



Your Plan is Changing

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This addendum to the ASEBP Benefit Information Handbook takes effect on January 1, 2010.

Please note that this information does NOT replace the information provided in the 2007, 2008, and 2009 addendums. Add this sheet to your Benefit Handbook for future reference.

This update contains highlights of changes and should only be used as a guide.

Benefit coverage varies by employee group. You may or may not have all of the benefits described in this update. To confirm your current coverage, refer to your ASEBP ID card. To request a copy of ASEBP's Benefit Information Handbook, please contact your employer or send an e-mail to benefits@asebp.ab.ca.

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Outside Canada Emergency Travel Benefit (Extended Health Care)

Visitation Provision

For situations serious enough for a physician to authorize a visit:

- one round-trip economy airfare for a family member or friend to visit a covered member who has been hospitalized and has been an in-patient for at least three days (was seven days)
- commercial accommodation and meal expenses for a family member or friend to visit a covered person who has been hospitalized to a maximum of \$150 per day and \$1,500 per incident (new provision)

Incidental Expenses

- miscellaneous expenses incurred by the covered member who has been hospitalized to a maximum of \$100 per hospital stay (new provision)

Return of the Deceased Provision

- cost of preparation and transportation home of a deceased covered member (excluding the cost of a coffin) to a maximum of \$7,000 (was \$5,000)

Accidental Dental and Dental Pain Relief

- reasonable and customary charges for repair, extraction and/or replacement of natural teeth damaged by a direct accidental blow to the mouth to a maximum of \$2,000 for services rendered within 182 days of the date of the accident (new provision)
- expenses for relief of dental pain (excluding root canals) to a maximum of \$200 per trip and must be rendered at least 200 km outside the provincial border (new provision)

Limitation related to travel against advice of federal government

Expenses are not covered when incurred in a country, region, or city for which a formal travel advisory was issued. This rule applies only to expenses directly related to the reason the advisory was issued. For example, if the advisory is related to H1N1 and the reason emergency treatment is required is due to H1N1, then expenses will not be covered; if, however, the advisory is related to H1N1 and emergency treatment is required due to a broken leg, expenses will be covered.

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