

# Catastrophic Major Medical

## Closed to New Enrollees

The PSC-CUNY Welfare Fund Catastrophe Major Medical Plan is closed to new enrollment. The information provided below is for the use of current policy holders.

The Catastrophe Major Medical Insurance Plan has been designed to supplement the basic health insurance policy as well as supplemental policies provided by the PSC-CUNY Welfare Fund. Additionally, it pays in excess of Medicare Parts A & B. The plan includes a large deductible and may limit certain benefits. In addition to addressing uncovered expenses of the basic health insurance, benefits covered under this plan include: Convalescent Home Benefits, Home Health Benefits, and Private Duty Nursing Services.

## Eligibility

Full-time or retired members, spouses and domestic partners are eligible to apply for coverage, regardless of age as long as all are covered under the NYC Health Benefits Program or Medicare (Parts A and B). An insured member's unmarried, dependent children from birth to 21 years (27 if attending school full-time) are also eligible.

## Deductible

There is a \$10,000 deductible (or the amount paid by the health insurance if higher). When insured, reasonable and customary eligible expenses count toward meeting deductible in full. Even those eligible expenses paid for by the basic health insurance policy, as well as those paid out of own pocket, count toward the deductible.

## Premium

The premium for this plan is based on age when insurance becomes effective and on attained age bracket on renewal dates. Premiums may be paid through a) pension deduction (with the Pension Deduction Authorization), b) automatic check withdrawal or c) direct billing.

## Benefit Period

An insured's benefit period begins on the date the first eligible expense is incurred and will cease at the earlier of: completion of 10 years from the day eligibility expenses were first incurred; \$2,000,000 has been paid; the insured recovers; after 24 months from the date the first eligible expense is incurred if 90 consecutive days pass without at least \$150 of eligible expenses being incurred; or the end of 12 consecutive months during which no charge is incurred.

## **Survivor's Coverage**

Coverage continues for covered dependent spouse or domestic partner and children as long as the dependents meet eligibility requirements, premiums are paid at the adjusted rate (depending on the survivor's age) and the policy remains in force.