





# Read carefully before you travel

You purchased a travel insurance policy, now what? In your best interest, we would like you to understand what your policy covers, excludes and limits (a maximum payable amount may be applicable, for example).

Please take time to read through your policy before you travel. Italicized terms are defined in the "Definitions" section of your policy.

- Travel insurance covers claims arising from sudden and unexpected situations (i.e.: accidents and emergencies) and typically not follow-up or recurrent care.
- To use this insurance, you must meet all the eligibility requirements.
- This insurance contains limitations and exclusions (e.g. *medical conditions* that are not *stable*, certain circumstances surrounding pregnancy and the birth of a child during a *trip*, excessive use of alcohol, and any *high-risk sport*, *activity*, *or behaviour*).
- This insurance may not cover claims related to *pre-existing medical conditions*, whether disclosed or not at time of policy purchase.
- Contact Blue Cross Travel Assistance before seeking treatment or your claim may be denied.
- In the event of a claim your prior medical history may be reviewed.
- If you have been asked to complete a medical questionnaire and any of your answers are not accurate or complete, your policy will be voidable.

It is your responsibility to understand your coverage. If you have questions, call **1-800-USEBLUE** (873-2583).

You can also visit our website: sk.bluecross.ca

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# **INSURANCE CONTRACT**

Your insurance contract consists of the insurance policy and your insurance certificate. These documents contain clauses which may limit the amounts payable. We recommend that you read these documents carefully.

# **INSURANCE POLICY**

Your insurance policy (including endorsements, if applicable) specifies the conditions, limitations, and exclusions of your insurance coverage.

# **INSURANCE CERTIFICATE**

Your insurance certificate indicates, whether at the time of purchase or after a modification request, the product, coverages, and services provided by the contract that you purchased, the dates of coverage, the deductible chosen (if applicable), as well as particular medical conditions specifically excluded from your contract. Make sure to notify us of any element indicated on your insurance certificate that does not correspond with what you stated when purchasing insurance.

# TO HELP YOU UNDERSTAND THIS POLICY

- Usage of **bold italics** indicates names of products and coverages.
- Usage of *italics* indicates terms that are defined in the "Definitions" section.
- "We" and "Our" refer to the insurer.
- "You" and "Your" refer to the insured person.
- "Province" includes territories.

# **HOW TO REACH US**

In the event of an emergency during a trip, immediately contact Blue Cross Travel Assistance:

# - IN CASE OF EMERGENCY WHILE TRAVELLING —

Emergency location	Number to call
Canada or United States	1-833-729-0186
Elsewhere in the world	Collect: <b>306-518-0145</b>

For any questions related to a claim, refer to the "To submit a claim" section of this policy.

# **INSURANCE ELIGIBILITY**

To be eligible for insurance, you must meet the following conditions:

# Conditions applicable to people of all ages:

- Be a Canadian resident
- Be covered under the *Health and Hospital Insurance Acts* of your province of residence for the entire duration of your *trip*
- Be over 30 days old on the departure date of your trip

# Conditions applicable only to people aged 55 and over:

In addition to the conditions set out above, if you are 55 years old or over, you must not:

- 1. Have received medical advice not to travel
- 2. Suffer from a medical condition in a terminal stage
- 3. Suffer from kidney failure treated with dialysis
- 4. Have been diagnosed with or treated for metastatic cancer in the past 5 years
- 5. Have been prescribed or treated with home oxygen in the past 12 months

# YOU ARE INSURED IF

- ✓ The insurance was purchased before the departure date of the *trip*.
- ✓ The insurance was purchased for the entire duration of the *trip*, including the departure date and the return date.
- ✓ The premium was paid in full before the effective date of the contract.
- ✓ You meet the criteria of the "Insurance eligibility" section.
- ✓ Your name appears in the "Covered persons" section of the *insurance certificate*.



The table below presents the Blue Cross travel insurance coverage combinations that we call "products".

			COV	ERAGES	SERVICES
Types of trips		Offered products	Emergency Medical Care	Accidental Death or Dismemberment	Blue Cross Travel Assistance
Single-trip solutions	Individual	To obtain only the coverages that you would like	V	+	V
Multi-trip solutions	Annual Medical	For those who travel more than once a year and for frequent travellers	V	+	V

<sup>✓</sup> Included

# Single-trip solutions

# **INDIVIDUAL**

Allows you to select coverages to meet your specific needs.

The maximum coverage amount per person is as follows:

Coverages	Maximum coverage per person
Emergency Medical Care	\$5,000,000 (optional <i>deductible</i> )
Emergency Medical Care in Canada	\$5,000,000 (optional <i>deductible</i> )
Accidental Death or Dismemberment*	\$300,000, depending on age and circumstances

<sup>\*</sup> Available only in combination with the *Emergency Medical Care* or *Emergency Medical Care in Canada* coverages.

Your selected coverages are indicated on your insurance certificate.

Blue Cross Travel Assistance services are included with this product.

<sup>◆</sup> Optional: To purchase this coverage, also choose the *Emergency Medical Care* coverage

# **Multi-trip solutions**

# **ANNUAL**

Allows you to insure yourself for all trips taken outside of your province of residence for one year.

During that year, every *trip* that meets the following criteria will be covered, provided:

- Its duration does not exceed the chosen maximum stay of 4, 8, 17, 31, 60, 90, 120, 150 or 180 days per trip
- Its departure date and return date are included within the coverage period

If one of your *trips* exceeds the *maximum stay* of your *Annual*, the coverage must be extended to cover the entire duration of the *trip*.

There are two possible combinations for this product:

	Annual Medical
Coverages	
Emergency Medical Care	<b>✓</b>
Accidental Death or Dismemberment	+
Services	
Blue Cross Travel Assistance	V

- ✓ Included
- ◆ Optional: To purchase this coverage, also choose the *Emergency Medical Care* coverage

Your selected coverages are indicated on your insurance certificate.

The maximum coverage amount per person and per trip is as follows:

Coverages	Maximum coverage per person
Emergency Medical Care	\$5,000,000 maximum (optional deductible)
Accidental Death or Dismemberment	\$300,000, depending on age and circumstances



The *Annual* exclusively covers *trips* taken outside of your province of residence.

# Specific provisions of the Annual product

The following conditions are added to the conditions, limitations, and exclusions specific to the coverages included in the *Annual*.

# 1. Age limit

To purchase the **Annual**, you must be:

- 85 years old or under for maximum stays of 4, 8, 17, 31, 60, 90 or 120 days
- 80 years old or under for maximum stays of 150 or 180 days

### 2. Contract duration

The insurance is in force for a period of one year from its effective date. There is no limit to the number of *trips* made during the *coverage period*.

# 3. Birth of a child during the coverage period

In a single-parent or family plan, a child of the *contract holder* or their *spouse* who is born after the *effective date of the contract* becomes automatically insured as soon as they meet the conditions of the definition of *dependent child*.

# 4. Expiry notice

The coverage will end on the *contract expiry date* indicated on your insurance certificate. We will however issue an expiry notice 30 days before this date.

Depending on the products available at that time, the notice will provide indications on how to purchase the *Annual* for another year or another product to meet your needs.



# **EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE COVERAGE**



The *Emergency Medical Care* coverage protects you from financial implications that may arise from medical services or care you receive during your *trip*.

If you have purchased the *Emergency Medical Care* coverage, make sure to read this section carefully. Some expenses or *medical conditions* are excluded from the coverage.

# Covered destination(s)

The *Emergency Medical Care* coverage is available in two versions:

Versions	Authorized destination(s)
Emergency Medical Care	Valid for <i>trips</i> taken anywhere in the world, including Canada
Emergency Medical Care in Canada	Valid for <i>trips</i> taken <b>entirely</b> within Canadian borders

Make sure to consult your insurance certificate to know which of the two versions you have purchased.

# Specific coverage provisions

To the "General provisions applicable to all coverages", the following are added:

# 1. Supporting documents

To submit a claim, you will be required to provide us with one or more of the following documents:

- A duly completed claim form
- A medical certificate issued by the *physician* who treated you at your destination and which certifies that the services being claimed have been provided or that the *medical emergency* occurred
- Receipts and proof of payment for the medical care and services provided
- The itemized billing for the care and services provided
- Proof of your travel dates

# 2. Settlement between insurer and service provider

When a claim is the subject of a direct agreement between us and the service provider you have dealt with, you must provide any original documents required for payment of this claim, including the travel insurance claim form. Otherwise, you become responsible for the amounts owing or the amounts that we are unable to recover.

Failure to provide the required proof will result in the denial of your claim.



# IN CASE OF EMERGENCY WHILE TRAVELLING -

Your state of health permitting, when a *medical emergency* occurs during a *trip*, you must inform *Blue Cross Travel Assistance* before going to a *hospital* or to a clinic, otherwise, your claim may be denied. This gives us an opportunity to:

- Confirm your coverage
- Pre-approve a treatment

If you are unable to call the assistance service yourself because of your state of health, a relative or a member of the medical staff must do so on your behalf within **24 hours** following the start of the *medical emergency*. Therefore, we strongly recommend you keep your contract number and our telephone number easily accessible in the event you need to reach us due to an emergency.

Contact Blue Cross Travel Assistance before going to a hospital or to a clinic, otherwise your claim may be denied.

Emergency location	Number to call
Canada or United States	1-833-729-0186
Elsewhere in the world	Collect: <b>306-518-0145</b>

# Beginning and end of coverage

Coverage versions	Effective date	Termination date	
		The termination date of the <i>Emergency Medical Care</i> corresponds to the contract expiry date indicated on your insurance certificate.	
Emergency Medical Care  The coverage becomes effective at the latest of the following dates:  The effective date of the contract indicated on your insurance certificate, or  The departure date of the trip.	If your return takes place before the contract expiry date, the termination date of the coverage becomes the return date of the trip, whether the return is planned or premature (except for the "Trip break" - see page 22).		
	The termination date of the <b>Emergency Medical Care in Canada</b> corresponds to the contract expiry date indicated on your insurance certificate.		
		If your return takes place before the contract expiry date, the termination date of the coverage becomes the return date of the trip, whether the return is planned or premature (except for the "Trip break" - see page 22).	
		Leaving Canada during the <i>coverage</i> period renders the coverage invalid in its entirety.	

# What is covered

Each insured person on the contract is covered up to a maximum of \$5,000,000 per trip.

This coverage pays for *customary and reasonable expenses* incurred as a result of a *medical emergency* arising from an *accident* or an *illness* that occurs during the course of your *trip*, during the *coverage period*.

Eligible *treatments* are those declared *urgent* and necessary for the stabilization of your *medical condition*. The benefits provided under the contract are granted in addition to and not in replacement of government programs: what is reimbursable by the government is not reimbursed by the *insurer*.

If a deductible amount appears on your insurance certificate, the benefits for this coverage are granted once this deductible is paid.



Failure to contact *Blue Cross Travel Assistance* before a medical consultation or *hospitalization* as a result of an *accident* or *illness* could result in the denial of your claim.

# **Benefits**

Hospitalization, medical	and paramedical expenses
Hospitalization	Hospitalization costs in a semi-private or private room.
Physicians	The difference between the fees charged by a <i>physician</i> who treats you at your destination and the benefits allowed under government programs.
Nurses	Fees for the private care of a licensed practical nurse (not your relative) during the period of <i>hospitalization</i> , when this care is medically required and prescribed by the <i>physician</i> treating you at your destination.
Health professional services	The fees of the following legally authorized health professionals, when such care is medically required and approved by <i>Blue Cross Travel Assistance</i> , up to a maximum of \$400 per profession, per <i>trip</i> :  - Physiotherapist - Osteopath  - Chiropractor - Podiatrist or chiropodist (combined) <i>Urgent</i> dermatological care offered in an outpatient clinic is also covered up to a maximum of \$400 per <i>trip</i> .
Tests and diagnostics	The costs of laboratory tests and X-rays when they are prescribed by the <i>physician</i> treating you at your destination for diagnostic purposes.
Prescribed medication as part of emergency treatment	The cost of purchasing medication prescribed by the <i>physician</i> treating you at your destination, except when required for the continuous stabilization of a chronic <i>medical condition</i> .
Medical devices	The cost of buying or renting crutches, canes, or splints, the cost of renting wheelchairs, orthopaedic devices or other medical devices, when prescribed by the <i>physician</i> treating you at your destination.
Incidental expenses	The expenses inherent in a <i>hospitalization</i> (telephone, television, parking, etc.), upon submission of supporting documents, up to \$100 per day, maximum \$500 per <i>hospitalization</i> .





# **Emergency dental** treatment

The fees of a dental surgeon for dental care required as a result of external trauma (not as a result of the voluntary introduction of food or of an object into the mouth), only when there is damage to natural and healthy teeth or for reduction of fracture or dislocation of the jaw, up to \$2,000 per accident and per insured person. In all cases, the treatment must begin during the term of the contract and end within 6 months of the date of the accident. In addition, you must send us an X-ray, taken after the accident but before the treatment begins, demonstrating the suffered damage.

For all other emergency dental treatments, except root canal therapy, the fees of a dental surgeon up to \$500 per trip and per insured person.

# **Transportation expenses**

# Ambulance or taxi service

Ground or air transportation costs to get you to the nearest suitable medical facility, as well as transfer costs between hospitals when the physician treating you at your destination and Blue Cross Travel Assistance determine that available facilities are inadequate.

# Repatriation to your province of residence

When, because of an illness or accident, Blue Cross Travel Assistance approves your repatriation, the following expenses are covered:

#### - Costs related to your medical repatriation

The costs related to a means of transportation deemed adequate by the insurer, so that you are repatriated to your province of residence to receive immediate medical care, after receiving authorization from the physician treating you at your destination.

# - Costs related to the repatriation of your travelling companion or an immediate family member

The costs for the simultaneous repatriation of your travelling companion, or any immediate family member, who is also covered under this travel insurance policy, if this person cannot return to their point of departure by the means of transportation initially planned for the return.

# - Costs for an accompanying person

The costs of hiring an accompanying person for the return of children covered under this contract when necessary.

# - Baggage return costs

Up to a maximum of \$500 for excess costs related to the return of your baggage.

#### - Pet return costs

Up to a maximum of \$500 for the cost of returning your pet.



# Transportation expenses to visit or identify the insured person

Some expenses are reimbursed if a family member or a friend not travelling with you must:

- a) Get to the *hospital* where you are hospitalized for a period of at least 3 days (the need for this visit must be certified in writing by the physician treating you at your destination), or
- b) Get to the destination, if necessary, for the purpose of identifying the remains of the insured person

The insurer agrees to reimburse the following expenses for the designated person:

- The total round-trip transportation costs in economy class
- Up to \$1,200 for:
  - · Childcare, accommodation, and meals in a commercial establishment, up to a maximum of \$300 per day
  - The cost for purchasing a Blue Cross travel insurance contract

# Additional transportation expenses

Some additional transportation expenses are reimbursed when you or a travelling companion covered under this policy must postpone your/their return by public transportation due to:

- a) A hospitalization not requiring repatriation, if this hospitalization must continue beyond your scheduled return date, or
- b) A medical emergency not requiring repatriation, if this medical emergency is ongoing during the 48 hours preceding your scheduled return date and if Blue Cross Travel Assistance determines that you are unable to travel because of this medical emergency

The *insurer* agrees to reimburse one of the following costs, up to a maximum of \$500 per trip and per insured person:

- Additional transportation costs caused by a date or a schedule change of the initial return ticket, or
- The purchase of a return ticket by the same means of *public transportation*, in economy class, allowing you to return to your province of residence once the medical emergency has ended if it is established that the date of the initial return ticket cannot be changed

# Expenses for the return or disposal of remains

In the event of death, the following expenses are covered up to \$10,000:

- The cost of preparing the remains and returning them to the point of departure in the province of residence, excluding the cost of the coffin, or
- The cost of cremation or burial on site, excluding the cost of the urn, coffin, tombstone, and any other related products or services

#### Vehicle return expenses

The *insurer* agrees to reimburse up to \$5,000 for the cost of returning your personal road vehicle to your residence or rental vehicle to the nearest appropriate rental agency when an illness or accident renders you incapable of:

- a) Returning to your residence using the personal road vehicle you used to get to your destination, or
- b) Returning the rented vehicle to the nearest rental agency

In all cases, you must present a medical certificate issued by the physician treating you at your destination in the locality where your inability to use the vehicle is determined.



The return of the vehicle must be carried out by a commercial agency or another person designated and authorized by Blue Cross Travel Assistance, otherwise only the following additional customary and reasonable expenses are reimbursable, subject to the submission of official receipts:

- Air transportation to reach the vehicle to be returned (economy class)

- Meals

- Accommodation in a commercial establishment

## Subsistence allowance

# **Expenses for** subsistence allowance

The insurer agrees to reimburse a maximum of \$300 per day per insured person, up to \$3,000 for the following expenses:

- Accommodation costs in a commercial establishment
- Meals
- Essential phone calls
- Taxi transportation
- Childcare costs for dependent children who accompany you on the trip

These expenses will be reimbursed only when it has been determined by the insurer that you must postpone your return as a result of:

- a) An illness or an accident that you experience, or
- b) An illness or an accident that an immediate family member who is accompanying you experiences, or
- c) An illness or an accident that a travelling companion experiences

## Medical follow-up in Canada

Expenses for medical follow-up in Canada further to a repatriation When you are repatriated at the insurer's expense further to a hospitalization that occurred during a trip outside of your province of residence, we agree to reimburse the following expenses when incurred within 15 days of your repatriation:

- Up to \$1,000 for the cost of staying in a semi-private room in a hospital or a convalescent and physical rehabilitation centre
- Up to \$50 per day, maximum 10 days, for the fees of a licensed practical nurse or orderly from a specialized agency when care is required at your home
- Up to \$150 for the cost of renting the following medical equipment: crutches, standard walker, canes, trusses, orthopaedic corsets, and oxygen
- Up to \$250 for transportation (ambulance and taxi) costs incurred to receive care

# **WARNING - EXCLUSIONS**



# A) Exclusions due to pre-existing medical conditions

No amount is payable, under the terms of this coverage, if the loss sustained or the costs incurred result directly or indirectly from one of the following causes:

# For people aged 54 and under, during the 3 months preceding the effective date of coverage:

- a) Any medical condition that affects you and that is not stable, except for a minor ailment
- b) Any heart condition for which you have used nitroglycerin more than once in a 7-day period for the relief of chest pain
- c) Any pulmonary condition for which you have been treated with home oxygen or have required corticosteroid therapy

# For people aged 55 to 75 travelling less than 32 days, during the 6 months preceding the effective date of coverage:

- a) Any medical condition that affects you and that is not stable, except for a minor ailment
- b) Any heart condition for which you have used nitroglycerin more than once in a 7-day period for the relief of chest pain
- c) Any pulmonary condition for which you have been treated with home oxygen or have required corticosteroid therapy

# For people aged 55 to 75 travelling 32 days or more and for people aged 76 or over:

- A) The following specific medical conditions are excluded unless the insurance certificate stipulates
  - a) During your life, any illness which relates to one of the following medical conditions for which you have been diagnosed or treated:
    - i) Cardiovascular condition
      - Angina - Bypass Defibrillator - Pacemaker - Angioplasty - Cardiomyopathy - Myocardial infarction - Pulmonary hypertension - Aortic aneurysm - Congestive heart (Heart attack) - Valvulopathy or - Arrhythmia failure Myocarditis valve replacement
    - ii) Kidney failure
    - iii) Transplant of one of the following organs:
      - Bone marrow - Liver - Pancreas
      - Heart - Lung
  - b) During the 24 months preceding the effective date of coverage, any chronic pulmonary condition (asthma, emphysema, chronic bronchitis or pulmonary fibrosis) for which you have been hospitalized or have used cortisone tablets.
  - c) During the 12 months preceding the effective date of coverage, any illness which relates to one of the following conditions:
    - Cancer (except basal cell carcinoma) for which you have been diagnosed or treated
    - Gastrointestinal condition (cirrhosis, hepatitis C, intestinal obstruction, diverticulitis, Crohn's disease, pancreatitis, ulcerative colitis) for which you have been diagnosed or treated



- B) Also excluded when occurring during the 6 months preceding the effective date of coverage:
  - i) Any medical condition that affects you and that is not stable, except for a minor ailment
  - ii) Any heart condition for which you have used nitroglycerin more than once in a 7-day period for the relief of chest pain
  - iii) Any pulmonary condition for which you have been treated with home oxygen or have required corticosteroid therapy

# If you choose to make use of the "Trip break" (see page 22)

Any *medical condition* that affects you and that is not *stable* in the **3 months** (if you are 54 years of *age* or under) or in the **6 months** (if you are 55 years of *age* or more), preceding the date of return to your destination.

#### B) Other exclusions

No amount is payable, under the terms of this coverage, if the loss suffered or costs incurred result directly or indirectly from one of the following situations:

# 1. Treatment received without approval from Blue Cross Travel Assistance

- a) Costs incurred during a medical consultation or *hospitalization* when you failed to communicate with *Blue Cross Travel Assistance* in advance, as mentioned in the "In case of a medical emergency while travelling" section of this coverage.
- b) Costs incurred as a result of a situation where you chose to receive a *treatment* or undergo surgery without receiving prior approval from *Blue Cross Travel Assistance* and/or when we do not consider such care to be *urgent*.
- c) Once your *treatment* has started, costs incurred when you failed to communicate with *Blue Cross Travel Assistance* to assess and approve any additional *treatment*.
- d) Fees exceeding \$10,000 for emergency air evacuation to the nearest suitable medical facility, when transportation has not been scheduled by *Blue Cross Travel Assistance*.

# 2. Foreseeable treatment

Costs related to a *medical condition* for which it is expected that, or it is reasonable to believe that, *treatments* will be required during the *trip*.

# 3. Pending treatment or failure to comply with a prescribed treatment

A condition for which medical advice has not been followed or investigations, *treatments*, examinations, or recommended interventions have not been carried out.

# 4. Non-urgent, experimental, or optional treatment

No benefit will be paid for a non-urgent, experimental, or optional treatment. For example, the costs of the following consultations or treatments are excluded:

- Routine check-ups
- Any *treatments* required for the continuous stabilization of a chronic *medical condition*, including the renewal of a prescription
- Aesthetic care or treatment
- Rehabilitation care
- Convalescent care
- Care given for the convenience of the patient
- Clinical research
- Experimental drugs

The mere fact that *treatments* provided in your province of residence are of inferior quality or take longer to obtain than those which can be obtained outside your province of residence does not constitute, within the meaning of this exclusion, a *medical emergency*.



# 5. Continued treatment once the medical emergency is over

Continuing a *treatment* if we determine that the *medical emergency* is over.

# 6. Treatment received further to your transfer or repatriation refusal

If we determine that you should be transferred to another facility or that you must be repatriated to receive *treatment*, and you choose not to consent, no benefit will be paid for this *treatment* or for subsequent *treatments* related to this *medical condition*.

# 7. Abusive or unreasonable billing

Any invoiced amount that is not considered a *customary and reasonable expense*.

# 8. Trip without continuous coverage from a public health insurance plan

No benefits will be paid if you are not covered under the *Health and Hospital Insurance Acts* of your province of residence for the entire duration of your *trip*. It is your responsibility to ensure that you have such coverage.

# 9. Treatments not covered under government programs

Treatments received outside your province of residence and that are not insured under government programs.

# 10. Medical expenses incurred after an extension

Expenses incurred during the extension period of your contract if they are linked to a *medical* condition that occurred during the coverage period preceding your extension request.

#### 11. Expenses incurred during a "Trip Break"

Expenses incurred during days spent in your province of residence while the "Trip break" is ongoing.

# 12. Trip undertaken for medical purposes

No benefits will be paid if your *trip* is undertaken for the purpose of receiving a diagnosis, a *treatment*, surgery, a medical assessment palliative care, or any other form of therapy.

# 13. Pregnancy, childbirth, or related complications

a) Expenses related to routine prenatal and postnatal care.

- b) Expenses related to pregnancy, childbirth, or their complications:
  - When the care required results from a *high-risk pregnancy*, or
  - When care is required during the 9 weeks preceding or following the expected delivery date

## 14. Child born during the trip

When the expenses related to your pregnancy are excluded, care or *treatment* provided to your child born during the *trip* is also excluded.

#### 15. Mental health disorders

Any *medical condition* resulting from a mental health or psychiatric disorder unless you must be hospitalized for this condition.

# 16. Suicide and intentional injury

Suicide, attempted suicide, or intentional injury, whether it is due to a psychological disorder or not.

# 17. Use of alcohol, drugs, and other intoxicating substances

Any *medical condition* resulting from or in any way related to:

- Your chronic use of alcohol, drugs, or other intoxicating substances, including withdrawal symptoms
- Your excessive use of alcohol, drugs, or other intoxicating substances
- Driving a motor vehicle while you are impaired by any drug, whether it is legal or not, or with a blood alcohol level greater than 80 mg per 100 ml of blood (0.08).

#### 18. Illegal act

Your participation in any criminal or illegal act or any attempt to commit such acts, under any law.

## 19. Act of war and civil unrest

Costs related to:

- Any act of war, whether war is declared or not
- A revolt
- A revolution
- Your voluntary participation in a riot or insurrection.

# 20. Participation in a high-risk sport, activity, or behaviour

Any medical condition resulting from your participation in a high-risk sport, activity, or behaviour.



# ACCIDENTAL DEATH OR DISMEMBERMENT COVERAGE

The **Accidental Death or Dismemberment** coverage insures you in the event of death or loss of use of one or more limbs as a result of an *accident* that occurs during your *trip*.

If you have purchased this coverage, make sure to read the following carefully. Certain limitations and exclusions apply.

# Beginning and end of coverage

Effective date	Termination date	
<ul> <li>The coverage becomes effective at the latest of the following dates:</li> <li>The effective date of the contract indicated on your insurance certificate, or</li> <li>The departure date of the trip.</li> </ul>	The termination date of the coverage corresponds to the contract expiry date indicated on your insurance certificate.  If your return takes place before the contract expiry date, the termination date of the coverage becomes the return date of the trip, whether the return is planned or premature (except for the "Trip break").	

# What is covered

This coverage insures you in the event of accidental loss of life or of complete and definitive loss of use of one or more limbs or vision in one or both eyes.

The loss must result directly from an *accident* sustained during the *coverage period* and it must occur within 12 months following the date of the *accident*.

Depending on the loss sustained and the circumstances of the *accident*, the *insurer* will pay an amount of up to \$300,000.

# Benefit paid following an accident

This benefit is paid when the death or dismemberment occurs as a result of an *accident* while you are travelling, on the condition that this *trip* is not the subject of a claim for an air flight *accident* under this coverage.

The amount paid is established as follows:

Accidental loss of	Under 18 years old	18 to 64 years old	65 years old and over
Life in public transportation other than an aircraft	\$40,000	\$200,000	\$40,000
Life, or Use of more than one limb, or Vision in both eyes	\$20,000	\$100,000	\$20,000
Use of a single limb, or Vision in one eye	\$10,000	\$50,000	\$10,000



# Benefit paid following an air flight accident

This benefit is paid when the death or dismemberment occurs as a result of an accident while you are:

- Travelling as a paying passenger on an aircraft going to or from your destination
- Travelling as a passenger on a scheduled helicopter shuttle service between airports to connect with the required flight going to or from your destination
- Travelling as a passenger on land or sea transportation paid by the airline
- Travelling on an aircraft declared missing
- Waiting at the airport for the departure of the flight required to go to or from your destination

The amount is established as follows:

Accidental loss of	All ages
Life, or Use of more than one limb, or Vision in both eyes	\$300,000
Use of a single limb, or Vision in one eye	\$150,000

# Payment of the benefit

# Accidental loss of life of an insured person

The benefit is paid directly to the *contract holder* if they are living. In the event of the death of the *contract holder*, it is paid to their estate.

# Accidental loss of use of one or more limbs or vision in one or both eyes

The benefit is paid to the *insured person* who was the victim of the *accident*, to their representative, or to their legal guardian, if they are a minor.

# Limitations and reductions of coverage

If you sustain more than one loss, the *insurer* pays for only one loss, namely the one entitling you to the highest amount.



# **!** WARNING – EXCLUSIONS

No amount is payable, under the terms of this coverage, if the death or dismemberment results directly or indirectly from one of the following causes:

# 1. Participation in a high-risk sport, activity, or behaviour

Your participation in a high-risk sport, activity, or behaviour

# 2. Use of alcohol, drugs, and other intoxicating substances

- Your chronic use of alcohol, drugs, or other intoxicating substances, including withdrawal symptoms.
- Your excessive use of alcohol, drugs, or other intoxicating substances.
- Driving a motor vehicle while you are under the influence of any drug, whether legal or illegal, or with a blood alcohol level greater than 80 mg per 100 ml of blood (0.08).

## 3. Suicide and intentional injury

Suicide, attempted suicide, or intentional injury, whether it is due to a psychological disorder or not.

#### 4. Act of war and civil unrest

- Any act of war, whether war is declared or not
- A revolt
- A revolution
- Your voluntary participation in a riot or insurrection

## 5. Illegal act

Your participation in any criminal or illegal act or any attempt to commit such acts, under any law.

#### 6. Terrorism

Act of terrorism.



Blue Cross Travel Assistance services take care of you during your trip. They are included free of charge with all our travel insurance products and are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

# - IN CASE OF EMERGENCY WHILE TRAVELLING -

Emergency location	Number to call
Canada or United States	1-833-729-0186
Elsewhere in the world	Collect: <b>306-518-0145</b>

Long-distance charges incurred to reach our offices and get assistance while you are on your *trip* are refundable. Your roaming charges are not.



As soon as a covered event occurs during the *coverage period*, make sure you communicate with *Blue Cross Travel Assistance*, otherwise benefits could be denied

The services are provided by *Blue Cross Travel Assistance*. All expenses incurred under its services, if they are covered by the coverages included in your contract, will be paid or reimbursed by the *insurer*.

# Services offered before departure

Blue Cross Travel Assistance can provide information on visas and required vaccines before the departure on your trip.

# Travel medical assistance

If you must consult a *physician* or be hospitalized further to an *accident* or a sudden *illness*, you or a person accompanying you must call *Blue Cross Travel Assistance* immediately.

Depending on your destination, *Blue Cross Travel Assistance* will refer you to an appropriate facility and, when required, funds may be advanced to the *hospital*.

In the following U.S. states, you will be directed to a facility that is a member of the following networks:

State of Florida	Clinic or hospital member of the Preferred Patient Care network
State of South Carolina	Clinic or hospital member of the Preferred Personal Care network
State of Arizona	Clinic or hospital member of the Preferred Personal Care network

Medical assistance also includes the following services:

- Confirming medical insurance coverage to facilitate your care at the clinic or hospital
- Following up on the medical file and communicating with the physician treating you at your destination
- Coordinating repatriation when medically required
- Coordinating the safe return home of your dependent children if you are hospitalized
- Taking the necessary steps to bring in a family member if you must stay in hospital for at least 3 days
- Coordinating the return of your personal road vehicle if you are unable to drive it back to your residence because of an *illness* or an *accident*.

# General travel assistance

For any other emergency, contact Blue Cross Travel Assistance to access services such as:

- Toll-free telephone assistance 24 hours a day, 7 days a week
- Coordination of claims, if applicable
- Interpreter services for emergency calls
- Assistance in the event of loss or theft of identification documents
- Information on embassies and consulates
- Referrals to a lawyer in the event of a serious accident
- Settling of formalities in the event of death and repatriation of remains

# TO EXTEND A TRIP

If you wish to extend your *trip* beyond the dates specified in the contract or beyond the *maximum stay* included under your *Annual* contract, you must extend your insurance coverage.

To remain valid, the contract must cover the entire duration of the *trip*, including the return date, except when the extension request is refused by the *insurer*.

An extension purchased from another insurer nullifies your Blue Cross coverage for the entire duration of this *trip*, except when the extension request is refused by the *insurer*.

# 1. How to extend your insurance coverage

To extend your insurance coverage:

- You must contact the authorized Blue Cross agent who sold you the original contract before the end of the coverage period of your contract or before a trip exceeds the maximum stay of your **Annual**
- You must still be eligible for insurance
- Your health must not have changed since your departure date
- You must pay the required additional premium

To extend a contract purchased directly from Blue Cross		
Canada or United States	<b>1-306-244-1192</b> (long distance charges will apply) <b>1-833-729-0186</b> (toll free)	
Elsewhere in the world	<b>306-518-0145</b> (collect)	

## 2. Insurer approval

The sale of the extension is conditional on the approval of the *insurer*. Such approval could be refused if:

- You have a claim for the initial period of the trip in progress, whether it is already made or not, or
- The Canadian government issues a travel advisory recommending not to travel to the region or country that is the destination of your *trip*, or
- The Canadian or provincial government recommends that travellers return home

When an extension is refused by the *insurer*, coverage ends at the *contract expiry date* indicated on the *insurance certificate* or when the *maximum stay* of the *Annual* is surpassed.



When requesting an extension, you must notify us of any claim made or to come in connection with costs incurred since the start of your *trip*. If you fail to do so, no claim for the *coverage period* prior to your extension request will be accepted if it is submitted after the extension has been granted.

An extension may result in a change to the terms of the contract, including to the exclusions due to *pre-existing medical conditions* and the rate for the entire duration of the *trip*.

When an extension requires that a new contract be issued, specifically when a *trip* exceeds the *maximum stay* under the *Annual*, only the coverage offered by the new contract applies to the *trip*, including its conditions, limitations, and exclusions.

# 3. Situations which lead to the automatic extension of coverages

The coverages included in your contract are automatically extended, free of charge:

- Up to 24 hours when returning to your place of residence is postponed due to a carrier delay, a traffic accident, or mechanical failure of the private vehicle used to return from your *trip*.
- For the duration of your *hospitalization* and the 24-hour period following your discharge from the *hospital*.
- Up to 72 hours when the return to your place of residence is postponed due to a *medical emergency* that affects you. The *medical condition* must have started within 24 hours prior to the scheduled return date and must require emergency *treatments*.

# TRIP BREAK

# Applicable to the Individual product

You can come back to your province of residence and then return to your destination without terminating your insurance contract. During this period, no insurance coverage is valid and no premium refund is granted for the days spent in your province of residence.

Before returning to the destination of your *trip*, you must ensure that you still meet the insurance eligibility criteria.

In addition, when you are leaving for your destination, a health condition that is not *stable* will be considered a *pre-existing medical condition* and will therefore be excluded for the remaining duration of your contract, in accordance with the exclusions due to *pre-existing medical conditions* of the *Emergency Medical Care* coverage.

# TO MODIFY YOUR CONTRACT

To make a change to your contract (for example, to add an *insured person* to your contract), you must contact the authorized Blue Cross agent who sold you the original contract.

Any changes to the contract must be included in the new version of your *insurance certificate* to be valid and applicable.

When a modification requires that a new contract be issued, only the coverage offered by the new contract applies to the *trip*, including its conditions, limitations, and exclusions.

# TO CANCEL YOUR CONTRACT

You can request the cancellation and full refund of your contract to the authorized Blue Cross agent who sold you the insurance:

- a) Before the effective date of the contract, or
- b) After the effective date of the contract, during the 10 days following the date of purchase, unless:
  - You have made or intend to make a claim related to the contract, or
  - The contract is for a period of 10 days or less

# IF YOU RETURN EARLIER FROM YOUR TRIP

If you return from your *trip* before the *contract expiry date* and you have not submitted and do not intend to submit a claim under this contract, you can ask the authorized Blue Cross agent who sold you the insurance to terminate it and get a partial refund of your premium.

When authorized, reimbursement is for unused contract days, less an administrative fee of \$25.

- Upon submission of proof of your return date, unused days are counted from the day after this date.
- In the absence of proof of your return date, unused days are counted from the day after the date on which we receive your request.

The proof in question must clearly demonstrate that you were in your province of residence on the date indicated at the time of the request (for example, your transportation ticket for the return to your province of residence or a baggage tag issued by the carrier on which your name, the date, and the place of return appear).

# No premium refund is granted if:

- You hold an Annual contract, or
- You have submitted or intend to submit a claim related to the contract, or
- You are repatriated at our expense

# TO SUBMIT A CLAIM

# 1. How to get a claim form

Our claim forms are available on our website or can be obtained by contacting our customer service:	
Canada	1-833-729-0186

# 2. How to submit your claim

Our responsibility is engaged only if you contacted *Blue Cross Travel Assistance* within the prescribed time frame, as stipulated in the *Emergency Medical Care* coverage and if you inform us, for the *Accidental Death or Dismemberment* coverage, of the damage, the loss suffered, or the event within 30 days following the incident.

In all cases, you must send us the completed claim form within 90 days of the event as well as all supporting documents and itemized invoices for services received or purchases made.

# 3. Providing the necessary information

To process your claim, supporting documents may be required. A list of these documents can be found in the "Supporting documents" section for each of the coverages.

Proof demonstrating the duration of the *trip* might also be required.

Finally, we reserve the right to require, at our expense, medical examinations related to a claim and, if the law authorizes us, to have an autopsy performed in the event of death.

# 4. Processing times for your claim

We have 30 business days following receipt of all the documents necessary for the assessment of your file to:

- Pay the benefit or advise you that payment has been made to the care or service provider
- Deny your claim in writing and provide the reasons justifying this decision

# 5. Claim settlement

Payment will be made through a cheque made out to the service provider, contract holder, or the assignee thereof, after receipt and evaluation of the relevant proof and necessary information relating thereto, in accordance with the established procedures. However, in all cases, we reserve the right to pay the service provider directly.

Any amount that we pay or that is paid on our behalf releases us, up to this amount, from any obligation.

If a claim is the subject of a direct agreement between us and the service provider you have dealt with, you must provide any original documents needed for the payment of this claim, including the travel insurance claim form. Failure to do so renders you responsible for the amounts owing or those we are unable to recover.

#### 6. Appealing a claim denial decision

If your claim has been denied, you can dispute this denial or request a review of our decision.

Should you wish to do so, you must send us, within 12 months of the denial, a written request stating your point of view or provide new documents that could change our decision.

Upon receipt of your request for review:

- a) We will acknowledge receipt in writing.
- b) We will inform you of the avenues of recourse.
- c) We will communicate our decision to you, in writing or by telephone, within 4 months.

Your request and your supporting documents must be sent to the travel claims department at one of the following addresses:

# Saskatchewan Blue Cross

Travel claims
PO Box 3888, Station B
Montreal, Quebec H3B 3L7

# GENERAL PROVISIONS APPLICABLE TO ALL COVERAGES

## Accuracy of the information provided

Your contract is established based on the information that you have provided us. When you purchase it, your answers must be accurate and complete, otherwise your contract may be cancelled and/or the claim may be denied.

If you see an error on your *insurance certificate*, you must immediately notify the authorized Blue Cross agent who sold the contract to you.

# Applicable law and jurisdiction

The contract is governed exclusively by the laws of the Canadian province where you normally reside.

Any dispute relating to the conclusion, interpretation, or execution of the contract will be submitted exclusively to the competent courts of the Canadian province where you normally reside, and the parties agree to abide by its jurisdiction.

# Contract modification by the insurer

The conditions of the contract cannot be amended unless agreed upon in writing by the *contract holder* and the *insurer*.

Should we choose not to or fail to call for the execution or observance of a particular contract provision, this shall not be interpreted as a waiver of our right to call for the execution or observance of any provision.

# **Contract validity**

The insurance is valid only if it is purchased and the premium is paid in full before the *effective date of the contract*.

Travel insurance must be purchased before the departure date and for the entire duration of the *trip*, including the departure date and the return date.

If the contract requires an extension and such extension is refused by the *insurer*, the validity of the contract is maintained until the *contract expiry date* indicated on the *insurance certificate*.

#### Coordination of benefits

Benefits provided under the contract cover only the excess costs not covered by another individual or group insurance contract or by a law or public insurance plan.

If you are entitled to similar benefits under another individual or group insurance contract or with an air carrier, the benefits reimbursed will be coordinated so that the total amount paid does not exceed the amount that is the subject of the claim.

## **Currency and interest**

All amounts indicated in the policy as well as the amounts payable are in Canadian dollars. No interest will be paid on the amounts payable under this contract.

# False declaration, failure to disclose, fraud, or attempted fraud

In case of a claim, we verify the information provided, including your medical history.

If you or someone acting on your behalf misrepresents the facts, fails to disclose required information or attempts to commit fraud, whether it is upon enrollment, when submitting a claim, or at any other time during the life of the contract, the contract will be considered null and as not having existed.

# Health care quality and access

We make every necessary effort to get you the best available medical and *hospital* care. Neither we nor *Blue Cross Travel Assistance* can be held responsible for the quality of the care administered or the possible unavailability thereof.

#### Insurance premium

Your premium is calculated based on:

- Your age
- The duration of your *trip*, or the *maximum stay* under your *Annual*
- The chosen product and coverages included in your contract
- The insured coverage amount, if applicable
- The answers you provided in your health declaration, if applicable
- The selected deductible amount, if applicable

# Repatriation of the insured person

No premium refund for early return will be issued when you are repatriated at the expense of the insurer.

In the absence of medical contraindications, we can call for your repatriation or your transfer to a different treatment facility.

If you refuse this repatriation or transfer, we may terminate your insurance, and no premium refund will be granted. The termination notice will be sufficient.

# Return to province of residence at the request of the insurer

In the absence of medical contraindications, when the Canadian or provincial government recommends that travellers return home while you are already travelling, we may require your return to the province of residence within a time frame that we deem reasonable.

# Right of subrogation

If you acquire a right to sue a third party under this contract, the *insurer* is subrogated to your rights to a maximum of the expenses reimbursed by the *insurer*.

You must always take the necessary measures to uphold your right to sue and must collaborate with the *insurer* in the exercise of its right of subrogation by, for example, providing it the required documents.

If you reach an agreement or accept payment from a third party liable for the insured event without our written consent, we will then be released from any obligation to you.

# **DEFINITIONS**

The insurer is solely responsible for defining and interpreting the terms used in this insurance policy.

**Accident** means an event due to an external cause and of a violent nature which causes, directly and independently of any other cause, bodily injury while the insurance is in effect. The accident is always unforeseen, sudden, unintentional and does not in any way mean *illness* or infection.

**Act of terrorism** means an act or threat made with or without the use of force or violence, including hijacking or kidnapping of an individual or group for the purpose of intimidating or terrorizing a government, group, association or population for religious, political or ideological purposes.

An act of terrorism does not mean, in any case, an act of war, a revolt, a revolution, a riot or an insurrection.

Age refers to the age at the time of purchase of your contract.

**Aircraft** refers to a multi-engine transport-type aircraft with a maximum authorized take-off weight greater than 10,000 lb (4,540 kg), and that is:

- Used for the transportation of passengers
- Used between licensed airports for authorized flights
- Operated by an air carrier holding a valid license delivered by the Canadian Transportation Agency or its foreign equivalent

**Blue Cross Travel Assistance** means CanAssistance, the company appointed by the *insurer* to offer assistance services to *insured persons*.

Contract expiry date means the date the coverage ends. This date is indicated on the insurance certificate.

Contract holder means the person named as such on the insurance certificate.

**Coverage period** means the period between the *effective date of the contract* and the *contract expiry date* indicated on the *insurance certificate*.

**Customary and reasonable expenses** means charges incurred for goods and services that are comparable to what other providers charge for similar goods and services in the same geographical area.

**Deductible** means the part of the eligible expenses in the contract for which you are responsible and that you must pay when claiming under the *Emergency Medical Care* coverage. The deductible applies per *trip* and per *insured person* once the benefits covered by government programs are paid. If you have decided to include a deductible on your contract, the amount will be indicated on your *insurance certificate*.

**Dependent child** means a child of the *contract holder*, their *spouse*, or both and who is over 30 days old at the departure date or at the time of adoption, who is unmarried and depends on the *contract holder* for support.

Also, to be considered a dependent child, the child must be:

- 20 years of age or under, or
- 21 to 24 years of age and attends an educational institution as a full-time student, or
- Physically or mentally disabled, no matter the age

For **international adoption**, a child who is over 30 days old, not a Canadian resident and who is in the process of being adopted abroad by a Canadian resident is considered to be a dependent child from the moment the required documents have been completed and when the competent authorities of the country where the adoption takes place hand over the child, definitively and without appeal, to the physical, visual and exclusive custody of the adoptive parents or of the person who will accompany the child until their arrival in Canada. A child in the process of adoption does not have to be a beneficiary of the *Health Insurance Act* or the *Hospital Insurance Act* of a Canadian province.

**Effective date of the contract** means the date the coverage begins. This date is indicated on the *insurance certificate*.

**Family member** means the *spouse*, father, mother, grandparents, grandchildren, parents-in-law, a child (not only a *dependent child*) of the *insured person* and/or the *spouse*, a brother, a sister, a half-brother, a half-sister, a brother-in-law, a sister-in-law, a son-in-law, a daughter-in-law, an uncle, an aunt, a nephew, a niece.

# High-risk pregnancy means:

- Multiple pregnancy
- Pregnancy resulting from in vitro fertilization
- Pregnancy requiring follow-ups in a clinic specializing in high-risk pregnancies
- Pregnancy for which a medical leave of absence was prescribed to you for a reason other than preventive withdrawal due to the nature of your work
- Pregnancy for which the *physician* established one the following diagnoses: preeclampsia, eclampsia, gestational hypertension, placenta previa, cervical incompetence

# High-risk sport, activity, or behaviour means:

- 1. All sports or activities for which the safety instructions, warning signs or prohibited areas are not observed.
- 2. All extreme sports or activities involving stunts, aerobatics, or improvised installations.
- 3. All motor sports in the context of competition or training, including on an approved circuit or elsewhere.
- 4. All sports practiced as a paid professional.
- 5. All high-level sports competitions, including the Olympics and national and international championships.
- 6. All aerial sports, including:
  - Hang-gliding
  - Parasailing
  - Bungee jumping
  - Skydiving or free fall

## 7. All combat sports, including:

- Boxing
- Judo
- Karate

# 8. All sports authorizing tackling or body checking, including:

- American football
- Hockey
- Rugby

# 9. All high-risk water sports, including:

- Canoeing, kayaking, or rafting on rapids of grades 4 to 6 according to the International Scale of River Difficulty
- Canyoning
- Kitesurfing
- Scuba diving practiced:
  - · Without adequate certification (except for an initiation activity supervised by a certified person), or
  - At a depth of over 30 meters, or
  - In an environment with a high degree of risk (wreck, cave, under ice, at night, etc.)

## 10. All high-risk mountain or climbing sports, including:

- Climbing
- Mountaineering of grades 4 and 5 according to the scale of the Yosemite Decimal System YDS
- Off-track snow sports or with jumps or acrobatics
- Snow sports using an airfoil
- Off-track mountain biking or with jumps or acrobatics

Hospital means an institution that is licensed as an accredited hospital that is staffed and operated for the care and *treatment* of in-patients and out-patients. *Treatment* must be supervised by *physicians* and there must be registered nurses on duty 24 hours a day. Diagnostic and surgical capabilities must also exist on the premises or in facilities controlled by the establishment.

A hospital is not an establishment used mainly as a clinic, extended or palliative care facility, rehabilitation facility, addiction treatment centre, convalescent, rest or nursing home, home for the aged or health spa.

**Hospitalization** means admission and stay in a *hospital* as a bedridden patient to receive acute care for a minimum period of 18 hours. Day surgery will always be considered a hospitalization, regardless of its duration. Hospitalization under no circumstance means convalescent care or physical or mental health rehabilitation.

Illness indicates a deterioration of health or a disorder of the organism observed by a physician.

**Immediate family member** means the *spouse*, father, mother, and children (not just dependent) of the *insured* person, the *spouse* or both.

**Insurance certificate** means the document certifying the existence of a contract and which specifies among other things: the *insured persons*, the contract number, the chosen product, the dates of coverage, the *deductible*, the selected coverages, and their associated amounts.

Insured person(s) means any person indicated as an insured on the insurance certificate.

**Insurer** means Canassurance Insurance Company Inc.

**Maximum stay**, under the **Annual**, means the number of days covered per *trip*. The maximum stay includes the departure date and the return date.

Medical condition means a health issue, illness, or injury (including symptoms of undiagnosed conditions).

**Medical emergency/Urgent** means a sudden and unforeseen *medical condition* requiring immediate *treatment*. An emergency no longer exists when the evidence reviewed by *Blue Cross Travel Assistance* indicates that no further *treatment* is required at destination or that you are able to return to your province of residence for further *treatment*.

Minor ailment means a non-chronic *medical condition*, which ends at least 30 consecutive days before the effective date of the coverage, and which does not require:

- Consumption of medication for a period of more than 15 days (consecutive or not), or
- More than one follow-up visit to the physician, or
- Hospitalization, or
- Surgery, or
- Consultation with a medical specialist

**Physician** means a person without any relation to the *insured person* who is a medical graduate authorized to prescribe and administer medical *treatment* in the jurisdiction where the services are provided.

Pre-existing medical condition means any existing medical condition when the coverage comes into effect.

**Public transportation** refers to any means of public transportation (air, sea, land) operated by an authorized transporter holding a valid permit issued by the competent authorities and for which a transportation tariff is requested.

**Routine check-up** means a periodic consultation scheduled in advance with a *physician* during which no new symptoms or worsening of existing symptoms are reported and no new abnormalities are observed by the *physician*.

Spouse means the person to whom the *contract holder* is married or with whom the *contract holder* has lived permanently for at least one year. Dissolution of marriage by divorce or annulment as well as de facto separation of more than 3 months cancels this status.

**Stable** means a *pre-existing medical condition* that has remained unchanged for several months prior to the effective date of insurance.

For a pre-existing medical condition to be considered stable, it must meet all the following criteria:

- 1. No new medical diagnosis has been made
- 2. No new symptoms appeared and there was no worsening or increase in the frequency of existing symptoms
- 3. No hospitalization has taken place
- 4. No new medication was prescribed or recommended
- 5. No change of dosage<sup>1</sup> was made to a medication already prescribed or recommended (dose increased or decreased, or consumption stopped)
- 6. No new treatment or medical test is pending or has been prescribed, ongoing or recommended
- 7. No ongoing treatment has been changed or discontinued
- 8. No prescribed or recommended treatment, nor medical advice has been ignored
- <sup>1</sup> We do not consider the following elements as a *change of dosage* of existing medication:
- Routine insulin or Coumadin® adjustment
- Replacement of a medication by an equivalent generic brand if its dosage remains unchanged
- Decrease in dosage of cholesterol medication
- Change to hormone replacement therapy treatment
- Change in consumption of non-prescribed medication such as: Aspirin®, vitamins, minerals, etc.
- Use of cream or ointment prescribed for skin irritation

**Terminal stage** means the period when death seems inevitable, in the near future, when there is no *treatment* to fight the *illness* or when the *illness* resists any curative *treatment*.

**Travelling companion** means an *immediate family member* and up to 6 other people. To qualify as such, a travelling companion must:

- Have planned the trip with you
- Have the same travel dates as you
- Have the same trip departure and return points as you

**Treatment** means a medical procedure prescribed, performed, or recommended by a *physician* for a *medical condition*. Without being limited to the following, here are a few examples: prescribed medication, investigative testing, surgery, etc.

Trip generally means temporarily being away from your province or your territory of residence.

Trip also means temporarily being away from your usual place of residence inside of your province of residence if it includes at least a 2-night stay in a commercial accommodation establishment located more than 100 kilometres from your usual place of residence.

The *Annual* covers trips made only outside the province or the territory of residence.

# PROTECTION AND USE OF YOUR PERSONAL INFORMATION

By purchasing a Blue Cross travel insurance product, you consent to the collection, use, and disclosure of your personal information by Canassurance Insurance Company® for evaluation of your enrollment request, confirmation of coverage, and assessment of your claims.

Personal information provided and collected in your insurance file will remain confidential and in a secure location. This information will be accessible only to authorized personnel and representatives who must use it for the purposes mentioned above.

Upon receipt of your written request, we will give you access to your insurance file and, if necessary, you can ask that your information be updated and/or corrected.

For any additional information regarding the collection, use, and disclosure of your personal information, or the management of that information, you can visit our website or write to us at:

# Canassurance Hospital Service Association and its subsidiaries<sup>1</sup>

c/o Privacy Officer 1981 McGill College Avenue, Suite 105 Montreal, Quebec H3A 0H6

# By email, no matter the province:

privacyofficer@qc.bluecross.ca

<sup>1</sup> Canassurance Insurance Company and CanAssistance Inc.

# **LEGAL NOTICE**

Any notice addressed to the *insurer* can be transmitted to:

# **Canassurance Insurance Company**

PO Box 910, Branch B, Montreal, Quebec H3B 3K8

In witness whereof, the insurer has signed this contract, which must be validated by an authorized representative.

Sylvain Charbonneau President and CEO

Elin Charlem

# **IMPORTANT**

In case of medical EMERGENCY, you MUST contact Blue Cross Travel Assistance immediately. You can call TOLL FREE 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. You will obtain all the advice and help you need.

En cas d'URGENCE médicale, VOUS DEVEZ appeler immédiatement l'Assistance voyage Croix Bleue. Vous pouvez communiquer avec nous SANS FRAIS, 24 heures sur 24 et ce 7 jours sur 7. Vous obtiendrez les conseils et l'aide qui vous sont nécessaires.

# **IMPORTANTE**

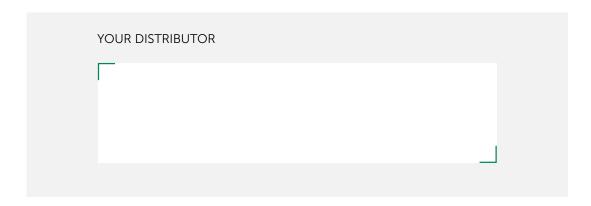
En caso de EMERGENCIA médica, TIENE que llamar Blue Cross Travel Assistance immediatamente. Se puede communicar con nosotros SIN PAGAR 24 horas por dia y 7 dias por semana para lograr los consejos y la ayuda que necesita.

# Assistance

Canada / USA / États-Unis 1-833-729-0186

Collect / À frais virés 306-518-0145





#### **GET IN TOUCH**

sk.bluecross.ca

1-800-USEBLUE® (873.2583) within Saskatchewan 1-800-667-6853 within Canada

Contact your local insurance broker

# **OUR OFFICES**

Saskatoon

516 2nd Avenue North PO Box 4030 Saskatoon, SK S7K 2C5

Regina

100, 1870 Albert Street Regina, SK S4P 4B7







Cut out this card and carry it with you at all times for the duration of your contract. In case of emergency or should you require medical attention, please call one of the numbers listed on this card as soon as possible.



# TRAVEL INSURANCE / ASSURANCE VOYAGE

Extension / Prolongation

Canada / USA / États-Unis

1-833-729-0186

Elsewhere, collect Ailleurs, à frais virés 306-518-0145

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