

UNITED STATES FIRE INSURANCE  
COMPANY

TRAVEL PROTECTION POLICY LIMITED  
BENEFIT HEALTH COVERAGE OUTLINE OF  
COVERAGE

1. **Read Your Policy Carefully** - This outline of coverage provides a very brief description of the important features of the Accident and Sickness Medical Expense Benefits in Your policy. This is not the insurance contract and only the actual policy provisions will control. The policy itself sets forth, in detail, the rights and obligations of both You and Your insurance company. It is, therefore, important that you READ YOUR POLICY CAREFULLY!
2. **Limited Benefit Health Coverage** - Policies of this category are designed to provide, to persons insured, limited or supplemental coverage.
3. **Benefits** – In addition to other benefits, this policy pays medical benefits for Eligible Expenses, as defined in the Policy, incurred for Sickness or Injury that begins while on a Trip. The initial treatment must occur within 30 days of the date of the onset of the sickness or the accident. Benefits payable will not exceed the usual, customary and reasonable charges for similar services in the geographic area in which the services were rendered.
4. **Exclusions** - In addition to any other general limitations described in the policy, coverage is not provided for:
  1. resulting from suicide, attempted suicide or any intentionally self-inflicted injury while sane or insane;
  2. resulting from an act of declared or undeclared war;
  3. while participating in maneuvers or training exercises of an armed service;
  4. while riding, driving or participating in races, or speed or endurance contests;
  5. while mountaineering (engaging in the sport of scaling mountains generally requiring the use of picks, ropes, or other special equipment);
  6. while participating as a member of a team in an organized sporting competition;
  7. while participating in skydiving, hang gliding, bungee cord jumping, scuba diving or deep sea diving;
  8. while piloting or learning to pilot or acting as a member of the crew of any aircraft;
  9. due to alcoholism and drug addiction;
  10. to which a contributory cause was the commission of or attempt to commit a felony or being engaged in an illegal occupation;
  11. due to normal childbirth, normal pregnancy (except complications of pregnancy) or voluntarily induced abortion (except as specifically provided under Trip Cancellation/Trip Interruption);
  12. for dental treatment, except as coverage is otherwise specifically provided in the Policy;
  13. Due to a pre-existing condition, as defined in the policy, unless coverage is purchased prior to Your final Trip payment for the full non-refundable trip cost, You are not disabled from travel at the time You pay the premium and the booking for the Trip is the first and only booking for this travel period and destination; or
  14. for mental or nervous disorders, unless hospitalized.
5. **Renewability** - This policy is issued for a stated term.

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## Group Deluxe Protection Plan

For residents of WA

### Worldwide Assistance Services

The Travel Assistance feature provides a variety of travel related services. Services offered include:

- Medical Evacuation • Medically Necessary Repatriation
- Repatriation of Remains • Medical or Legal Referral
- Inoculation Information • Hospital Admission Guarantee
- Translation Service • Lost Baggage Retrieval
- Passport/Visa Information • Emergency Cash Advance
- Bail Bond • Prescription Drug/Eyeglass Replacement
- ID Theft Resolution Service • Concierge Service • Non-Medical Emergency Evacuation • Business Concierge Services Payment reimbursement to the Assistance Company is Your responsibility.

#### **For Medical Assistance while traveling**

**Call Toll Free:**

**888-268-2824**

**(Within the United States and Canada)**

**or Call Collect:**

**603-328-1725**

**(From all other locations)**

Travel assistance services are provided by an independent organization and not by United States Fire Insurance Company or Travel Insured International. There may be times when circumstances beyond the Assistance Company's control hinder their endeavors to provide travel assistance services. They will, however, make all reasonable efforts to provide travel assistance services and help You resolve Your emergency situation.

Administered by



### **Quality Protection Worldwide**

**For questions or to report a claim, contact:**

**Travel Insured International, Inc.**

**855 Winding Brook Drive**

**Glastonbury, CT 06033**

**Customer Care-866-684-0218**

**Claims-800-243-2440**

### **Claims Procedures**

**To facilitate prompt claims settlement:**

#### **TRIP CANCELLATION/TRIP INTERRUPTION:**

IMMEDIATELY Call Your Travel Supplier and Travel Insured International to report Your cancellation and avoid non-Covered Expenses due to late reporting. Travel Insured International will then advise You on how to obtain the appropriate form to be completed by You and the attending Physician. If You are prevented from taking Your trip due to Sickness or Injury, You should obtain medical care immediately. We require a certification by the treating Physician at the time of Sickness or Injury that medically imposed restrictions prevented Your participation in the Trip. Provide all unused transportation tickets, official receipts, etc.

**TRIP DELAY:** Obtain any specific dated documentation, which provides proof of the reason for delay (airline or Cruise line forms, medical statements, etc).

Submit this documentation along with Your Trip itinerary and all receipts from additional expenses incurred.

**MEDICAL EXPENSES:** Obtain receipts from the providers of service, etc., stating the amount paid and listing the diagnosis and treatment.

**BAGGAGE:** Obtain a statement from the Common Carrier that Your Baggage was delayed or a police report showing Your Baggage was stolen along with copies of receipts for Your purchases.

### **AVAILABILITY OF SERVICES**

You are eligible for information and concierge services at any time after You purchase this plan. The Emergency Assistance Services become available when You actually start Your Covered Trip. Emergency Assistance, Concierge and Informational Services end the earliest of: midnight on the day the program expires; when You reach Your return destination; or when You complete Your Covered Trip. The Identity Theft Resolution Services become available on Your scheduled departure date for Your Covered Trip. Services are provided only for an Identity Theft event which occurs while on Your Covered Trip. Identity Theft Resolution does not guarantee that its intervention on behalf of You will result in a particular outcome or that its efforts on behalf of You will lead to a result satisfactory to You. Identity Theft Resolution does not include and shall not assist You for thefts involving non-US bank accounts.

### **IDENTITY THEFT RESOLUTION SERVICES**

In the event of an Identity Theft event while on Your Covered Trip, Travel Insured's designated provider will research and investigate potential damage to Your identity and make best effort to restore Your identity to pre-event status. Assistance includes online secure email to report the event; notify the three major credit bureaus, affected creditors, financial institutions, and utility providers; provide fraud alerts; create and maintain a case file and ultimately to receive documentation that the fraudulent transaction has been expunged.

### **CONCIERGE SERVICES**

Concierge Services are provided by Travel Insured's designated provider. There is no charge for the services provided by the provider. You are responsible for the cost of services provided and charged for by third parties and for the actual cost of merchandise, entertainment, sports, tickets, food and beverages and other disbursement items. Services offered include: • Destination Profiles • Epicurean Needs • Event Ticketing • Floral Services • Tee Time Reservations • Hotel Accommodations • Meet-And-Greet Services • Shopping Assistance Services • Pre-Trip Assistance • Procurement of Hard-To-Find Items • Restaurant Referrals and Reservations • Rental Car Reservations • Airline Reservations

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**BUSINESS CONCIERGE SERVICES**

Concierge Services are provided by Travel Insured's designated provider. There is no charge for the services provided by the provider. You are responsible for the cost of services provided and charged for by third parties.

Services offered include: • Emergency Correspondence And Business Communication Assistance • Assistance With Locating Available Business Services Such As: Express/Overnight Delivery Sites, Internet Cafes, Print/Copy Services • Assistance With Or Arrangements For Telephone And Web Conferencing • Emergency Messaging To Customers, Associates, And Others (Phone, Fax, E-mail, Text, etc.) • Real Time Weather, Travel Delay And Flight Status Information • Worldwide Business Directory Service For Equipment Repair/Replacement, Warranty Service, etc. • Emergency Travel Arrangements

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which You are covered, as shown in the Confirmation of Benefits and Evidence of Benefits. The entire contract is made up of the Policy and any attachments. No agent may change it in any way. Only an officer of the Company can approve a change. Any such change must be shown in the Policy or its attachments.

**FOURTEEN-DAY LOOK**

You may cancel this Policy by giving the Company or the agent written notice within the first to occur of the following: (a) 14 days from the Effective Date of Your Policy; or (b) Your Scheduled Departure Date. If You do this, the Company will refund Your premium paid provided no Insured has filed a claim under this Policy.



Marc J. Adee  
Chairman & CEO



James Kraus  
Secretary

*Interruption is limited to \$500 Return Air only*

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| Baggage and Personal Effects  | \$1,500           |
| Baggage Delay (24 hours)  | \$400             |
| Trip Delay (6 hours)  | \$750 (\$150/day) |
| Accident and Sickness   |                   |
| Medical Expense   | \$50,000          |
| Emergency Evacuation/<br>Medically Necessary Repatriation/<br>Repatriation of Remains | \$250,000         |

**Optional Coverage**

*Applicable only when purchased at the time of original plan purchase and the appropriate additional premium has been paid.*

Cancel for Any Reason Up to 75% of non-refundable Trip Cost\*\*\*

\*\*\*The lesser of 75% of the amount prepaid for the Trip or up to the maximum of \$20,000

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**UNITED STATES FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY**  
Administrative Office: 5 Christopher Way, Eatontown,  
New Jersey 07724  
(Called "the Company")

**INDIVIDUAL TRAVEL PROTECTION POLICY**

**THIS IS A LIMITED BENEFIT, SHORT-TERM**

**TRAVEL POLICY**

This is a legal contract between United States Fire Insurance Company and You. This Policy is issued in consideration of the Application and payment of the appropriate plan cost. United States Fire Insurance Company, herein called the Company, will pay You the benefits described in this Policy, subject to all Policy limitation, and exclusions, when You sustain a loss specified under a provision of the Policy under

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| Trip Cancellation**                          | Trip Cost*           |
| Trip Interruption**                          | 150% of Trip Cost*   |
| Missed Connection/Itinerary Change (3 hours) | \$500                |

\*Up to the trip cost protected, up to the maximum of \$20,000

\*\*For a \$0 Trip Cost, there is no Trip Cancellation and Trip

**SECTION 2. PERIOD OF COVERAGE**

The "Effective Date" of Your Travel Protection Policy begins at 12:01 a.m. following the postmark of Your application or 12:01 a.m. following the date You apply by phone or fax and pay the required plan cost. The Trip Cancellation Benefit begins on the Effective Date. The Trip Delay Benefit is in force while You are en route to and from Your Trip. All other Benefits begin on 12:01 a.m. on the later of Your Scheduled Departure Date or the Effective Date of Your Travel Protection Policy, as described above. Benefits end for all Insureds when You cancel Your Trip, when You return home, or when You complete the term of Your Trip.

**SECTION 3. GENERAL PROVISIONS**

**Notice of Claim:** Notice of claim must be reported within 20 days after a loss occurs or as soon as is

reasonably possible. You or someone on Your behalf may give the notice. The notice should be given to the Company or designated representative and should include sufficient information to identify the Insured. **Claim Forms:** When notice of claim is received by the Company or designated representative, forms for filing proof of loss will be furnished. If these forms are not sent within 15 days, the proof of loss requirements can be met by sending a written statement of what happened. This statement must be received within the time given for filing proof of loss.

**Proof of Loss:** Proof of loss must be provided within 90 days after the date of the loss or as soon as is reasonably possible. Proof must, however, be furnished no later than 12 months from the time it is otherwise required, except in the absence of legal capacity.

**Time of Payment of Claims:** benefits for loss of life are payable to You. The first individual named on the application form is the beneficiary for all other insureds. All or a portion of all other benefits provided by this Policy may, at the option of the Company, be paid directly to the provider of the services(s). All benefits not paid to the provider will be paid to You. Other than for loss of life, if any benefit is payable to either another Insured or Your beneficiary who is a minor or otherwise not able to give a valid release or Your estate, the Company may pay up to \$1,000 to Your beneficiary or any relative to whom the Company finds entitled to the payment. Any payment made in good faith shall fully discharge the Company from obligations under this Policy to the extent of such payment.

**Payment of Claims:** All benefits are payable to You, if alive. Otherwise benefits are payable to Your estate.

**Physician Examination and Autopsy:** The Company, at the expense of the Company, may have an Insured examined when and as often as is reasonable while the claim is pending. The Company may have an autopsy done (at the expense of the Company) where it is not forbidden by law.

**Legal Actions:** No legal action for a claim can be brought against us until sixty (60) days after we receive proof of loss. No legal action for a claim can

be brought against us more than three (3) years after the time required for giving proof of loss. This three (3) year time period is extended from the date proof of loss is filed and the date the claim is denied in whole or in part.

**Concealment and Misrepresentation:** The entire coverage will be void, if before, during or after a loss, any material fact or circumstance relating to this insurance has been intentionally concealed or misrepresented.

**Other Insurance with the Company:** An Insured may be covered under only one travel policy with the Company for each Trip. If an Insured is covered under more than one such policy, he or she may select the coverage that is to remain in effect. In the event of death, the selection will be made by the beneficiary or estate. Premiums paid (less claims paid) will be refunded for the duplicate coverage that does not remain in effect.

**Clerical Error:** Clerical error on the Company's part or that of a Travel Supplier in keeping records or furnishing information will not void an Insured's coverage if it is otherwise validly in force; nor will it continue an Insured's coverage if it is otherwise validly terminated under the terms of this Policy.

**Conformity with State Statutes:** The provisions of this Policy must conform with the laws of the state in which the Policy is issued. If any do not, they are hereby amended to conform.

**Subrogation:** If the Company has made a payment for a loss under this coverage, and the person to or for whom payment was made has a right to recover damages from the Third Party responsible for the loss, the Company will be subrogated to that right. An Insured shall help the Company exercise the Company's rights in any reasonable way that the Company may request: nor do anything after the loss to prejudice the Company's rights: and in the event an Insured recovers damages from the Third Party responsible for the loss, the Insured will hold the proceeds of the recover for the Company in trust and reimburse the Company to the extent of the Company's previous payment for the loss. You are entitled to complete reimbursement for loss covered

under this Policy before the Company is entitled to subrogation proceeds.

## SECTION 4. COMPREHENSIVE PROTECTION PLAN

### EVIDENCE OF BENEFITS

The following Benefits are provided under Your Policy as shown in Your Schedule of Benefits. Each Benefit is to all policy provisions not in conflict with the provisions of the particular Benefit provided.

### ACCIDENT MEDICAL EXPENSE

The Maximum Benefit Amount under this Benefit for each Insured covered under the Policy is shown in the Schedule of Benefits.

### PART A DEFINITIONS

"Eligible Expense" means expense incurred for services and supplies: (a) listed below; and (b) ordered or prescribed by a Legally Qualified Physician as Medically Necessary for diagnosis or treatment; which are limited to:

- i) the services of a Legally Qualified Physician;
- ii) Hospital or ambulatory medical-surgical center services (this will also include expenses for a cruise ship cabin or hotel room, not already included in the cost of the Insured's Trip, if recommended as a substitute for a hospital room for recovery of an Injury);
- iii) transportation furnished by a professional ambulance company to and/or from a Hospital; and
- iv) prescribed drugs, prosthetics and therapeutic services and supplies.

### PART B BENEFITS

Benefits will be paid for the expense incurred, up to the Maximum Benefit Amount, if an Insured incurs an Eligible Expense as a result of an accidental Injury that occurs during the Trip. An Insured must receive initial Medical Treatment for the Injury within 30 days after the date of the Accident that caused the Injury. All services, supplies or treatment must be received within the 52 weeks following the date of the

Accident.

Benefits will include expenses for emergency dental treatment not to exceed the amount shown in the Schedule of Benefits.

Benefits will not be paid in excess of the Usual and Customary Charges.

Advance payment will be made to a Hospital, up to the Maximum Benefit Amount, if needed to secure an Insured's admission to a Hospital, because of a covered accidental Injury. The authorized travel assistance company will coordinate advance payment to the Hospital.

These benefits will not duplicate any benefits payable under the Policy or any coverage(s) attached to the Policy

#### **SICKNESS MEDICAL EXPENSE**

The Maximum Benefit Amount under this Benefit for each Insured covered under the Policy is shown in the Schedule of Benefits.

#### **PART A DEFINITIONS**

"Eligible Expense" means expense incurred for services and supplies: (a) listed below; and (b) ordered or prescribed by a Legally Qualified Physician as Medically Necessary for diagnosis or treatment; which are limited to:

- i) the services of a Legally Qualified Physician;
- ii) Hospital or ambulatory medical-surgical center services (this will also include expenses for a cruise ship cabin or hotel room, not already included in the cost of the Insured's Trip, if recommended as a substitute for a hospital room for recovery of a Sickness);
- iii) transportation furnished by a professional ambulance company to and/or from a Hospital; and
- iv) prescribed drugs, prosthetics and therapeutic services and supplies.

#### **PART B BENEFITS**

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Benefits will be paid for the expense incurred, up to the Maximum Benefit Amount, if an Insured incurs an Eligible Expense as a result of Sickness that manifests itself during the Trip. An Insured must receive initial Medical Treatment for the Sickness within 30 days of onset of the Sickness. All services, supplies or treatment must be received within the 52 weeks following the onset of the Sickness.

Benefits will include expenses for emergency dental treatment not to exceed the amount shown in the Schedule of Benefits.

Benefits will not be paid in excess of the Usual and Customary Charges.

Advance payment will be made to a Hospital, up to the Maximum Benefit Amount, if needed to secure an Insured's admission to a Hospital, up to the Maximum Benefit Amount, because of a covered Sickness. The authorized travel assistance company, if any, will coordinate advance payment to the Hospital.

These benefits will not duplicate any benefits payable under the Policy or any coverage(s) attached to the Policy.

#### **TRIP CANCELLATION**

The Maximum Benefit Amount is shown in Your Schedule of Benefits.

#### **BENEFITS**

Benefits will be paid up to the Maximum Benefit Amount, to cover an Insured for the unused, non-refundable and prepaid expenses for Travel Arrangements when an Insured is prevented from taking his or her Trip due to:

- a) Sickness, Injury or death involving You or Your Traveling Companion or You or Your Traveling Companion's Business Partner or Your Family Member which results in medically imposed restrictions as certified by a Legally Qualified Physician at the time of loss preventing the Insured's continued participation in the Trip;
- b) Unannounced Strike that causes complete cessation of services of the Insured's Common Carrier for at least 48

consecutive hours;

- c) Weather that causes complete cessation of services of the Insured's Common Carrier for at least 48 consecutive hours;
- d) Employer termination or layoff affecting You or a person(s) sharing the same room during Your Trip. Employment must have been with the same employer for at least three (3) consecutive years;
- e) Your Primary Residence or that of Your Traveling Companion is rendered uninhabitable by unforeseen circumstances;
- f) Burglary of You or Your Traveling Companion's primary residence within 10 days of departure of the Trip;
- g) Felonious Assault of the Insured or a Traveling Companion within 10 days of departure or during the Trip;
- h) Bankruptcy or Default of an airline, cruise line, or tour operator (other than the travel agency from whom You purchased the travel arrangements) which stops service more than fourteen (14) days following the Effective Date.
- i) Terrorism in a country which is part of the Trip, which causes the United States Department of State to issue a travel warning that an Insured should not travel within that country for a period of time that would include the Trip. Such travel warning must be made after the Effective Date;
- j) Hijack, quarantine, jury duty, or court ordered appearance as a witness in a legal action in which an Insured or Traveling Companion is not a party (except law enforcement officers);
- k) The Insured or Traveling Companion is called to emergency military duty for a national disaster other than war;
- l) Traffic accident, substantiated by a police report, directly involving either the Insured or Traveling Companion while en route to a scheduled point of departure;
- m) If the Travel Supplier cancels Your Trip, You are eligible for the benefit amount shown in the Schedule of Benefits for the reissue fee charged by the airline for each of the Insureds' tickets. You must have protected the entire cost of their Trips, including the airfare.
- n) Natural Disaster at the site of Your destination which renders Your destination accommodations uninhabitable;
- o) Your normal pregnancy or attending the childbirth of Your Family Member. The pregnancy must occur after the Plan Effective Date and be verified by medical records;

- p) The primary or secondary school where You or Your Dependent Children attend must extend operating session beyond the pre-defined school year, due to Unforeseen events commencing during Your plan effective period and the travel dates for Your Trip fall within the period of the school year extension. Extensions due to extra-curricular or athletic events are not covered;
- q) Mandatory evacuation ordered by local authorities at Your destination due to hurricane or other Natural Disaster. You must have 50% or less of Your Trip remaining at the time the mandatory evacuation ends, in order for this benefit to be payable;
- r) A transfer of You or Your Traveling Companion by the employer by whom You or Your Traveling Companion are employed on Your Effective Date which requires their principal residence to be relocated;
- s) You or Your Traveling Companion are required to work during the scheduled Trip. You or Your Traveling Companion must demonstrate proof of requirement to work, such as a notarized statement signed by an officer of Your or Your Traveling Companion's employer;
- t) You or Your Traveling Companion's company is directly involved in a merger or acquisition. You or Your Traveling Companion must be an active employee of the company that is merging and You or Your Traveling Companion must be directly involved in such an event;
- u) You or Your Traveling Companion's company operations are interrupted by fire, flood, burglary, vandalism, product recall, Bankruptcy or financial Default.
- v) a documented theft of passports or visas;

**Single Supplement**

Benefits will be paid, up to the Maximum Benefit Amount, for the additional cost incurred as a result of a change in the per person occupancy rate for prepaid Travel

Arrangements if a Traveling Companion has his or her Trip delayed, canceled or interrupted for a covered reason and You do not cancel.

These benefits will not duplicate any benefits payable under the Policy or any coverage(s) attached to the Policy.

**TRIP INTERRUPTION**

The Maximum Benefit Amount is shown in the Schedule of Benefits.

**BENEFITS**

- a) Benefits will be paid, up to the Maximum Benefit Amount, for the non-refundable, unused portion of the prepaid expenses for Travel Arrangements and/or the additional cost for one way Economy Transportation for the Insured to return to their original destination or rejoin their Trip less the value of the original unused return travel ticket when an Insured is prevented from completing his or her Trip due to: Sickness, Injury or death involving You or Your Traveling Companion or You or Your Traveling Companion's Business Partner or Your Family Member which results in medically imposed restrictions as certified by a Legally Qualified Physician at the time of loss preventing the Insured's continued participation in the Trip;
- b) Unannounced Strike that causes complete cessation of services of the Insured's Common Carrier for at least 48 consecutive hours;
- c) Weather that causes complete cessation of services of the Insured's Common Carrier for at least 48 consecutive hours;
- d) Employer termination or layoff affecting You or a person(s) sharing the same room during Your Trip. Employment must have been with the same employer for at least three (3) consecutive years;
- e) Your Primary Residence or that of Traveling Companion is rendered uninhabitable by unforeseen circumstances;
- f) Burglary of You or Your Traveling Companion's primary residence within 10 days of departure of the Trip;
- g) Felonious Assault of an Insured or a Traveling Companion within 10 days of departure or during the Trip;
- h) Bankruptcy or Default of an airline, cruise line, or tour operator (other than the travel agency from whom You purchased the travel arrangements) which stops service more than fourteen (14) days following the Effective Date.
- i) Terrorism in a country which is part of the Trip, which causes the United States Department of State to issue a travel warning that an Insured should not travel within that

- country for a period of time that would include the Trip. Such travel warning must be made after the Effective Date;
- j) Hijack, quarantine, jury duty, or court ordered appearance as a witness in a legal action in which an Insured or Traveling Companion is not a party (except law enforcement officers);
- k) The Insured or Traveling Companion is called to emergency military duty for a national disaster other than war;
- l) Traffic accident, substantiated by a police report, directly involving either the Insured or Traveling Companion while en route to a scheduled point of departure;
- m) If the Travel Supplier cancels Your Trip, You are eligible for the benefit amount shown in the Schedule of Benefits for the reissue fee charged by the airline for each of the Insureds' tickets. You must have protected the entire cost of their Trips, including the airfare.
- n) Natural Disaster at the site of Your destination which renders Your destination accommodations uninhabitable;
- o) Your normal pregnancy or attending the childbirth of Your Family Member. The pregnancy must occur after the Plan Effective Date and be verified by medical records;
- p) The primary or secondary school where You or Your Dependent Children attend must extend operating session beyond the pre-defined school year, due to Unforeseen events commencing during Your plan effective period and the travel dates for Your Trip fall within the period of the school year extension. Extensions due to extra-curricular or athletic events are not covered;
- q) Mandatory evacuation ordered by local authorities at Your destination due to hurricane or other Natural Disaster. You must have 50% or less of Your Trip remaining at the time the mandatory evacuation ends, in order for this benefit to be payable;
- r) A transfer of You or Your Traveling Companion by the employer by whom You or Your Traveling Companion are employed on Your Effective Date which requires their principal residence to be relocated;
- s) You or Your Traveling Companion are required to work during the scheduled Trip. You or Your Traveling Companion must demonstrate proof of requirement to work,

such as a notarized statement signed by an officer of Your or Your Traveling Companion's employer;

- t) You or Your Traveling Companion's company is directly involved in a merger or acquisition. You or Your Traveling Companion must be an active employee of the company that is merging and You or Your Traveling Companion must be directly involved in such an event;
- u) You or Your Traveling Companion's company operations are interrupted by fire, flood, burglary, vandalism, product recall, Bankruptcy or financial Default.
- v) a documented theft of passports or visas;

These benefits will not duplicate any benefits payable under the Policy or any coverage(s) attached to the Policy.

### **ITINERARYCHANGE BENEFITS**

In the event a Cruise/tour supplier makes a change in Your Covered Trip itinerary after Your Scheduled Departure Date, which prevents You from participating in an event/activity pre- paid prior to departure and scheduled on Your Covered Trip itinerary, nonrefundable pre-paid event/activity expenses will be payable up to the Maximum Benefit Amount.

Benefits will not be paid if a comparable event/activity of equivalent cost is rescheduled during the course of the Covered Trip.

The Maximum Benefit Amount is shown in the Confirmation of Benefits.

### **MISSED CONNECTION BENEFITS**

If You miss Your Cruise or tour departure because Your airline flight is delayed for 3 or more hours, due to a delay of a Common Carrier. The delay must be certified by the Common Carrier.

Benefits will be paid, on a one-time basis, up to the Maximum Benefit Amount, for:

- a) the Additional Transportation Cost to join the Covered Trip;

b) reasonable accommodation and meal expenses necessarily incurred by You for which You have proof of purchase and which were not paid for or provided by any other source;

Coverage is secondary to any compensation provided by a Common Carrier. Coverage will not be provided to individuals who are able to meet their schedule departure but cancel their Cruise or Covered Trip due to Inclement Weather.

The Maximum Benefit Amount is shown in the Confirmation of Benefits.

### **BAGGAGE AND PERSONAL EFFECTS**

The Maximum Benefit Amount is shown in the Schedule of Benefits.

#### **PART A. DEFINITIONS**

"Baggage and Personal Effects" means goods being used by an Insured during a Trip. The term Baggage and Personal Effects does not include:

- a) animals;
- b) automobiles and automobile equipment;
- c) boats or other vehicles or conveyances;
- d) trailers;
- e) motors;
- f) aircraft;
- g) bicycles, except when checked as baggage with a Common Carrier;
- h) household effects and furnishings;
- i) antiques and collector's items;
- j) sunglasses, contact lenses, artificial teeth, dental bridges or hearing aids;
- k) prosthetic limbs;
- l) prescribed medications;
- m) keys, money, credit cards, tickets, documents or securities, (except as coverage is otherwise specified under the Policy), stamps;
- n) professional or occupational equipment or property, whether or not electronic business equipment; or
- o) telephones, computer hardware or software;

### **PART B BENEFITS**

For Baggage and Personal Effects: Coverage will be provided to an Insured:

- (a) against all risks of permanent loss, theft or damage to baggage and personal effects;
- (b) subject to all Exclusions and Limitations in the Policy;
- (c) Up to the Maximum Benefit Amount; and
- (d) occurring while this coverage is in force.

The Company will pay the lesser of the following amounts up to the Per Article Maximum shown in the Schedule of Benefits:

- i) the actual cash value at the time of loss, theft or damage; or
- ii) the cost to repair or replace the article with material of a like kind and quality.

The Company will pay the Combined Maximum shown in the Schedule of Benefits for jewelry, watches, articles consisting in whole or in part of silver, gold or platinum, articles trimmed with fur, cameras and their accessories and related equipment.

The Company will pay the amount shown in the Schedule of Benefit for the cost of replacing a passport or visa.

The Company will pay the amount shown in the Schedule of Benefit for the cost associated with the unauthorized use of lost or stolen credit cards, subject to verification that the Insured has complied with all conditions of the credit card company.

For Baggage Delay: If, while on a Trip, an Insured's checked baggage is delayed or misdirected by a Common Carrier for more than 24 hours from his or her time of arrival at a destination other than Your place of permanent residence, benefits will be paid, up to the Maximum Benefit Amount, for the actual expenditure for necessary personal effects. An Insured must be a ticketed passenger on a Common Carrier. The Common Carrier must certify the delay or misdirection. Receipts for the purchases must accompany any claim.

## PART C CONDITIONS

Benefits will not be paid for any expenses which have been reimbursed or for any services which have been provided by the Common Carrier, hotel or Travel Supplier; nor will benefits be paid for loss or damage to property specifically covered under any other insurance.

These benefits will not duplicate any benefits payable under the Policy or any coverage(s) attached to the Policy.

## PART D. ADDITIONAL LIMITATIONS AND EXCLUSIONS SPECIFIC TO BAGGAGE AND PERSONAL EFFECTS

Benefits are not payable for any loss caused by or resulting from:

- a) breakage of brittle or fragile articles:
- b) wear and tear or gradual deterioration: confiscation or appropriation by order of any government or custom's rule:
- c) theft or pilferage while left in any unlocked vehicle:
- d) property illegally acquired, kept, stored or transported:
- e) an Insured's negligent acts or omissions: or
- f) property shipped as freight or shipped prior to the Scheduled Departure Date.

## ADDITIONAL CLAIMS PROVISIONS SPECIFIC TO BAGGAGE

Your Duties After Loss of or Damage to Property or Delay of Baggage: In case of loss, theft, damage or delay of baggage or personal effects, and You must:

- a) take all reasonable steps to protect, save or recover the property:
- b) promptly notify, in writing, either the police, hotel proprietors, ship lines, airlines, railroad, bus, airport or other station authorities, tour operators or group leaders, or any Common Carrier or bailee who has custody of an Insured's property at the time of loss:
- c) produce records needed to verify the claim and its amount, and permit copies to be made:
- d) provide to the Company, within 90 days from the date

of loss, a detailed proof of loss signed and sworn to: and

- e) be examined, if requested.

**Reductions in the Amount of Insurance:** The applicable benefit amount will be reduced by the amount of benefits, if any, previously paid for any loss or damage under this coverage for this Trip.

**No Benefit to Bailee:** This insurance shall not benefit any Common Carrier or bailee.

## BENEFITS

If an Insured is delayed for more than the number of hours shown in the Schedule of Benefits while en route to or from a Trip, due to:

- a) any delay of a Common Carrier. The delay must be certified by the Common Carrier;
- b) a traffic accident in which an Insured or Traveling Companion are not directly involved (must be substantiated by a police report);
- c) lost or stolen passports, travel documents or money (must be substantiated by a report to the police or the appropriate authority); or
- d) quarantine, hijacking, strike, natural disaster, terrorism or riot;
- e) documented weather condition preventing the Insured from getting to the point of departure;

benefits will be paid, on a one-time basis, up to the Maximum Benefit Amount, for:

- a) the Additional Transportation Cost from the point where an Insured was delayed to a destination where he or she can join the Trip;
- b) the Additional Transportation Cost to return an Insured to his or her originally scheduled return destination;
- c) reasonable accommodation and meal expenses (up to the daily amount shown in the Schedule of Benefits); and
- d) the non-refundable, unused portion of the prepaid expenses for the Trip.

Benefits will not be paid for any expenses that have

been reimbursed or for any services that have been provided by the Common Carrier.

These benefits will not duplicate any benefits payable under the Policy or any coverage(s) attached to the Policy.

## EMERGENCY MEDICAL EVACUATION AND MEDICAL REPATRIATION

The Maximum Benefit Amount is shown in the Schedule of Benefits.

## PART A BENEFITS

When an Insured suffers loss of life for any reason or incurs a Sickness or Injury during the course of a Trip, the following benefits are payable, up to the Maximum Benefit Amount.

### 1. For Emergency Medical Evacuation:

If the local attending Legally Qualified Physician and the authorized travel assistance company's medical director, if any, determine that transportation to a Hospital or medical facility is Medically Necessary to treat an unforeseen Sickness or Injury which is acute or life threatening and adequate Medical Treatment is not available at a local Hospital, benefits are payable for the Usual and Customary Charges for the Transportation Expense incurred for transportation to the closest Hospital or medical facility capable of providing adequate treatment.

If an Insured is in the Hospital for more than seven consecutive days, the Company will pay to return by Economy Transportation, the Insured's dependent children who are under 18 years of age and accompanying an Insured on the Trip, to their home, with an attendant, if considered necessary by the travel assistance company, if any.

If an Insured is in a Hospital alone for more than 7 consecutive days, the Company will pay to transport

one person, chosen by the Insured, by Economy Transportation, for a single visit to and from his or her bedside.

**2. For Medical Repatriation:**

a) If the local attending Legally Qualified Physician and the authorized travel assistance company, if any, determine that it is Medically Necessary for an Insured to return to his or her place of permanent residence because of an unforeseen Sickness or Injury which is acute or life-threatening, the Transportation Expense incurred will be paid for an Insured's return to his or her permanent residence via:

- i) one-way Economy Transportation; or
- ii) commercial upgrade, based on an Insured's condition as recommended by the local attending Legally Qualified Physician and verified in writing.

Transportation must be via the most direct and economical route.

If the local attending Legally Qualified Physician and the authorized travel assistance company, if any, determine that it is Medically Necessary for an Insured to return to his or her place of permanent residence for continued treatment of an unforeseen Sickness or Injury which is acute or life-threatening, the Transportation Expense incurred will be paid for transportation to the Hospital or medical facility closest to an Insured's permanent place of residence capable of providing that treatment. Transportation must be by the most direct and economical route. Covered land or air transportation includes, but is not limited to, commercial stretcher, medical escort, or the Usual and Customary Charges for air ambulance, provided such transportation has been pre-approved and arranged by the authorized travel assistance company.

3. **For Return of Remains:** In the event of Your death, the expense incurred will be paid for minimally necessary casket or air tray, preparation and transportation of Your remains to Your place of residence or to the place of burial.

Benefits are paid less the value of Your original unused return travel ticket.

The Maximum Benefit Amount is shown in the Schedule and Coverages.

For purposes of this Benefit, "Usual and Customary Charges" means charges that are, in the reasonable opinion of this company:

- 1. Within the range of usual charges for the same or a similar service or supply billed by most providers within the service area; or
- 2. justified by all the attending circumstances, including but not limited to, the time required to perform the service or procedure, the severity of the condition treated and the complexity of treatment of a particulate case.

These benefits will not duplicate any benefits payable under the Policy or any coverage(s) attached to the Policy.

**PART B CONDITIONS**

If benefits are payable under this Benefit and an Insured has other insurance that may provide benefits for this same loss, the Company reserves the right to recover from such other insurance. Benefits are calculated less the value of an unused return travel ticket. An Insured shall:

- 1. notify the Company of any other insurance;
- 2. help the Company exercise the Company's rights in any reasonable way that the Company may request, including the filing and assignment of other insurance benefits;
- 3. not do anything after the loss to prejudice the Company's rights; and
- 4. reimburse to the Company, to the extent of any

payment the Company has made, for benefits received from such other insurance.

**GENERAL LIMITATIONS AND EXCLUSIONS FOR ALL BENEFITS**

Benefits are not payable for Sickness, Injuries or losses of You, Your Family Member, Your Traveling Companion, You or Your Traveling Companion's Family Member, or Your Business Partner:

- 1. resulting from suicide, attempted suicide or any intentionally self-inflicted injury while sane or insane;
- 2. resulting from an act of declared or undeclared war.
- 3. While participating in maneuvers or training exercises of an armed service.
- 4. while riding, driving or participating in races, or speed or endurance contests;
- 5. while mountaineering (engaging in the sport of scaling mountains generally requiring the use of picks, ropes, or other special equipment);
- 6. while participating as a member of a team in an organized sporting competition;
- 7. while participating in skydiving, hang gliding, bungee cord jumping, scuba diving or deep sea diving;
- 8. while piloting or learning to pilot or acting as a member of the crew of any aircraft;
- 9. received as a result or consequence of being intoxicated, as specifically defined in the Policy, or under the influence of any controlled substance unless administered on the advice of a Legally Qualified Physician (except for Accident Medical and Sickness Medical benefits;
- 10. for Accident Medical and Sickness Medical benefits; due to alcoholism and drug addiction;
- 11. to which a contributory cause was the commission of or attempt to commit a felony or being engaged in an illegal occupation;
- 12. due to normal childbirth, normal pregnancy (except complications of pregnancy) or voluntarily induced abortion (except as specifically provided under Trip Cancellation/Trip Interruption);
- 13. for dental treatment (except as coverage is otherwise specifically provided herein);
- 14. due to a Pre-existing Condition, as defined in this policy. The Pre-Existing Condition Limitation does not apply to "Emergency Medical Evacuation" or the "Medical

Repatriation” benefits or to coverage purchased prior to Your final Trip payment for the full non-refundable trip cost, You are not disabled from travel at the time You pay the premium and the booking for the Trip is the first and only booking for this travel period and destination.

15. for mental or nervous disorders, unless hospitalized; or loss or damage (including death or injury) and any associated cost or expense resulting directly or indirectly from the discharge, explosion or use of any device, weapon or material employing or involving nuclear fission, nuclear fusion or radioactive force, or chemical, biological, radiological or similar agents, whether in time of peace or war, and regardless of who commits the act, regardless or any other cause or event contributing concurrently or in any other sequence thereto(except for Accident Medical and Sickness Medical benefits;.

#### **ADDITIONAL LIMITATION SPECIFIC TO TRIP CANCELLATION:**

All cancellations must be reported directly to the Travel Supplier within 72 hours of the event causing the need to cancel, unless the event prevents it, and then as soon as is reasonably possible. If the cancellation is not reported within the specified 72- hour period, the Company will not pay for additional charges which would not have been incurred had an Insured notified the Travel Supplier in the specified period. If the event prevents You from reporting the cancellation, the 72-hour notice requirement does not apply; however, You must, if requested, provide proof that said event prevented You from reporting the cancellation within the specified period.

#### **ADDITIONAL LIMITATIONS AND EXCLUSIONS SPECIFIC TO BAGGAGE AND PERSONAL EFFECTS**

Benefits are not payable for any loss caused by or resulting from:

- a) breakage of brittle or fragile articles:
- b) wear and tear or gradual deterioration:
- c) confiscation or appropriation by order of any government or custom’s rule:
- d) theft or pilferage while left in any unlocked vehicle:

- e) property illegally acquired, kept, stored or transported:
- f) an Insured’s negligent acts or omissions: or
- g) property shipped as freight or shipped prior to the Scheduled Departure Date.

#### **ADDITIONAL CLAIMS PROVISIONS SPECIFIC TO BAGGAGE**

Your Duties After Loss of or Damage to Property or Delay of Baggage: In case of loss, theft, damage or delay of baggage or personal effects, and You must:

- a) take all reasonable steps to protect, save or recover the property:
- b) promptly notify, in writing, either the police, hotel proprietors, ship lines, airlines, railroad, bus, airport or other station authorities, tour operators or group leaders, or any Common Carrier or bailee who has custody of an Insured’s property at the time of loss:
- c) produce records needed to verify the claim and its amount ,and permit copies to be made:
- d) provide to the Company, within 90 days from the date of loss, a detailed proof of loss signed and sworn to: and
- e) be examined, if requested.

**Reductions in the Amount of Insurance:** The applicable benefit amount will be reduced by the amount of benefits, if any, previously paid for any loss or damage under this coverage for this Trip.

**No Benefit to Bailee:** This insurance shall not benefit any Common Carrier or bailee.

#### **OPTIONAL CANCEL FOR ANY REASON**

*Not applicable for \$0 Trip Costs*

**Optional Coverage:** Applicable only when purchased at the time of original plan purchase and the appropriate additional premium has been paid.

Be advised that the Company requires You to purchase Cancel for any Reason coverage within 14 days of Your initial Trip deposit. If after 14 days from initial Trip

deposit, this coverage is not available.

The Company will pay a benefit, up to the maximum shown on the Schedule of Benefits, if You are prevented from taking Your Trip for all reasons up to 48 hours prior to departure.

In no event shall the amount reimbursed exceed the lesser of the amount You prepaid for the Trip or the maximum benefit shown on the Schedule of Benefits.

#### **DEFINITIONS FOR ALL BENEFITS**

**“Accident”** means a sudden, unexpected, or unintended event that occurs while this Policy is in force and causes Injury.

**“Additional Transportation Cost”** means the actual cost incurred for one-way Economy Transportation by Common Carrier reduced by the value of an unused travel ticket.

**“Bankruptcy”** means the filing of a petition for voluntary or involuntary bankruptcy in a court of competent jurisdiction under Chapter 7 or Chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code 11 L.S.C. Subsection 101 et seq.

**“Business Partner”** means an individual who

- (a) is involved in a legal general partnership with You and or
- (b) is actively involved in the day-to-day management of Your business.

**“Common Carrier”** means any public land, air or water conveyance operating under a valid license providing for the transportation of passengers for hire.

**“Default”** means a material failure or inability to provide contracted services.

**“Economy Transportation”** means the lowest published available transportation rate for a ticket on a Common Carrier matching the original class of transportation that the Insured purchased for the Trip, reduced by the value of an unused return travel ticket.

**“Family Member”** means any of the following who resides in the United States, Canada or Mexico: You or Your Traveling Companion’s legal spouse or common-law spouse where legal; legal guardian; son or daughter (adopted, foster, step or in-law); brother or sister (includes step or in-law), parent (includes step or in-law), grandparent (includes in-law), grandchild, aunt, uncle, niece or nephew.

**“Hospital”** means (a) a place which is licensed or recognized as a general hospital by the proper authority of the state in which it is located: (b) a place operated for the care and treatment of resident inpatients with a registered graduate nurse (RN) always on duty and with a laboratory and X-ray facility: (c) a place recognized as a general hospital by the Joint Commission on the Accreditation of Hospitals. Not included is a hospital or institution licensed or used principally: (1) for the treatment or care of drug addicts or alcoholics: or (2) as a clinic, continued or extended care facility, skilled nursing facility, convalescent home, rest home, nursing home or home for the aged.

**“Inclement Weather”** means any weather condition that delays the scheduled arrival or departure of a Common Carrier.

**“Injury” or “Injuries”** means accidental bodily injuries: (a) received after the Effective Date and prior to the Insured’s scheduled return date; and (b) resulting in loss independently of sickness and all other causes and certified by a Legally Qualified Physician.

**“Insured”** means the Principal Insured and his or her Family Members, Business Partner, or Traveling Companion who are covered under the Principal Insured’s Policy.

**“Intoxicated”** mean a blood alcohol level that equals or exceeds the legal limit for operating a motor vehicle in the state or jurisdiction where an Insured is located at the time of an incident.

**“Legally Qualified Physician”** means a physician or a Christian Science Practitioner (a) other than an Insured, a Traveling Companion or a Family Member: (b) practicing within the scope of his or her license: and (c) recognized as a physician in the place where the services are rendered.

**“Maximum Benefit Amount”** means the maximum amount payable for each coverage described herein and as shown in the Schedule of Benefits.

**“Medical Treatment”** means treatment advice or consultation by a Legally Qualified Physician.

**“Medically Necessary”** means a service or supply which: (a) is recommended by the attending Legally Qualified Physician: (b) is appropriate and consistent with the diagnosis in accord with accepted standards of community practice: (c) could not have been omitted

without adversely affecting an Insured’s condition or quality of medical care: (d) is delivered at the most appropriate level of care and not primarily for the sake of convenience: and (e) is not considered experimental unless coverage for experimental services or supplies is required by law.

**“Pre-existing Condition”** means any Injury, sickness or condition (including any condition from which death ensues of You, or Your Traveling Companion, or Your and/or Your Traveling Companion’s Family Member or Your Business Partner for which within the one hundred eighty (180) day period prior to the effective date of the Insured’s coverage under this Policy which (a) manifested itself, became acute or exhibited symptoms which would have caused one to seek diagnosis, care or treatment; (b) required taking prescribed drugs or medicine, unless the condition for which the prescribed drug or medicine is taken remains controlled without any change in the required prescription; or (c) required medical treatment or treatment was recommended by a Legally Qualified Physician.

**“Principal Insured”** means the individual named on the application who has purchased a Trip and who has paid the required cost for the Policy. You and Yours refer to the Principal Insured.

**“Scheduled Departure Date”** means the date on which You are originally scheduled to leave on the Trip.

**“Scheduled Return Date”** means the date on which You are originally scheduled to return to the point of origin or the original final destination.

**“Schedule of Benefits”** means the coverage confirmation provided to You following application and payment of the applicable premium.

**“Sickness”** means an illness or disease that is first manifested, diagnosed or treated by a Legally Qualified Physician after the effective date of insurance and while the Insured is covered under this Policy.

**“Strike”** means any stoppage of work: (a) as a result of a combined effort of workers which was unannounced and unpublished at the time travel services were purchased: and (b) which interferes with the normal departure and arrival of a Common Carrier.

**“Third Party”** means a person or entity other than an

Insured or the Company.

**“Transportation Expense”** means: (a) the cost of conveyance of an Insured and any medical personnel (if Medically Necessary): and (b) Medically Necessary services or supplies.

**“Travel Arrangements”** means:

- (a) transportation:
- (b) accommodations: and
- (c) other specified services arranged by the Travel Supplier for the Trip.

**“Traveling Companion”** means a person or persons with whom a covered person has coordinated travel arrangements and intends to travel with during the trip.

**“Travel Supplier”** means any entity or organization that coordinates or supplies Your travel services for.

**“Trip”** means scheduled trips, tours or cruises for which (a) coverage is requested: and (b) the required premium is submitted prior to the Scheduled Departure Date.

**“Usual and Customary Charges”** means those comparable charges for similar treatment, services and supplies in the geographic area where treatment is performed.

When used throughout this document “Company”, “Our”, “We”, or “Us” means:

## United States Fire Insurance Company

### GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES

When you submit a claim and that claim is denied, we will provide a written statement containing the reasons for the Adverse Determination. You have the right to request a review of any Company decision or action pertaining to our contractual relationship and to appeal any adverse claim determination we’ve made by filing a Grievance. These procedures have been developed to ensure a full investigation of a Grievance through a formal process.

### DEFINITIONS

A **“Grievance”** is a written complaint requesting a change to a previous claim decision, claims payment, the handling or reimbursement of health care services, or other matters pertaining to your coverage and our contractual relationship.

An “**Adverse Determination**” is a determination by the Company or its designated utilization review organization that (i) a service, treatment, drug, or device, is experimental, investigational, specifically limited or excluded by your coverage; or (ii) a facility admission, the availability of care, continued stay or other health care services proposed or furnished have been reviewed and, based upon the information provided, does not meet the contractual requirements for medical necessity, appropriateness, health care setting, level of care or effectiveness and therefore, the benefit coverage is denied, reduced or terminated in whole or in part.

### **INFORMAL GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE**

You, your authorized representative, or a provider acting on your behalf may submit an oral complaint to us within 60-days after an event that causes a dispute. Telephoning allows you to discuss your complaint or concerns and gives us the opportunity to immediately resolve the problem.

If we don't have all the information necessary to review your complaint, we will request any additional information within 5 business days of receiving your complaint. After we receive all the necessary information, we will provide you, your authorized representative, or a provider acting on your behalf with our written decision within 30-days after receiving the complaint and all necessary information.

If the problem cannot be resolved in this manner, you still have the right to submit a written request for the complaint to be reviewed through the Formal Grievance Procedure, as outlined below.

### **FORMAL GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE**

A formal Grievance may be submitted by you, your authorized representative, or in the event of an Adverse Determination, by a provider acting on your behalf.

If you file a formal Grievance, you will have the opportunity to submit written comments, documents, records and other information you feel are relevant to the Grievance, regardless of whether those materials were considered in the initial Adverse Determination.

### **First Level Review**

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Within 3 working business days after receiving the Grievance, we must acknowledge the Grievance and provide you, your authorized representative or a provider with the name, address, and telephone number of the coordinator handling the Grievance and information on how to submit written material. The person(s) who reviews the Grievance will not be the same person(s) who made the initial Adverse Determination. During the review, all information, documents, and other materials submitted relating to the claim will be considered, regardless of whether they were considered in making the previous claim decision. The Insured will not be allowed to attend, or have a representative attend, a First Level Review. The Insured may, however, submit written material for consideration by the reviewer(s).

### **Grievance**

When the Grievance is based in whole or in part on a medical judgment, the review will be conducted by, or in consultation with, a medical doctor with appropriate training and expertise to evaluate the matter.

Following our review of your Grievance, we must issue a written decision to you and, if applicable, to your representative or provider, within 20-days after receiving the Grievance. The written decision must include:

- (1) The name(s), title(s) and professional qualifications of any person(s) participating in the First Level Review process.
- (2) A statement of the reviewer's understanding of the Grievance.
- (3) The specific reason(s) for the reviewer's decision in clear terms and the contractual basis or medical rationale used as the basis for the decision in sufficient detail for the Insured to respond further to our position.
- (4) A reference to the evidence or documentation used as the basis for the decision.
- (5) If the claim denial is based on medical necessity, experimental treatment or similar exclusion, instructions for requesting an explanation of the scientific

or clinical rationale used to make the determination.

- (6) A statement advising you of your right to request a Second Level Review, if applicable, and a description of the procedure and timeframes for requesting a Second Level Review.

### **Second Level Review**

The Second Level Review process is available if you are not satisfied with the outcome of the First level Review for an Adverse Determination. Within ten business days after receiving a request for a Second Level Review, we will advise you of the following:

- (1) the name, address, and telephone number of a person designated to coordinate the Grievance review for the Company;
- (2) a statement of your rights, including the right to:
  - attend the Second Level Review
  - present his/her case to the review panel;
  - submit supporting materials before and at the review meeting;
  - ask questions of any member of the review panel;
  - be assisted or represented by a person of his/her choice, including a provider, family member, employer representative, or attorney.
  - request and receive from us free of charge, copies of all relevant documents, records and other information that is not confidential or privileged that were considered in making the Adverse Determination.

We must convene a review panel and hold a review meeting within 45-days after receiving a request for a Second Level Review. We will notify you in writing of the meeting date at least 15-days prior to the date. The review meeting will be held during regular business hours at a location reasonable accessible to you. In cases where a face-to-face meeting is

not practical for geographic reasons, we will offer you the opportunity to communicate with the review panel at our expense by conference call or other appropriate technology. Your right to a full review may not be conditioned on whether or not you appear at the meeting.

If you choose to be represented by an attorney, we may also be represented by an attorney. If we choose to have an attorney present to represent our interests, we will notify you at least 15 working days in advance of the review that an attorney will be present and that you may wish to obtain legal representation of your own.

The panel must be comprised of persons who:

- (1) were not previously involved in any matter giving rise to the Second Level Review;
- (2) are not employees of the Company or Utilization Review Organization; and
- (3) do not have a financial interest in the outcome of the review.

A person previously involved in the Grievance may appear before the panel to present information or answer questions.

All persons reviewing a Second Level Grievance involving a Utilization Review non-certification or a clinical issue will be providers who have appropriate expertise, including at least one clinical peer. If we use a clinical peer on an appeal of a Utilization Review non-certification or on a First Level Review, we may use one of our employees on the Second Level Review panel if the panel is comprised of 3 or more persons.

#### Grievance

We must issue a written decision to you and, if applicable, to your representative or provider, within 10 business days after completing the review meeting. The decision must include:

- (1) the name(s), title(s) and qualifying credentials of the members of the review panel;
- (2) a statement of the review panel's understanding of the nature of the Grievance and all pertinent facts;

- (3) the review panel's recommendation to the Company and the rationale behind the recommendation;
- (4) a description of, or reference to, the evidence or documentation considered by the review panel in making the recommendation;
- (5) in the review of a Utilization Review non-certification or other clinical matter, a written statement of the clinical rationale, including the clinical review criteria, that was used by the review panel to make the determination;
- (6) the rationale for the Company's decision if it differs from the review panel's recommendation;
- (7) a statement that the decision is the Company's final determination in the matter;
- (8) notice of the availability of the Commissioner's office for assistance, including the telephone number and address of the Commissioner's office.

#### EXPEDITED REVIEW

You are eligible for an expedited review when the timeframes for an Informal, formal First Level review or Second Level review would reasonably appear to seriously jeopardize your life or health, or your ability to regain maximum function. An expedited review is also available for all Grievances concerning an admission, availability of care, continued stay or health care service for a person who has received emergency services, but who has not been discharged from a facility.

A request for an expedited review may be submitted orally or in writing. An expedited review must be evaluated by an appropriate clinical peer in the same or similar specialty as would typically manage the case being reviewed. If we don't have the information necessary to decide an appeal, we will send you notification of precisely what is required within 24-hours of our receipt of your Grievance. All necessary information, including our decision, will be transmitted by telephone, facsimile, or the most expeditious

method available. Provided we have enough information to make a decision, you, your authorized representative, or a provider acting on your behalf will be notified of the determination as expeditiously as the medical condition requires, but in no event more than 72-hours after the review has commenced. Written confirmation of our decision will be provided within 2 working business days of the decision and will contain the same items described in the written decision requirements for First Level reviews.

If the expedited review does not resolve the situation, you, your representative or a provider acting on your behalf may submit a written Grievance.

We will not provide an expedited review for retrospective reviews of Adverse Determinations.

When used throughout this document "The Company", "Our", "We", or "Us" means:

**United States Fire Insurance Company**

#### **PRIVACY POLICY AND PRACTICES**

The Company values your business and your trust. In order to administer insurance policies and provide you with effective customer service, we must collect certain information about our customers. We want you to know that we are committed to protecting your private information and we will comply with all federal and state privacy laws. Below is a Privacy Notice describing our policy regarding the collection and disclosure of personal information. Please review this Notice and keep a copy of it with your records.

#### **Your Privacy is Our Concern**

When you apply to The Company for insurance or make a claim against a policy written by The Company, you disclose information about yourself to us. There are legal requirements governing the collection, use, and disclosure of such information. The Company maintains physical, electronic, and procedural safeguards that comply with state and federal regulations to guard your personal information. We also limit employee access to personally identifiable information to those with a business reason for knowing such information. The Company instructs our employees as to the

importance of the confidentiality of personal information, and takes measures to enforce employee privacy responsibilities.

**What kind of information do we collect about you and from whom?**

We obtain most of our information from you. The application or claim form you complete, as well as any additional information you provide, generally gives us most of the information we need to know. Sometimes we may contact you by phone or mail to obtain additional information. We may use information about you from other transactions with us, our affiliates, or others. Depending on the nature of your insurance transaction, we may need additional information about you or other individuals proposed for coverage. We may obtain the additional information we need from third parties, such as other insurance companies or agents, government agencies, medical personnel, the state motor vehicle department, information clearinghouses, credit reporting agencies, courts, or public records. A report from a consumer reporting agency may contain information as to creditworthiness, credit standing, credit capacity, character, general reputation, hobbies, occupation, personal characteristics, or mode of living.

**What do we do with the information collected about you?**

If coverage is declined or the charge for coverage is increased because of information contained in a consumer report we obtained, we will inform you, as required by state law or the federal Fair Credit Reporting Act. We will also give you the name and address of the consumer reporting agency making the report. We may retain information about our former customers and may disclose that information to affiliates and non-affiliates only as described in this notice.

**To whom do we disclose information about you?**

We may disclose all the information that we collect about you, as described above. We may disclose such information about you to our affiliated companies, such as:

- Insurance companies;
- Insurance agencies;

- Third party administrators;
- Medical bill review companies; and
- Reinsurance companies.

We may also disclose nonpublic personal information about you to affiliated and nonaffiliated third parties as permitted by law. You have a right to access and correct the personal information we collect, maintain and disclose about you.

**How to contact Us**

You may obtain a more detailed description of the information practices prescribed by law by contacting us at the address below. Remember to include your name, address, policy number, and daytime phone number.

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Fairmont Specialty  
5 Christopher Way, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor  
Eatontown, New Jersey 07724