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Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act (WHCRA)

In compliance with the Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act this letter serves as your annual notification regarding benefits for mastectomies and various related services.

For any participant or beneficiary of the Plan who receives plan benefits for a mastectomy, your Group Health Plan provides coverage for performance of a mastectomy; the procedures necessary to effect reconstruction of the breast on which a mastectomy was performed; the cost of prostheses (implants, special bras, etc.) as well as physical complications of all stages of mastectomy, including lymphedema; and surgery or reconstruction of the breast on which a mastectomy was not performed in order to produce a symmetrical appearance as maybe recommended by an attending physician of any patient on whom a mastectomy has been performed.

Coverage for such surgery or reconstruction will be subject to the same deductibles and copayments that apply to mastectomies under the Plan's current terms, which are described in your Group Health Plan Summary Plan Description. If you would more information on WHCRA benefits, call a Benefits Administrator at (603) 646-3588.