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TO: ILWU Longshore, Ship Clerk and Walking Boss/Foreman Locals

and ILWU Watchmen Locals 26 and 75

FROM: Mario Perez, Director of Benefit Plans

SUBJECT: RSV Vaccine and New Vision Service Plan (VSP) Benefits

The attached notices will begin mailing in the coming days to ILWU-PMA Welfare Plan members enrolled in the Coastwise Indemnity Plan, to announce coverage for RSV Vaccine and new vision benefits.

**Attachment** 

cc: Area Welfare Directors

A copy of this memo can be downloaded at www.benefitplans.org

To: All Eligible ILWU-PMA Coastwise Indemnity Plan (CIP) Enrollees

**Subject:** RSV Vaccine Coverage

Effective September 26, 2023, the CIP began covering the Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV) vaccine under the OptumRx prescription drug benefit. Members can obtain this vaccine at a network pharmacy for a \$0 copayment.

The RSV vaccine can also be provided to you and billed by a medical doctor and covered through the CIP, subject to normal Plan rules.

If you have any questions, please contact the BPO at 415-673-8500, OptumRx at 800-797-9791, the Coastwise Claims Office at 800-955-7376, or your union local or Area Welfare Director.

## **SUMMARY OF MATERIAL MODIFICATIONS**

## Important Notice Regarding Your ILWU-PMA Welfare Plan Coverage

To: All Eligible Vision Service Plan (VSP) Enrollees

**Subject:** Vision Service Plan (VSP) Changes

Effective July 1, 2022, the following changes will apply to VSP benefits:

Eyeglass lenses shall be provided through Vision Service Plan (VSP) to those enrolled in the Coastwise Indemnity Plan (CIP) if the enrollees' prescription changes by at least .50 diopter within 12 months of the most recent prescription being filled.

A benefit of \$700 for contact lenses each year, including eye examination, fitting and evaluation, and any additional contact lenses prescribed by a licensed, in-network optometrist, along with required fitting fees, shall be a covered benefit.

An eyeglass frame benefit of up to \$300 once every 12 months from the last date of purchase of eyeglass frames shall be covered.

All out-of-pocket claims for the vision benefits for dates of service 7/1/2022 through 9/30/2023 listed above should be submitted to the ILWU-PMA Coastwise Claims Office (CCO) for processing. Remember to please submit, or have your provider submit, a claim form with your itemized receipt for processing. A claim form may be obtained from the BPO website at

https://www.benefitplans.org/forms.html#welclaim, at your union local office, or from your Area Welfare Director. Non-Medicare members should use the "Coastwise Indemnity Plan – Hospital, Medical, Surgical Benefits Claim Form (non-Medicare)," and Medicare members should use the "Coastwise Indemnity Plan – Hospital, Medical, Surgical Benefits Claim Form (Medicare)."

For services incurred on or after October 1, 2023, the claims should be submitted to VSP.

Please contact VSP with any questions at 800-877-7195, or <u>www.vsp.com</u>.