

DIABETIC DURABLE EQUIPMENT BENEFIT

A Supplemental Summary Plan Description

WHO IS ELIGIBLE

- Persons with Welfare Plan eligibility who are not eligible for Medicare.
- Persons with Welfare Plan eligibility who are eligible for Medicare, whose physician prescribes a Blood Sugar Monitor as medically necessary, but who are not insulin-dependent and therefore not covered under Medicare for this benefit.

WHAT IS COVERED

The benefit covers a Blood Sugar Monitor, when prescribed by a physician as medically necessary to monitor a permanent condition.

AMOUNT OF BENEFIT

The Maximum Allowable Charge (MAC), as determined by the Welfare Plan Trustees.

LIMITATIONS, EXCLUSIONS

- No Benefit is provided for equipment purchased prior to effective date as provided in applicable 1987-1990 collective bargaining agreement.
- Only one Blood Sugar Monitor is provided per family.
- No Benefit is provided for injection devices or any other kind of equipment except a Blood Sugar Monitor.
- Diabetic supplies (needles, insulin, syringes, test tapes and tablets, Benedict's solution or equivalent) are not covered under this benefit. These items are covered under the regular health plan prescription drug benefit.
- Medicare eligibles that are covered for Medicare-allowed equipment under their regular plan are not covered under this program.

FILING A CLAIM

Diabetic Durable Equipment Claim Forms are available at your Local, the Benefit Plans office or at www.benefitplans.org. Claim form must be completed by the eligible Participant and the prescribing doctor, and mailed with the receipt to the Benefit Plans office. **Medicare eligibles** must first file a claim with Medicare, and must include a copy of the Medicare Explanation of Benefits denying payment when submitting a claim form to the Benefit Plans office.

CLAIMS REVIEW PROCEDURE

Requests for review of a denied Diabetic Durable Equipment claim should be submitted to the Benefit Plans office. The Claims Review Procedure is described in your Welfare Plan Summary Plan Description.

The Information in this booklet is subject to and does not change the provisions of the ILWU-PMA Welfare Plan Agreement or the provisions of the Welfare Plan Summary Plan Description.