# **RETIREE DENTAL PLAN 1**

You have elected coverage under Dental Plan 1.

This Dental Plan may be amended from time to time by the College Employer Council (Council).

The following provides a description of reimbursement and covered expenses under this plan.

# **WHAT IS COVERED**

DEDUCTIBLE	NIL
REIMBURSEMENT Basic Services Endodontic Treatment Periodontal Treatment Denture Services Crowns Bridges	100% 100% 100% 100% 50%
Inlays and Onlays Orthodontia	50% 50%
MAXIMUMS	
Basic, Endodontic, Periodontal & Dentures combined	\$2,000 per person per calendar year
Crowns, Bridges, Inlays & Onlays combined	\$2,000 per person per calendar year
Orthodontia	\$2,500 per person lifetime
COVERED FEES	Fees stated in the <b>Ontario Dental Association Fee Guide for General Practitioners</b> one year prior to the date the expense is incurred

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#### **BASIC SERVICES**

#### Oral examinations

- initial examinations every 24 months
- recall examinations limited to once in a fivemonth period but not more frequently than twice per year
- emergency or specific examinations

#### X-rays

- 1 complete series of X-rays or 1 panorex every
   24 months
- 1 set of bitewing X-rays every 6 months, up to a maximum of 2 sets per calendar year
- X-rays to diagnose a symptom or examine progress of a particular course of treatment

#### Other services

- Required consultations with another dentist, excluding those for orthodontic purposes
- Required consultations between the patient and dentist, excluding those for orthodontic purposes
- Fillings amalgam, silicate composite, acrylic or equivalent fillings
- Polishing (cleaning) and topical fluoride treatment, once every 6 months, up to a maximum of 2 per calendar year
- Protective athletic appliance (mouthguards)
- Scaling
- Diagnostic tests and laboratory examinations excluding X-rays, study models or similar records prepared for orthodontic procedures
- Provision of space maintainers for missing primary teeth
- Retentive pins and prefabricated full coverage restorations
- Caries, trauma and pain control
- Professional visits
- Extractions of teeth
- Oral surgery and related anaesthesia, other than transplants, implants, and repositioning of the jaw
- Therapeutic intra-muscular or intravenous drug injections
- Adjunctive general services.

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ENDODONTIC SERVICES	Root canal therapy and root canal fillings, and treatment of disease of the pulp tissue
PERIODONTAL SERVICES	Treatment of disease of the gum and other supporting tissue
DENTURE SERVICES	<ul> <li>Complete upper and/or lower dentures limited to once every three years per arch;</li> <li>Partial dentures limited to once every three years;</li> <li>Denture adjustments, repair, relining and rebasing of existing partial or complete dentures</li> <li>Laboratory fees associated with denture services</li> <li>Replacement of standard dentures is not considered an eligible expense during the three-year period following the construction or insertion of its predecessor except where:         <ul> <li>It is needed to replace a standard denture which has caused temporomandibular joint disturbances and which cannot be economically modified to correct the condition; or</li> <li>It is needed to replace a transitional denture which was inserted shortly following extraction of teeth and which cannot be economically modified to the final shape required.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
BRIDGES, CROWNS, INLAY AND ONLAY SERVICES	<ul> <li>Bridges and crowns including repairs;</li> <li>Inlays, Onlays and pins in inlays, onlays and crowns, post and core</li> <li>Replacement of a bridge is not considered an eligible expense during the three-year period following the construction or insertion of its predecessor except where it is needed to replace a bridge which has caused temporomandibular joint disturbances and which cannot be economically modified to correct the condition.</li> </ul>
ORTHODONTICS	Examinations, diagnosis, consultations, fixed or removable appliances such as braces, myofunctional therapy, retention appliances and

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other services for the straightening of the teeth.

### WHAT IS NOT COVERED

The Plan will not pay for:

- Services or supplies payable or available (regardless of any waiting list) in whole or in part under any legislation, except for user fees and extra billing if the legislation allows the user fees and extra billing.
- Services or supplies that are not usually provided to treat a dental problem, including experimental treatments.
- Any portion of the charge over the usual, customary and reasonable charge of the least expensive alternate service or material consistent with adequate dental services when such alternate service or material is customarily provided.
- Procedures performed primarily to improve appearance.
- The replacement of lost, misplaced or stolen dentures and dental appliances.
- Charges for appointments that you do not keep.
- Charges for completing claim forms.
- Expenses related to services or supplies of the type normally intended for home use.

#### Dental expenses resulting from:

- The hostile action of any armed forces, insurrection or participation in a riot or civil commotion.
- Commission or attempted commission of a criminal offence by the insured person.
- Any cause for which compensation is available under a Workplace Safety and Insurance Act, Criminal Injuries Compensation Act or similar legislation.

# **COVERAGE PROVISIONS**

- You may elect coverage under Dental Plan 1 in combination with Extended Health Care Plan 1, Extended Health Care Plan 2 or Extended Health Care Plan 3 when you first retire.
- You may change your coverage to Dental Plan 2 on February 1 of any future year.
- You may cancel this coverage on the first of any month with ADVANCE written notice to your college benefits plan administrator.
- Coverage is cancelled coincident with the date you cease paying the required premium.
- Dental benefits are cancelled coincident with the date you no longer are eligible for coverage under a Canadian provincial or territory medicare plan.

# **ELIGIBILITY**

You and your eligible dependents may participate in this plan provided:

 you qualify for and commence receiving a lifetime monthly pension from the Colleges of Applied Arts and Technology Pension Plan or the Teachers' Pension Plan immediately upon your retirement;

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- you are covered for dental benefits under the Colleges' Group Insurance Benefits Plan immediately prior to your retirement date;
- you elect coverage within 31 days of your retirement date; and
- you are a resident of Canada and continuously maintain coverage under your Canadian medicare plan in your province or territory of residence.

#### **Eligible Dependents**

Eligible Dependents include your spouse/partner, your unmarried children and your spouse's/partner's unmarried children (other than foster children) who are residents of Canada.

#### Spouse is:

- your spouse or partner by virtue of a legal marriage; or
- your partner of either sex in a relationship of some permanence, if you are the natural or adoptive parents of a child, as defined in the Family Law Act, 1990 (Ontario); or
- your partner who cohabits with you in a conjugal or homosexual relationship continuously for a period of not less than one year.

**Note:** For group insurance purposes your spouse/partner will cease to meet the definition of a person eligible to be qualified as your spouse/partner upon the earlier of:

- the date you have entered into a "Separation Agreement" with your spouse/partner; or
- having lived separate and apart from your spouse/partner for not less than 12 months.

Only one person at a time can be covered as your Spouse/Partner.

#### **Eligible Dependent Children are:**

- unmarried and under age 21, who live with you in a normal parent/child relationship;
- unmarried and under age 21 for whom you are appointed legal guardian and who live with you in a normal parent/child relationship;
- unmarried and age 21 but under age 25 if attending college or university as a full-time student as long as the child is entirely dependent on you for financial support;
- unmarried and age 21 or over if mentally or physically handicapped provided the child became disabled prior to the limiting age (21 or 25 if a full-time student), is incapable of financial self-support and is dependent on you for financial support and maintenance.

# **COVERAGE UNDER MORE THAN ONE GROUP PLAN**

If you have Dental benefit coverage under your Spouse's/Partner's or any other group insurance plan, the Co-ordination of Benefits provision allows claims to be made under both plans. The rules for benefit co-ordination are as follows:

- **Your claims** must be submitted to the College plan first. If there is any unpaid portion, the claim would then be submitted to your Spouse's/Partner's plan.
- Your Spouse's/Partner's claims must be submitted their plan first. If there is any unpaid portion, the claim would then be submitted to the College's plan.
- **Your Children's claims** must be submitted to the plan of the parent who is born on the earliest month and day in the year. If there is any unpaid portion, the claim would then be submitted to the other parent's plan.

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#### **SURVIVOR BENEFITS**

Provided your dependents were covered under this plan at the time of your death, they may continue their coverage under the plan by paying 100% of the required premium until the earliest of the following:

- The date they would no longer be considered your dependent if you were still alive (remarries)
- The end of the period for which premiums have been paid
- The date the survivor cancels the coverage
- The date the survivor dies

#### **HOW TO FILE A DENTAL CLAIM**

Claims should be submitted to Sun Life on a regular basis as they are incurred. They may be submitted electronically by your dentist or you may submit them. Whether submitted by you or by your dentist, you should retain a copy of the dental claim form and the subsequent payment statement for future reference.

#### <u>Pre-determination – Expenses in excess of \$300</u>

If your dental expenses are expected to exceed \$300, it is strongly recommended that you send a predetermination form to Sun Life, before the work is done so that both you and your dentist are aware of the expenses that will be covered by the plan.

# **CLAIM FORMS**

- May be obtained from your college benefits plan administrator,
- May be obtained from Sun Life's website, and
- Accompany any claim payment that is sent directly to you.

# TIME LIMITS FOR FILING CLAIMS

Claims must be received by Sun Life within the earliest of:

- the end of the calendar year following the year in which the expense was incurred
- 90 days following the end of your Dental Care coverage, or
- 90 days following the termination of the Dental Care provision.

### **CONTACTING THE PLAN INSURER - SUN LIFE**

You may contact Sun Life directly using one of the following methods:

- web address is www.sunlife.ca
- email address is askus@sunlife.com
- Toronto telephone number is 416-753-4300
- Toll-free telephone number is 1-800-361-6212

Should you require assistance, please contact your college benefits plan administrator.

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