



Ameritas Life Insurance Corp.

A STOCK COMPANY
LINCOLN, NEBRASKA

**CERTIFICATE
GROUP EYE CARE INSURANCE**

The Policyholder **UAW/UMASS HEALTH & WELFARE TRUST FUND**

Policy Number **10-53791** **Insured Person**

Plan Effective Date **September 1, 2020** **Certificate Effective Date**
Refer to Exceptions on 9070

Class Number 2

Ameritas Life Insurance Corp. certifies that you will be insured for the benefits described on the following pages, according to all the terms of the group policy numbered above which has been issued to the Policyholder.

Possession of this certificate does not necessarily mean you are insured. You are insured only if you meet the requirements set out in this certificate.

The group policy may be amended or cancelled without the consent of the insured person.

The group policy and this certificate are governed by the laws of the state in which the group policy was delivered.

This plan does not include pre-existing condition limitations or exclusions.

President

Massachusetts Notice of Inquiry and Grievance Procedures

Quality Control
P.O. Box 82657
Lincoln, NE 68501-2657
877-897-4328 (Toll-Free) 402-309-2579 (FAX)

Please read this notice carefully. This notice contains important information about how to make inquiries and/or file grievances with your insurer. Also, you always have the right to contact the Massachusetts Division of Insurance if you have a question or concern regarding your coverage under this contract. The Massachusetts Division of Insurance may be contacted through their Consumer Hotline at 1-617-521-7794.

I. Definitions

“Grievance” means any written complaint submitted to the insurer by or on behalf of an insured person concerning any aspect or action of the insurer, including, but not limited to, review of adverse determinations regarding scope of coverage, denial of services and administrative operations.

“Adverse Determination” means a determination by a carrier to deny, reduce, or modify the availability of any health care services, for failure to meet the requirements for coverage based on medical necessity, appropriateness, level of care or effectiveness.

II. Internal Grievance Process

1. Filing a Grievance

You may file a grievance by phone, in person, by mail, or by electronic means. We will provide you or your authorized representative, if any, a written resolution of a grievance within thirty (30) business days of receipt of the oral or written grievance.

2. Written Decision

In the case of a grievance which involves an adverse determination, our written response shall include a substantive clinical justification that is consistent with generally accepted principles of professional dental and/or vision practice philosophy and will also include:

1. An identification of the specific information upon which the adverse determination was based;
2. Discuss the insured’s presenting symptoms or condition, diagnosis and treatment interventions and the specific reasons such medical evidence fails to meet the relevant medical review criteria; and
3. Reference and include applicable clinical practice guidelines and review criteria.

3. Reconsideration

We will always provide the opportunity to reconsider a final decision where relevant information was received too late to review within the thirty (30) business day time limit or was not received but expected to become available within a reasonable time period.

We will review a reconsideration and provide our written response as soon as possible following receipt of the additional information but we agree to provide such response no later than thirty (30) business days following your request for reconsideration.

You always have the right to contact the Department of Insurance:

Division of Insurance
1000 Washington St., Ste 810
Boston, MA 02118-6200
(617) 521-7794
(877) 563-4467

Massachusetts Health Policy Commission – Office of Patient Protection
50 Milk Street, 8th Floor
Boston, MA 02109
(800) 436-7757

Upon request, interpreter and translation services related to administrative procedures are available.

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Sur demande, des services d'interprétation et de traduction concernant les procédures administratives sont disponibles.

Κατόπιν αίτησης διαθέτονται ερμηνευτικές και μεταφραστικές υπηρεσίες για διαχειριστικές υποθέσεις.

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По заявкам предлагаются услуги по переводу, связанному с административными порядками.

A pedido, están disponibles servicios de interpretación y traducción relacionados a procedimientos administrativos.

NOTICE

- 1) You can access your specific evidence of coverage and any amendments by visiting our on-line portal located at ameritas.com

Information that can be accessed at this location includes:

Benefit Summary – A highlight of the benefit information for the plan you've purchased.

Certificate of Coverage – A document that can be viewed or printed showing all parameters of your plans benefit information.

ID Card – This item may be presented at the provider's office to identify you as an Ameritas member

Resource Center – Access valuable information such as the glossary of terms, frequently asked questions and how to nominate a dentist or specialist.

- 2) You have the right to receive, free of charge, a paper copy of evidences of coverage and any amendments thereto at any time.
- 3) For questions regarding your plan, or to request a paper copy of your Policy at no charge to you, please call 1-800-487-5553.

¹Creation of a user name and password required.

THIS DISCOUNT ACCESS IS NOT INSURANCE

Non-Insurance Products/Services

From time to time we may arrange, at no additional cost to you or your group, for third-party service providers to provide you access to discounted goods and/or services, such as purchase of pharmacy prescriptions and eye wear. These discounted goods or services are not insurance. While we have arranged these discounts, we are not responsible for delivery, failure or negligence issues associated with these goods and services. The third-party service providers would be liable.

These non-insurance goods and services will discontinue upon termination of your insurance or the termination of our arrangements with the providers, whichever comes first.

If you are traveling outside the United States and require emergency care for a service that would be covered under this Policy, you may contact AXA Assistance USA, Inc. for an appointment with a qualified provider. Such services would be considered as an out-of-network claim.

Pharmacy prescriptions are subject to a discount at CVS, Walgreens, Rite Aid and Walmart pharmacies. Access your prescription discount ID card by logging into your secure member account.

If you have received an identification card describing Walmart EyeWear Savings, you are eligible for discounts of up to 15% on frames and lenses at participating Walmart Vision Centers. You must bring a current prescription from any vision care provider.

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**SCHEDULE OF BENEFITS
OUTLINE OF COVERAGE**

The Insurance for each Insured and each Insured Dependent will be based on the Insured's class shown in this Schedule of Benefits.

<u>Benefit Class</u>	<u>Class Description</u>
Class 2	Graduate Employee

EYE CARE EXPENSE BENEFITS

Deductible Amount:	\$0
Maximum Amount - Each Benefit Period	\$150*

Please refer to the EYE CARE EXPENSE BENEFITS page for details regarding frequency, limitations, and exclusions.

COMBINED EXPENSE BENEFITS

*Combined Dental and Eye Care Maximum - Each Benefit Period	\$2,250
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The maximums listed with the () above are subject to the maximum amount listed here.*

DEFINITIONS

COMPANY refers to Ameritas Life Insurance Corp. The words "we", "us" and "our" refer to Company. Our Home Office address is 5900 "O" Street, Lincoln, Nebraska 68510.

POLICYHOLDER refers to the Policyholder stated on the face page of the policy.

INSURED refers to a person:

- a. who is a Member of the eligible class; and
- b. who has qualified for insurance by completing the eligibility period, if any; and
- c. for whom the insurance has become effective.

DOMESTIC PARTNER: Refers to two unrelated individuals who share the necessities of life, live together, and have an emotional and financial commitment to one another, similar to that of a spouse.

CHILD. Child refers to the child of the Insured, a child of the Insured's spouse or a child of the Insured's Domestic Partner, if they otherwise meet the definition of Dependent.

DEPENDENT refers to:

- a. an Insured's spouse or Domestic Partner.
- b. each unmarried child less than 26 years of age, for whom the Insured, the Insured's spouse, or the Insured's Domestic Partner is legally responsible, including natural born children, adopted children from the date of placement for adoption, and children covered under a Qualified Medical Child Support Order as defined by applicable Federal and State laws.
- c. each unmarried child age 26 or older who is Totally Disabled and becomes Totally Disabled as defined below while insured as a dependent under b. above. Coverage of such child will not cease if proof of dependency and disability is given within 31 days of attaining the limiting age and subsequently as may be required by us but not more frequently than annually after the initial two-year period following the child's attaining the limiting age. Any costs for providing continuing proof will be at our expense.

TOTAL DISABILITY describes the Insured's Dependent as:

1. Continuously incapable of self-sustaining employment because of mental retardation or physical handicap; and
2. Chiefly dependent upon the Insured for support and maintenance.

DEPENDENT UNIT refers to all of the people who are insured as the dependents of any one Insured.

PROVIDER refers to any person who is licensed by the law of the state in which treatment is provided within the scope of the license.

LATE ENTRANT refers to any person:

- a. whose Effective Date of insurance is more than 31 days from the date the person becomes eligible for insurance; or
- b. who has elected to become insured again after canceling a premium contribution agreement.

PLAN EFFECTIVE DATE refers to the date coverage under the policy becomes effective. The Plan Effective Date for the Policyholder is shown on the policy cover. The effective date of coverage for an Insured is shown in the Policyholder's records.

All insurance will begin at 12:01 A.M. on the Effective Date. It will end after 11:59 P.M. on the Termination Date. All times are stated as Standard Time of the residence of the Insured.

PLAN CHANGE EFFECTIVE DATE refers to the date that the policy provisions originally issued to the Policyholder change as requested by the Policyholder. The Plan Change Effective date for the Policyholder will be shown on the policy cover, if the Policyholder has requested a change. The plan change effective date for an Insured is shown in the Policyholder's records or on the cover of the certificate.

BENEFIT PERIOD

Benefit Period means the period from January 1 of any year through December 31 of the same year. But during the first year a person is insured, a benefit period means the period from his or her effective date through December 31 of that year.

CONDITIONS FOR INSURANCE COVERAGE

ELIGIBILITY

ELIGIBLE CLASS FOR MEMBERS. The members of the eligible class(es) are shown on the Schedule of Benefits. Each member of the eligible class (referred to as "Member") will qualify for such insurance on the day he or she completes the required eligibility period, if any. Members choosing to elect coverage will hereinafter be referred to as "Insured."

If employment is the basis for membership, a member of the Eligible Class for Insurance is any graduate employee working at least 20 hours per week. If membership is by reason other than employment, then a member of the Eligible Class for Insurance is as defined by the Policyholder.

ELIGIBLE CLASS FOR DEPENDENT INSURANCE. Each Member of the eligible class(es) for dependent coverage is eligible for the Dependent Insurance under the policy and will qualify for this Dependent Insurance on the latest of:

1. the day he or she qualifies for coverage as a Member;
2. the day he or she first becomes a Member; or
3. the day he or she first has a dependent. For dependent children, a newborn child will be considered an eligible dependent upon reaching their 2nd birthday. The child may be added at birth or within 31 days of the 2nd birthday.

A Member must be an Insured to also insure his or her dependents.

If employment is the basis for membership, a member of the Eligible Class for Dependent Insurance is any graduate employee working at least 20 hours per week and has eligible dependents. If membership is by reason other than employment, then a member of the Eligible Class for Insurance is as defined by the Policyholder.

When a member of the Eligible Class for Dependent Insurance dies and, if at the date of death, has dependents insured, the Policyholder has the option of offering the dependents of the deceased employee continued coverage. If elected by the Policyholder and the affected dependents, the name of such deceased member will continue to be listed as a member of the Eligible Class for Dependent Insurance.

CONTRIBUTION REQUIREMENTS. Member Insurance: An Insured is not required to contribute to the payment of his or her insurance premiums. An insured may or may not be required to contribute to the payment of insurance premiums if he or she is both covered under this policy and also covered under another plan.

Dependent Insurance: An Insured is required to contribute to the payment of insurance premiums for his or her dependents.

ELIGIBILITY PERIOD. For Members on the Plan Effective Date of the policy, qualification will occur after an eligibility period defined by the Policyholder is satisfied. The same eligibility period will be applied to all members.

For persons who become Members after the Plan Effective Date of the policy, qualification will occur after an eligibility period defined by the Policyholder is satisfied. The same eligibility period will be applied to all members.

If employment is the basis for membership in the Eligible Class for Members, an Insured whose eligibility terminates and is established again, may or may not have to complete a new eligibility period before he or she can again qualify for insurance.

EFFECTIVE DATE. Each Member has the option of being insured and insuring his or her Dependents. To elect coverage, he or she must agree in writing to contribute to the payment of the insurance premiums. The Effective Date for each Member and his or her Dependents, will be:

1. the date on which the Member qualifies for insurance, if the Member agrees to contribute on or before that date.
2. the date on which the Member agrees to contribute, if that date is within 31 days after the date he or she qualifies for insurance.
3. the date we accept the Member and/or Dependent for insurance when the Member and/or Dependent is a Late Entrant. The Member and/or Dependent will be subject to any limitation concerning Late Entrants.

EXCEPTIONS. If employment is the basis for membership, a Member must be in active service on the date the insurance, or any increase in insurance, is to take effect. If not, the insurance will not take effect until the day he or she returns to active service. Active service refers to the performance in the customary manner by an employee of all the regular duties of his or her employment with his or her employer on a full time basis at one of the employer's business establishments or at some location to which the employer's business requires the employee to travel.

A Member will be in active service on any regular non-working day if he or she is not totally disabled on that day and if he or she was in active service on the regular working day before that day.

If membership is by reason other than employment, a Member must not be totally disabled on the date the insurance, or any increase in insurance, is to take effect. The insurance will not take effect until the day after he or she ceases to be totally disabled.

TERMINATION DATES

INSUREDS. The insurance for any Insured, will automatically terminate on the **earliest of:**

1. the date the Insured ceases to be a Member;
2. the last day of the period for which the Insured has contributed, if required, to the payment of insurance premiums; or
3. the date the policy is terminated.

DEPENDENTS. The insurance for all of an Insured's dependents will automatically terminate on the **earliest of:**

1. the date on which the Insured's coverage terminates;
2. the date on which the Insured ceases to be a Member;
3. the last day of the period for which the Insured has contributed, if required, to the payment of insurance premiums; or
4. the date all Dependent Insurance under the policy is terminated.

The insurance for any Dependent will automatically terminate on the day before the date on which the dependent no longer meets the definition of a dependent. See "Definitions."

NOTICE REQUIREMENTS. If an Insured's coverage terminates due to non-payment of premiums, then each Insured will be provided a notice of such termination. The notice will be mailed to the last known address of the Insured. Any claims for services will be paid in accordance with the terms of the contract for any health care service received by the Insured prior to the date of notification.

CONTINUATION OF COVERAGE. If coverage ceases according to TERMINATION DATE, some or all of the insurance coverages may be continued. Contact your plan administrator for details.

An employee or dependent whose insurance has stopped may be able to continue some or all of the insurance coverages. The sections below explain when and how insurance may be continued. If insurance is continued, it must be according to a plan which does not allow individual selection.

Thirty-One Day Continuation of Coverage
in accordance with M.G.L. c.175, s. 110D

If an employee leaves his/her job for any reason (quit, terminated, laid off, plant closing, etc.) or if a child ceases to be a dependent under this policy, group coverages provided under this policy will be extended for 31 days in accordance with Massachusetts Law, chapter 175, section 110D. The employer/employee contributions will remain the same for the 31-day period as during employment. The 31-day continuation period begins the date the employee actually terminates employment or the date the child ceases to be considered a dependent under the policy.

This continuation of coverage is in addition to any other continuation periods applicable under Massachusetts law as defined below. This benefit does not extinguish eligibility for benefits available under the Federal Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act. (COBRA).

Federally Required Continuation
For Employees and/or Dependents

Through the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act (COBRA) the federal government requires the Policyholder to provide continuation of coverages to employees and/or dependents who would otherwise lose their coverages. There are some groups which are not subject to the law. They are:

1. groups of less than 20 employees.
2. certain church plans.

When a person is eligible for both state benefits and federal COBRA benefits, certain state and federal benefits overlap and run concurrently. Please note the election of continued coverage under certain state laws may extinguish eligibility for benefits under federal law.

For details the employee and/or dependent(s) must contact the person who handles the Policyholder's insurance matters.

Leave of Absence
For Employees Only

If membership is because of employment and an Insured's active service terminates because of a leave of absence, the insurance will stay in force for two months only if the Policyholder pays his or her premiums and does not cancel the insurance.

If the Policyholder is subject to COBRA, the rules applicable to COBRA will supersede the continuation due to a leave of absence.

Separation or Divorce
For Dependents Only

The Insured's spouse may continue coverage without additional premium (unless the divorce or separation judgment specifies otherwise) if the Insured and the spouse:

- a. become legally separated; or
- b. dissolve the marriage;

unless the judgment of separation or divorce excludes such continuation.

For purposes of this continuation provision such spouse is called "former spouse."

The former spouse may also continue to insure his or her dependent children.

Coverage may be continued if the judgment of dissolution or separation was entered prior to the effective date of this plan.

Benefits

This continuation applies to all benefits provided under this policy covering the former spouse.

Termination

Such insurance will stop on the earliest of:

1. the last day of the period for which the premium is paid;
2. the date coverage would normally stop under the terms of the policy;
3. the date specified in the judgment of separation or dissolution;
4. the date either party remarries*;
5. the date insurance terminates for the Insured;
6. the date the policy terminates.

*In the event of the remarriage of the Insured, the former spouse shall have the right, if so provided in said judgment, to continue to be covered as a member of the group.

We will send notice of termination of continuation coverage, and any right to reinstate coverage to the former spouse at the last known address.

Premium

We may charge the full premium, i.e., the employee and employer's portion, during the continuation period.

We may change the premium rate at any time the Insured's group plan premium rate is changed. Any part of the premium to be paid by the former spouse should be paid to the employer. The employer may stop coverage if any premium is not received within 30 days following the due date.

Claims

Claims incurred by the former spouse will be paid to the former spouse or the provider. Claims incurred by dependent children not living with the Insured will be paid to the provider or the parent with custody.

Notice

We are required to send notice of name, address and policy numbers of persons electing this continuation to the Massachusetts Department of Public Welfare. We must send the notice within 30 days of the date continuation coverage starts.

EYE CARE INSURANCE

If an Insured under this section incurs Covered Expenses, we will pay benefits as stated below.

COVERED EXPENSES. Covered Expenses include the charge for the covered procedure furnished up to the maximum amount.

COVERED EXPENSES. Covered Expenses means the Eye Care expenses incurred by an Insured for the procedures shown in the Schedule of Eye Care Services, up to the Maximum Covered Expense shown for each procedure and the Eye Care Maximum as shown in the Schedule of Benefits, if applicable. Such expenses will be Covered Expenses only to the extent that they are incurred for procedures done by a physician, optometrist, or optician. These expenses are subject to the "Limitations" below.

DEDUCTIBLE AMOUNT. The Deductible Amount shown in the Schedule of Benefits is an amount of Covered Expenses for which no benefits are payable. It applies separately to the Covered Expenses incurred by each Insured. Benefits will be paid only for those Covered Expenses that are over the deductible amount.

Benefit Period means the period from September 1 of any year through August 31 of the next year. But during the first year a person is insured, a benefit period means the period from his or her effective date through August 31 of the next year.

EXPENSES INCURRED. An expense is incurred at the time a service is rendered or a supply furnished.

EXTENSION OF BENEFITS. Should an Insured's coverage under this section terminate, we will pay Covered Expenses for frames or lenses which were ordered while coverage was in force, provided such frames or lenses are delivered within 30 days from the date the Insured's coverage ceases.

LIMITATIONS: Covered Expenses will not include and no benefits will be payable for expenses incurred for:

1. vision examinations.
2. frames or lenses ordered before the Insured was covered under this section.
3. subject to Extension of Benefits, frame or lens ordered after the Insured's coverage under this section ceases.
4. sub-normal vision aids; orthoptic or vision training or any associated testing.
5. non-prescription lenses.
6. replacement or repair of lost or broken lenses or frames except at normal intervals.
7. any corrective eyewear required by an employer as a condition of employment.
8. medical or surgical treatment of the eyes.
9. any service or supply not shown on the Schedule of Eye Care Services.
10. coated lenses; oversize lenses (exceeding 71 mm); photo-gray lenses; polished edges; UV-400 coating and facets, and tints other than solid.

SCHEDULE OF EYE CARE SERVICES

The following is a complete list of eye care services for which benefits are payable. No benefits are payable for a service which is not listed.

SERVICE	MAXIMUM COVERED EXPENSE
Maximum Amount -- Each Benefit Period	\$150*

The Maximum Amount is the most the plan will provide for all services subject to any plan frequencies, limitations, and/or deductible.

Materials

Frame

Lenses

 Single Vision

 Bifocal

 Trifocal

 No line bifocal or progressive power

 Lenticular

 Contact Lenses

GENERAL PROVISIONS

NOTICE OF CLAIM. Written notice of a claim must be given to us within 90 days after the incurred date of the services provided for which benefits are payable.

Notice must be given to us at our Home Office, or to one of our agents. Notice should include the Policyholder's name, Insured's name, and policy number. If it was not reasonably possible to give written notice within the 90 day period stated above, we will not reduce or deny a claim for this reason if notice is filed as soon as is reasonably possible.

CLAIM FORMS. When we receive the notice of a claim, we will send the claimant forms for filing proof of loss. If these forms are not furnished within 15 days after the giving of such notice, the claimant will meet our proof of loss requirements by giving us a written statement of the nature and extent of loss within the time limit for filing proofs of loss.

PROOF OF LOSS. Written proof of loss must be given to us within 90 days after the incurred date of the services provided for which benefits are payable. If it is impossible to give written proof within the 90 day period, we will not reduce or deny a claim for this reason if the proof is filed as soon as is reasonably possible.

TIME OF PAYMENT. We will pay all benefits within 45 days of when we receive all information necessary to pay the claim. If a claim cannot be paid within 45 days of receipt, we will notify you within that 45-day period providing you with a list of information necessary for us to pay the claim. If payment is not made within the required time frame, we will pay interest at the rate of eighteen percent per year on benefits for valid claims. Interest will begin to accrue 45 days after we receive notice of the claim and will accrue until the claim is settled.

PAYMENT OF BENEFITS. Participating Providers have agreed to accept assignment of benefits for services and supplies performed or furnished by them. When a Non-Participating Provider performs services, all benefits will be paid to the Insured unless otherwise indicated by the Insured's authorization to pay the Non-Participating Provider directly.

FACILITY OF PAYMENT. If an Insured or beneficiary is not capable of giving us a valid receipt for any payment or if benefits are payable to the estate of the Insured, then we may, at our option, pay the benefit up to an amount not to exceed \$1,000, to any relative by blood or connection by marriage of the Insured who is considered by us to be equitably entitled to the benefit.

Any equitable payment made in good faith will release us from liability to the extent of payment.

PROVIDER-PATIENT RELATIONSHIP. The Insured may choose any Provider who is licensed by the law of the state in which treatment is provided within the scope of their license. We will in no way disturb the provider-patient relationship.

LEGAL PROCEEDINGS. No legal action can be brought against us until 60 days after the Insured sends us the required proof of loss. No legal action against us can start more than five years after proof of loss is required.

INCONTESTABILITY. Any statement made by the Policyholder to obtain the Policy is a representation and not a warranty. No misrepresentation by the Policyholder will be used to deny a claim or to deny the validity of the Policy unless:

1. The Policy would not have been issued if we had known the truth; and
2. We have given the Policyholder a copy of a written instrument signed by the Policyholder that contains the misrepresentation.

The validity of the Policy will not be contested after it has been in force for one year, except for nonpayment of premiums or fraudulent misrepresentations.

WORKER'S COMPENSATION. The coverage provided under the Policy is not a substitute for coverage under a workmen's compensation or state disability income benefit law and does not relieve the Policyholder of any obligation to provide such coverage.

As of January 1, 2009, the Massachusetts Health Care Reform Law requires that Massachusetts residents, eighteen (18) years of age and older, must have health coverage that meets the Minimum Creditable Coverage standards set by the Commonwealth Health Insurance Connector, unless waived from the health insurance requirement based on affordability or individual hardship. For more information call the Connector at 1-877-MA-ENROLL or visit the Connector website (www.mahealthconnector.org). This plan is not intended to provide comprehensive health care coverage and does not meet Minimum Creditable Coverage standards, even if it does include services that are not available in the insured's other health plans.

If you have questions about this notice, you may contact the Division of Insurance by calling (617) 521-7794 or visiting its website at www.mass.gov/doi.

ERISA INFORMATION AND NOTICE OF YOUR RIGHTS

A. General Plan Information

Name of Plan: Eye Care Insurance

Name, Address of Plan Sponsor: UAW/UMASS HEALTH & WELFARE TRUST FUND
6 UNIVERSITY DR STE 206-226
AMHERST, MA 01002

Plan Sponsor Tax Id Number: 04-3538613

Plan Number: 501

Type of Plan: Group Insurance Plan

Name, Address, Phone Number of Plan Administrator: LESLIE EDWARDS DAVIS
UAW/UMASS HEALTH & WELFARE TRUST FUND
6 UNIVERSITY DR STE 206-226
AMHERST, MA 01002
413-345-2156

Name, Address of Registered Agent for Service of Legal Process: Plan Sponsor

If Legal Process Involves Claims For Benefits Under The Group Policy, Additional Notification of Legal Process Must Be Sent To: Ameritas Life Insurance Corp.
P.O. Box 82595
Lincoln, NE 68501

Sources of Contributions: Employer/Member

Funding Method: Ameritas Life Insurance Corp.--Fully Insured

Plan Fiscal Year End: September 30

Type of Administration:
General Administration Contract & Claim Administration
Plan Sponsor
Ameritas Life Insurance Corp.

B. Notice of Legal Process

Service of legal process may be made upon the plan administrator at the address listed above.

C. Eligibility and Benefits Provided Under the Group Policy

Please refer to the **Conditions for Insurance** within the Group Policy and Certificate of Coverage for a detailed description of the eligibility for participation under the plan as well as the benefits provided. If this plan includes a participating provider (PPO) option, provider lists are furnished without charge, as a separate document.

D. Qualified Medical Child Support Order ("QMCSO")

QMCSO Determinations. A Plan participant or beneficiary can obtain, without charge, a copy of the Plan's procedures governing Qualified Medical Child Support Order determinations from the Plan Administrator.

E. Termination Of The Group Policy

The Group Policy which provides benefits for this plan may be terminated by the Policyholder at any time with prior written notice to Ameritas Life Insurance Corp. It will terminate automatically if the Policyholder fails to pay the required premium. Ameritas Life Insurance Corp. may terminate the Group Policy on any Premium Due Date if the number of persons insured is less than the required minimum, or if Ameritas Life Insurance Corp. believes the Policyholder has failed to perform its obligations relating to the Group Policy.

After the first policy year, Ameritas Life Insurance Corp. may also terminate the Group Policy on any Premium Due Date for any reason by providing a 60-day advance written notice to the Policyholder.

The Group Policy may be changed in whole or in part. No change or amendment will be valid unless it is approved in writing by a Ameritas Life Insurance Corp. executive officer.

F. Claims For Benefits

Claims procedures are furnished automatically, without charge, as a separate document.

G. Continuation of Coverage Provisions (COBRA)

COBRA (Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985) gives Qualified Beneficiaries the right to elect COBRA continuation after insurance ends because of a Qualifying Event. The law generally covers group health plans maintained by employers with 20 or more employees in the prior year. The law does not, however, apply to plans sponsored by the Federal government and certain church-related organizations.

i. Definitions For This Section

Qualified Beneficiary means an Insured Person who is covered by the plan on the day before a qualifying event. Any child born to or placed for adoption with a covered employee during the period of COBRA coverage is considered a qualified beneficiary.

A Qualifying Event occurs when:

1. The Member dies (hereinafter referred to as Qualifying Event 1);
2. The Member's employment terminates for reasons other than gross misconduct as determined by the Employer (hereinafter referred to as Qualifying Event 2);
3. The Member's work hours fall below the minimum number required to be a Member (hereinafter referred to as Qualifying Event 3);
4. The Member becomes divorced or legally separated from a Spouse (hereinafter referred to as Qualifying Event 4);
5. The Member becomes entitled to receive Medicare benefits under Title XVII of the Social Security Act (hereinafter referred to as Qualifying Event 5);
6. The Child of a Member ceases to be a Dependent (hereinafter referred to as Qualifying Event 6);

7. The Employer files a petition for reorganization under Title 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code, provided the Member is retired from the Employer and is insured on the date the petition is filed (hereinafter referred to as Qualifying Event 7).

ii. Electing COBRA Continuation

- A. Each Qualified Beneficiary has the right to elect to continue coverage that was in effect on the day before the Qualifying Event. The Qualified Beneficiary must apply in writing within 60 days of the later of:
 1. The date on which Insurance would otherwise end; and
 2. The date on which the Employer or Plan Administrator gave the Qualified Beneficiary notice of the right to COBRA continuation.
- B. A Qualified Beneficiary who does not elect COBRA Continuation coverage during their original election period may be entitled to a second election period if the following requirements are satisfied:
 1. The Member's Insurance ended because of a trade related termination of their employment, which resulted in being certified eligible for trade adjustment assistance;
 2. The Member is certified eligible for trade adjustment assistance (as determined by the appropriate governmental agency) within 6 months of the date Insurance ended due to the trade related termination of their employment; and
 3. The Qualified Beneficiary must apply in writing within 60 days after the first day of the month in which they are certified eligible for trade adjustment assistance.

iii. Notice Requirements

1. When the Member becomes insured, the Plan Administrator must inform the Member and Spouse in writing of the right to COBRA continuation.
2. The Qualified Beneficiary must notify the Plan Administrator in writing of Qualifying Event 4 or 6 above within 60 days of the later of:
 - a. The date of the Qualifying Event; or
 - b. The date the Qualified Beneficiary loses coverage due to the Qualifying Event.
3. A Qualified Beneficiary, who is entitled to COBRA continuation due to the occurrence of Qualifying Event 2 or 3 and who is disabled at any time during the first 60 days of continuation coverage as determined by the Social Security Administration pursuant to Title II or XVI of the Social Security Act, must notify the Plan Administrator of the disability in writing within 60 days of the later of:
 - a. The date of the disability determination;
 - b. The date of the Qualifying Event; or

- c. The date on which the Qualified Beneficiary loses coverage due to the Qualifying Event.
4. Each Qualified Beneficiary who has become entitled to COBRA continuation with a maximum duration of 18 or 29 months must notify the Plan Administrator of the occurrence of a second Qualifying Event within 60 days of the later of:
 - a. The date of the Qualifying Event; or
 - b. The date the Qualified Beneficiary loses coverage due to the Qualifying Event.
5. The Employer must give the Plan Administrator written notice within 30 days of the occurrence of Qualifying Event 1, 2, 3, 5, or 7.
6. Within 14 days of receipt of the Employer's notice, the Plan Administrator must notify each Qualified Beneficiary in writing of the right to elect COBRA continuation.

In order to protect your rights, Members and Qualified Beneficiaries should inform the Plan Administrator in writing of any change of address.

iv. COBRA Continuation Period

1. 18-month COBRA Continuation

Each Qualified Beneficiary may continue Insurance for up to 18 months after the date of Qualifying Event 2 or 3.

2. 29-month COBRA Continuation

Each Qualified Beneficiary, who is entitled to COBRA continuation due to the occurrence of Qualifying Event 2 or 3 and who is disabled at any time during the first 60 days of continuation coverage as determined by the Social Security Administration pursuant to Title II or XVI of the Social Security Act, may continue coverage for up to 29 months after the date of the Qualifying Event. All Insured Persons in the Qualified Beneficiary's family may also continue coverage for up to 29 months.

3. 36-Month COBRA Continuation

If you are a Dependent, you may continue Coverage for up to 36 months after the date of Qualifying Event 1, 4, 5, or 6. Each Qualified Beneficiary who is entitled to continue Insurance for 18 or 29 months may be eligible to continue coverage for up to 36 months after the date of their original Qualifying Event if a second Qualifying Event occurs while they are on continuation coverage.

Note: The total period of COBRA continuation available in 1 through 3 will not exceed 36 months.

4. COBRA Continuation For Certain Bankruptcy Proceedings

If the Qualifying Event is 7, the COBRA continuation period for a retiree or retiree's Spouse is the lifetime of the retiree. Upon the retiree's death, the COBRA continuation period for the surviving Dependents is 36 months from the date of the retiree's death.

v. Premium Requirements

Insurance continued under this provision will be retroactive to the date insurance would have ended because of a Qualifying Event. The Qualified Beneficiary must pay the initial required premium not later than 45 days after electing COBRA continuation, and monthly premium on or before the Premium Due Date thereafter. The monthly premium is a percentage of the total premium (both the portion paid by the employee and any portion paid by the employer) currently in effect on each Premium Due Date. The premium rate may change after you cease to be Actively at Work. The percentage is as follows:

18 month continuation - 102%

29 month continuation - 102% during the first 18 months, 150% during the next 11 months

36 month continuation - 102%

vi. When COBRA Continuation Ends

COBRA continuation ends on the earliest of:

1. The date the Group Policy terminates;
2. 31 days after the date the last period ends for which a required premium payment was made;
3. The last day of the COBRA continuation period.
4. The date the Qualified Beneficiary first becomes entitled to Medicare coverage under Title XVII of the Social Security Act;
5. The first date on which the Qualified Beneficiary is: (a) covered under another group Eye Care policy and (b) not subject to any preexisting condition limitation in that policy.

H. Your Rights under ERISA

As a participant in this Plan, you are entitled to certain rights and protections under the Employment 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 work-sites 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 Benefits 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.

Continue Group Health Plan Coverage

Continue health care coverage for yourself, spouse or dependents if there is a loss of coverage under the plan as a result of a qualifying event. You or your dependents may have to pay for such coverage. Review this summary plan description and the documents governing the plan on the rules governing your COBRA continuation coverage rights.

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 operate and administer this plan 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 Rights

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 Benefits Security Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, listed in your telephone directory or the Division of Technical Assistance and Inquiries, Employee Benefits 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 those publications hotline of the Employee Benefits Security Administration

**CLAIMS REVIEW PROCEDURES
AS REQUIRED UNDER
EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974 (ERISA)**

The following provides information regarding the claims review process and your rights to request a review of any part of a claim that is denied. Please note that certain state laws may also require specified claims payment procedures as well as internal appeal procedures and/or independent external review processes. Therefore, in addition to the review procedures defined below, you may also have additional rights provided to you under state law. If your state has specific grievance procedures, an additional notice specific to your state will also be included within the group policy and your certificate.

CLAIMS FOR BENEFITS

Claims may be submitted by mailing the completed claim form along with any requested information to:
Ameritas Life Insurance Corp.
PO Box 82520
Lincoln, NE 68501

NOTICE OF DECISION OF CLAIM

We will evaluate your claim promptly after we receive it.

We will provide you written notice regarding the payment under the claim within 30 calendar days following receipt of the claim. This period may be extended for an additional 15 days, provided that we have determined that an extension is necessary due to matters beyond our control, and notify you, prior to the expiration of the initial 30-day period, of the circumstances requiring the extension of time and the date by which we expect to render a decision. If the extension is due to your failure to provide information necessary to decide the claim, the notice of extension shall specifically describe the required information we need to decide the claim.

If we request additional information, you will have 45 days to provide the information. If you do not provide the requested information within 45 days, we may decide your claim based on the information we have received.

If we deny any part of your claim, you will receive a written notice of denial containing:

- a. The reasons for our decision.
- b. Reference to the parts of the Group Policy on which our decision is based.
- c. Reference to any internal rule or guideline relied upon in making our decision, along with your right to receive a copy of these guidelines, free of charge, upon request.
- d. A statement that you may request an explanation of the scientific or clinical judgment we relied upon to exclude expenses that are experimental or investigational, or are not necessary or accepted according to generally accepted standards of Eye Care practice.
- e. A description of any additional information needed to support your claim and why such information is necessary.
- f. Information concerning your right to a review of our decision.
- g. Information concerning your right to bring a civil action for benefits under section 502(a) of ERISA following an adverse benefit determination on review.

APPEAL PROCEDURE

If all or part of a claim is denied, you may request a review in writing within 180 days after receiving notice of the benefit denial.

You may send us written comments or other items to support your claim. You may review and receive copies of any non-privileged information that is relevant to your appeal. There will be no charge for such copies. You may request the names of the experts we consulted who provided advice to us about your claim.

The appeal review will be conducted by the Plan's named fiduciary and will be someone other than the person who denied the initial claim and will not be subordinate to that person. The person conducting the review will not give deference to the initial denial decision. If the denial was based in whole or in part on a medical judgment, including determinations with regard to whether a service was considered experimental, investigational, and/or not medically necessary, the person conducting the review will consult with a qualified health care professional. This health care professional will be someone other than the person who made the original judgment and will not be subordinate to that person. Our review will include any written comments or other items you submit to support your claim.

We will review your claim promptly after we receive your request.

If your appeal is about urgent care, you may call Toll Free at 877-897-4328, and an Expedited Review will be conducted. Verbal notification of our decision will be made within 72 hours, followed by written notice within 3 calendar days after that.

If your appeal is about benefit decisions related to clinical or medical necessity, a Standard Consultant Review will be conducted. A written decision will be provided within 30 calendar days of the receipt of the request for appeal.

If your appeal is about benefit decisions related to coverage, a Standard Administrative Review will be conducted. A written decision will be provided within 60 calendar days of the receipt of the request for appeal.

If we deny any part of your claim on review, you will receive a written notice of denial containing:

- a. The reasons for our decision.
- b. Reference to the parts of the Group Policy on which our decision is based.
- c. Reference to any internal rule or guideline relied upon in making our decision along with your right to receive a copy of these guidelines, free of charge, upon request.
- d. Information concerning your right to receive, free of charge, copies of non-privileged documents and records relevant to your claim.
- e. A statement that you may request an explanation of the scientific or clinical judgment we relied upon to exclude expenses that are experimental or investigational, or are not necessary or accepted according to generally accepted standards of Eye Care practice.
- f. Information concerning your right to bring a civil action for benefits under section 502(a) of ERISA.

Certain state laws also require specified internal appeal procedures and/or external review processes. In addition to the review procedures defined above, you may also have additional rights provided to you under state law. Please review your certificate for such information, call us, or contact your state insurance regulatory agency for assistance. In any event, you need not exhaust such state law procedures prior to bringing civil action under Section 502(a) of ERISA.

Any request for appeal should be directed to:

Quality Control, P.O. Box 82657, Lincoln, NE 68501-2657.

THIS NOTICE OF PRIVACY PRACTICES (“NOTICE”) DESCRIBES HOW PROTECTED HEALTH INFORMATION ABOUT YOU MAY BE USED AND DISCLOSED, AND HOW YOU CAN GET ACCESS TO THIS INFORMATION. PLEASE REVIEW IT CAREFULLY.

This notice describes how the Group Divisions of Ameritas Life Insurance Corp. and Ameritas Life Insurance Corp. of New York use and disclose your protected health information, and how we guard that information. We are required to abide by the terms of this notice as long as it remains in effect. We reserve the right to change the terms of this Notice as necessary, and to make a new Notice effective for all protected health information maintained by us. If we do make changes to this Notice, a copy of the new Notice will be placed on our web site at www.ameritas.com and/or sent to you if the changes are material. If you reside in a state whose law provides stricter privacy protections than those provided by HIPAA, we will maintain the privacy of your health information as required by your stricter state law.

how we use or disclose information

We must use and disclose your health information to provide that information:

- To you, or someone who has the legal right to act for you (your personal representative), in order to administer your rights as described in this notice; and
- To the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services, if necessary, to see that we are complying with federal privacy law and administrative simplification provisions of HIPAA.

We have the right to use and disclose your health information for your treatment, to pay for your health care, and to operate our business. For example, we typically use your information in the following ways:

- **For Payment.** We may use or disclose health information to collect premiums due to us, to determine your coverage, or to process claims for health care services you receive. For example, we may tell a provider whether you are eligible for coverage and what percentage of the bill may be covered.
- **For Treatment.** We may use or disclose health information to aid in your treatment or the coordination of your care. For example, we may disclose information to your provider to help them provide health care services to you.
- **For Health Care Operations.** We may use or disclose health information as necessary to operate and manage our business activities related to providing and managing your health care coverage. For example, we may use health information for operational activities such as quality assessment and improvement.
- **For Plan Sponsors.** If your coverage is through an employer sponsored group health plan, we may share summary health information and enrollment and disenrollment information with the plan sponsor. In addition, we may share other health information with the plan sponsor for plan administration purposes if the plan sponsor agrees to special restrictions on the use and disclosure of the information in accordance with federal law.

We may use or disclose your health information for the following purposes under limited circumstances:

- **As Required by Law.** We may disclose information about you if state or federal laws require it.
- **To Persons Involved With Your Care.** We may use or disclose your health information a person involved in your care or who helps you pay for your care, such as a family member or close personal friend, when you are incapacitated, emergency situations, or when you agree or fail to object when given the opportunity. If you are unavailable or unable to object, we will use our best judgment to decide if the disclosure is in your best interests.
- **To Law Enforcement.** We may disclose your health information to a law enforcement official to provide limited information to locate a missing person or report a crime.
- **To Correctional Institutions or Law Enforcement Officials.** We may disclose your health information if you are an inmate of a correctional institution or under the custody of law enforcement, but only if necessary for the institution to provide you with health care; to protect your health and safety, or the health and safety of others; or for the safety and security of the correctional institution.
- **To Avoid a Serious Threat to Health or Safety** to you, another person, or the public. For example, we may disclose information to a public health agency or law enforcement in the event of a natural disaster.
- **For Public Health Activities** such as reporting disease outbreaks to a valid public health authority.
- **For Reporting Victims of Abuse, Neglect, or Domestic Violence** to government authorities that are authorized by law to receive such information, including a social services or protective service agencies.
- **For Health Oversight Activities** to a health oversight agency for activities authorized by law, such as licensure, governmental audits, and fraud and abuse investigations.
- **For Judicial or Administrative Proceedings** to respond to a court order, search warrant, or subpoena.
- **For Specialized Government Functions** such as national security and intelligence activities, the protective services for the President and others, or if you are a member of the military, as required by the armed forces.
- **To Business Associates** that perform functions on our behalf or provide us with services if the information is necessary for such functions or services. Our business associates are required, under contract with us and federal law, to protect the privacy of your information and are not allowed to use or disclose any information other than allowed by the contract and federal law.
- **For Workers’ Compensation** as authorized by, or to the extent necessary to comply with, state workers’ compensation laws that govern job-related injuries or illness.

- **To Provide Information Regarding Decedents.** We may disclose information to a coroner or medical examiner to identify a deceased person, determine a cause of death, or as authorized by law. We may also disclose information to funeral directors as necessary to carry out their duties.
- **For Cadaveric Organ, Eye, or Tissue Donation.** We may disclose information to entities that handle procurement, banking, or transplantation of organs, eyes, or tissue to facilitate donation and transplantation.

Except for uses and disclosures described and limited as explained in this notice, we will use and disclose your health information only with written permission from you. We will not share your personal information for marketing purposes or sell your personal information unless you give us written permission to do so.

our responsibilities

- We are required by law to maintain the privacy and security of your protected health information.
- We will let you know promptly if a breach occurs that may have compromised the privacy or security of your information.
- We must follow the duties and privacy practices described in this Notice, and give you a copy of it.
- We will not use or share your information other than as described in this Notice, unless you tell us we can in writing. If you tell us we can, you may change your mind at any time. Let us know in writing at the contact information below if you change your mind.

your rights

- **Right to Inspect and Copy.** You have the right to inspect and copy certain protected health information that may be used to make decisions about your plan benefits. Your request must be in writing and submitted to the Ameritas Privacy Office at the contact information below. We will usually provide access to your protected health information within 30 days of receiving the request. We reserve the right to charge a fee for the costs of copying, mailing, or other supplies associated with your request. You may also ask your providers for access to your records. We may deny your request in very limited circumstances. If we deny your request to inspect or obtain a copy of your protected health information, we will inform you in writing of the reason(s) within 30 days.
- **Right to Amend.** You have the right to request that we amend, correct, or delete your protected health information in our records if you believe that it is inaccurate or incomplete. Your request must be in writing and sent to the Ameritas Privacy Office at the contact information below. In addition, you must provide a reason that supports your request. We will respond to your request in writing within 30 days. We may deny your request for an amendment if it is not in writing, or does not include a reason to support the request. If we deny your request, we will communicate the reason(s) for denial. If we deny your request, you have the right to file a written statement of disagreement and any future disclosures of the disputed information will include your statement.

- **Right to Request Confidential Communication.** You can ask us to contact you in a specific way (for example, home or office phone) or to send mail to a different address. Your request must be in writing and submitted to the Ameritas Privacy Office at the contact information below. We will consider all reasonable requests, and must say "yes" if you tell us you would be in danger if we do not.
- **Right to an Accounting of Disclosures of Your Protected Health Information.** You have the right to receive a list of the times we've shared your health information for up to six years prior to the date you ask, who we share it with, and why. Your request must be in writing and submitted to the Ameritas Privacy Office at the contact information below. We will include all the disclosures, except those about treatment, payment, and health care operations, and certain other disclosures (such as any you asked us to make). We will provide one accounting a year for free, but will charge a reasonable, cost-based fee if you ask for another one within 12 months.
- **Know the Reasons for an Unfavorable Underwriting Decision.** You have the right to know the reason(s) for an unfavorable underwriting decision. Your request must be in writing, and must be asked for within 90 days from when the adverse underwriting decision is sent. We will respond within 21 days. Previous unfavorable underwriting decisions may not be used as a basis for future underwriting decisions unless we make an independent evaluation of basic facts. Your genetic information cannot be used for underwriting purposes.
- **Ask Us to Limit the Information We Share.** You can send us a written request at the contact information below to not use or share certain health information for treatment, payment, or health care operations. We are not required to agree to these requests.
- **Get a Copy of this Privacy Notice.** You can ask us for a paper copy of this Notice at any time, even if you have agreed to receive the Notice electronically. We will provide you with a paper copy promptly.

exercising your rights

- **Submitting a Written Request.** If you have any questions about this Notice, want more information about exercising your rights, or want to obtain an authorization form please contact us at: The Privacy Office, Attn. HIPAA Privacy, P.O. Box 82520, Lincoln, NE 68501-2520, e-mail us at privacy@ameritas.com, or call 1-800-487-5553
- **Filing a Complaint.** If you believe your privacy rights have been violated, you may file a complaint with us at the contact information listed above. You may also file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Office for Civil Rights by sending a letter to 200 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C., 20201, calling 1-877-696-6775, or visiting www.hhs.gov/ocr/privacy/hipaa/complaints/. We will not retaliate against you for filing a complaint.

This revised notice is effective 9/30/17.