

The following are important notices regarding your health benefits. These notices are intended to make you aware of certain rights and obligations under the benefits plan.

Women’s Health and Cancer Rights Act of 1998 (W HCRA)

If you have had or are going to have a mastectomy, you may be entitled to certain benefits under the Women’s Health and Cancer Rights Act of 1998 (WHCRA). For an individual receiving mastectomy-related benefits, coverage will be provided in a manner determined by consultation with the attending physician and patient for:

- All stages of reconstruction of the breast on which the mastectomy was performed
- Surgery and reconstruction of the other breast to produce a symmetrical appearance
- Prostheses
- Treatment of physical complications of the mastectomy, including lymphedema in a manner determined in consultation with the attending physician and the patient

Special Enrollment

If you are declining enrollment for you or your dependents (including your spouse) because of other health insurance coverage, you may, in the future, be able to enroll you or your dependents in the plan, provided that your request enrollment within 30 days after your other coverage ends (COBRA or state continuation coverage ends, divorce, legal separation, death, termination of employment or reduction in hours worked; or because the employer contributions cease).

In addition, if you have a new dependent as a result of marriage, birth, adoption or placement for adoption, you may be able to enroll you and your dependents, provided you request enrollment within 30 days after the marriage, birth, adoption or placement for adoption.

If you decline enrollment for yourself or for your dependents (including your spouse) while Medicaid coverage or coverage under a state children’s health insurance program is in effect, you may be able to enroll yourself and your dependents if you or your dependents lose eligibility for that other coverage. However, you must request enrollment within 60 days after your or your dependents’ coverage ends under Medicaid or a state children’s health insurance program.

If you or your dependents (including your spouse) become eligible for a state premium assistance subsidy from Medicaid or through a state children’s health insurance program with respect to coverage under this plan, you may be able to enroll yourself and your dependents in this plan. However, you must request enrollment within 60 days after your or your dependents’ determination of eligibility for such assistance.

If you have any questions, please contact Phyliss Ward at 513-352-2566.