

Metropolitan Life Insurance Company 200 Park Avenue, New York, New York 10166-0188

# **CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE**

Metropolitan Life Insurance Company ("MetLife"), a stock company, certifies that You are insured for the benefits described in this certificate, subject to the provisions of this certificate. This certificate is issued to You under the Group Policy and it includes the terms and provisions of the Group Policy that describe Your insurance. **PLEASE READ THIS CERTIFICATE CAREFULLY.** 

This certificate is part of the Group Policy. The Group Policy is a contract between MetLife and the Policyholder and may be changed or ended without Your consent or notice to You.

Policyholder:	Alliance for Affordable Services
Group Policy Number:	143473-G
Type of Insurance:	Basic Term Life Insurance
MetLife Toll Free Number(s): For General Information	1-800-275-4638

### THIS CERTIFICATE ONLY DESCRIBES LIFE INSURANCE.

THE BENEFITS OF THE POLICY PROVIDING YOUR COVERAGE ARE GOVERNED PRIMARILY BY THE LAW OF A STATE OTHER THAN FLORIDA.

THE GROUP INSURANCE POLICY PROVIDING COVERAGE UNDER THIS CERTIFICATE WAS ISSUED IN A JURISDICTION OTHER THAN MARYLAND AND MAY NOT PROVIDE ALL THE BENEFITS REQUIRED BY MARYLAND LAW.

WE ARE REQUIRED BY STATE LAW TO INCLUDE THE NOTICE(S) WHICH APPEAR ON THIS PAGE AND IN THE NOTICE(S) SECTION WHICH FOLLOWS THIS PAGE. PLEASE READ THE(SE) NOTICE(S) CAREFULLY.

# For Texas Residents:

# **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

To obtain information or make a complaint:

You may call MetLife's toll free telephone number for information or to make a complaint at

1-800-275-4638

You may contact the Texas Department of Insurance to obtain information on companies, coverages, rights or complaints at

### 1-800-252-3439

You may write the Texas Department of Insurance P.O. Box 149104 Austin, TX 78714-9104 Fax # (512) 475-1771

Web: http://www.tdi.state.tx.us

Email: ConsumerProtection@tdi.state.tx.us

**PREMIUM OR CLAIM DISPUTES:** Should You have a dispute concerning Your premium or about a claim You should contact MetLife first. If the dispute is not resolved, You may contact the Texas Department of Insurance.

### ATTACH THIS NOTICE TO YOUR CERTIFICATE:

This notice is for information only and does not become a part or condition of the attached document.

# Para Residentes de Texas:

# **AVISO IMPORTANTE**

Para obtener informacion o para someter una queja:

Usted puede llamar al numero de telefono gratis de MetLife para informacion o para someter una queja al

1-800-275-4638

Puede comunicarse con el Departmento de Seguros de Texas para obtener informacion acerca de companias, coberturas, derechos o quejas al

1-800-252-3439

Puede escribir al Departmento de Seguros de Texas P.O. Box 149104 Austin, TX 78714-9104 Fax # (512) 475-1771

Web: http://www.tdi.state.tx.us

Email: ConsumerProtection@tdi.state.tx.us

DISPUTAS SOBRE PRIMAS O RECLAMOS: Si

tiene una disputa concerniente a su prima o a un reclamo, debe comunicarse con MetLife primero. Si no se resuelve la disputa, puede entonces comunicarse con el departamento (TDI).

### UNA ESTE AVISO A SU CERTIFICADO:

Este aviso es solo para proposito de informacion y no se convierte en parte o condicion del documento adjunto.

# NOTICE FOR RESIDENTS OF ARKANSAS

If You have a question concerning Your coverage or a claim, first contact the Policyholder or group account administrator. If, after doing so, You still have a concern, You may call the toll free telephone number shown on the Certificate Face Page.

If You are still concerned after contacting both the Policyholder and MetLife, You should feel free to contact:

Arkansas Insurance Department Consumer Services Division 1200 West Third Little Rock, Arkansas 72204-1904 1-800-852-5494

### **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

TO OBTAIN ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, OR TO MAKE A COMPLAINT, CONTACT THE POLICYHOLDER OR THE METLIFE CLAIM OFFICE SHOWN ON THE EXPLANATION OF BENEFITS YOU RECEIVE AFTER FILING A CLAIM.

IF, AFTER CONTACTING THE POLICYHOLDER AND/OR METLIFE, YOU FEEL THAT A SATISFACTORY SOLUTION HAS NOT BEEN REACHED, YOU MAY FILE A COMPLAINT WITH THE CALIFORNIA INSURANCE DEPARTMENT AT:

> DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE 300 SOUTH SPRING STREET LOS ANGELES, CA 90013 1 (800) 927-4357

# NOTICE FOR RESIDENTS OF GEORGIA

### **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

The laws of the state of Georgia prohibit insurers from unfairly discriminating against any person based upon his or her status as a victim of family violence.

# NOTICE FOR RESIDENTS OF ILLINOIS

### **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

To make a complaint to MetLife, You may write to:

MetLife 200 Park Avenue New York, New York 10166

The address of the Illinois Department of Insurance is:

Illinois Department of Insurance Public Services Division Springfield, Illinois 62767

# NOTICE FOR RESIDENTS OF MISSOURI

### **GENERAL PROVISIONS**

If you reside in Missouri the suicide provision is as follows:

### Suicide

If You commit suicide

- within 2 years from the date Life Insurance for You takes effect; and
- when You enrolled for such insurance You intended to commit suicide;

We will not pay such insurance and Our liability will be limited as follows:

- any premium paid by You will be returned to the Beneficiary.
- any premium paid by the Policyholder will be returned to the Policyholder.

### If You commit suicide

- within 2 years from the date an increase in Your Life Insurance takes effect; and
- when You enrolled for such increase You intended to commit suicide;

We will pay to the Beneficiary the amount of Insurance in effect on the day before the increase. Any premium You paid for the increase will be returned to the Beneficiary. Any premium paid by the Policyholder for the increase will be returned to the Policyholder.

If a Dependent commits suicide

- within 2 years from the date Life Insurance for such Dependent takes effect; and
- when the Dependent was enrolled for such insurance the Dependent intended to commit suicide;

We will not pay such insurance and Our liability will be limited as follows:

- any premium paid by You will be returned to the Beneficiary.
- any premium paid by the Policyholder will be returned to the Policyholder.

If a Dependent commits suicide

- within 2 years from the date an increase in Life Insurance for such Dependent takes effect; and
- when the Dependent was enrolled for such increase the Dependent intended to commit suicide;

We will pay to the Beneficiary the amount of Insurance in effect on the day before the increase. Any premium You paid for the increase will be returned to the Beneficiary. Any premium paid by the Policyholder for the increase will be returned to the Policyholder.

# NOTICE FOR RESIDENTS OF UTAH

### NOTICE TO POLICYHOLDERS

Insurance companies licensed to sell life insurance, health insurance, or annuities in the State of Utah are required by law to be members of an organization called the Utah Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association ("ULHIGA"). If an insurance company that is licensed to sell insurance in Utah becomes insolvent (bankrupt), and is unable to pay claims to its policyholders, the law requires ULHIGA to pay some of the insurance company's claims. The purpose of this notice is to briefly describe some of the benefits and limitations provided to Utah insureds by ULHIGA.

### PEOPLE ENTITLED TO COVERAGE

- You must be a Utah resident.
- You must have insurance coverage under an individual or group policy.

### POLICIES COVERED

• ULHIGA provides coverage for certain life, health and annuity insurance policies.

### **EXCLUSIONS AND LIMITATIONS**

Several kinds of insurance policies are specifically excluded from coverage. There are also a number of limitations to coverage. The following are not covered by ULHIGA:

- Coverage through an HMO.
- Coverage by insurance companies not licensed in Utah.
- Self-funded and self-insured coverage provided by an employer that is only administered by an insurance company.
- Policies protected by another state's Guaranty Association.
- Policies where the insurance company does not guarantee the benefits.
- Policies where the policyholder bears the risk under the policy.
- Re-insurance contracts.
- Annuity policies that are not issued to and owned by an individual, unless the annuity policy is issued to a pension benefit plan that is covered.
- Policies issued to pension benefit plans protected by the Federal Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation.
- Policies issued to entities that are not members of the ULHIGA, including health plans, fraternal benefit societies, state pooling plans and mutual assessment companies.

# NOTICE FOR RESIDENTS OF UTAH (CONTINUED)

### LIMITS ON AMOUNT OF COVERAGE

Caps are placed on the amount ULHIGA will pay. These caps apply even if you are insured by more than one policy issued by the insolvent company. The maximum ULHIGA will pay is the amount of your coverage or \$500,000 — whichever is lower. Other caps also apply:

- \$100,000 in net cash surrender values.
- \$500,000 in life insurance death benefits (including cash surrender values).
- \$500,000 in health insurance benefits.
- \$200,000 in annuity benefits if the annuity is issued to and owned by an individual or the annuity is issued to a pension plan covering government employees.
- \$5,000,000 in annuity benefits to the contract holder of annuities issued to pension plans covered by the law. (Other limitations apply).
- Interest rates on some policies may be adjusted downward.

### DISCLAIMER

### PLEASE READ CAREFULLY:

COVERAGE FROM ULHIGA MAY BE UNAVAILABLE UNDER THIS POLICY. OR, IF AVAILABLE, IT MAY BE SUBJECT TO SUBSTANTIAL LIMITATIONS OR EXCLUSIONS. THE DESCRIPTION OF COVERAGES CONTAINED IN THIS DOCUMENT IS AN OVERVIEW. IT IS NOT A COMPLETE DESCRIPTION. YOU CANNOT RELY ON THIS DOCUMENT AS A DESCRIPTION OF COVERAGE. FOR A COMPLETE DESCRIPTION OF COVERAGE, CONSULT THE UTAH CODE, TITLE 31A, CHAPTER 28.

COVERAGE IS CONDITIONED ON CONTINUED RESIDENCY IN THE STATE OF UTAH.

THE PROTECTION THAT MAY BE PROVIDED BY ULHIGA IS NOT A SUBSTITUTE FOR CONSUMERS' CARE IN SELECTING AN INSURANCE COMPANY THAT IS WELL-MANAGED AND FINANCIALLY STABLE.

INSURANCE COMPANIES AND INSURANCE AGENTS ARE REQUIRED BY LAW TO GIVE YOU THIS NOTICE. THE LAW DOES, HOWEVER, PROHIBIT THEM FROM USING THE EXISTENCE OF ULHIGA AS AN INDUCEMENT TO SELL YOU INSURANCE.

THE ADDRESS OF ULHIGA, AND THE INSURANCE DEPARTMENT ARE PROVIDED BELOW.

Utah Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association 955 E. Pioneer Rd. Draper, Utah 84114

Utah Insurance Department State Office Building, Room 3110 Salt Lake City, Utah 84114

# NOTICE FOR RESIDENTS OF VIRGINIA

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING YOUR INSURANCE

In the event You need to contact someone about this insurance for any reason please contact Your agent. If no agent was involved in the sale of this insurance, or if You have additional questions You may contact the insurance company issuing this insurance at the following address and telephone number:

### MetLife 200 Park Avenue New York, New York 10166 Attn: Corporate Customer Relations Department

# To phone in a claim related question, You may call Claims Customer Service at: 1-800-275-4638

If You have been unable to contact or obtain satisfaction from the company or the agent, You may contact the Virginia State Corporation Commission's Bureau of Insurance at:

The Office of the Managed Care Ombudsman Bureau of Insurance P.O. Box 1157 Richmond, VA 23209 1-877-310-6560 - toll-free 1-804-371-9032 - locally <u>www.scc.virginia.gov</u> - web address <u>ombudsman@scc.virginia.gov</u> - email

Or:

The Virginia Department of Health (The Center for Quality Health Care Services and Consumer Protection) 3600 West Broad St. Suite 216 Richmond, VA 23230 1-800-955-1819

Written correspondence is preferable so that a record of Your inquiry is maintained. When contacting Your agent, company or the Bureau of Insurance, have Your policy number available.

# NOTICE FOR RESIDENTS OF WEST VIRGINIA

### FREE LOOK PERIOD:

If You are not satisfied with Your certificate, You may return it to Us within 10 days after You receive it, unless a claim has previously been received by Us under Your certificate. We will refund within 10 days of our receipt of the returned certificate any Premium that has been paid and the certificate will then be considered to have never been issued. You should be aware that, if You elect to return the certificate for a refund of premiums, losses which otherwise would have been covered under Your certificate will not be covered.

# KEEP THIS NOTICE WITH YOUR INSURANCE PAPERS

**PROBLEMS WITH YOUR INSURANCE?** - If you are having problems with your insurance company or agent, do not hesitate to contact the insurance company or agent to resolve your problem.

MetLife Attn: Corporate Consumer Relations Department 200 Park Avenue New York, NY 10166-0188 1-800-638-5433

You can also contact the **OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE**, a state agency which enforces Wisconsin's insurance laws, and file a complaint. You can contact the **OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE** by contacting:

Office of the Commissioner of Insurance Complaints Department P.O. Box 7873 Madison, WI 53707-7873 1-800-236-8517 outside of Madison or 266-0103 in Madison.

# NOTICE FOR RESIDENTS OF ALL STATES FRAUD WARNING

If You have applied for insurance under a policy issued in one of the following states, <u>or</u> if You reside in one of the following states, note the following applicable warning:

#### For Residents of New York - only applies to Accident and Health Insurance (AD&D/Disability/Dental)

Any person who knowingly and with intent to defraud any insurance company or other person files an application for insurance or statement of claim containing any materially false information, or conceals for the purpose of misleading, information concerning any fact material thereto, commits a fraudulent insurance act, which is a crime, and shall also be subject to a civil penalty not to exceed five thousand dollars and the stated value of the claim for each such violation.

### For Residents of Florida

Any person who knowingly and with intent to injure, defraud or deceive any insurer files a statement of claim or an application containing any false, incomplete or misleading information is guilty of a felony of the third degree.

### For Residents of Massachusetts

Any person who knowingly and with intent to defraud any insurance company or other person files an application for insurance or a statement of claim containing any materially false information or conceals, for the purpose of misleading, information concerning any fact material thereto commits a fraudulent insurance act, and may subject such person to criminal and civil penalties.

#### For Residents of New Jersey

Any person who includes any false or misleading information on an application for an insurance policy or who knowingly files a statement of claim containing any false or misleading information is subject to criminal and civil penalties.

### For Residents of Oklahoma

Any person who knowingly, and with intent to injure, defraud or deceive any insurer, makes any claim for the proceeds of an insurance policy containing any false, incomplete or misleading information is guilty of a felony.

### For Residents of Kansas, Oregon, and Vermont

Any person who knowingly and with intent to defraud any insurance company or other person files an application for insurance containing any materially false information or conceals, for the purpose of misleading, information concerning any fact material thereto may be guilty of insurance fraud, and may be subject to criminal and civil penalties.

#### For Residents of Puerto Rico

Any person who, knowingly and with the intent to defraud, presents false information in an insurance request form, or who presents, helps or has presented, a fraudulent claim for the payment of a loss or other benefit, or presents more than one claim for the same damage or loss, will incur a felony, and upon conviction will be penalized for each violation with a fine no less than five thousand (5,000) dollars nor more than ten thousand (10,000), or imprisonment for a fixed term of three (3) years, or both penalties. If aggravated circumstances prevail, the fixed established imprisonment may be increased to a maximum of five (5) years; if attenuating circumstances prevail, it may be reduced to a minimum of two (2) years.

#### For Residents of Virginia and Washington

It is a crime to provide knowingly false, incomplete or misleading information to an insurance company for the purpose of defrauding the company. Penalties include imprisonment, fines and denial of insurance benefits.

#### For Residents of All Other States

Any person who knowingly and with intent to defraud any insurance company or other person files an application for insurance or a statement of claim containing any materially false information or conceals, for the purpose of misleading, information concerning any fact material thereto commits a fraudulent insurance act, which is a crime and subjects such person to criminal and civil penalties.

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# SCHEDULE OF BENEFITS

This schedule shows the benefits that are available under the Group Policy. You will only be insured for the benefits:

- for which You become and remain eligible, and
- which You elect, if subject to election; and
- which are in effect.

### BENEFIT

# BENEFIT AMOUNT AND HIGHLIGHTS

### Life Insurance For You

### **Basic Life Insurance**

For All Business Value and Consumer Value Single Plan Members excluding Washington residents	
Maximum Life Benefit	\$5,000
Non-Medical Issue Amount	\$5,000

### If You Are Age 60 Or Older on Your Effective date of Insurance

If You are over age 60 but under age 65 on Your effective date of insurance, the amount of Your Basic Life Insurance will be limited to 25% of such amount. Your Basic Life Insurance will end on the date You attain age 65.

#### If You Are Under Age 60 on Your Effective date of Insurance

If You are under age 60 on the effective date of Your insurance, the amount of Your Basic Life Insurance on and after age 60 will be 25% of such insurance in effect on the day before Your 60<sup>th</sup> birthday. Your Basic Life Insurance will end on the date You attain age 65.

# DEFINITIONS

As used in this certificate, the terms listed below will have the meanings set forth below. When defined terms are used in this certificate, they will appear with initial capitalization. The plural use of a term defined in the singular will share the same meaning.

**Beneficiary** means the person(s) to whom We will pay insurance as determined in accordance with the General Provisions section.

**Contributory Insurance** means insurance for which the Policyholder requires You to pay any part of the premium.

Contributory Insurance includes: None.

**Member** means a person who is a dues paying Business Value or Consumer Value Single Plan member of the Alliance for Affordable Services.

**Noncontributory Insurance** means insurance for which the Policyholder does not require You to pay any part of the premium.

Noncontributory Insurance includes: Basic Life Insurance.

#### Physician means:

- a person licensed to practice medicine in the jurisdiction where such services are performed; or
- any other person whose services, according to applicable law, must be treated as Physician's services for purposes of the Group Policy. Each such person must be licensed in the jurisdiction where the service is performed and must act within the scope of that license. Such person must also be certified and/or registered if required by such jurisdiction.

#### The term does not include:

- You;
- Your Spouse; or
- any member of Your immediate family including Your and/or Your spouse's parents; children (natural, step or adopted); siblings; grandparents; or grandchildren.

**Proof** means Written evidence satisfactory to Us that a person has satisfied the conditions and requirements for any benefit described in this certificate. When a claim is made for any benefit described in this certificate, Proof must establish:

- the nature and extent of the loss or condition;
- Our obligation to pay the claim; and
- the claimant's right to receive payment.

Proof must be provided at the claimant's expense.

**Signed** means any symbol or method executed or adopted by a person with the present intention to authenticate a record, which is on or transmitted by paper or electronic media which is acceptable to Us and consistent with applicable law.

Spouse means Your lawful Spouse.

The term does not include any person who:

- is in the military of any country or subdivision of any country;
- lives outside of the United States or Canada; or
- is insured under the Group Policy as a Member.

# **DEFINITIONS (continued)**

We, Us and Our mean MetLife.

Written or Writing means a record which is on or transmitted by paper or electronic media which is acceptable to Us and consistent with applicable law.

You and Your mean a Member who is insured under the Group Policy for the insurance described in this certificate.

# ELIGIBILITY PROVISIONS: INSURANCE FOR YOU

### ELIGIBLE CLASS(ES)

All Business Value and Consumer Value Single Plan Members excluding Washington residents

### DATE YOU ARE ELIGIBLE FOR INSURANCE

You may only become eligible for the insurance available for Your class as shown in the SCHEDULE OF BENEFITS.

### All Business Value and Consumer Value Single Plan Members excluding Washington residents

### **Basic Life Insurance**

If You are in an eligible class on January 1, 2010, You will be eligible for insurance on that date.

If You enter an eligible class after January 1, 2010, You will be eligible for insurance on the first day of the month coincident with or next following the day You complete the Waiting Period of 30 days.

**Waiting Period** means the period of continuous membership in an eligible class that You must wait before You become eligible for insurance. This period begins on the date You enter an eligible class and ends on the date You complete the period(s) specified.

### **ENROLLMENT PROCESS**

If You are eligible for insurance, You may enroll for such insurance by completing the required form.

### DATE YOUR INSURANCE TAKES EFFECT

#### **Rules for Noncontributory Insurance**

When You complete the enrollment process for Noncontributory Insurance, such insurance will take effect on the date You become eligible.

### DATE YOUR INSURANCE ENDS

Your insurance will end on the earliest of:

- 1. the date the Group Policy ends;
- 2. the date insurance ends for Your class;
- 3. the end of the period for which the last premium has been paid for You; or
- 4. for Basic Life Insurance, the date You attain age 65; or
- 5. for Basic Life Insurance, the date You cease to be a Member of the Alliance for Affordable Services.

Please refer to the section entitled LIFE INSURANCE: CONVERSION OPTION FOR YOU for information concerning the option to convert to an individual policy of life insurance if Your Life Insurance ends.

# **EVIDENCE OF INSURABILITY**

No evidence of insurability is required for the insurance provided under this policy.

# LIFE INSURANCE: FOR YOU

If You die, Proof of Your death must be sent to Us. When We receive such Proof with the claim, We will review the claim and if We approve it, will pay the Beneficiary the Life Insurance in effect on the date of Your death.

### **PAYMENT OPTIONS**

We will pay the Life Insurance in one sum. Other modes of payment may be available upon request. For details, call Our toll free number shown on the Certificate Face Page.

# LIFE INSURANCE: CONVERSION OPTION FOR YOU

If Your Life Insurance ends for any of the reasons stated below, You have the option to buy an individual policy of life insurance ("new policy") from Us during the Application Period in accordance with the conditions and requirements of this section. This is referred to as the "option to convert". Evidence of Your insurability will not be required.

### When You Will Have the Option to Convert

You will have the option to convert when:

- Your Life Insurance ends because:
  - You cease to be in an eligible class; or
  - the Group Policy ends provided You have been insured for Life Insurance for at least 5 years; or
  - the Group Policy is amended to end Life Insurance for an eligible class of which You are a member, provided You have been insured for Life Insurance for at least 5 years.

### **Application Period**

If You opt to convert Your Life Insurance for any of the reasons stated above, We must receive a completed conversion application form from You within the Application Period described below.

If You are given Written notice of the option to convert within 15 days before or after the date Your Life Insurance ends, the Application Period begins on the date that such Life Insurance ends and expires 31 days after such date.

If You are given Written notice of the option to convert more than 15 days after the date Your Life Insurance ends, the Application Period begins on the date such Life Insurance ends and expires 15 days from the date of such notice. In no event will the Application Period exceed 91 days from the date Your Life Insurance ends.

### **Option Conditions**

The option to convert is subject to these conditions:

- 1. Our receipt within the Application Period of:
  - Your Written application for the new policy; and
  - the premium due for such new policy;
- 2. The premium rates for the new policy will be based on:
  - Our rates then in use;
  - the form and amount of insurance;
  - Your class of risk; and
  - Your attained age when Your Life Insurance ends;
- 3. the new policy may be on any form then customarily offered by Us excluding term insurance;
- 4. the new policy will be issued without an accidental death and dismemberment benefit, a continuation benefit, an accelerated benefit option, a waiver of premium benefit or any other rider or additional benefit; and
- 5. the new policy will take effect on the 32<sup>nd</sup> day after the date Your Life Insurance ends; this will be the case regardless of the duration of the Application Period.

# LIFE INSURANCE: CONVERSION OPTION FOR YOU

### Maximum Amount of the New Policy

If Your Life Insurance ends due to the end of the Group Policy or the amendment of the Group Policy to end Life Insurance for an eligible class of which You are a member, the maximum amount of insurance that You may elect for the new policy is the lesser of:

- the amount of Your Life Insurance that ends under the Group Policy less the amount of life insurance for which You become eligible under any group policy within 31 days after the date insurance ends under the Group Policy; or
- \$2,000

If Your Life Insurance ends for any other reason, the maximum amount of insurance that You may elect for the new policy is the amount of Your Life Insurance that ends under the Group Policy.

### If You Die Within 31 Days After Your Life Insurance Ends

If You die within 31 days after Your Life Insurance ends, Proof of Your death must be sent to Us. When We receive such Proof with the claim, We will review the claim and if We approve it will pay the Beneficiary the amount of Life Insurance You were entitled to convert.

# FILING A CLAIM

The Policyholder should have a supply of claim forms. Obtain a claim form from the Policyholder and fill it out carefully. Return the completed claim form with the required Proof to the Policyholder. The Policyholder will certify Your insurance under the Group Policy and send the certified claim form and Proof to Us.

When we receive the claim form and Proof We will review the claim and, if We approve it, We will pay benefits subject to the terms and provisions of this certificate and the Group Policy.

### CLAIMS FOR LIFE INSURANCE BENEFITS

When a claimant files a claim for Life Insurance benefits, Proof should be sent to Us as soon as is reasonably possible after the death of an insured.

# **GENERAL PROVISIONS**

### Assignment

You may assign Your Life Insurance rights and benefits under the Group Policy as a gift or as a viatical assignment.

We will recognize the assignee(s) under such assignment as owner(s) of Your right, title and interest in the Group Policy if:

- 1. a Written form satisfactory to Us, affirming this assignment, has been completed;
- 2. the Written form has been Signed by You and the assignee(s);
- 3. the Policyholder acknowledges that the Life Insurance being assigned is in force on the life of the assignor; and
- 4. the Written form is delivered to Us for recording.

Viatical assignments may only be made after Your Life Insurance has been in effect under this certificate for 2 years. However, you may make a viatical assignment before the end of the 2 year period if you are Terminally III.

**Terminally III** means that You are expected to die within 6 months. As Proof of Your Terminal Illness You or Your legal representative must send Us a signed Physician's certification that You are Terminally III. We may also request an exam by a Physician of Our choice, at Our expense.

### Beneficiary

You may designate a Beneficiary in Your application or enrollment form. You may change Your Beneficiary at any time. To do so, You must send a Signed and dated, Written request to the Policyholder using a form satisfactory to Us. Your Written request to change the Beneficiary must be sent to the Policyholder within 30 days of the date You Sign such request.

You do not need the Beneficiary's consent to make a change. When We receive the change, it will take effect as of the date You Signed it. The change will not apply to any payment made in good faith by Us before the change request was recorded.

If two or more Beneficiaries are designated and their shares are not specified, they will share the insurance equally.

If there is no Beneficiary designated or no surviving designated Beneficiary at Your death, We may determine the Beneficiary to be one or more of the following who survive You:

- 1. Your Spouse;
- 2. Your child(ren);
- 3. Your parent(s); or
- 4. Your siblings(s)
  - Instead of making payment to any of the above, we may pay Your estate. Any payment made in good faith will discharge our liability to the extent of such payment.

If a Beneficiary or payee is a minor or incompetent to receive payment, We will pay that person's guardian.

#### Entire Contract

Your insurance is provided under a contract of group insurance with the Policyholder. The entire contract with the Policyholder is made up of the following:

- 1. the Group Policy and its Exhibits, which include the certificate(s);
- 2. the Policyholder's application; and
- 3. any amendments and/or endorsements to the Group Policy.

# **GENERAL PROVISIONS (CONTINUED)**

### Incontestability: Statements Made by You

Any statement made by You will be considered a representation and not a warranty. We will not use such statement to avoid insurance, reduce benefits or defend a claim unless the following requirements are met:

- 1. the statement is in a Written application or enrollment form;
- 2. You have Signed the application or enrollment form; and
- 3. a copy of the application or enrollment form has been given to You or Your Beneficiary.

We will not use Your statements which relate to insurability to contest life insurance after it has been in force for 2 years during Your life. In addition, We will not use such statements to contest an increase or benefit addition to such insurance after the increase or benefit has been in force for 2 years during Your life.

#### **Misstatement of Age**

If Your age is misstated, the correct age will be used to determine if insurance is in effect and, as appropriate, We will adjust the benefits and/or premiums.

#### Conformity with Law

If the terms and provisions of this certificate do not conform to any applicable law, this certificate shall be interpreted to so conform.

#### **Physical Exams**

If a claim is submitted for insurance benefits, We have the right to ask the insured to be examined by a Physician(s) of Our choice as often as is reasonably necessary to process the claim. We will pay the cost of such exam.

#### Autopsy

We have the right to make a reasonable request for an autopsy where permitted by law. Any such request will set forth the reasons We are requesting the autopsy. We will pay the cost of such autopsy.

"THIS IS THE END OF THE CERTIFICATE. THE FOLLOWING IS ADDITIONAL INFORMATION"

# **Privacy Notice to Our Customers**

This Privacy Notice is given to you on behalf of **METROPOLITAN LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY**.

TO PLAN SPONSORS AND GROUP INSURANCE CONTRACTHOLDERS: THIS NOTICE EXPLAINS HOW WE TREAT INFORMATION ABOUT ANYONE WHO APPLIES FOR OR OBTAINS OUR PRODUCTS AND SERVICES UNDER EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS THAT WE INSURE OR GROUP INSURANCE CONTRACTS THAT WE ISSUE. PLEASE NOTE THAT WE REFER TO THESE INDIVIDUALS IN THIS NOTICE BY USING THE TERM "YOU", AS IF THIS NOTICE WERE BEING ADDRESSED TO THESE INDIVIDUALS.

Why We Need to Know about You: We need to know about you (and anyone else to be insured) so that we can provide the insurance and other products and services you've asked for. We may also need information from you and others to help us verify identities in order to prevent money laundering and terrorism. What we need to know includes address, age and other basic information. But we may need more information, including finances, employment, health, hobbies or business conducted with us, with other MetLife companies (our "affiliates") or with other companies.

**How We Learn about You:** What we know about you (and anyone else to be insured) we get mostly from you. But we may also have to find out more from other sources in order to make sure that what we know is correct and complete. Those sources may include adult relatives, employers, consumer reporting agencies, health care providers and others. Some of our sources may give us reports and may disclose what they know to others.

**How We Protect What We Know About You**: We treat what we know about you confidentially. Our employees are told to take care in handling your information. They may get information about you only when there is a good reason to do so. We take steps to make our computer data bases secure and to safeguard the information we have.

How We Use and Disclose What We Know About You: We may use anything we know about you to help us serve you better. We may use it, and disclose it to our affiliates and others, for any purpose allowed by law. For instance, we may use your information, and disclose it to others, in order to:

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- Help us evaluate your request for a product or service
  - Help us comply with the law

Help us run our business

- Help us process claims and other transactions
  - Confirm or correct what we know about you 

    Process data for us
- Help us prevent fraud, money laundering, terrorism and
   other crimes by verifying what we know about you
  - Perform research for us
  - Audit our business

Other reasons we may disclose what we know about you include:

- Doing what a court or government agency requires us to do; for example, complying with a search warrant or subpoena
- Telling another company what we know about you, if we are or may be selling all or any part of our business
  or merging with another company
- Giving information to the government so that it can decide whether you may get benefits that it will have to pay for
- Telling a group customer about its members' claims or cooperating in a group customer's audit of our service
- Telling your health care provider about a medical problem that you have but may not be aware of
- Giving your information to a peer review organization if you have health insurance with us
- Giving your information to someone who has a legal interest in your insurance, such as someone who lent you money and holds a lien on your insurance or benefits

Generally, we will disclose only the information we consider reasonably necessary to disclose.

We may use what we know about you in order to offer you our other products and services. We may share your information with other companies to help us. Here are our other rules on using your information to market products and services:

- We will not share information about you with any of our affiliates for use in marketing its products to you, unless we first notify you. You will then have an opportunity to tell us not to share your information by "opting out."
- Before we share what we know about you with another financial services company to offer you products or services through a joint marketing arrangement, we will let you "opt-out."
- We will not disclose information to unaffiliated companies for use in selling their products to you, except through such joint marketing arrangements.
- We will not share your health information with any other company, even one of our affiliates, to permit it to market its products and services to you.

**How You Can See and Correct Your Information:** Generally, we will let you review what we know about you if you ask us in writing. (Because of its legal sensitivity, we will not show you anything that we learned in connection with a claim or lawsuit.) If you tell us that what we know about you is incorrect, we will review it. If we agree with you, we will correct our records. If we do not agree with you, you may tell us in writing, and we will include your statement when we give your information to anyone outside MetLife.

**You Can Get Other Material from Us:** In addition to any other privacy notice we may give you, we must give you a summary of our privacy policy once each year. You may have other rights under the law. If you want to know more about our privacy policy, please contact us at our website, <u>www.metlife.com</u>, or write to Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, c/o MetLife Privacy Office - Inst, P.O. Box 489, Warwick, RI 02887-9954. Please identify the specific product or service you are writing about.