished to the claimant. In the event of death or legal incapacity, the beneficiary or representative must receive the copy.

After two years from a Covered Person's effective date of insurance, or from the effective date of any added or increased benefits, no such statement will cause insurance to be contested except for fraud or eligibility for coverage.

### **Reinstatement**

This Policy may be reinstated if it lapsed for nonpayment of premium. Requirements for reinstatement are written application of the Policyholder satisfactory to Us and payment of all overdue premiums. Any premium accepted in connection with a reinstatement will be applied to a period for which premium was not previously paid.

### **Clerical Error**

Insurance for You, Your Spouse and/or Dependent Children will not be affected by error or delay in keeping records of insurance under this Policy. If such error or delay is found, We will adjust the premium fairly.

### **Policy Changes**

No changes in this Policy will be valid until approved and signed by one of Our executive officers and the Policyholder and endorsed on or attached to this Policy signed by the Policyholder and Us.

### **Workers' Compensation Insurance**

This Policy is not in place of and does not affect any requirements for coverage under any Workers' Compensation law.

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## DESCRIPTION OF COVERAGES AND BENEFITS

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**This Description of Coverages and Benefits Section describes the Accident Coverages and Benefits provided to You. Benefit amounts, benefit periods and any applicable aggregate and benefit maximums are shown in the Schedule of Benefits. Certain words capitalized in the text of these descriptions have special meanings within this Certificate and are defined in the General Definitions section. Please read these and the Common Exclusions sections in order to understand all of the terms, conditions and limitations applicable to these coverages and benefits.**

### ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT BENEFITS

**Covered Loss** We will pay the benefit for any one of the Covered Losses listed in the *Schedule of Benefits*, if the Covered Person suffers a Covered Loss resulting directly and independently of all other causes from a Covered Accident within the applicable time period specified in the *Schedule of Benefits*.

If the Covered Person sustains more than one Covered Loss as a result of the same Covered Accident, benefits will be paid for the Covered Loss for which the largest available benefit is payable. If the loss results in death, benefits will only be paid under the Loss of Life benefit provision. Any Loss of Life benefit will be reduced by any paid or payable Accidental Dismemberment benefit. However, if such Accidental Dismemberment benefit equals or exceeds the Loss of Life benefit, no additional benefit will be paid.

**Definitions** **Loss of a Hand or Foot** means complete Severance through or above the wrist or ankle joint.

**Loss of Sight** means the total, permanent loss of all vision in one eye which is irrecoverable by natural, surgical or artificial means.

**Loss of Speech** means total and permanent loss of audible communication which is irrecoverable by natural, surgical or artificial means.

**Loss of Hearing** means total and permanent loss of ability to hear any sound in both ears which is irrecoverable by natural, surgical or artificial means.

**Loss of a Thumb and Index Finger of the Same Hand or Four Fingers of the Same Hand** means complete Severance through or above the metacarpophalangeal joints of the same hand (the joints between the fingers and the hand).

**Loss of Toes** means complete Severance through the metatarsalphalangeal joint.

**Paralysis or Paralyzed** means total loss of use of a limb. A Physician must determine the loss of use to be complete and irreversible.

**Quadriplegia** means total Paralysis of both upper and both lower limbs.

**Hemiplegia** means total Paralysis of the upper and lower limbs on one side of the body.

**Paraplegia** means total Paralysis of both lower limbs or both upper limbs.

**Uniplegia** means total Paralysis of one upper or one lower limb.

**Coma** means loss of use of all limbs and consciousness which resulted directly and independently from all other causes from a Covered Accident, and from which the Covered Person is not likely to be aroused through powerful stimulation. This condition must be diagnosed and treated regularly by a Physician. Coma does not mean any state of unconsciousness intentionally induced during the course of treatment of a Covered Injury unless the state of unconsciousness results from the administration of anesthesia in preparation for surgical treatment of that Covered Accident.

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

**Exclusions** The exclusions that apply to this benefit are in the *Common Exclusions* section.  
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**ADDITIONAL ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT COVERAGES**

Accidental Death and Dismemberment benefits are provided under the following coverages. Any benefits payable under them are shown in the *Schedule of Covered Losses* and will not be paid in addition to any other Accidental Death and Dismemberment benefits payable.

**EXPOSURE AND DISAPPEARANCE COVERAGE**

Benefits for Accidental Death and Dismemberment, as shown in the *Schedule of Covered Losses*, will be payable if a Covered Person suffers a Covered Loss which results directly and independently of all other causes from unavoidable exposure to the elements following a Covered Accident.

If the Covered Person disappears and is not found within one year from the date of the wrecking, sinking or disappearance of the conveyance in which the Covered Person was riding in the course of a trip which would otherwise be covered under this Policy, it will be presumed that the Covered Person's death resulted directly and independently of all other causes from a Covered Accident.

**Exclusions** The exclusions that apply to this coverage are in the *Common Exclusions* Section.  
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**ADDITIONAL ACCIDENT BENEFITS**

Accidental Death and Dismemberment benefits are provided under the following Additional Benefits. Any benefits payable under them will be paid in addition to any other Accidental Death and Dismemberment benefit payable.

**CHILD CARE CENTER BENEFIT**

We will pay benefits shown in the *Schedule of Benefits* for the care of each surviving Dependent Child in a Child Care Center if death of the covered Employee results directly and independently of all other causes from a Covered Accident and he is survived by one or more surviving Dependent Children under Age 13; who

- a. was enrolled in a Child Care Center on the date of the Covered Accident; or
- b. enrolls in a Child Care Center within 90 days from the date of the Covered Accident.

This benefit will be payable to the Surviving Spouse if the Spouse has custody of the child. If the Surviving Spouse does not have custody of the child, benefits will be paid to the child's legally appointed guardian. Payments will be made at the end of each 12 month period that begins after the date of the covered Employee's death. A claim must be submitted to Us at the end of each 12 month period. A 12 month period begins:

1. when the Dependent Child enters a Child Care Center for the first time, within the period specified in (2b) above, after the covered Employee's death; or
2. on the first of the month following the covered Employee's death, if the Dependent Child was enrolled in a Child Care Center before the covered Employee's death.

Each succeeding 12 month period begins on the day immediately following the last day of the preceding period. Pro rata payments will be made for periods of enrollment in a Child Care Center of less than 12 months.

**Definitions** For purposes of this benefit:

**Child Care Center** is a facility which:

1. is licensed and run according to laws and regulations applicable to child care facilities; and
2. provides care and supervision for children in a group setting on a regular, daily basis.

A Child Care Center does not include any of the following:

1. a Hospital;
2. the child's home;
3. care provided during normal school hours while a child is attending grades one through twelve.

**Exclusions** The exclusions that apply to this benefit are in the *Common Exclusions* Section.  
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## SEATBELT AND AIRBAG BENEFIT

We will pay the benefit shown in the *Schedule of Benefits*, subject to the conditions and exclusions described below, when the Covered Person dies directly and independently of all other causes from a Covered Accident while wearing a seatbelt and operating or riding as a passenger in an Automobile. An additional benefit is provided if the Covered Person was also positioned in a seat protected by a properly-functioning and properly deployed Supplemental Restraint System (Airbag).

Verification of proper use of the seatbelt at the time of the Covered Accident and that the Supplemental Restraint System properly inflated upon impact must be a part of an official police report of the Covered Accident or be certified, in writing, by the investigating officer(s) and submitted with the Covered Person's claim to Us.

If such certification or police report is not available or it is unclear whether the Covered Person was wearing a seatbelt or positioned in a seat protected by a properly functioning and properly deployed Supplemental Restraint System, We will pay a default benefit shown in the *Schedule of Benefits* to the Covered Person's beneficiary.

In the case of a child, seatbelt means a child restraint, as required by state law and approved by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, properly secured and being used as recommended by its manufacturer for children of like Age and weight at the time of the Covered Accident.

### Definitions

For purposes of this benefit:

**Supplemental Restraint System** means an airbag that inflates upon impact for added protection to the head and chest areas.

**Automobile** means a self-propelled, private passenger motor vehicle with four or more wheels which is a type both designed and required to be licensed for use on the highway of any state, province or country. Automobile includes, but is not limited to, a sedan, station wagon, sport utility vehicle, or a motor vehicle of the pickup, van, camper, or motor-home type. Automobile does not include a mobile home or any motor vehicle which is used in mass or public transit.

### Exclusions

The exclusions that apply to this benefit are in the *Common Exclusions* Section.

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### **SPECIAL EDUCATION BENEFIT**

We will pay the benefit, up to the Maximum Benefit shown in the *Schedule of Benefits*, for each qualifying Dependent Child of the covered Employee whose death resulted, directly and independently of all other causes from a Covered Accident for which an Accidental Death Benefit is payable under this Policy. This benefit is subject to the conditions and exclusions described below.

A qualifying Dependent Child must:

1. a. be full-time student in an accredited school of higher learning beyond the 12<sup>th</sup> grade level on the date of the covered Employee's Covered Accident; or
- b. be at the 12<sup>th</sup> grade level on the date of the covered Employee's Covered Accident and then become a full-time student at an accredited school of higher learning within 365 days from the date of the Covered Accident and continue his education as a full-time student;
2. continue his education as a full-time student in such accredited school of higher learning; and
3. incur expenses for tuition, fees, books, room and board, transportation and any other costs payable directly to, or approved and certified by, such school.

Payments will be made to each qualifying Dependent Child or to the child's legal guardian, if the child is a minor at the end of each year for the number of years shown in the *Schedule of Benefits*. We must receive proof satisfactory to Us of the Dependent Child's enrollment and attendance within 31 days of the end of each year. The first year for which a Special Education Benefit is payable will begin on the first of the month following the date the covered Employee died, if the surviving Dependent Child was a full-time student on that date in an accredited school of higher learning beyond the 12<sup>th</sup> grade; otherwise on the date he begins studies in such school. Each succeeding year for which benefits are payable will begin on the date following the end of the preceding year.

In the event the Covered Person designates a beneficiary for this benefit, benefits will not be paid as described in the preceding paragraph. Instead, we will pay the default benefit shown in the *Schedule of Benefits* to the Covered Person's beneficiary named for this benefit.

We will pay the default benefit shown in the *Schedule of Benefits* to the Covered Person's named beneficiary if no Dependent Child qualifies for Special Education Benefits within 365 days of the Covered Person's death for which an Accidental Death Benefit is payable under the Policy.

**Exclusions**       The exclusions that apply to this benefit are in the *Common Exclusions* Section.  
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### **SPOUSE RETRAINING BENEFIT**

We will pay expenses incurred, as described below, up to the Maximum Benefit shown in the *Schedule of Benefits*, to enable the covered Employee's Spouse to obtain occupational or educational training needed for employment if the covered Employee dies directly and independently of all other causes from a Covered Accident. This benefit is subject to the conditions and exclusions described below.

This benefit will be payable if the covered Employee dies within one year of a Covered Accident and is survived by his Spouse who:

1. enrolls, within three years after the covered Employee's death in any accredited school for the purpose of retraining or refreshing skills needed for employment; and
2. incurs expenses payable directly to, or approved and certified by, such school.

**Exclusions**       The exclusions that apply to this benefit are in the *Common Exclusions* Section.  
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**AMENDATORY RIDER  
DOMESTIC PARTNER/CIVIL UNION PARTNER COVERAGE**

Policyholder: The Trustees of Columbia University in the City of New York

Policy No.: YOK 980019

Effective Date: January 1, 2020

This rider amends the Policy and Certificate to which it is attached. It is effective on the Effective Date shown above, and expires when the Policy expires.

Domestic Partner/Civil Union Partner means any of the following:

1. A person with whom the Employee has a registered civil union or domestic partnership under state law which imposes legal obligations on the parties substantially similar to marriage. Such person will continue to be recognized as a Domestic Partner or Civil Union Partner unless and until: (1) the civil union or domestic partnership is dissolved under applicable law; or (2) either the Employee or the Domestic Partner/Civil Union Partner marries another person.
2. A person meeting all of the following requirements, with respect to an Employee:
  - a. Has signed a Domestic Partner declaration with the Employee, if the Employee resides in a jurisdiction which provides for Domestic Partner declarations;
  - b. Is interdependent with the Employee in three or more of the following ways:
    1. Both partners are registered under any municipal ordinance as domestic partners.
    2. Both partners are jointly parties to a lease, mortgage or deed.
    3. Both partners jointly own one or more motor vehicles.
    4. Both partners jointly own one or more bank or credit accounts.
    5. The Employee has named the Domestic Partner as attorney-in-fact under a durable power of attorney with authority over health care decisions.
    6. The Employee has designated the Domestic Partner as beneficiary under a retirement plan or a life insurance policy.
    7. The Employee has designated the Domestic Partner as beneficiary of the Employee's will.
    8. Each partner has agreed in writing to assume the financial responsibility for the welfare of the other.
  - c. Is not so closely related by blood to the Employee as to prohibit legal marriage in their state of residence;
  - d. Is no less than 18 years of age.

The Employee and Domestic Partner must furnish the Employer and Insurance Company with a signed declaration that the above requirements are met, at the time of enrollment.



All references in the policy to "Spouse" shall be changed to read "Spouse, Domestic Partner, and Civil Union Partner except as follows:

1. The definition of "Spouse" remains unchanged.
2. For purposes of any provision of the policy providing for payment of benefits to relatives of the Employee, a Domestic Partner/Civil Union Partner shall be included only if:
  - a. the Domestic Partner/Civil Union Partner meets the requirements of the definition of Domestic Partner/Civil Union Partner referenced in item 1 or 2, or;
  - b. the Employee and Domestic Partner/Civil Union Partner have furnished the Employer or the Insurance Company with a signed statement affirming that the requirements referenced in item 2 within the definition of Domestic Partner/Civil Union Partner are met.
3. A Domestic Partner/Civil Union Partner shall be deemed eligible to be enrolled for insurance or eligible for Additional Benefits on the latest of:
  - a. the date of registration under item 1 of the definition of Domestic Partner/Civil Union Partner;
  - b. the date that the Employee is eligible for insurance under the Policy; or;
  - c. the effective date of this Amendment to the Policy.
4. A child of a Domestic Partner/Civil Union Partner may only be eligible to be insured or eligible for Additional Benefits if:
  - a. the child is primarily dependent on the Employee for financial support;
  - b. the Employee has a legal obligation of support of the child; or
  - c. the Employee is the child's legal guardian.

Except for the above this rider does not change the Policy or Certificate to which it is attached.

**LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY OF NORTH AMERICA**



William J. Smith, President

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**CIGNA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEW YORK**

**AMENDATORY RIDER  
TRAVEL ASSISTANCE SERVICES**

Policyholder: The Trustees of Columbia University in the City of New York  
Policy No.: YOK 980019 Effective Date: January 1, 2020

This rider amends the Policy and Certificate to which it is attached. It is effective on the Effective Date shown above, and expires when the Policy expires.

**Travel Assistance Services**

We will pay the cost of the Covered Services described below, subject to all applicable conditions and exclusions, resulting directly and independently of all other causes, from a Covered Medical Emergency. The Covered Medical Emergency must occur and Covered Services must be incurred during the course of travel or other activities covered by the Policy, and while the Covered Person is either more than 100 miles from his permanent residence or outside of his country of permanent residence.

To obtain services, the Covered Person must contact Us or our authorized service provider at the phone number provided by the Policyholder. All services must be provided by our authorized service provider unless authorized by Us.

**Covered Services**

Covered Services includes the reasonable costs for medically necessary services provided by Us or by our authorized service provider, and which are provided by our authorized service provider unless authorized by Us, for any of the following.

**Emergency Medical Evacuation**

Medically necessary expenses for Transportation of the Covered Person to the nearest adequate medical facility, if adequate medical care is not available at the Covered Person's location.

Cost of any medically necessary services or equipment that the Covered Person receives during transportation covered under this provision.

Cost of transporting qualified and licensed medical professional(s) or an Immediate Family Member or a Travel Companion if medically required to escort the Covered Person during transportation covered under this provision.

Transportation will be provided by medically equipped specialty aircraft, commercial airline, train or ambulance depending upon the medical needs and available transportation specific to each case.

**Return Transportation**

Any increase in the cost of the Covered Person's return transportation to his or her home or work location following emergency medical evacuation covered under this benefit, above the cost of the Covered Person's original scheduled return transportation.

Any increased cost of the transportation for an Immediate Family Member or Travel Companion of the Covered Person to return to his or her primary residence, if he or she accompanied the Covered Person on the trip where the emergency occurred, and was as a result not able to return to his or her primary residence when originally scheduled.

Unless it is medically necessary for another means of transportation to be provided, such return transportation costs will be covered for the same class of travel as the Covered Person's original transportation.

In the case of an Immediate Family Member who is a child under age 18, who is left without a parent, guardian or other adult to accompany the child, we will cover the reasonable cost of an escort to accompany the child to the nearest airport. If under the applicable rules of the airline, the child is too young to travel unaccompanied by an adult, we will pay the round trip economy airfare for an adult family member from the child's place of residence to the airport nearest the child.

### **Immediate Family Member Visit**

Expenses for an Immediate Family Member or Friend of the Covered Person to visit the Covered Person during hospitalization away from the Covered Person's primary residence, if the Covered Person is hospitalized or expected to remain hospitalized for 7 or more consecutive days following emergency medical evacuation covered under this benefit. Such expenses shall be limited to one person only, and shall include round-trip economy airfare, and an allowance of \$150.00 per day for up to 7 days for meals and lodging.

If a Dependent Child is evacuated, we will pay the expenses of an adult Immediate Family Member who accompanied the Dependent Child on the trip where the emergency occurred, to accompany the Dependent Child during the evacuation and during the Dependent Child's return to his or her place of residence. If the Dependent Child was not accompanied by an adult Immediate Family Member on the trip where the emergency occurred, we will pay expenses described in the preceding paragraph, without regard to the expected duration on the hospitalization.

### **Repatriation of Remains**

If the Covered Person dies as a result of a Covered Medical Emergency, or during a Medical Evacuation covered by this Policy, the following expenses will be covered:

1. Embalming;
2. Cremation in the locality where death occurred and urn for return ashes;
3. A container appropriate for transportation of remains;
4. Autopsy if required by law;
5. Expenses of securing documentation necessary for return of remains;
6. Transportation of the body or remains to the Covered Person's place of permanent residence.

### **Definitions**

"Covered Medical Emergency" means an injury, illness or disease diagnosed by a Physician which causes severe or acute symptoms that, if not provided with immediate care or treatment, would reasonably be expected to result in serious deterioration of the Covered Person's health or place his life in jeopardy; and which first manifests itself suddenly and unexpectedly during the travel or other hazards covered by the Policy.

"Immediate Family Member" means a spouse, parent, child, step-parent, step-child, brother or sister, step-brother or step-sister, grandparent, or Domestic Partner.

"Travel Companion" means an individual, other than an Immediate Family Member, who accompanied the Covered Person on the trip where the emergency occurred.

"Friend" means a person chosen by the Covered Person, other than an Immediate Family Member who is able to visit the Covered Person.

### **Limitations**

Covered Expenses are secondary to, and in excess of, any expenses for medical or transportation services paid or payable under any workers' compensation law.

No payment will be made for services without authorization of those services by Us or the express written approval of Our approved vendor.

If coverage for these services is provided under more than one policy issued by the Insurance Company, we will only provide or pay for these services under one such policy.

## Exclusions

The exclusions listed in the Policy's Common Exclusions section will not apply to Medical Evacuation and Repatriation Expenses, except for exclusions relating to war or acts of war, suicide or intentionally self-inflicted injury. In addition, the following exclusions apply specifically to this coverage:

1. Non-Emergency, routine or minor medical problems, tests and exams where there is no clear or significant risk of death or imminent serious Injury or harm to the Covered Person;
2. a condition which would allow for treatment at a future date convenient to the Covered Person and which does not require Emergency evacuation or repatriation;
3. expenses incurred if a purpose of the Covered Person's trip is to obtain medical treatment;
4. services provided for which no charge is normally made, in the absence of insurance;
5. transportation for the Covered Person's vehicle and/or other personal belongings;
6. Initial transport by ambulance following a Covered Medical Emergency occurring in the United States;
7. services incurred while serving in the armed forces of any country;
8. services required or obtained in any location which, due to war, insurrection, natural disaster or other reasons, is not reasonably accessible to our designated service provider, unless approved in advance by us;
9. claim payments that are illegal under applicable law;
10. expenses which are paid or payable under any workers' compensation law;
11. Medical care or services scheduled for your or your doctor's convenience which are not considered an emergency.

Except for the above this rider does not change the Policy or Certificate to which it is attached.

### **CIGNA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEW YORK**



William J. Smith, President

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**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION  
for**

**The Trustees of Columbia in the City of New York (“Plan”)  
required by the Employee Retirement  
Income Security Act of 1974**

As a Plan participant in The Trustees of Columbia University in the City of New York's Plan, you are entitled to certain information, rights and protection under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).

The benefits described in your Certificate are provided under a group insurance Policy issued by the Insurance Company. The Policy is incorporated into the Plan. The Certificate, along with the following Supplemental Information, makes up the Summary Plan Description as required by ERISA.

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE PLAN**

- The Plan is established and maintained by The Trustees of Columbia University in the City of New York, the Plan Sponsor.
- The Employer Identification Number (EIN) is 13-5598093.
- The Plan Number is: 515.
- The Insurance Plan is administered directly by the Plan Administrator with benefits provided, in accordance with the provisions of the group insurance contract, YOK 980019 (“Policy”), issued by CIGNA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEW YORK (“Insurance Company”).
- The Plan Administrator is:                   The Trustees of Columbia University in the City of New York  
615 West 131st Street, Studebaker 4th Floor  
New York, NY 10027  
212-854-7000

The Plan Administrator has authority to control and manage the operation and administration of the Plan.

- The Plan Sponsor may terminate, suspend, withdraw or amend the Plan, in whole or in part, at any time, subject to the applicable provisions of the Policy. (Your rights upon termination or amendment of the Plan are set forth in your Certificate.)
- The agent for service of legal process is the Plan Administrator.
- The Plan of benefits is financed by the Employees.
- The date of the end of the Plan Year is December 31.

**YOUR RIGHTS AS SET FORTH BY ERISA**

As a participant in the Plan you are entitled to certain rights and protections under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). ERISA provides that all plan participants shall be entitled to:

**Receive Information About Your Plan and Benefits**

Examine, without charge, at the plan administrator's office and at other specified locations, such as worksites and union halls, all documents governing the plan, including insurance contracts and collective bargaining agreements, and a copy of the latest annual report (Form 5500 Series) filed by the plan with the U.S. Department of Labor and available at the Public Disclosure Room of the Employee Benefit Security Administration.

Obtain, upon written request to the plan administrator, copies of documents governing the operation of the plan, including insurance contracts and collective bargaining agreements, and copies of the latest annual report (Form 5500 Series) and updated summary plan description. The administrator may make a reasonable charge for the copies.

Receive a summary of the plan's annual financial report. The plan administrator is required by law to furnish each participant with a copy of this summary annual report.

### **Prudent Actions by Plan Fiduciaries**

In addition to creating rights for plan participants ERISA imposes duties upon the people who are responsible for the operation of the employee benefit plan. The people who operate your plan, called "fiduciaries" of the plan, have a duty to do so prudently and in the interest of you and other plan participants and beneficiaries. No one, including your employer, your union, or any other person, may fire you or otherwise discriminate against you in any way to prevent you from obtaining a welfare benefit or exercising your rights under ERISA.

### **Enforce Your Rights**

If your claim for a welfare benefit is denied or ignored, in whole or in part, you have a right to know why this was done, to obtain copies of documents relating to the decision without charge, and to appeal any denial, all within certain time schedules.

Under ERISA, there are steps you can take to enforce the above rights. For instance, if you request a copy of plan documents or the latest annual report from the plan and do not receive them within 30 days, you may file suit in a Federal court. In such a case, the court may require the plan administrator to provide the materials and pay you up to \$110 a day until you receive the materials, unless the materials were not sent because of reasons beyond the control of the administrator. If you have a claim for benefits which is denied or ignored, in whole or in part, you may file suit in a state or Federal court. If it should happen that plan fiduciaries misuse the plan's money, or if you are discriminated against for asserting your rights, you may seek assistance from the U.S. Department of Labor, or you may file suit in a Federal court. The court will decide who should pay court costs and legal fees. If you are successful the court may order the person you have sued to pay these costs and fees. If you lose, the court may order you to pay these costs and fees, for example, if it finds your claim is frivolous.

### **Assistance with Your Questions**

If you have any questions about your plan, you should contact the plan administrator. If you have any questions about this statement or about your rights under ERISA, or if you need assistance in obtaining documents from the plan administrator, you should contact the nearest office of the Employee Benefit Security Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, listed in your telephone directory or the Division of Technical Assistance and Inquiries, Employee Benefit Security Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue N.W., Washington, D.C. 20210. You may also obtain certain publications about your rights and responsibilities under ERISA by calling the publications hotline of the Employee Benefit Security Administration.

### **WHAT YOU SHOULD DO AND EXPECT IF YOU HAVE A CLAIM**

The Plan Administrator designates and names the Insurance Company the named fiduciary for deciding claims and appeals for benefits under the Plan. The Insurance Company shall have the authority, in its discretion, to interpret the terms of the Plan, to decide questions of eligibility for coverage or benefits under the Plan, and to make any related findings of fact. All decisions made by the Insurance Company shall be final and binding on Participants and Beneficiaries to the full extent permitted by applicable law.

**Claims for Disability Benefits** (applies to all claims filed on or after April 1, 2018)

A disability “claim” is any claim which requires a determination of disability by the Insurance Company regardless of the type of policy under which it arises (for example, short/long term disability, waiver of premium, etc.). A disability claim is “filed” as of the date the Insurance Company first receives, in writing (including electronically) or by telephone (through the Insurance Company’s intake department), notice that a claimant is seeking disability benefits under the Policy. The notice of claim received should provide the date of disability/loss, the claimant’s name and address, and the group Policy holder’s name and address. Properly filed claims will be decided with independence and impartiality.

The Insurance Company has 45 days from the date it receives a claim for disability benefits to determine whether or not benefits are payable in accordance with the terms of the Policy. The Insurance Company may require more time to review the claim if necessary due to matters beyond its control. The review period may be extended for up to two additional 30 day periods. If this should happen, the Insurance Company must provide its extension notice in writing before expiration of the current decision period, explaining the circumstances requiring extension and the date a decision is expected. If the extension is made because additional information must be furnished, the claimant has 45 days within which to provide the requested information and the time for the Insurance Company’s decision shall be tolled (stopped) from the date on which the notification of the extension was sent until the date the Insurance Company receives the claimant’s response or upon the date the requested information is required to be furnished expires, whichever is sooner.

During the review period, the Insurance Company may require a medical examination of the claimant, at its own expense, or additional information regarding the claim. If a medical examination is required, the Insurance Company will notify the claimant of the date and time of the examination and the physician’s name and location. If additional information is required, the Insurance Company will notify the claimant, in writing, stating what information is needed and why it is needed.

If the claim is approved, the Insurance Company will pay the appropriate benefit. If the claim decision is adverse, in whole or in part, the Insurance Company will provide written or electronic notice which will include the following information:

1. The specific reason(s) for the decision;
2. Specific reference to the Policy provision(s) on which the decision was based;
3. A description of any additional information required to perfect the claim, and the reason this information is necessary;
4. A description of the review procedures and the time limits applicable to those procedures, including a statement of the claimant’s right to bring a civil action under section 502(a) of ERISA after the claimant appeals and after the claimant receives an adverse decision on appeal;
5. A discussion of the decision, including an explanation of the basis for disagreeing with or not following: (i) the views presented by the claimant to the Insurance Company of the health care professionals treating the claimant and vocational professionals who evaluated the claimant; (ii) the views of medical or vocational experts whose advice was obtained on behalf of the Insurance Company in connection with the claimant’s adverse benefit decision, without regard to whether the advice was relied upon in making the benefit decision; and (iii) a disability decision regarding the claimant presented by the claimant to the Insurance Company made by the Social Security Administration;
6. Either the specific internal rules, guidelines, protocols, standards or other similar plan criteria the Insurance Company relied upon in making the decision, or, alternatively, a statement that such rules, guidelines, protocols, standards or other similar plan criteria do not exist;
7. If the adverse decision is based upon medical necessity or experimental treatment or similar exclusion or limit, either an explanation of the scientific or clinical judgment for the decision, applying the terms of the Policy to the claimant’s medical circumstances, or a statement that such explanation will be provided free of charge upon request;
8. A statement that the claimant is entitled to receive, upon request and free of charge, reasonable access to, and copies of, all documents, records, and other information relevant to the claim for benefits; and
9. A notice provided in a culturally and linguistically appropriate manner, to the extent required by ERISA.

### **Appeal of Denied Disability Claims** (applies to all claims filed on or after April 1, 2018)

Whenever a claim decision is fully or partially adverse, unless ERISA provides otherwise, the claimant must appeal once to the Insurance Company. As part of the claimant's appeal, the claimant may receive, upon request, free of charge, copies of all documents, records, and other information relevant to the claim for benefits, and the claimant may submit to the Insurance Company, written comments, documents, records, and other information relating to the claim. The review will take into account all comments, documents, records and other information the claimant submits related to the claim, without regard to whether such information was submitted or considered in the initial claim decision. Once an appeal request has been received by the Insurance Company, a full and fair review of the claim appeal will take place.

A written request for appeal must be received by the Insurance Company within 180 days from the date the claimant received the adverse decision. If an appeal request is not received within that time, the right to appeal will have been waived. The Insurance Company has 45 days from the date it receives a request for appeal to provide its decision. Under special circumstances, the Insurance Company may require more time to review the claim and can extend the time for decision, once, by an additional 45 days. If this should happen, the Insurance Company must provide the extension notice, in writing, before expiration of the initial decision period, indicating the special circumstances and the date a decision is expected. If the extension is made because additional information must be furnished, the claimant has 45 days within which to provide the requested information and the time for the Insurance Company's decision shall be tolled (stopped) from the date on which the notification of the extension was sent until the date the Insurance Company receives the claimant's response or upon the date the requested information is required to be furnished expires, whichever is sooner.

The review will give no deference to the original claim decision. The review will not be made by the person who made the initial claim decision, or a subordinate of that person. When deciding an appeal based in whole or in part upon medical judgment, the Insurance Company will consult with a medical professional having the appropriate training and experience in the field of medicine involved in the medical judgment. Any medical or vocational experts consulted by the Insurance Company for the review will be identified and will not be the expert who was consulted during the initial claim decision or a subordinate of that expert.

During the appeal, the Insurance Company may require a medical examination of the claimant, at its own expense, or additional information regarding the claim. If a medical examination is required, the Insurance Company will notify the claimant of the date and time of the examination and the physician's name and location. If additional information is required, the Insurance Company will notify the claimant, in writing, stating what information is needed and why it is needed.

Before the Insurance Company issues an adverse benefit decision on appeal, if the Insurance Company considered, relied upon, or generated any new or additional evidence in connection with the claim, and/or if the Insurance Company intends to rely on any new or additional rationale in connection with that review, then such evidence and/or rationale will be provided to the claimant, free of charge, as soon as possible and sufficiently in advance of the date that the decision on appeal is required to be made, giving the claimant a reasonable opportunity to respond.



If the claim is approved, the Insurance Company will pay the appropriate benefit. If the claim decision on appeal is adverse, in whole or in part, the Insurance Company will provide written or electronic notice that includes:

1. The specific reason(s) for the decision;
2. Specific reference to the Policy provision(s) on which the decision was based;
3. A statement that the claimant is entitled to receive, upon request and free of charge, reasonable access to, and copies of, all documents, records, and other information relevant to the claim for benefits;
4. A statement describing any voluntary appeal procedures offered, and the claimant's right to obtain the information about those procedures;
5. A statement of claimant's right to bring a civil action under section 502(a) of ERISA, including a description of any applicable contractual limitations period that applies to the claimant's right to bring such an action, and the calendar date on which the contractual limitations period expires for the claim;
6. A discussion of the decision, including an explanation of the basis for disagreeing with or not following: (i) the views presented by the claimant to the Insurance Company of the health care professionals treating the claimant and vocational professionals who evaluated the claimant; (ii) the views of medical or vocational experts whose advice was obtained on behalf of the Insurance Company in connection with the adverse decision, without regard to whether the advice was relied upon in making the adverse decision; and (iii) a disability decision regarding the claimant presented by the claimant to the Insurance Company made by the Social Security Administration;
7. Either the specific internal rules, guidelines, protocols, standards or other similar plan criteria the Insurance Company relied upon in making the decision, or, alternatively, a statement that such rules, guidelines, protocols, standards or other similar plan criteria do not exist;
8. If the adverse decision is based upon medical necessity or experimental treatment or similar exclusion or limit, either an explanation of the scientific or clinical judgment for the decision, applying the terms of the Policy to the claimant's medical circumstances, or a statement that such explanation will be provided free of charge upon request; and
9. A notice provided in a culturally and linguistically appropriate manner, to the extent required by ERISA.

**Claims for Non-Disability Benefits** (applies to all claims filed on or after April 1, 2018)

A non-disability "claim" is any claim which does not require a determination of disability by the Insurance Company regardless of the type of policy under which it arises (for example, a death claim, an accident claim, etc.). A non-disability claim is "filed" as of the date the Insurance Company first receives, in writing or by telephone (through the Insurance Company's intake department), notice that a claimant is seeking benefits under the Policy. The notice of claim should include the group Policy holder's name, the Policy and Certificate number and the claimant's name and address.

The Insurance Company has 90 days from the date the claim is filed to determine whether or not benefits are payable in accordance with the terms of the Policy. The Insurance Company may require more time to review the claim if special circumstances exist. The review period may be extended for up to one additional 90 day period. If this should happen, the Insurance Company will provide the extension notice in writing, before expiration of the initial decision period, indicating the special circumstances and the date a decision is expected.

During the review period, the Insurance Company may require a medical examination of the claimant, at its own expense, or additional information regarding the claim. If a medical examination is required, the Insurance Company will notify the claimant of the date and time of the examination and the physician's name and location. If additional information is required, the Insurance Company must notify the claimant, in writing, stating what information is needed and why it is needed.

If the claim is approved, the Insurance Company will pay the appropriate benefit. If the claim decision is adverse, in whole or in part, the Insurance Company will provide written or electronic notice which will include the following information:

1. The specific reason(s) for the claim decision;
2. Specific reference to the Policy provision(s) on which the decision was based;
3. A description of any additional information required to perfect the claim, and the reason this information is necessary; and
4. A description of the review procedures and the time limits applicable to those procedures, including a statement of the claimant's right to bring a civil action under section 502(a) of ERISA after the claimant appeals and after the claimant receives an adverse decision on appeal.

**Appeal of Denied Non-Disability Claims** (applies to all claims filed on or after April 1, 2018)

Whenever a claim decision is fully or partially adverse, the claimant must appeal once to the Insurance Company. As part of the claimant's appeal, the claimant may receive, upon request, free of charge, copies of all documents, records, and other information relevant to the claim for benefits, and the claimant may submit to the Insurance Company, written comments, documents, records, and other information relating to the claim. The review will take into account all comments, documents, records and other information the claimant submits related to the claim, without regard to whether such information was submitted or considered in the initial claim decision. Once an appeal request has been received by the Insurance Company, a full and fair review of the claim appeal will take place.

A written request for appeal must be received by the Insurance Company within 60 days from the date the claimant received the adverse decision. If an appeal request is not received within that time, the right to appeal will have been waived. The Insurance Company has 60 days from the date it receives a request for appeal to provide its decision. Under special circumstances, the Insurance Company may require more time to review the claim and extend the time for decision, once, by an additional 60 days. If this should happen, the Insurance Company will provide the extension notice, in writing, before expiration of the initial decision period, indicating the special circumstances and the date a decision is expected.

If the appeal decision is adverse, in whole or in part, the Insurance Company will provide written or electronic notice that includes:

1. The specific reason(s) for the claim decision;
2. Specific reference to the Policy provision(s) on which the decision was based;
3. A statement that the claimant is entitled to receive, upon request and free of charge, reasonable access to, and copies of, all documents, records, and other information relevant to the claim for benefits;
4. A statement describing any voluntary appeal procedures offered, and the claimant's right to obtain the information about those procedures, and
5. A statement of the claimant's right to bring a civil action under section 502(a) of ERISA.

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