

Survivor Benefits

The spouse and/or dependents of an eligible retiree who dies are eligible to purchase Survivor benefits. This may be done in lieu of COBRA or after COBRA benefits expire.

For a premium charge the Welfare Fund provides the following benefits

- Prescription Drugs
- Dental
- Optical
- Hearing Aid
- Major Medical (for persons who qualify as non-Medicare eligible)

It is the responsibility of the surviving spouse/domestic partner/covered dependent to notify the Welfare Fund office of the death of the covered retiree. The surviving spouse/ domestic partner/ covered dependent has 30 days from the date of notification to decide to purchase benefits. Spouse/domestic partner/covered dependents must continue to meet the requirements of eligibility under the Welfare Fund. The coverage is available only to those without other comparable coverage. Failure to pay the premium will discontinue coverage permanently. Application forms are provided upon notification.