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Group Out-of-Province/Canada Travel Medical Emergency Insurance

# **BENEFITS**



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## **Schedule of Benefits**

Policyholder Name		
Policy Number		
This booklet contains further clauses which pages carefully. Please note that a	ch may limit coverage. Please read all the benefit description Il dollar amounts are expressed in Canadian currency.	
Overall Maximum per Insured Person	Class A: per coverage period Class B: per coverage period	
	Class A:	
Description of Classes	Class B:	
Work Hours Required	Class A: A minimum of hours per week Class B: A minimum of hours per week	
Eligibility Period	Class A: continuous months of employment Class B: continuous months of employment	
Termination Age	Class A:	
	olado B.	
Common Law Spouse Cohabitation Period	n Period Class A: Continuous cohabitation: Last months Class B: Continuous cohabitation: Last months	
Age Limits for <i>Dependent</i> Children	Under age , or under age if a full-time student at a recognized educational institution	
Pre-existing Condition Stability Period	Class A: Class B:	
Coverage Period	Class A: days per trip	

### **BENEFIT SUMMARY**

### Refer to SECTION II for benefit details.

Hospital Accommodation	Reasonable and Customary Costs		
Physician Charges	Reasonable and Customary Costs		
Diagnostic Services	Reasonable and Customary Costs		
Paramedical Services	\$250 per Profession		
Prescription Drugs	30-day supply per Prescription		
Ambulance Services	Reasonable and Customary Costs		
Medical Appliances	Reasonable and Customary Costs		
Private Duty Nurse	Up to \$5,000		
Emergency Air Transportation	Reasonable and Customary Costs		
Transportation to Bedside	Economy Round-trip Airfare plus up to \$150 per day to a maximum \$3,000		
Return of Travel Companion	One-way Airfare		
Treatment of Dental Accidents	Up to \$2,000		
Meals and Accommodation	Up to \$150 per day, to a maximum \$3,000 per Trip		
Vehicle Return	Up to \$5,000		
Return of Deceased	Up to \$5,000		
Incidental Expenses	Up to \$250		

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# Group Out-of-Province/Canada Travel Medical *Emergency* Insurance

Words in *italics* have a specific meaning and are defined in the "Definitions" section.

### **IMPORTANT NOTICE - PLEASE READ CAREFULLY**

Travel insurance is designed to cover losses arising from sudden and unforeseeable circumstances occurring while *you* are temporarily travelling outside *your* province or territory of residence. It is important that *you* read and understand *your* plan before *you* travel. In the event of any discrepancy between the provisions of a booklet or other document *you* hold and the provisions of the *policy*, the provisions of the *policy* shall govern. The *Insurer* has contracted *Global Excel Management Inc.* (called "*Global Excel*") to provide medical assistance and claims services under the *policy*.

The *policy* contains a provision removing or restricting the right of the group person to designate persons to whom or for whose benefit insurance money is to be payable.

### IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY, YOU MUST CALL GLOBAL EXCEL IMMEDIATELY:

From Canada and the U.S., call toll-free	1-866-870-1898
From anywhere else, call collect	<b>± 819-566-1898</b>

The *emergency* telephone numbers are also shown on the back of the *medical assistance card* provided.

Global Excel must be contacted before you seek medical treatment. If your condition renders you unable to do so, then someone else must contact Global Excel immediately for you. Do not assume that someone will contact Global Excel on your behalf. It remains your responsibility to ensure that Global Excel has been contacted prior to receiving medical treatment or as soon as reasonably possible.

If you incur any expenses without prior approval by Global Excel, such expenses will be covered, except where the policy expressly requires the prior approval or authorization of Global Excel, on the basis of the reasonable and customary costs that would have been payable for such expenses by the Insurer in accordance with the terms and conditions of the policy. Such expenses may be higher than this amount, therefore you will be responsible for paying any difference between the amount you incur and the reasonable and customary costs reimbursed by the Insurer.

### **Participant Coverage**

To be covered under the *policy* as a *participant*, *you* must meet the following eligibility requirements:

- be covered under the government health insurance plan of your province or territory of residence;
- 2. be covered under the basic group extended health care plan of the policyholder,
- 3. be younger than the *termination age* specified in the Schedule of Benefits;
- 4. have your place of employment in Canada;
- have your permanent residence in Canada; and
- 6. a) if *you* are covered as an employee of the *policyholder*, *you* must:
  - i. work the minimum number of hours per week specified in the Schedule of Benefits;
     and
  - ii. have satisfied the eligibility period specified in the Schedule of Benefits;
  - if you are covered as a member of the policyholder who is other than an employer, you must also:
    - i. be a member in good standing of the *policyholder*; and
    - ii. be on the monthly list of members entitled to coverage provided to the *Insurer* by the *policyholder*.

### Participant coverage will become effective on the later of:

- 1. the date the policy becomes effective; or
- the date your coverage becomes effective under the basic group extended health care plan of the policyholder.

Coverage for disabled employees or employees who are not actively at work on the date their coverage would normally become effective will become effective on the date the employee resumes active work.

### Participant coverage will terminate immediately upon the first to occur of:

- 1. the date *you* cease to meet the above eligibility requirements for *participant* coverage;
- 2. the date the premium is due if the *policyholder* does not remit *your* premium to the *Insurer*, except where this is the result of clerical error; or
- 3. the date the *policy* is terminated.

### **Dependent Coverage**

To be covered under the *policy* as a *dependent*, *you* must meet the following eligibility requirements:

- be covered under the government health insurance plan of your province or territory of residence; and
- be covered as a dependent under the basic group extended health care plan of the policyholder.

### Dependent coverage, if any, will become effective on the later of:

- 1. the date the *policy* becomes effective; or
- the date the dependent's coverage becomes effective under the basic group extended health care plan of the policyholder.

but in no event prior to date the *participant's* insurance becomes effective.

### Dependent coverage will terminate immediately upon the first to occur of:

- the date the dependent ceases to meet the above eligibility requirements for dependent coverage;
- 2. the date the participant's coverage terminates, except if termination is due to the death of the participant, in which case your coverage will continue until the earlier of the expiry of two (2) years or the date you cease to meet the definition of dependent or reach the termination age specified in the Schedule of Benefits or remarry or die, provided the policyholder continues to make the required premium payments; or
- 3. the date the *policy* is terminated.

### **SECTION II — BENEFITS**

### The policy covers expenses that are:

- incurred outside the province or territory of residence of the *insured person*:
- medically necessary;
- reasonable and customary costs;
- incurred as a result of an emergency due to sudden and unforeseen sickness and/or injury occurring during the coverage period;
- in excess of those covered by the government health insurance plan or other insurance under which you may have coverage; and
- · legally insurable;

subject to the Overall Maximum per *insured person* specified in the Schedule of Benefits.

In the event of an *emergency*, the following benefits are payable under the *policy*. However, certain expenses, as specified below, are covered only if *you* obtain the prior approval of *Global Excel*.

- 1. **Hospital** Accommodation: Room and board costs up to the semi-private room rate charged by the *hospital*. If *medically necessary*, expenses for treatment in an intensive or coronary care unit are also covered. If coverage terminates for any reason during *your hospital* stay, benefits continue until discharge, to a maximum of one year. In no case will expenses for *in-patient* stays be covered for a period greater than 365 days per *insured person*.
- 2. **Physician Charges:** Charges for treatment by a *physician*.
- Diagnostic Services: Laboratory tests and x-rays prescribed by the attending physician
  and that are part of the emergency treatment. The policy does not cover magnetic
  resonance imaging (MRI), cardiac catheterization, computerized axial tomography (CAT)
  scans, sonograms or ultrasounds and biopsies unless such services are authorized in advance
  by Global Excel.
- 4. **Paramedical Services:** The services (including x-rays) of a licensed chiropractor, physiotherapist, podiatrist or osteopath, to the maximum specified in the Benefit Summary

- section of the Schedule of Benefits, per *insured person*, per profession listed above, when approved in advance by *Global Excel*.
- 5. Prescriptions: Drugs, including injectable drugs and sera, that can only be obtained upon medical prescription, that are prescribed by a *physician* and that are supplied by a licensed pharmacist when *medically necessary* for *emergency* treatment, except when needed to stabilize a chronic condition or a medical condition which *you* had before *your trip*. This benefit is limited to a 30-day supply per prescription, unless *you* are hospitalized.
- Ambulance Services: When reasonable and medically necessary, licensed ground ambulance service to the nearest medical facility.
- Medical Appliances: When approved in advance by Global Excel, minor appliances such as
  crutches, casts, splints, canes, slings, trusses, braces, walkers and/or the temporary rental of
  a wheelchair when prescribed by the attending physician, obtained outside your province or
  territory of residence and medically necessary.
- Private Duty Nurse: The professional services of a registered private nurse, when medically necessary and while hospitalized, to the maximum specified in the Benefit Summary section of the Schedule of Benefits, per insured person, when approved in advance by Global Excel.
- 9. **Emergency Air Transportation:** When approved and arranged in advance by *Global Excel*:
  - a) air ambulance to the nearest appropriate medical facility or to a Canadian hospital for immediate emergency treatment;
  - transport on a licensed airline with an attendant (where required) to return you to your province or territory of residence for immediate emergency treatment.
- 10. Transportation to Bedside: When approved in advance by Global Excel, a single round-trip economy airfare from Canada plus up to the maximum amount specified in the Benefit Summary section of Schedule of Benefits for the cost of meals and commercial accommodation for one of the following: spouse, parent, child, brother, sister or business partner, to:
  - a) be with you if you are travelling alone and have been hospitalized as the result of an emergency. To be payable, this benefit requires that you eventually be hospitalized as an in-patient for at least three (3) consecutive days outside your province or territory of residence and that the attending physician provide written certification that the situation was serious enough to warrant the visit; or
  - b) identify the deceased *insured person* prior to the release of the body, where necessary. The *Insurer* will only reimburse covered expenses evidenced by original receipts.
- 11. Return of Travel Companion: If you are returned to your province or territory of residence under the Emergency Air Transportation benefit or the Return of Deceased benefit, the Insurer will reimburse the cost of a single one-way economy airfare for a travel companion to return to Canada, when approved in advance by Global Excel.
- 12. Treatment of Dental Accidents: To the maximum specified in the Benefit Summary section of the Schedule of Benefits per insured person for emergency dental treatment to repair natural, vital and sound teeth or permanently attached artificial teeth provided the injury was caused by an external, accidental blow to the mouth or face. You must consult a physician or dentist immediately following the injury. Treatment must begin during the coverage period and be completed prior to returning to your province or territory of residence. An accident report is required from a physician or dentist for claims purposes.
- 13. **Meals and Accommodation:** To the maximum specified in the Benefit Summary section of the Schedule of Benefits per *participant*, for the cost of commercial accommodation and meals for the *participant* and/or any of his/her *dependents* when their *trip* is extended beyond the

last day of the scheduled *trip* due to the *sickness* and/or *injury* suffered by an *insured person*. This benefit must be authorized in advance by *Global Excel*. The fact that *you* are unable to travel must be certified by the attending *physician* and supported with original receipts from commercial organizations.

- 14. Vehicle Return: To the maximum specified in the Benefit Summary section of the Schedule of Benefits if neither you, nor someone travelling with you, are able to operate your vehicle, whether owned or rented, during your trip due to sickness and/or injury. Arrangements and payment will be made for the return of the vehicle to your home in your province or territory of residence or the nearest appropriate rental agency. Benefits will only be payable for a single person to return the vehicle when approved and/or arranged in advance by Global Excel. This benefit does not cover wages lost by the person driving your vehicle. The Insurer will only reimburse covered expenses evidenced by original receipts.
- 15. Return of Deceased: To the maximum specified in the Benefit Summary section of the Schedule of Benefits towards the cost of preparation and transportation of the deceased insured person to their province or territory of residence in the event of death due to sickness and/or injury.
  - In the case of cremation and/or burial at the place of death of the *insured person*, this benefit is limited to \$2,500.

The cost of the casket or urn is not covered.

16. Incidental Expenses: To the maximum specified in the Benefit Summary section of the Schedule of Benefits for *your* out-of-pocket expenses such as telephone charges, television rental and parking while *you* are hospitalized for an *emergency* and the expenses are incurred as a direct result of such hospitalization. The *Insurer* will only reimburse covered expenses evidenced by original receipts.

### SECTION III — EXCLUSIONS

The *policy* does not cover losses or expenses related in whole or in part, directly or indirectly, to any of the following:

- 1. Treatment or services normally covered or reimbursable under a *government health insurance* plan or under other insurance you might have.
- Any medical condition that existed prior to departure that was not stable at any time during the Pre-existing Condition Stability Period specified in the Schedule of Benefits prior to each departure date.
- Any trip booked or commenced contrary to medical advice or after being diagnosed with a terminal illness.
- Any medical condition for which, prior to departure, medical evidence suggests a reasonable expectation that treatment or hospitalization could be required while travelling.
- 5. Treatment, surgery, medication, services or supplies that are not required for the immediate relief of acute pain and suffering or that you elect to have provided outside your province or territory of residence when medical evidence indicates that you could return to your province or territory of residence to receive such treatment. The delay to receive treatment in your province or territory of residence has no bearing on the application of this exclusion.
- 6. Treatment or surgery during a *trip* when the *trip* is undertaken for the purpose of securing or with the intent of receiving medical or *hospital* services, whether or not such *trip* is taken on the advice of a *physician*.

- Cardiac catheterization, angioplasty, and/or cardiovascular surgery including any associated diagnostic test(s) or charges unless approved by Global Excel prior to being performed, except in extreme circumstances where such surgery is performed on an emergency basis immediately upon admission to hospital.
- Magnetic resonance imaging (MRI), computerized axial tomography (CAT) scans, sonograms or ultrasounds and biopsies unless such services are authorized in advance by Global Excel.
- 9. Hospitalization or services rendered in connection with general health examinations for "checkup" purposes, treatment of an *ongoing condition*, regular care of a chronic condition, home health care, investigative testing, rehabilitation or ongoing care or treatment in connection with drugs, alcohol or any other substance abuse or non-compliance with any prescribed medical therapy or treatment and medical treatment of an acute *sickness* and/ or *injury* after the initial *emergency* has ended (as determined by the Medical Director of *Global Excel*).
- A disorder, disease, condition or symptom that is emotional, psychological or mental in nature unless hospitalized.
- Emergency Air Transportation and/or car rental unless approved and arranged in advance by Global Excel.
- 12. Treatment not performed by or under the supervision of a *physician* or licensed dentist.
- 13. Treatment or hospitalization of mother or child as a result of pregnancy, miscarriage, childbirth or complications of any of these conditions occurring in the four (4) weeks before or after the expected delivery date.
- 14. War, invasion, act of a foreign enemy, declared or undeclared hostilities, civil war, rebellion, revolution or military power.
- 15. Terrorism or by any activity or decision of a government agency or any other entity to prevent, respond to or terminate terrorism except for ensuing loss or damage which results directly from fire or explosion. Such loss or damage is excluded regardless of any other cause or event that contributes concurrently or in any sequence to the loss or damage.
- 16. Committing or attempting to commit an illegal act or a criminal act.
- 17. Suicide (including any attempt thereat) or self-inflicted *injury*, whether or not *you* are sane.
- 18. Service in the armed forces.
- 19. Participation in any sport as a professional athlete (for which you are remunerated), or in motorized or mechanically-assisted racing or speed contests (defined as an organized activity of a competitive nature in which speed is a determining factor in the outcome of the event).
- 20. Loss or damage to hearing devices, eyeglasses, sunglasses, contact lenses, or prosthetic teeth, limbs or devices and resulting prescription thereof.
- 21. The replacement of an existing prescription whether by reason of loss, unless otherwise specified elsewhere in the *policy*, renewal or inadequate supply or the purchase of drugs and medications (including vitamins) which are commonly available without a prescription or which are not legally registered and approved in Canada or which are not required as a result of an *emergency*.
- 22. Upgrading charges and cancellation penalties for airline tickets, unless approved in advance by *Global Excel*.
- The cost of any airline ticket covered under the policy where your ticket may be exchanged or used for the same purpose.
- 24. Crowns and root canals.

- 25. Treatment or services received in the province where you attend school or work on a full-time basis or in your home country, if you are a foreign student studying in Canada or a non-resident working in Canada.
- 26. An accident occurring while you were operating a motorized vehicle, vessel or aircraft, if you:
  - a) were under the influence of drugs or toxic substances, or
  - b) had a blood alcohol level higher than 80 milligrams of alcohol per 100 millilitres of blood, or
  - had a blood alcohol level higher than the legal limit in the location where the accident occurred.

### SECTION IV — GENERAL PROVISIONS AND LIMITATIONS

- Notice to Global Excel: In the event of a sickness and/or injury likely to give rise to an emergency, you must give immediate notice to Global Excel. Failure to do so may limit the benefits payable under the policy. If you incur any expenses without prior approval by Global Excel, such expenses will be covered, except where the policy expressly requires the prior approval or authorization of Global Excel, on the basis of the reasonable and customary costs that would have been payable for such expenses by the Insurer in accordance with the terms and conditions of the policy. Such expenses may be higher than this amount, therefore you will be responsible for paying any difference between the amount you incurred and the reasonable and customary costs reimbursed by the Insurer.
- Transfer or Medical Repatriation: During an emergency (whether prior to admission or during a covered hospitalization), the *Insurer* reserves the right to:
  - a) transfer you to one of Global Excel's preferred health care providers, and/or
  - b) return *you* to *your* province or territory of residence
  - for the medical treatment of *your sickness* and/or *injury* where this poses no danger to *your* life or health. If *you* choose to decline the transfer or return when declared medically *stable* by the Medical Director of *Global Excel*, the *Insurer* will be released from any liability for expenses incurred for such *sickness* and/or *injury* after the proposed date of transfer or return. *Global Excel* will make every provision for *your* medical condition when choosing and arranging the mode of *your* transfer or return and, in the case of a transfer, when choosing the *hospital*.
- 3. **Limitation of Benefits:** Once *you* are deemed medically *stable* to return to Canada (with or without medical escort) either in the opinion of the Medical Director of *Global Excel* or by virtue of discharge from a medical facility, *your emergency* will be deemed to have ended, whereupon any further consultation, treatment, recurrence or complication related to the *emergency* will no longer be eligible for coverage under the *policy*.
- 4. Misrepresentation and Non-Disclosure: Your entire coverage under the policy shall be voidable if the Insurer determines, whether before or after loss, that you or the policyholder have concealed, misrepresented or failed to disclose any material fact or circumstance concerning the policy or your interest therein, or if you or the policyholder refuse to disclose information or to permit the use of such information, pertaining to any of the insured persons under the policy. Consequently and following a loss, no claim shall be payable by the Insurer and you shall be solely responsible for all expenses relating to your claim, including medical repatriation costs.
- 5. **Subrogation:** If *you* suffer a loss covered under the *policy*, the *Insurer* is granted the right from *you* to take action to enforce all *your* rights, powers, privileges, and remedies, to the extent

of benefits paid under the *policy*, against any person, legal person or entity which caused such loss. Additionally, if "no fault" benefits or other collateral sources of payment of medical expenses are available to *you*, regardless of fault, the *Insurer* is granted the right to make demand for, and recover, those benefits. If the *Insurer* institutes an action it may do so at its own expense, in *your* name, and *you* will attend at the place of loss to assist in the action, in addition to providing the *Insurer* all information, cooperation and assistance the *Insurer* may reasonably require. If *you* institute a demand or action for a covered loss, *you* shall immediately notify the *Insurer* so that the *Insurer* may safeguard its rights.

You shall take no action after a loss that will impair the rights of the *Insurer* set forth in this paragraph and shall do all such things as are necessary to secure such rights.

Arbitration: Notwithstanding any clause in the policy, the parties hereto undertake to submit
to an arbitration procedure, to the exclusion of the courts, any present or future dispute relating
to a claim.

The arbitration proceedings shall be governed by the arbitration law in force in the Canadian province or territory of residence of the *participant*. The parties agree that any action will be referred to arbitration.

- Applicable Law: The policy is governed by the law of the Canadian province or territory
  of residence of the participant. Any legal proceeding by the insured person, his heirs or
  assigns shall be brought in the courts of the Canadian province or territory of residence of the
  participant.
- 8. Other Insurance: This insurance is a second payer plan. For any loss or damage insured by, or for any claim payable under any other liability, group or individual basic or extended health insurance plan, or contracts including any private or provincial or territorial auto insurance plan providing hospital, medical, or therapeutic coverage, or any other insurance in force concurrently herewith, amounts payable hereunder are limited to those covered benefits incurred outside the province of residence that are in excess of the amounts for which an insured person is insured under such other coverage. All coordination with employee related plans follows Canadian Life and Health Insurance Association Inc. guidelines. In no case will the Insurer seek to recover against employment related plans if the lifetime maximum for all in-country and out-of-country benefits is \$50,000 or less. If the lifetime maximum for all in-country and out-of-country benefits is over \$50,000, the Insurer will coordinate benefits only above this amount.
- 9. Co-ordination and Order of Benefits: If a person has coverage under another plan that does not provide for co-ordination of benefits, that plan will be considered primary carrier and will be responsible for making the initial payment. If the other plan does provide for co-ordination of benefits, the order of benefit will be as follows:

### Participant and Dependent Spouse

The plan insuring the *participant* or the *participant's dependent spouse* as an employee/ member pays benefits before the plan insuring the *participant* or the *participant's spouse* as a *dependent*.

### Dependent Child

If the *dependent* child is insured as a *dependent* under the *participant's* and the *spouse's* plans, benefits will first be payable under the plan of the parent whose birthday comes first in the calendar year. The balance of eligible expenses can then be submitted to the plan of the other parent.

If both parents have the same birthday (month/day), the claims for children must be submitted to the plan in the alphabetical order of the parents' first names.

- When a person is insured under other group or individual policies or government plans, the benefits payable from all sources cannot exceed one hundred percent of expenses incurred.
- 10. Rights of Examination: To be entitled to payment of benefits provided under the policy, the participant, on his own behalf and on behalf of his dependents hereby authorizes any physician, health professional, hospital, institution and any other organization to forward to the Insurer or its representatives, all information, reports or documents that they may require.
  The participant hereby authorizes the Insurer to communicate directly with any physician.
  - The *participant* hereby authorizes the *Insurer* to communicate directly with any *physician*, health professional, *hospital*, institution or other organization to obtain any information required for the assessment of claims and hereby relieves the persons concerned of all legal responsibility which could arise from the disclosure of such information.
  - In the event of death, the *Insurer* will require that a death certificate be filed with the claim. Furthermore, the *Insurer* has the right to request an autopsy and review any autopsy report, if not prohibited by law.
- 11. Limitation Periods: Every action or proceeding against an insurer for the recovery of insurance money payable under the contract is absolutely barred unless commenced within the time set out in the Insurance Act (British Columbia, Alberta and Manitoba). Every action or proceeding against an insurer for the recovery of insurance money payable under the contract is absolutely barred unless commenced within the time set out in the Limitations Act (Ontario), or otherwise within two years from the date of loss, or such longer period that may be required under the law applicable in *your* province or territory of residence.
- 12. Availability and Quality of Care: Neither the Insurer nor Global Excel shall be responsible for the availability or quality of any medical treatment (including the results thereof) or transportation at the vacation destination, or your failure to obtain medical treatment during the coverage period.
- 13. **Evidence of Age:** The *Insurer* reserves the right to request proof of age of any *insured person*.
- 14. Assignment: Benefits under the *policy* may not be assigned to a third party. However and exceptionally, in no event will this affect *Global Excel's* ability to make payment, for the benefit of the *insured person*, directly to the *hospital* or clinic as provided for under the International Assistance Service section of this *policy*.
- 15. **When Money Payable:** All money payable under the *policy* shall be paid by the *Insurer* within sixty (60) days after it has received due proof of claim.
- 16. Continuance of Individual Coverage During Absence from Work: If a participant is absent from work due to disability, temporary lay-off, authorized leave of absence, strike or any other work stoppage, the insurance will be continued as long as the participant remains covered under the policyholder's basic group extended health care plan.
- 17. **Examination of the** *Policy:* The *policy*, including any endorsements, will be kept at the office of the *policyholder*. You may consult the *policy* during the regular business hours of the *policyholder*.

### SECTION V — AUTOMATIC EXTENSION OF COVERAGE PERIOD

The *coverage period* per *trip* will automatically be extended up to 72 hours, provided *you* have not reached the *termination age*, if:

- a) you are hospitalized due to a medical emergency on the last day of coverage. Your
  coverage will remain in force for as long as you are hospitalized and the 72-hour
  extension commences upon release from hospital;
- a late train, boat, bus, plane, or other vehicle in which you are a passenger causes you to miss your scheduled return to your province or territory of residence (including by reason of weather);
- the vehicle in which you are travelling is involved in a traffic accident or mechanical breakdown that prevents you from returning to your province or territory of residence on or before your return date;
- d) you must delay your scheduled return to your province or territory of residence due to a medical emergency.

All claims incurred after *your* original scheduled return date must be supported by documented proof of the event resulting in *your* delayed return.

### SECTION VI — INTERNATIONAL ASSISTANCE SERVICE

Global Excel is available to take your calls 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

*Emergency* Call Centre — No matter where *you* travel, professional assistance personnel are ready to take *your* call. *Global Excel* can also provide *you* with Canada Direct instructions and codes so that *you* only deal with Canadian telephone operators.

Referrals — *Global Excel* can refer *you* to the preferred medical providers (*hospitals*, clinics and *physicians*) that are closest to where *you* are staying. With a referral, it is less likely that *you* will have to pay for services out of pocket.

Benefit Information — Explanation of *your* coverage is available to *you* and to the medical providers who are treating *you*.

Medical Consultants — *Global Excel's* team of medical professionals, available 24 hours a day, will monitor the services given in the event of a serious *emergency*. If necessary, *Global Excel* will help *you* return to Canada for the care required.

Urgent Message Relay — In the event of a medical *emergency*, *Global Excel* will contact *your travel companion* to keep him advised of *your* medical situation and will help *you* exchange important messages with *your* family.

Interpretation Service — Global Excel can connect you to a foreign language interpreter when required for emergency services in foreign countries.

Direct Billing — Whenever possible, *Global Excel* will instruct the *hospital* or clinic to bill the *Insurer* directly.

Claims Information — Global Excel will answer any questions you have about the eligibility of your claim, standard verification procedures and the way that the benefits under the policy are administered

### SECTION VII — DEFINITIONS

"Accident" means a fortuitous, sudden, unforeseen and unintentional event exclusively attributable to an external cause resulting in bodily *injury*.

"Actively at Work" means the employee is physically and mentally capable of doing each and every function of his occupation, on the basis of the minimum number of hours worked per week specified in the Schedule of Benefits. If an employee is not actively at work due to vacation, holidays, a non-scheduled working day, maternity or parental leave, then actively at work means the capability to perform the employee's normal duties at the employee's normal place of employment on the same basis as the employee who is actively at work.

"Coverage Period" means the number of consecutive days stated in the Schedule of Benefits during which *you* are covered under the *policy* when *you* take a *trip* and which is calculated as of the commencement date of *your trip*.

"Dependent" means the *spouse* and the unmarried child of the *participant* or *spouse*, who is dependent on the *participant* for support and is not employed on a full-time basis. Age limits for a dependent child are specified in the Schedule of Benefits. However, coverage will not continue beyond attainment of age 26, except for a covered dependent child who is physically or mentally disabled and totally dependent on the *participant* for support on the date he reached the age when insurance would normally terminate.

"Emergency" means the occurrence of a sickness and/or injury during the coverage period that requires immediate medically necessary treatment for the relief of acute pain or suffering, other than experimental or alternative treatment, and such treatment cannot be delayed until your return to Canada.

"Global Excel" and "Global Excel Management Inc." mean the company appointed by the *Insurer* to provide medical assistance and claims services under the *policy*.

"Government Health Insurance Plan" means the health care coverage provided by Canadian provincial and territorial governments to their residents.

"Hospital" means an institution which is designated as a hospital by law; which is continuously staffed by one or more *physicians* available at all times; which continuously provides nursing services by graduate registered nurses; which is primarily engaged in providing diagnostic services and medical and surgical treatment of a *sickness* and/or *injury* in the acute phase, or active treatment of a chronic condition; which has facilities for diagnosis, major surgery and *in-patient* care. The term hospital does not include convalescent, nursing, rest or skilled nursing facilities, whether separate from or part of a regular general hospital, nor a facility operated exclusively for the treatment of persons who are mentally ill, aged, or drug or alcohol abusers.

"Immediate Family Member" means your spouse, son, daughter, father, mother, brother, sister, stepson, stepdaughter, stepfather, stepmother, mother-in-law, father-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, grandson, granddaughter, grandfather or grandmother of the insured person.

"Injury" means an unexpected and unforeseen harm to the body that is caused by an *accident*, sustained by an *insured person* during the *coverage period* and that requires *emergency* treatment that is covered by the *policy*.

"In-patient" means a patient who occupies a *hospital* bed for more than twenty-four (24) hours for medical treatment and for which admission was recommended by a *physician* when *medically necessary*.

"Insurer" means Royal & Sun Alliance Insurance Company of Canada who provides this insurance.

"Medical Assistance Card" means the card provided to the *participant* and on which the following information is shown: name of the *policyholder*, *policy* number, *coverage period* per *trip* and *emergency* telephone numbers.

"Medically Necessary", in reference to a given service or supply, means such service or supply:

- is appropriate and consistent with the diagnosis according to accepted community standards of medical practice;
- b) is not experimental or investigative in nature;
- c) cannot be omitted without adversely affecting the condition of the insured person or quality of medical care;
- d) cannot be delayed until the insured person returns to his province or territory of residence.

"Minor Ailment" means any sickness or injury which does not require: the use of medication for a period of greater than 15 days; more than one follow-up visit to a physician, hospitalization, surgical intervention, or referral to a specialist; and which ends at least 30 consecutive days prior to the departure date of each trip. However, a chronic condition or any complication of a chronic condition is not considered a minor ailment.

"Ongoing Condition" means an acute *sickness* and/or *injury* that requires continuing care and/or treatment after the initial *emergency* has ended as determined by the Medical Director of *Global Excel*.

"Participant" means an eligible employee or a member whom the *policyholder* identifies as being entitled to coverage under the *policy* and for whom the *policyholder* has paid the required premium.

**"Physician"** means a medical practitioner whose legal and professional standing within his jurisdiction is equivalent to that of a doctor of medicine (M.D.) licensed in Canada, who is duly licensed in the jurisdiction in which he practices, who prescribes drugs and/or performs surgery and who gives medical care within the scope of his licensed authority. A physician must be a person other than *you* or *your immediate family member*.

"**Policy**" means the group travel *emergency* medical insurance contract issued by the *Insurer* and on file with the *policyholder*.

"Policyholder" means the company or organization to which the *policy* is issued.

"Reasonable and Customary Costs" means costs that are incurred for approved, covered medical services or supplies that do not exceed the standard fee of other providers of similar standing in the same geographical area, for the same treatment of a similar sickness and/or injury.

"Sickness" means a disease or disorder of the body that results in loss while this coverage is in effect. The sickness must be sufficiently serious to prompt a reasonably prudent person to consult a *physician* for the purpose of medical treatment.

"Spouse" means either the person who is lawfully married to the *participant* or the person who has been living with the *participant* for one (1) year without interruption in a relationship of a conjugal nature, who has been publicly represented as such.

"Stable" means any medical condition (other than a *minor ailment*) for which all the following statements are true:

- a) there has been no new diagnosis, treatment or prescribed medication;
- b) there has been no change in treatment or change in medication, including the amount of medication to be taken, how often it is taken, the type of medication or change in treatment frequency or type. Exceptions: the routine adjustment of Coumadin, Warfarin, insulin or oral medication to control diabetes (as long as they are not newly prescribed or

- stopped) and a change from a brand medication to a generic brand medication (provided that the dosage is not modified);
- c) there have been no new symptoms, more frequent symptoms or more severe symptoms;
- d) there have been no test results showing deterioration;
- e) there has been no hospitalization or referral to a specialist (made or recommended) and *you* are not awaiting results of further investigations for that medical condition.
- "Terminal Illness" means you have a condition that is cause for the *physician* to estimate that you have less than six (6) months to live.
- "Termination Age" means the age stated in the Schedule of Benefits at which *your* coverage terminates. *Dependents* beyond the termination age may be covered provided that the *participant* has not yet reached the termination age.
- "Terrorism" means an ideologically motivated unlawful act or acts, including but not limited to the use of violence or force or threat of violence or force, committed by or on behalf of any group(s), organization(s) or government(s) for the purpose of influencing any government and/or instilling fear in the public or a section of the public.
- "Travel Companion" means a person who is sharing travel arrangements with the *insured person* from the point of departure on a covered *trip*, including accommodation and transportation, and who has paid for such accommodation or transportation in advance of departure. A maximum of three persons will be considered travel companions.
- "Trip" means a journey that *you* undertake which commences on the date of *your* departure from *your* province or territory of residence and ends when *you* return to *your* province or territory of residence.
- "**Vehicle**" means an automobile, station wagon, mini-van, sports utility vehicle (for on-road use), motorcycle, pick-up truck or a mobile home, camper truck or trailer home under 11 meters (36 feet in length), used exclusively for the transportation of passengers other than for hire, in which *you* are a passenger or driver during the *trip*.
- "You", "Your" and "Insured Person" mean any one of the *participant* or *participant's dependents* covered under the *policy*.

### SECTION VIII — CLAIMS

### Notice and Proof of Claim

In the event that *Global Excel* is not contacted immediately, the *insured person*, or a beneficiary entitled to make a claim, or the agent of any of them, shall:

- a) give written notice of claim by delivery thereof or by sending it by registered mail to *Global Excel* not later than thirty (30) days from the date the claim arises under the *policy*;
- b) within ninety (90) days from the date a claim arises under the *policy*, furnish *Global Excel* such proof of claim as is reasonably possible in the circumstances of the *emergency* giving rise to the claim and the loss occasioned thereby, the right of the claimant to receive payment, his age and the age of the beneficiary, if relevant; and
- c) if required by *Global Excel*, provide a satisfactory certificate stating the cause for which the claim is made and the duration of the disability, if applicable.

### Failure to Give Notice or Proof

Failure to give notice of claim or furnish proof of claim within the prescribed period above does not invalidate the claim if the notice or proof is given or furnished as soon as is reasonably possible, and in no event later than one (1) year from the date of *injury* or the date a claim arises under the *policy* on account of *sickness* if it is shown that it was not reasonably possible to give notice or furnish proof within the time so prescribed.

### Insurer to Furnish Forms For Proof of Claim

Global Excel, on behalf of the *Insurer*, shall furnish forms for proof of claim within fifteen (15) days after receiving notice of claim, but where the claimant has not received the forms within that time he may submit his proof of claim in the form of a written statement of the cause or nature of the *emergency* giving rise to the claim.

### Claims Procedures

You are responsible for providing all the documents outlined below and for any charges levied for these documents. To file a claim, you must:

- include the policy number, the patient's name (married and maiden, if applicable), date
  of birth, and Canadian provincial or territorial government health insurance plan number
  with its expiry date or version code (if applicable);
- submit all original itemized bills from the medical provider(s) stating the patient's name, diagnosis, all dates and type of treatment, and the name of the medical facility and/or physician:
- provide the original prescription drug receipts (not cash receipts) from the pharmacist, *physician* or *hospital* showing the name of the prescribing *physician*, prescription number, name of preparation, date, quantity and total cost;
- d) provide proof of the departure date(s) and return date(s);
- e) provide written proof of claim within ninety (90) days of the date of receipt of services covered under the policy;
- f) provide additional information pertinent to your claim, as may be required by Global Excel after receipt of your claim;
- g) sign and return the authorization form, provided by Global Excel, allowing the Insurer to recover payment from the Canadian provincial or territorial government health insurance plan. The Insurer will coordinate and pay your claim to the participating medical providers and where permitted, coordinate claims directly with the Canadian provincial or territorial government health insurance plan on your behalf; and
- return the unused portion of your air ticket to Global Excel if the Emergency Air Transportation benefit is used.

All sums payable under the plan are in Canadian currency unless otherwise indicated. If you have paid a covered expense in a currency other than Canadian currency, you will be reimbursed in Canadian currency at the prevailing rate of exchange on the date that the claim payment is made. This insurance will not pay interest.

Any information not provided may result in a delay in processing your claim.

All pertinent documents should be sent to:



Global Excel Management Inc. 73 Queen St. Sherbrooke, Québec J1M 0C9

Tel.: 1-866-870-1898 (toll free) or 819-566-1898 (collect) during business hours (EST).

### SECTION IX — PRIVACY STATEMENT

Royal & Sun Alliance Insurance Company of Canada ("we", "us") and its agents and representatives involved in the sale and administration of travel insurance collect, use and in some instances when appropriate, disclose, personal information for insurance purposes, such as administering insurance, investigating and processing claims and providing assistance services. Typically, we collect personal information from individuals who apply for insurance, and from policyholders, insured persons and claimants. In some cases we also collect personal information from and exchange personal information with family, friends or travelling companions when a policyholder, insured or claimant is unable, for medical or other reasons, to communicate directly with us. We also collect and disclose information for the insurance purposes from, to and with, third parties such as, but not necessarily limited to, health care practitioners and facilities in Canada and abroad, government and private health insurers and family members and friends of policyholders, insured person or claimant. In some instances we may additionally maintain or communicate or transfer information to health care and other service providers located outside of Canada, particularly in those jurisdictions to which an insured person may travel. As a result, personal information may be accessible to authorities in accordance with the law of these other jurisdictions. For more information about our privacy practices or for a copy of our privacy policy, visit www.rsagroup.ca.

### **IDENTIFICATION OF INSURER**



Viator™ Group Out-of-Province/Canada Travel Medical Emergency Insurance is underwritten by Royal & Sun Alliance Insurance Company of Canada and administered by RSA Travel Insurance Inc., operating as RSA Travel Insurance Agency in British Columbia.

In the event of an occurrence likely to result in a claim under this insurance, immediate notice should be given to Global Excel.

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