

**BENEFITS OVERVIEW - BCGEU-**

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#### TODAY'S BENEFITS PRESENTATION

- What are the benefit plans at UBC?
- What are the costs?
- What is my health benefit coverage?
- How do I make a claim?
- What is the coverage for my other benefits?
- Where can I get more information?
- Questions

Note: Plan enrollment and coverage depends on eligibility, appointment type, and employment group. Some benefits are optional and require enrollment. Costs are subject to change. For further information, please refer to <a href="www.hr.ubc.ca/benefits">www.hr.ubc.ca/benefits</a>. If there are any discrepancies in this presentation, the official documentation shall prevail.



What are the Benefit Plans at UBC?







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- Medical Services Plan of BC (MSP)
- Extended Health Benefits (EHB)
- Dental (DEN)
- Employee and Family Assistance Program (EFAP)
- Basic Group Life Insurance (BGL)
- Optional Life Insurance (OPT)
- Income Replacement Plan / Disability Benefit Plan
- Staff Pension Plan
- Tuition Waivers
- Leaves including sick and vacation
- Top-up benefits for Maternity, Parental, and Adoptive Leave
- Retiree & Survivor Benefits Program (RSB)



What are the costs?



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## MONTHLY BENEFITS COST: BCGEU Okanagan

Benefit	Employee share	Employer Share
MSP*	0%	100%
(optional) *taxable		S: \$60.50; C: \$109.00; F: \$121.00
Extended Health	0%	100%
(optional)		S: \$32.14; C/F: \$107.34
Dental Care	0%	100%
(optional)		S: \$39.66; C: \$;77.64 F: \$132.00
Employee and Family Assistance Program	30%	70%
(mandatory)	S/C/F: \$1.20	S/C/F: \$2.80
Basic Group Life*	0%	.219% of gross monthly salary
(mandatory) *taxable		
Optional Life	100%	0%
(optional)	Depends on age and smoker status	
Disability Insurance	1.60% of gross monthly salary	0%
(mandatory)		



# EMPLOYEE BENEFIT DEDUCTIONS AND MY PAY

#### Monthly paid employees

- 15<sup>th</sup> of the month: income-based deductions (Pension, Disability)
- end of the month: income-based deductions + 100% of all fixed deductions (MSP if applicable, EFAP, Optional Life)

#### **Hourly paid employees**

- 8<sup>th</sup> of the month: income-based deductions (Disability) + 100% of all fixed deductions (MSP if applicable, EFAP, Optional Life)
- 23<sup>rd</sup> of the month: income-based deductions

Any questions about your paycheque?

Contact UBC Okanagan Finance - Payroll (250) 807-8806 or (250) 807-8625



What is my health benefit coverage?







## **Medical Services Plan of BC (MSP)**

- The Medical Services Plan (MSP) is the Provincial Government's medical insurance plan.
- It pays for medically required services of physicians and surgeons, as well as dental and oral surgery when it is medically required to be performed in a hospital.
- Website: <a href="http://www.health.gov.bc.ca/msp/infoben/index.html">http://www.health.gov.bc.ca/msp/infoben/index.html</a>



#### EMPLOYEE AND FAMILY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

- Provider is Human Solutions
- Confidential counselling services from Human Solutions' network of registered counsellors and psychologists
- Health and wellness services are also available (nutrition, childcare and parenting support, caregiver support, financial and legal advice, etc.)
  - E-courses and plan-smart services
- To set up an appointment, contact Human Solutions directly at 1-800-663-1142
  - -other options include telephone and online counselling

Website: www.humansolutions.ca



## EXTENDED HEALTH

- Annual deductible of \$25 per single or family
- \$1,000,000 lifetime maximum per person
- Eligible dependent: same sex or opposite sex spouse, common-law partner, dependent children under age 19, or between age 19 and 25 if in full-time attendance at a school or university
- Eligible expenses include:
  - Prescription drugs
  - Hospital room
  - Medical equipment and supplies
  - Paramedical services
  - Vision Care
  - Out-of-Country Emergency Medical & Travel Assistance



## EXTENDED HEALTH REIMBURSEMENT

#### Hospital room and medical equipment/supplies

• 80%

#### **Prescription drugs**

• 85% for PharmaCare / 70% for non-PharmaCare

#### **Paramedical services**

- 80% (maximums apply)
- Psychologist: \$1,200/year
- Speech therapist, acupuncturist, chiropractor, naturopath, homeopath, osteopath, podiatrist or chiropodist: combined \$600/year
- Physiotherapist and massage therapist: \$750/year
- Doctor's referral required for psychologist and massage therapy



#### EXTENDED HEALTH REIMBURSEMENT Continued

#### **Vision Care**

- 100%
- Maximum: \$400 in a 24 month period (adults and children)
- Eligible expenses: prescription frames, lenses and contact lenses, eye exams, prescription sunglasses and laser eye surgery

#### **Out-of-Province/Country**

- Items *Sun Life* would normally cover in-province continue to be covered outside home province (same reimbursement and up to BC rates)
- Items *MSP* would normally cover in-province continue to be covered outside home province in the event of an emergency only up to BC rates. Sun Life will cover up to 100% of emergency medical expenses. Contact Europ Assist in the event of emergency.



#### **DENTAL CARE**

- No annual deductible
- Reimbursement and maximum depends on procedure
- Eligible dependent: same as Extended Health
- Basic services (teeth cleaning, x-rays, etc.): 100%
  - no maximum
- Major services (crowns, dentures, etc.): 70%
  - no maximum
- Orthodontics: 65% up to a maximum of \$3,000/person
- Reimbursement is based on BC Dental Fee Guide



#### **Extended Health & Dental Benefits Provider Information**

- Benefits provider is Sun Life
- Two numbers to know:
  - Group/Contract/Policy: 25205
  - Member/Certificate: your UBC employee ID
- On-line services available to plan members (<u>www.mysunlife.ca</u>)
  - health and wellness resources
  - download personalized coverage card included EuropAssist Info.
  - submit some claims online (dental, vision and paramedical claims)
  - sign up for paperless claim statements and direct deposit
  - call Sun Life to set up your access (1-800-661-7334)
- Visit the UBC HR Benefits website to view your benefits booklet for complete coverage details (<u>www.hr.ubc.ca/benefits</u>)



## **How To Make a Claim**

Website:

http://hr.ubc.ca/benefits/claims/





#### MAKING CLAIMS: EXTENDED HEALTH

#### Prescription drugs

- present your pay-direct drug card at the Pharmacy
- if you do not have one or lost it, download it at www.mysunlife.ca
- remember to be registered for Fair PharmaCare and provide confirmation of your registration to Sun Life (web: <a href="http://hr.ubc.ca/benefits/medical-services-plan/fair-pharmacare/">http://hr.ubc.ca/benefits/medical-services-plan/fair-pharmacare/</a>)

#### All other claims

- pay first, submit your receipts to Sun Life for reimbursement using a claim form
- claims for vision care and paramedical services can be submitted online via the Sun Life Plan Member website (no paper claim form)
- you do not need to submit your receipts for online claims unless you are randomly selected by Sun Life to provide proof of claim



#### **MAKING CLAIMS: DENTAL CARE**

✓ Advise your dental office of your group number and member ID (no dental card will be issued)

#### Method of reimbursement depends on your dental office:

- 1. Dental office submits claims electronically on your behalf and deals with Sun Life directly you pay your dentist what the plan does not cover
- 2. Dental office submits claims electronically on your behalf, and <u>you</u> deal with Sun Life directly you pay your dentist the full cost and Sun Life reimburses you for what the plan covers
- 3. Dental office <u>does not</u> submit claims electronically on your behalf you pay your dentist the full cost and you submit a claim to Sun Life by paper or online via the Sun Life Plan Member website (Sun Life reimburses you for what the plan covers)



#### **Pre-Authorization of Claims**

#### Dental:

- Not all dental care procedures (e.g. implants) are covered by the UBC Dental benefits plan and some dental treatments may exceed your benefit limit.
- Submit a pre-authorization for dental work to Sun Life **before** you have the procedure done, especially if:
  - Your dental care procedure will cost more than \$500 or for any amount if cost may be prohibitive to you
  - You need an orthodontic treatment, such as braces to re-align crooked teeth

#### **Extended Health:**

- For medical services or equipment expenses over \$5,000 or for any amount if cost may be prohibitive to you
- **Why?** Pre-authorizations tell you whether a particular service or item is covered and whether only a portion is covered by your plan, and will show you what amount you can expect to pay.



## Coordination of Benefits (COB)

- Allows for additional enrolment in Extended Health & Dental if you and your eligible dependents are enrolled in separate Extended Health & Dental coverage elsewhere
- May provide additional reimbursement for medical & dental items & services covered under both plans or coverage for those not covered by one of the plans
- Most common is for spouses or common-law partners with coverage through their own employer to coordinate
- UBC plans allow for COB
- Check with other plan(s) to see if COB permitted



What is the coverage for my other benefits?







## BASIC LIFE INSURANCE

- Coverage is based on your age and annual basic salary at death
  - - Range is 1 4 times your annual basic salary
  - - Maximum benefit is \$300,000
- Life insurance benefit is paid to your designated beneficiary
- Ensure your beneficiary information is kept up-to-date
  - change forms available from the HR Benefits website
  - submit forms to Payroll for processing



## OPTIONAL LIFE INSURANCE

- Must be enrolled in Basic Life
- Coverage available to employee and/or spouse/partner
- Cost depends on age and if you are a smoker or non-smoker and is paid by you through payroll deductions
- Coverage is available in units of \$25,000 up to a maximum of \$250,000
- Dependent children are automatically covered at no extra cost at a rate of \$5,000 of coverage for every \$25,000 of spousal coverage or for single parents every \$25,000 of employee coverage

#### OPTIONAL LIFE ACCIDENTAL DEATH & DISMEMBERMENT (AD&D):

- Must have Optional Life Insurance coverage
- AD&D available to employee only (no spousal AD&D)
- Equivalent dollar value to Optional Life Insurance coverage



## OPTIONAL LIFE APPLICATION PROCESS

#### **Application process:**

- 1. Submit an application to UBC
- 2. UBC Payroll will send you a Sun Life medical form
- 3. Complete and send to medical form to Sun Life directly
- 4. Sun Life will advise you in writing (with a copy to UBC Payroll) and let you know whether you have been approved for coverage



## **OPTIONAL LIFE INSURANCE Continued**

- Submit form to reduce or cancel coverage at any time
- Spousal coverage ends if you work past age-65
- Employee coverage ends at 71 if you continue to work
- Following the end of your employment, you may convert your coverage to an individual policy available from the insurance carrier during a 31-day conversion period (maximum amount \$200,000)



## Paid Sick Leave

- Accumulate 1 1/4 days per month up to a maximum of 152 days
- Pro-rated for part-time employees



## Disability Benefit Plan

- Provides a monthly disability benefit in the event of longer-term illnesses or injury
- Must serve a six month waiting period and meet the definition of disability in order to qualify for benefits
- Non-taxable monthly income that is based on a percentage of your pre-disability salary:
  - -70% of first \$625 of basic income
  - -60% of next \$500 of basic income
  - -40% in excess of first \$1,125 of basic income
  - Maximum monthly benefit is \$3,500
- Paid for the duration of your disability to recovery, death, or normal retirement at age 65
- University maintains certain benefits during your period of disability
- Visit the UBC HR Benefits website to view your benefits booklet for complete coverage details (<u>www.hr.ubc.ca/benefits</u>)



## **Tuition Fee Waiver Benefit**

#### **Eligibility**

 Full-time and part-time continuing employees after completion of qualifying period (up to three months)

#### Coverage

 12 credits of UBC undergraduate credit courses per year (transferable to eligible dependents)

#### OR

- Dollar equivalent in non-credit courses offered through UBC Continuing Studies
- Tuition Fee portion of course only
- Credit courses have registration requirements
- Yearly renewal; does not accumulate from year to year
- \* Effective May 1, 2010 12 undergrad credits = \$1,807.20



### **Staff Pension Plan**

- Administered by the Pension Administration Office
- More information can be obtained from <u>www.pensions.ubc.ca/staff</u>



### **Retiree & Survivor Benefits Program**

- Offer a continuation of modified group benefits to UBC community members who retire or leave the University for any reason after age 55.
- Surviving family of UBC community members who were eligible for group benefits and have passed away at any age may also be eligible for the program.
- The RSB Program is made up of three benefits plans:
  - Extended Health
  - Dental
  - Employee & Family Assistance Program
- 100% Retiree paid
- Must apply within 31 days of leaving UBC and group benefits coverage ending
- Website: <u>www.hr.ubc.ca/retiring</u>



Where To Find More Information







#### **Benefit Information Resources**

**The Benefits Team:** Our team of benefits professionals is happy to answer any questions and support you when you need your benefits most.

Please contact us.

- W www.hr.ubc.ca/benefits
- T 604-822-8111 anytime between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday to Friday
- E <u>benefitsinfo@hr.ubc.ca</u>



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## Benefit Information Resources: Benefits of Knowing Website - <a href="www.hr.ubc.ca/benefits">www.hr.ubc.ca/benefits</a>



challenges or a death in the family.

check your UBC benefits to see

benefitsinfo@hr.ubc.ca



#### Benefits Information Resources: Benefit FYI Newsletter

print newsletter sent quarterly to all benefit plan members. Find here:
 <a href="http://hr.ubc.ca/benefits/newsletters">http://hr.ubc.ca/benefits/newsletters</a>







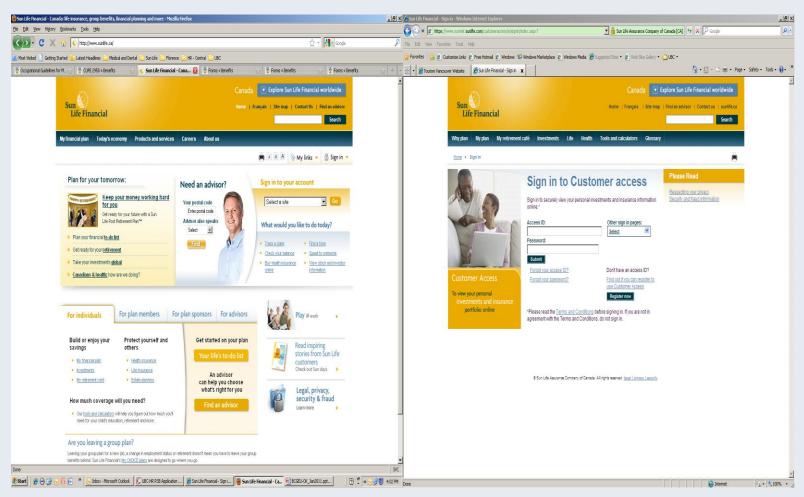
## **Benefits Information Resources: Other Web-Pages**

Travelling Soon? Check out: www.hr.ubc.ca/benefits/travel

Benefits Enrollment, pay, total compensation, or apply for tuition waivers? go to employee self serve-portal with your cwl access at: www.my.ubc.ca



## Benefits Information Resources: Sun Life – <a href="https://www.mysunlife.ca">www.mysunlife.ca</a>





## Benefits Information Resources: Introductory Brochure





## Questions?