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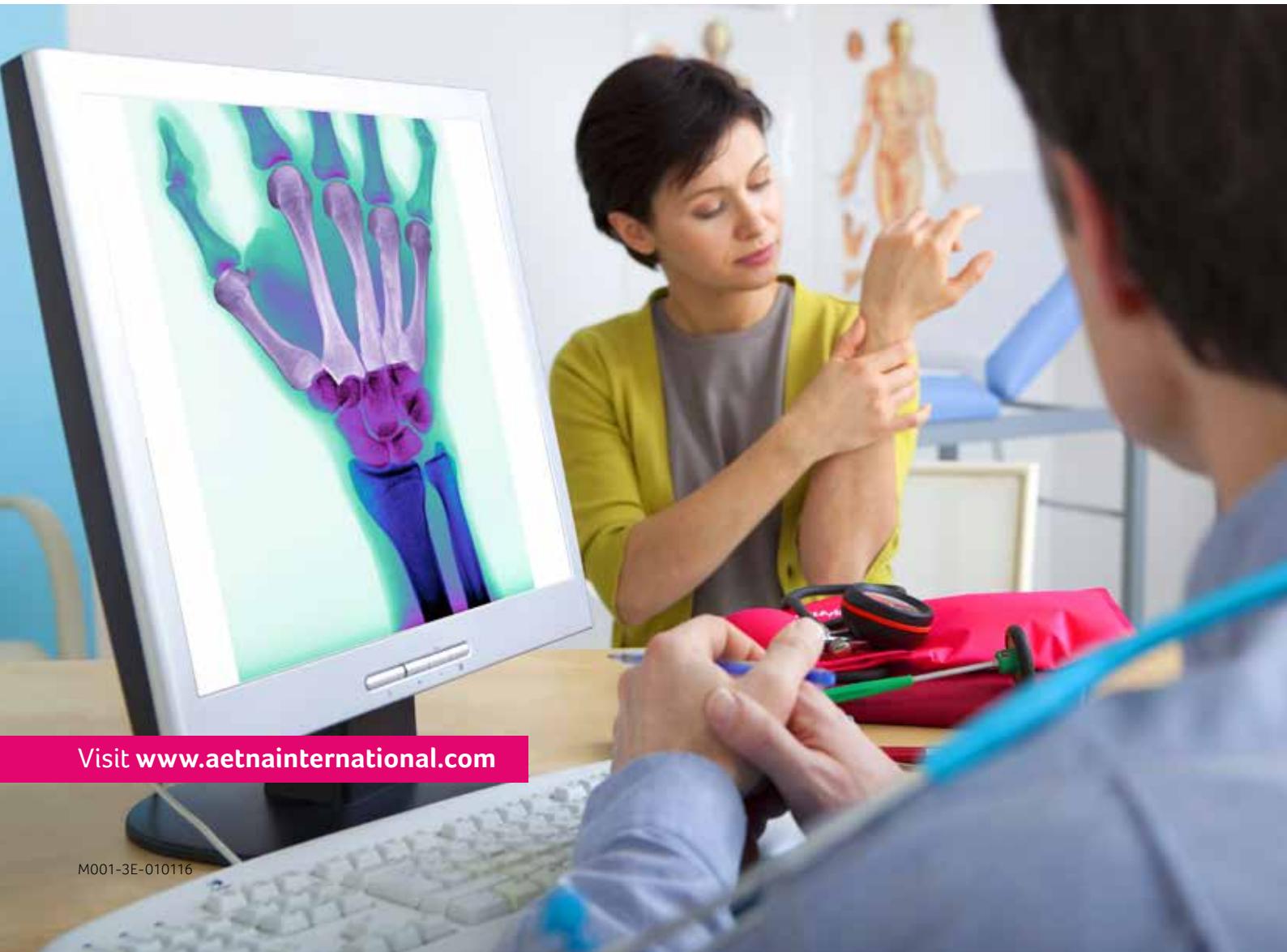


# Get to know your benefits

## Aetna Pioneer<sup>SM</sup>

## Handbook

For plans with a start date on or after 1 January 2016



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# Now that you're an Aetna International member, it's time to get to know your benefits. This Handbook will help make it easy.

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# Explore the benefits of being a member

## What to do right now

Your benefits are designed to connect you with expansive global resources that put you in control of your health. **It starts with choice, comfort, care and an unwavering commitment to keep you at the centre of everything we do.**

### Get connected

#### Secure Member Website

Now is a good time to register for the Secure Member Website. The site gives **you** the tools **you'll** need to manage **your** health benefits. You can register in just a few steps by visiting [www.aetnainternational.com](http://www.aetnainternational.com) and clicking "Secure login" under the "Aetna Member" section. You'll need to enter **your** name, date of birth, and **your** member ID number.

*You can use the website to:*

- Submit and track claims
- Find nearby doctors and **hospitals**
- Browse a library of health topics
- View **your** plan documents

#### International Mobile Assistant

If you have a smartphone, **you** can also download helpful apps, such as **our** International Mobile Assistant, which makes it easy to manage **your** benefits on the go. You can search 'Aetna' in the iTunes or Google Play store to get started.

### Get on the path to better health

Challenge **yourself** to live healthier with **our** Healthy Behaviours Discount. If **you** are a member of an Aetna Pioneer 4000, 5000, or 5000+ plan, **you** can take advantage of this programme by logging in to **your** Secure Member Website. All **you** need to do is take the online Health Assessment to understand **your** risks and get a personalised action plan to help **you** make lasting positive changes.

If **your** plan stays claim-free for more than a year, **you** can earn a discount of up to 25% on **your** renewal premium.

### Get ready for your next doctor visit

You may need to obtain prior approval (**preauthorisation**) for certain types of **treatment**. In these instances, it's important to start the process early to prevent delays or denial of **your** claims.

#### Here are some of the treatments that require preauthorisation:

- Medical evacuation
- Inpatient or daycare treatment admission
- Compassionate emergency visit
- Preparation or transportation of body or mortal remains
- Psychiatric treatment
- Prescription for more than three months' supply of drugs for the management of a chronic medical condition
- Single **treatment** or service that costs more than USD 500 or equivalent

All **preauthorisations** must be requested before **treatment** or services are received or costs are incurred. If it is not possible to request **preauthorisation** for an **emergency**, please be sure to notify us within the first 24 hours.

You can find full details in **your** Claims procedures or in the Claims Centre of the Secure Member Website.

### Your Member ID Card

The Member ID Card is **your** key to quality health care. Make sure to keep the card in a safe place – **you'll** be asked to present it whenever **you** receive health care **treatment**. You may also need to have it handy when registering for the Secure Member Website or calling Member Services.

Ready to learn more about **your** benefits? Keep reading to find all the details **you** need.

## Introduction

This Handbook, together with your Benefits schedule, explains what is, and is not, covered under the Aetna Pioneer plan and any of the following add-on plans that have been chosen:

- Aetna Maternity
- Aetna Travel
- Aetna Personal Accident

This Handbook will also give you important information about managing these plans.

For information on how to make a claim please refer to your Claims procedures.

Please spend some time reading carefully through the plan documentation to make sure that you are completely satisfied with the cover we are providing and that it meets your needs. If you have any questions about the information in the plan documentation or any questions you think it does not answer, please contact us and we will be more than happy to help.

Some words and phrases used in this Handbook, your Benefits schedule and your Claims procedures have specific meanings. We have highlighted them in bold print and defined them in the 'Definitions' section of this Handbook.

A plan is our contract of insurance with the planholder, providing cover as detailed in the plan documentation. In order to fully understand a plan, these documents must be read together.

We can change any of the following at the beginning of each plan year:

- Conditions, exclusions and any other terms in this Handbook
- Premiums and any discounts or surcharges

We will tell the planholder about any changes before the plan renewal date.

If coverage provided by this policy violates or will violate any United States (US), United Nations (UN), European Union (EU) or other applicable economic or trade sanctions, the coverage is immediately considered invalid. For example, Aetna companies cannot make payments or reimburse for health care or other claims or services if it violates a financial sanction regulation. This includes sanctions related to a blocked person or entity, or a country under sanction by the US, unless permitted under a valid written Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) license. For more information on OFAC, visit [www.treasury.gov/resource-center/sanctions/Pages/default.aspx](http://www.treasury.gov/resource-center/sanctions/Pages/default.aspx).

## Taking out and managing your plan

### Eligibility

The Aetna Pioneer plans and add-on plans are available to people of most nationalities, depending on where they reside. Our plans are not available to citizens of the United

States (US) who reside in the US. Please contact us if you need further information. Plans may not meet specific visa requirements. Cover may also be illegal under local laws. It is the planholder's responsibility to ensure that any plans chosen meet your needs.

The minimum age of a planholder is 18. You cannot be older than 79 at your start date. All dependant children on a plan must be unmarried. Dependant children aged 18 to 26 must be in continuous full-time education at their start date.

The planholder and their dependants must have the same plan level, area of cover, optional benefits, and deductibles.

Add-on plans are only valid when the Aetna Pioneer plan is in force.

The Aetna Maternity plan is only available with the same area of cover as the Aetna Pioneer plan. The plan is only available to female planholders, spouses or partners, and the minimum age at entry is 18. The maximum age at entry is 44. Once you have reached the age of 46 during your plan year, your Aetna Maternity plan will not be renewed.

The Aetna Travel plan can cover:

- The planholder only
- The planholder, and all of the dependants who are also included on their Aetna Pioneer plan

The minimum age at entry for the Aetna Personal Accident plan is 18. The maximum age at entry is 79. This plan can cover:

- The planholder only
- The planholder, and any dependants aged 18 and over who are also included on their Aetna Pioneer plan

The planholder and their dependants must have the same plan level. The Aetna Personal Accident plan provides cover for managerial, clerical and administrative occupations only. See condition CPA1 for more information.

Additional eligibility criteria apply to some plans. These are shown in your Application and Benefits schedule where applicable.

We can refuse cover on any of our plans for any reason. We may provide cover under our plans with any special terms that we may set. Any special terms will be shown on the Certificate of insurance.

### Plan currency

The planholder must choose the currency of your Aetna Pioneer plan from the currencies available, as shown on the Application. They must choose this at application or renewal and it will apply throughout the entire plan year. Any add-on plans that have been chosen must be in the same currency as the Aetna Pioneer plan.

All premiums must be paid in the same currency as the plans.

If more than one currency is shown on your Benefits schedule, the benefit limit shown in the same currency as your plan will apply to you.

## **Plan start date**

If your underwriting terms are **moratorium**, with our agreement **your Aetna Pioneer plan**, and **your Aetna Maternity plan** if this has been chosen, will begin:

- as soon as we receive the **Application**, or
- on a future date the **planholder** has given and we have agreed.

If your underwriting terms are **Full Medical Underwriting (FMU)**, **your Aetna Pioneer plan**, and **your Aetna Maternity plan** if this has been chosen, will begin as soon as we receive the **planholder's** acceptance of the special terms offered in the quotation.

If your underwriting terms are **Continuous Transfer Terms (CTT)**, as long as there is no break in cover, with our agreement **your Aetna Pioneer plan**, and **your Aetna Maternity plan** if this has been chosen, will begin:

- as soon as we receive the **planholder's** acceptance of the special terms offered in the quotation, or
- on a future date the **planholder** has given and we have agreed.

We will tell the **planholder** the **plan start date** in writing.

The **plan start date** of the Aetna Travel and the Aetna Personal Accident **add-on plans**, if these have been chosen, will also be the same as the **plan start date** of the Aetna Pioneer **plan**.

We will not backdate cover under any circumstances. All **plans** will continue for 12 months until the next **plan renewal date**.

The premiums and **benefits** applied to a **plan** will be those in force at the **plan start date**.

We will send **Member ID Cards** for all **members**. If you have cover under the Aetna Maternity **plan** and **direct billing** has been chosen, **your Member ID Card** may show '**Maternity: N/A**'. This means that **your** waiting period on the Aetna Maternity **plan** is still in force and **you** will not be able to access **direct billing** for **outpatient** maternity treatment. Please see **your Aetna Maternity Benefits schedule** for more information on waiting periods.

## **Cooling-off period**

If you feel a **plan** does not meet **your** needs, the **planholder** may cancel it. The **planholder** must tell us in writing within 15 days of receiving the **Benefits schedule**, **Certificate of insurance** and **Handbook**, or the **date of joining**, whichever is later. The **planholder** must return the **Certificate of insurance** when they cancel the **plan**. All **Member ID Cards** must also be returned if the Aetna Pioneer **plan** is cancelled.

As long as no claims have been made by any **member** on the **plan**, the premium received will be refunded in full.

If any claims have been made, no refund will be due and the premium will be payable in full.

If the Aetna Pioneer **plan** is cancelled, any **add-on plans** will also be cancelled.

Premiums can only be refunded to the account they were originally paid from. The **planholder** will be responsible for:

- Any shortfall as a result of exchange rate differences
- Any associated bank charges

If the **planholder** decides to cancel a **plan** after the 15-day period, the cancellation will be governed by the 'Cancellation' section in this Handbook.

## **Healthy Behaviours Discount**

We will give a **Healthy Behaviours Discount** on Aetna Pioneer 4000, 5000 and 5000+ **plan** renewal premiums as long as:

- the **planholder** fills in the online **Health Assessment** within 90 days of the **plan start date**, and
- none of the **members** on the Aetna Pioneer 4000, 5000 or 5000+ **plan** have had any claims paid during the **plan year**.

The **planholder** can find the online **Health Assessment** by logging onto the **Secure Member Website** at **[www.aetnainternational.com](http://www.aetnainternational.com)**. If they have not already registered on the **Secure Member Website**, they can do this now. The **planholder** must follow the steps below and then fill in the **Health Assessment**.

1. Click on 'Health and wellness resources', select 'Health Assessment' and follow the link on the next page
2. Select a language, region and country
3. When asked for a six-digit number, enter: 777777
4. When asked for a Login Identifier or Username, enter the **planholder's Member ID** as shown on their **Member ID Card**

The value of the **Healthy Behaviours Discount** is based on the amount of time the Aetna Pioneer 4000, 5000 or 5000+ **plan** has been claim-free. If the **plan** has been claim-free:

- For less than one **plan year**, there will be no discount at renewal
- For one **plan year**, there will be a 5% discount at renewal
- For two **plan years**, there will be a 10% discount at renewal
- For three **plan years**, there will be a 15% discount at renewal
- For four **plan years**, there will be a 20% discount at renewal
- For five or more **plan years**, there will be a 25% discount at renewal

The maximum **Healthy Behaviours Discount** is 25%. If any **member** has any claims paid during a **plan year**, the discount will be lost until the Aetna Pioneer 4000, 5000 or 5000+ **plan** has been claim-free for at least one **plan year**.

Any claims made for the **Wellness** or **Hospital cash benefits** will not affect the **Healthy Behaviours Discount**. These **benefits** are shown on **your Benefits schedule**.

If a claim relating to a previous **plan year** is made after we have given a **Healthy Behaviours Discount**, the full

premium will be due for the **plan year** to which the discount was given. We will also recalculate the amount of Healthy Behaviours Discount that applies to the following **plan years**. Any additional premiums that become due as a result of this will be charged.

The Healthy Behaviours Discount is not available when renewing from, or onto, any other Aetna Pioneer **plan level**.

The Healthy Behaviours Discount does not apply to the premiums of any **add-on plans**.

## Adding dependants

With our agreement the planholder may add dependants to the Aetna Pioneer **plan** after the **plan start date**. If the underwriting terms are:

- **Moratorium**, the planholder must make the request in writing
- **Full Medical Underwriting (FMU)**, the planholder must fill in an Application, including any relevant additional medical questionnaires
- **Continuous Transfer Terms (CTT)**, see the 'Transfers' section for information on how to apply

With our agreement the planholder may also add dependants to any **add-on plans** at the same time they are added to the Aetna Pioneer **plan**. The planholder must request this in writing.

If the **dependant** is a newborn child and they are being added before they are 31 days old, see the 'Adding newborn children' section for more information.

When making a request to add dependants, the planholder must tell us all material facts. See condition C1 for more information.

If the **dependant's** underwriting terms are **moratorium**, with our agreement cover on the Aetna Pioneer **plan**, and the Aetna Maternity **plan** if this has been chosen, will begin:

- as soon as we receive the request, or
- on a future date the planholder has given and we have agreed.

If the **dependant's** underwriting terms are **FMU**, cover on the Aetna Pioneer **plan**, and the Aetna Maternity **plan** if this has been chosen, will begin as soon as we receive the planholder's acceptance of the special terms offered in the quotation.

If the **dependant's** underwriting terms are **CTT**, as long as there is no break in cover, with our agreement cover on the Aetna Pioneer **plan**, and the Aetna Maternity **plan** if this has been chosen, will begin:

- as soon as we receive the planholder's acceptance of the special terms offered in the quotation, or
- on a future date the planholder has given and we have agreed.

Cover under the Aetna Travel **plan** and the Aetna Personal Accident **plan**, if these have been chosen, will begin on the same day as the Aetna Pioneer **plan**.

We will not backdate cover under any circumstances.

Premiums may change in line with any agreed requests.

When adding dependants, we will send a new Member ID Card and a revised Certificate of insurance.

## Adding newborn children

With our agreement the planholder may add newborn children as dependants during the **plan year**. When making a request the planholder must tell us all material facts. See condition C1 for more information.

If the planholder applies in writing before the newborn child is 31 days old, no Application for the newborn child will need to be completed; we will not exclude pre-existing medical conditions on the newborn child's cover under the Aetna Pioneer **plan** and their date of joining will be their date of birth. This means that exclusions E1 and E2 will not apply.

If the planholder applies after the newborn child is 30 days old, underwriting terms will apply and an Application will have to be completed. See the 'Adding dependants' section for more information.

We will not backdate cover for any requests received by us after the newborn child is 30 days old.

Premiums may change in line with any agreed requests.

When adding newborn children, we will send a new Member ID Card, and a revised Certificate of insurance.

## Removing dependants

With our agreement the planholder may remove a dependant from a plan after the **plan start date**. The planholder must make the request in writing. The dependant's end date will be the date that we receive the request, or a future date the planholder has given.

The planholder must also confirm in writing if there are any claims to be made by any member on the plan for treatment or services received, or costs incurred, on or before the dependant's end date.

- If no claims have been made, or will be made, for any member on the plan, a pro-rata refund will be issued.
- If no claims have been paid, but any member on the plan has made claims that we have not yet approved, or has claims to be made, we will not approve or pay these costs unless all premiums have been received for the entire **plan year**. A pro-rata refund will be issued if the planholder confirms in writing that they do not want us to approve the claim.
- If no claims have been paid, but any member on the plan has made claims that we have approved, the planholder must confirm in writing:
  - whether any costs have been incurred; and if so
  - whether the planholder will pay these costs or the planholder expects us to pay the claim.

The claim will only be paid when all premiums have been received for the entire **plan year**. A pro-rata refund will only

be issued if the **planholder** pays these costs, or no costs have been incurred.

- If any **member** on the **plan** has made any claims that we have approved and paid, no refund will be issued and all premiums must be paid for the entire **plan year**.

If a **dependant** is removed from an Aetna Pioneer **plan** they will also be removed from any **add-on plans**. Their **end date** on any **add-on plans** will be the same as their **end date** on the Aetna Pioneer **plan**.

Premiums may change in line with any agreed requests.

If **dependants** are removed from more than one **plan**, any pro-rata refund or outstanding premium due on each **plan** will be combined.

If any refund is due, this can only be refunded to the account it was originally paid from. The **planholder** will be responsible for:

- Any shortfall as a result of exchange rate differences
- Any associated bank charges

When removing any **dependants** from a **plan**, the **planholder** must return the **Certificate of insurance**. If a **dependant** is being removed from an Aetna Pioneer **plan** or Aetna Maternity **plan**, the **planholder** must also return the **dependant's Member ID Card**.

We will send a revised **Certificate of insurance** to reflect any change made.

## Transfers

If a new person wants to transfer cover from another insurer to apply for CTT underwriting terms with **us**, an **Application for CTT** must be filled in, and we will need an original certificate of insurance from their previous insurer, which shows:

- their original start date with that insurer,
- their underwriting terms, and
- any special terms that may have applied.

If there is a break in cover between the end date of the previous insurance **plan** and the application to **us**, we will not offer a transfer of previous underwriting terms.

If we accept the **Application** we may charge an increased premium. Cover will begin as soon as we receive the **planholder's acceptance** of any special terms offered in the quotation or on a future date they have given and we have agreed, as long as there is no break in cover.

Our **plan** terms, conditions and **benefits** may be different to those of the previous insurer.

## Making plan changes

When making any request for changes to a **plan**, including **add-on plans**, the **planholder** must tell **us** all **material facts**. See condition C1 for more information.

If you change your address the **planholder** must tell **us** in writing. If your new address is in a different country, we will consider this to be your **country of residence** unless the **planholder** tells **us** otherwise.

If the **planholder** wants to change the **area of cover** on the Aetna Pioneer **plan**, and the Aetna Maternity **plan** if this has been chosen, they must tell **us** in writing giving the reason for the change in circumstances. With our agreement this change can be made at any time during the **plan year**. We will make this change from the date the **planholder** tells **us** or any future date they have given.

We will send a revised **Certificate of insurance** if your new address is in a different country or your **area of cover** changes. If your **area of cover** changes, we will also send a revised **Member ID Card**.

Premiums, taxes and **benefit** limits may change in line with any agreed requests.

The following cannot be changed during the **plan year**:

- The **plan level** of any Aetna Pioneer **plan**, Aetna Maternity **plan** or Aetna Personal Accident **plan**
- Optional **benefits** on any Aetna Pioneer **plan**
- Deductibles on any Aetna Pioneer **plan** or Aetna Maternity **plan**
- How often the premiums are paid on any Aetna Pioneer **plan** or Aetna Maternity **plan**
- The currency of any **plan**

With our agreement these changes can be made at the next **plan renewal date**. The **planholder** must request the changes in writing before the **plan renewal date**. The **planholder** must tell **us** all **material facts** when making a change. See condition C1 for more information. Premiums, taxes and **benefit** limits may change in line with any agreed requests.

**Add-on plans** cannot be added during the **plan year**. With our agreement these can be included from the next **plan renewal date**. The **planholder** must apply in writing before the **plan renewal date**. The **planholder** must tell **us** all **material facts** when making an application. See condition C1 for more information.

## Death

If the **planholder** dies we will offer their **dependants** continued cover if we receive a signed **Application** from them within four weeks of the date of death.

If the **planholder's dependants** do not want to continue cover, they must tell **us** in writing and we will cancel the **plan**. As long as no claims have been made and accepted by **us**, a pro-rata refund will be issued in line with the instructions received from the **planholder's personal representative**. If we have accepted a claim, no refund will be paid.

We will ask to see a certified copy of the death certificate before any refund is issued.

If we cancel the **plan**, the **dependants** will have to apply for a new **plan** if they want cover to recommence. Cover will be subject to our acceptance and may have new terms. We will charge the premiums in force at that time. Any existing Healthy Behaviours Discount will be lost.

## Premiums

Each **plan** is a yearly contract. Cover under the **plan** is subject to **our** receipt of all premiums (together with any applicable taxes) on or before the premium due dates, as shown on the invoice or quotation.

The **planholder** must choose how often **your** Aetna Pioneer **plan** premiums are paid from the payment options available for that **plan** level. They must choose this at application or renewal and it will apply throughout the entire **plan** year. Aetna Maternity **plan** premiums can be paid every year or as often as the Aetna Pioneer **plan** premium is paid. Aetna Travel and Aetna Personal Accident **add-on plan** premiums can only be paid yearly.

The **planholder** is responsible for paying all premiums. Premiums must be paid in the same currency as **your plans**. The premium will be returned if payment is received in a different currency to the currency of **your plans**. The **planholder** will be responsible for:

- Any shortfall as a result of exchange rate differences
- Any associated bank charges

We must receive all premiums, including any taxes that apply, on or before the premium due dates.

If premiums are not paid by the **planholder**, the **planholder** must send **us** a letter to authorise the payment before we will accept it. Please contact **us** for details.

## Ways to pay

Premiums must be paid in the same currency as **your plans**.

For yearly payments, premiums can be paid by:

- Card
- Direct debit
- Bank transfer
- Cheque or banker's draft

For payments made every month or every three months, premiums can be paid by:

- Card
- Direct debit

### Card

To pay by card:

- Contact **us** by e-mail or telephone
- Fill in, and fax or post, the **Card** authority

Please do not send **card** details by e-mail. E-mail and internet messages cannot be guaranteed to be completely secure, as personal information can be intercepted, lost or stolen. **Card** details sent by e-mail will not be processed.

Filling in the **Card** authority gives authorisation for the relevant amount to be collected from the named account on or around a premium due date. This also gives authorisation to collect renewal premiums until written instructions are received from the **planholder** to change the method of payment.

The **planholder** will be told in writing if, for any reason, premiums cannot be collected. Attempts to collect the premium will continue unless the **planholder** gives alternative instructions. This may mean that more than one premium needs to be collected on the next collection date. See the 'Unpaid or late premiums' section for more information.

The **planholder** is responsible for providing up-to-date card details. The **planholder** must advise any changes to the **card** details to make sure that any premiums can be collected.

### Direct debit

Direct debits can only be accepted from UK bank accounts for **plans** in GB pounds. Filling in the Direct debit mandate gives authorisation for the relevant amount to be collected from the named account on or around a premium due date. This also gives authorisation to collect renewal premiums until written instructions are received from the **planholder** to change the method of payment.

The **planholder** will be told in writing if, for any reason, premiums cannot be collected. Attempts to collect the premium will continue unless the **planholder** gives alternative instructions. This may mean that more than one premium needs to be collected on the next collection date. See the 'Unpaid or late premiums' section for more information.

The **planholder** is responsible for providing up-to-date account details. The **planholder** must advise any changes to the details to make sure that any premiums can be collected.

### Bank transfers, cheques and banker's drafts

See the **Application** or renewal quotation for payment details. When making a payment, the **planholder** must give their full name and the quotation number or Aetna Pioneer **plan** number as the reference.

## Unpaid or late premiums

The **planholder** must make sure premiums are paid on or before the due date. We will tell the **planholder**, in writing, if payments are not made on time.

We will not approve or pay any claims until the payments are up-to-date.

We will cancel a **plan** if payment is not received within 30 days of the premium due date. If we cancel a **plan**, the **planholder** will have to apply for a new **plan** if they want cover to recommence. Cover will be subject to **our** acceptance and may have new terms. We will charge the premiums in force at that time. Any existing Healthy Behaviours Discount will be lost.

## Renewal

With **our** agreement the **planholder** may renew the Aetna Pioneer **plan** and any **add-on** plans each year.

We may change the definitions, benefits, conditions and exclusions that apply to the Aetna Pioneer plan and any add-on plans. Any changes will be sent to the planholder together with the renewal quotation at least six weeks before the plan renewal date.

The Aetna Pioneer plan and add-on plan premiums are subject to change at renewal. Aetna Pioneer plan renewal premiums will include any Healthy Behaviours Discount that has been earned. See the 'Healthy Behaviours Discount' section for more information.

All cover is subject to our eligibility criteria. See the 'Eligibility' section for more information.

If a child is no longer eligible as a dependant at the plan renewal date, with our agreement they can apply to have their own Aetna Pioneer plan and add-on plans by filling in an Application. As long as there is no break in their cover with us, their date of joining will stay the same. Their application will be governed by the definitions, benefits, conditions and exclusions in force at their new plan start date.

### How to renew your plan

The planholder must tell us all material facts before the plan renewal date. See condition C1 for more information.

If the planholder wants to renew, they must tell us in writing before the plan renewal date.

Renewal premiums must be paid on or before the plan renewal date. If premiums are paid by instalments, the first payment must be paid on or before the plan renewal date.

If there is a break in cover for any reason, the planholder will have to apply for a new plan if they want cover to recommence. Cover will be subject to our acceptance and may have new terms. We will charge the premiums in force at that time. Any existing Healthy Behaviours Discount will be lost.

The planholder may not need to tell us in writing that they want to renew if premiums are paid by card or direct debit, see the 'Automatic renewal' section for details.

### Automatic renewal

If the premiums are paid by card or direct debit, we will automatically renew the Aetna Pioneer plan and any add-on plans, unless we tell the planholder otherwise. Renewal premiums will be taken from the named account as long as the payment details are still valid at the plan renewal date.

If the card details provided previously are not valid for at least three months after the plan renewal date, then new card details must be provided. To pay by card:

- Contact us by e-mail or telephone
- Fill in, and fax or post, the Card authority

The planholder must tell us all material facts before the plan renewal date. See condition C1 for more information.

If the planholder does not want to renew the plan they must tell us in writing before the plan renewal date.

### Cancelling your plan

Please see the 'Cooling-off period' section if a plan is being cancelled within 15 days of receiving the Benefits schedule, Certificate of insurance and Handbook, or the date of joining, whichever is later.

If the planholder is cancelling a plan at any other time, they must confirm in writing if there are any claims to be made by any member on the plan. The last day of cover will be the date that we receive the written confirmation, or on a future date given to us.

- If no claims have been made, or will be made, for any member on the plan, a pro-rata refund will be issued.
- If no claims have been paid, but any member on the plan has made claims that we have not yet approved, or has claims to be made, we will not approve or pay these costs unless all premiums have been received for the entire plan year. A pro-rata refund will be issued if the planholder confirms in writing that they do not want us to approve the claim.
- If no claims have been paid, but any member on the plan has made claims that we have approved, the planholder must confirm in writing:
  - whether any costs have been incurred; and if so
  - whether the planholder will pay these costs or the planholder expects us to pay the claim.

The claim will only be paid when all premiums have been received for the entire plan year. A pro-rata refund will only be issued if the planholder pays these costs, or no costs have been incurred.

- If any member on the plan has made any claims that we have approved and paid, no refund will be issued and all premiums must be paid for the entire plan year.

If the Aetna Pioneer plan is cancelled, any add-on plans will also be cancelled. The last day of cover on any add-on plans will be the same as the last day of cover on the Aetna Pioneer plan.

All premiums must be paid for the entire plan year. No refund will be issued when any plan is cancelled.

No claims will be paid on a plan after it has been cancelled.

An administration fee of USD 170, GBP 100 or EUR 150 will be charged for cancelling your Aetna Pioneer plan, depending on the currency of your plan. We reserve the right to make an additional charge if we incur any further or unexpected costs as a result of the cancellation.

If more than one plan is cancelled, any pro-rata refund or outstanding premium due on each plan will be combined.

If any refund is due, this can only be refunded to the account it was originally paid from. The planholder will be responsible for:

- any shortfall as a result of exchange rate differences; and
- any associated bank charges.

The planholder must return the Certificate of insurance when they cancel a plan. They must also return all Member

ID Cards if the Aetna Pioneer plan or Aetna Maternity plan are cancelled.

If the **planholder** wants to apply for a new **plan** after cancelling the **plan**, cover will be subject to **our** acceptance and may have new terms. **We** will charge the premiums in force at that time. Any Healthy Behaviours Discount will be lost.

## Clinical Policy Bulletins

We have developed Clinical Policy Bulletins (CPBs) to assist in administering **our** plans. CPBs express **our** determination of whether certain **treatments**, services or costs are **medically necessary**, unproven, experimental, investigational or cosmetic. They are based on objective and credible sources, including scientific literature, guidelines, consensus statements and expert opinions. You can find **our** Medical, Dental and Pharmacy CPBs at [www.aetna.com/health-care-professionals/clinical-policy-bulletins.html](http://www.aetna.com/health-care-professionals/clinical-policy-bulletins.html).

CPBs are not a description of cover. The conclusion that a particular treatment, service or cost is **medically necessary** does not confirm that this **treatment**, service or cost is covered under **your plan**. This Handbook, together with **your Benefits schedule and Certificate of insurance**, explains what is, and is not, covered under **your plan**. **Your plan** may exclude coverage for **treatments**, services or costs that are determined as **medically necessary** within a CPB. If there is a discrepancy between a CPB and **your plan**, the terms of **your plan** will apply.

CPBs can be highly technical. You should talk about the information in them with **your medical professional** if you need to understand how they apply to you.

## Plan terms, conditions and exclusions

### Plan terms

The Aetna Pioneer **plan** and the Aetna Maternity and Aetna Travel **add-on plans** are governed by the **plan** terms shown below. Some of these **plan** terms also apply to the Aetna Personal Accident **plan**, see the 'Plan terms for Aetna Personal Accident' section for details.

Extra **plan** terms also apply to the Aetna Travel and Aetna Personal Accident **add-on plans**, see 'Extra plan terms, conditions and exclusions for Aetna Travel and Aetna Personal Accident **add-on plans**'.

Claims will only be paid in line with the **plan** terms that apply.

### Altered and amended documents

**P1** We reserve the right to reject or disregard any invoice, Claim form, medical report or other document that has been altered or amended.

### Replacing and reissuing plan documents

**P2** We can charge **you** an administration fee to replace or reissue any **plan documentation** or Member ID Card.

### Waiver

**P3** If we deviate from specific terms of the **plan** at any time, it will not constitute a waiver of **our** right to apply or insist upon compliance with those specific terms at any other time. This applies if the circumstances are the same or different. This includes, but is not limited to, the payment of premiums or **benefits**.

### Plan governance and language

**P4** The **plan documentation**, including **add-on plans**, and any dispute or claim arising out of or in connection with it or its subject matter or formation (including non-contractual disputes or claims) are governed by and shall be construed in accordance with the laws of England and Wales. The courts of England and Wales shall have exclusive jurisdiction to settle any dispute or claim arising out of or in connection with the **plan documentation**, including **add-on plans**, or its subject matter or formation (including non-contractual disputes and claims).

**P5** If we issue translated versions of any of **our** documents, these are for information only. In the case of any dispute or discrepancy of wording or interpretation, the English version will apply.

### Third party negotiations

**P6** We must be told about any negotiations or settlement discussions that **you** enter into, or are entered into on **your** behalf, with any other party about any action which leads to a claim under a **plan**. A settlement must not be agreed to with any party before **we** give **our** written agreement.

### Hospital accommodation

**P7** Hospital accommodation will be paid up to the cost of a standard single room with a private bathroom. This will include **your hospital meals**.

### Medical examinations

**P8** We have the right to instruct a **specialist** of **our** choice to examine **you** as often as **we** feel is necessary to support a claim. **We** also have the right to ask for further tests and or evaluation where **we** have decided that a **medical condition** **you** have claimed for may be directly or indirectly related to an excluded **medical condition**.

### Lifetime limits

**P9** If you move to a **plan** where a **lifetime limit** applies to a **benefit**, any amount previously paid under the same or equivalent **benefit** on any one or more other **plans** will be deducted from the current **lifetime limit** on the **benefit**. This applies:

- regardless of any previous **benefit** limit, and
- whether or not there has been a break in **your** cover.

### Citizens of the United States of America

**P10** If your **area of cover** is Area 1 and **you** are a citizen of the United States of America (US), **we** will cancel **your** cover if **you** have spent more than 90 days in the US in any one **plan year**.

## *Rights of action against us*

**P11** If you want to take legal action against us in respect of a plan, you must do so within three years from the date the relevant event took place, subject to the applicable laws.

## *Subrogation*

**P12** If you

- (i) receive, or
- (ii) are entitled to receive,

any payment from any other party or from any other insurance cover in respect of an injury, illness or medical condition, we have the right:

- In the case of (i), to recover from you all amounts we have paid and may pay to you, or on your behalf under this plan as a result of the same such injury, illness or medical condition, up to and including the full amount received by you from such other party or other insurer
- In the case of (ii), to proceed against such other party or other insurer on your behalf and in your name by way of subrogation

You shall fully cooperate with us if we exercise our right of subrogation pursuant to the above.

You shall notify us immediately if you:

- give notice to any party of the your intention to pursue or investigate, or
- pursue or investigate,

a claim to recover damages in respect of any injury, illness or medical condition sustained by you as a result of such other party's action or omission. On receipt of any such notice, we may elect in our sole discretion to exercise our right of subrogation pursuant to the above.

Other than with our prior written consent, you shall not:

- admit liability or fault; or
- agree to a settlement with any party in relation to any dispute relating to the above or the plan.

We will have the sole authority and discretion to resolve all disputes regarding the interpretation of this provision.

## *Contribution*

**P13** If any other insurance covers a valid claim under the plan, including any reciprocal health insurance arrangements, we shall deduct any payments received or to be received by you from such other insurer(s) for such claim from any amount payable to you by us under the plan, after:

- you have paid any deductibles applicable on such other insurance, and
- you have paid any deductibles on the plan.

## *Insurer*

**P14** For the avoidance of doubt, the plan does not constitute or form part of any offer or solicitation or invitation to sell by, or any co-branding or any offer or solicitation or invitation to co-brand with, any insurer to

provide any regulated services or products in any country in which such insurer is not authorised or licensed to provide such regulated services or products.

## *Healthy Behaviours Discount*

**P15** If an eligible claim is submitted at any time and it relates to a plan year for which a Healthy Behaviours Discount was previously given, the value of the Healthy Behaviours Discount must be returned before your claim can be paid.

## *Conditions*

The Aetna Pioneer plan and the Aetna Maternity and Aetna Travel add-on plans are governed by the conditions shown below. Some of these conditions also apply to the Aetna Personal Accident plan, see the 'Conditions for Aetna Personal Accident' section for details.

Extra conditions also apply to the Aetna Travel and Aetna Personal Accident add-on plans, see 'Extra plan terms, conditions and exclusions for Aetna Travel and Aetna Personal Accident add-on plans'.

Claims will only be paid if you meet all of the conditions that apply.

## *Material facts*

**C1** The planholder must tell us all material facts before we accept an application, make changes to a plan or renew a plan. The planholder must check that any material facts are correct. You must check that any material facts about you are correct. If there is any doubt about whether a fact is material, for your own protection, the planholder should tell us. Where applicable the 24-month moratorium will still apply even if the planholder tells us about any pre-existing medical conditions you may have.

We will avoid the part of the plan which provides benefits to you as the planholder or as a dependant (treat it as if it had not existed) from the plan start date, plan renewal date, or the date of any changes that were made to the plan, if you, or the planholder on your behalf if you are a dependant:

- deliberately or recklessly gave us inaccurate or incomplete material facts, or
- did not take reasonable care to give us accurate and complete material facts, and we would not have covered you under the plan at all had we known about such material facts.

If we avoid the part of the plan which applies to the planholder, we will offer their dependants continued cover if a new planholder is appointed as follows:

- If any of the dependants are 18 years or over, they must write to us to appoint one of them as the new planholder to manage the plan
- If all of the dependants are under 18, the planholder must write to us to appoint a parent or legal guardian to act as the new planholder. The new planholder will manage the plan, but will not have cover under the plan

The plan will be suspended until a new planholder is appointed. If a new planholder is not appointed within seven days of the date we notify removal of the planholder, we will cancel the entire plan from the date of the removal of the planholder.

We may refuse to pay all or part of any claim you make if you as the planholder or as a dependant, or the planholder on your behalf if you are a dependant:

- did not take reasonable care to give us accurate and complete material facts, and
- we would have provided cover to you on different terms under the plan had we known about the material facts.

If we would have applied different terms, conditions and exclusions to you, the plan will be treated as if it had contained the different terms, conditions and exclusions, and a claim will only be paid if:

- you have met all the terms and conditions of the plan and the claim is not otherwise excluded,
- you have met the different terms and conditions that we would have applied, and
- it does not fall within any different exclusions that we would have applied.

If we would have provided you with cover under the plan at a higher premium, the benefits payable on any claim you make will be reduced proportionately based on the amount of premium that we would have charged. For example, only half of each claim will be paid if we would have charged double the premium for you.

**C2** The planholder must tell us immediately in writing about any change that affects information given in connection with the application for cover under a plan, including information about you.

After we have been told about a change:

- We have the right to reassess your cover if it is a change to important information about you. We may apply new terms to you, or cancel your cover
- We have the right to reassess the plan if the change to important information is about the planholder or affects all or part of the plan. We may apply new terms to the plan, or cancel the plan

If there is a change in risk that the planholder has not told us about, your cover may be cancelled, the plan may be cancelled, or any related claim may be reduced or rejected.

#### *Preauthorisation and timely claim filing*

**C3** If a benefit needs preauthorisation as shown on your Benefits schedule, you or your personal representative must request preauthorisation before treatment or services are received or costs are incurred. Once you or your personal representative have received our approval, we will settle all covered costs directly with the providers. If you or your personal representative do not receive our approval before costs are incurred, we will only approve the costs we would have paid if we had been involved and given our approval.

**C4** You or your personal representative should tell us about a claim no later than:

- 180 days after the date of treatment or services received, if it relates to your Aetna Pioneer medical or Aetna Pioneer Maternity plan
- 31 days after your trip has ended if it relates to your Aetna Travel plan
- 31 days after the disablement, or your death, if it relates to your Aetna Personal Accident plan

If a claim is not received within the period shown, we reserve the right to reject such claim subject to the applicable laws.

#### *Treatment provision and referral*

**C5** All treatment must be given with the aim to cure or substantially relieve medical conditions.

**C6** Treatment must be given by medical practitioners, specialists, nurses or therapists. All psychiatric treatment and psychotherapy must be given by medical practitioners, psychiatrists or qualified and registered psychotherapists or psychoanalysts.

**C7** If your medical practitioner or specialist refers you for further diagnostic tests and procedures or treatment, we may not pay your claim if you do not undergo the diagnostic tests and procedures, or start treatment, within 90 days of the referral date.

**C8** Physiotherapy, podiatry, osteopathic and chiropractic treatment must be referred by a medical practitioner or specialist.

#### *Innocent bystanders*

**C9** Where a benefit is available on your plan, we will cover costs arising from or connected with:

- conflict or civil unrest if, in our reasonable opinion:
  - you are not actively participating,
  - you are not a member of any armed force or security service, including personal protection,
  - you have not knowingly entered or remained in a location where there is conflict or civil unrest, and
  - you have not intentionally put yourself at risk of injury.
- a natural disaster if, in our reasonable opinion:
  - you have not knowingly entered or remained in a location where there is a natural disaster, and
  - you have not intentionally put yourself at risk of injury.
- contamination or injury from any biological, chemical or nuclear materials, including combustion of nuclear fuel if, in our reasonable opinion:
  - you have not knowingly entered or remained in a location where there is contamination,
  - you are not a member of a biological, chemical or nuclear contamination cleaning crew of any kind, and
  - you do not intentionally put yourself at risk of contamination or injury.

## **Reasonable costs**

**C10** Only reasonable costs will be paid for claims.

Reasonable costs are the average cost of treatment, expertise or services given by similar types of provider:

- within the same country or geographical region, and
- based on our knowledge and experience.

**C11** If a visiting doctor instead of an in-house doctor treats you, in a hospital, clinic or any other facility where direct billing or cashless arrangements are in place, only reasonable costs will be paid. You will have to pay the difference if the visiting doctor's costs are not reasonable and not in line with the in-house doctor's costs.

## **Ineligible claims**

**C12** If you attend a hospital, clinic or any other facility where direct billing or cashless arrangements are in place, and we subsequently determine that your claim is an ineligible claim, we have the right to recover the full amount of the claim. Payment of any claim is not an indication of our acceptance of liability for the claim or confirmation that further costs for the same medical condition or any related medical condition will be met.

**C13** If we receive new information that shows a claim we have already approved is ineligible, no costs will be paid. If any costs have already been paid, we will recover the costs and no further costs will be paid. Any approval we have given during the preauthorisation process may also be withdrawn. After we have given notice that you must repay any costs, this must be done within 14 days, failing which, we reserve the right to cancel the plan, subject to applicable laws.

**C14** If you would like us to re-assess a claim we have rejected under a plan for any reason, you will have to prove that the claim is covered under the plan.

## **Exclusions**

The Aetna Pioneer plan and Aetna Maternity plan do not cover claims for, arising from or connected with the following exclusions unless shown on your Benefits schedule, or agreed by us in writing.

Some of these exclusions apply to the Aetna Travel and Aetna Personal Accident add-on plans. Extra exclusions also apply to these plans. See the 'Extra plan terms, conditions and exclusions for Aetna Travel and Aetna Personal Accident add-on plans' section for details.

## **Underwriting terms**

**E1** This exclusion applies if your underwriting terms are moratorium or CTT previously moratorium, as shown on your Certificate of insurance. See exclusion E2 if your underwriting terms are FMU or CTT previously FMU, as exclusion E1 does not apply to these underwriting terms. Exclusions E1 and E2 do not apply if your underwriting terms are MHD.

A pre-existing medical condition or related medical condition that, within a 24-month period before the date of joining or the date shown on the special terms section

of your Certificate of insurance, has one or more of the following characteristics:

- Was foreseeable
- Clearly showed itself
- You had signs or symptoms of
- You asked for advice about
- You received treatment for
- To the best of your knowledge, you were aware you had

Pre-existing medical conditions or related medical conditions may be covered after you have had 24 months' continuous cover under the plan and within that time you have not:

- experienced symptoms,
- asked for advice, or
- needed or received treatment, medication, or a special diet.

If you have:

- experienced symptoms,
- asked for advice, or
- needed or received treatment, medication, or a special diet,

then you will have to wait until you have completed a continuous 24-month period when none of these apply to you. Pre-existing medical conditions or related medical conditions may then be covered. This is the rolling part of the moratorium.

**E2** This exclusion applies if your underwriting terms are FMU or CTT previously FMU, as shown on your Certificate of insurance. See exclusion E1 if your underwriting terms are moratorium or CTT previously moratorium, as exclusion E2 does not apply to these underwriting terms. Exclusions E1 and E2 do not apply if your underwriting terms are MHD.

A medical condition or symptom that you were aware of before your start date unless we were given all the information we asked for in the Application and we have not specifically excluded the medical condition or symptom as shown on your Certificate of insurance.

## **Plan and benefit availability and limitations**

**E3** Costs incurred:

- That exceed a limit shown on your Benefits schedule
- If you have not completed the waiting period shown on your Benefits schedule
- If these are less than the value of any deductible that applies to your plan
- If no relevant benefit is included on your plan
- For a benefit not covered on your plan, even if cover was included in any previous plan year
- That may be associated with a claim, but are not covered under your plan. For example, loss of earnings as a result of a medical condition
- Outside your area of cover

**E4** Costs incurred for, or in relation to, any portion of treatment or services received before **your start date** or after **your end date**.

**E5** Medical evacuations if a local situation makes it impossible, dangerous or not practical to enter a specific location or country.

#### *False and fraudulent claims*

**E6** A false or fraudulent act **you** know about. If **we** have paid any part of the claim, **we** will recover the costs.

#### *Treatment provision and referral*

**E7** Treatment that we determine on **general advice** is unproven, experimental or investigational.

**E8** Drugs or dressings that:

- are not recognised by the pharmaceutical regulator in the country where **treatment** is provided,
- are obtained without prescription, or
- are prescribed for a **medical condition** that is different to the one that is being claimed for.

**E9** Dietary supplements, substances and personal products, including, but not limited to, vitamins, minerals, mouthwash, toothpaste, antiseptic lozenges and sprays, shampoo, sunscreen, children's food, baby supplies and infant formula given orally.

**E10** Home visits by a **medical professional**, unless specifically agreed by **us** prior to consultation.

**E11** Treatment in a spa, hydro spa, health farm or similar facility, and **treatment** given at a nursing home, similar establishment or **hospital**, where the facility has become **your** home or permanent abode or where admission is arranged partly or entirely for domestic reasons.

**E12** Treatment given, or referrals made by, a **medical professional** or **dental practitioner** who is **your** spouse, partner, child, parent or sibling, and self-prescribed treatment or self-referral if **you** are a **medical professional** or **dental practitioner**.

**E13** Health education programmes and services, including, but not limited to, family planning, antenatal classes and parenting classes.

#### *Administrative costs, fees and charges*

**E14** Costs of:

- Completing Claim forms
- Completing or obtaining any other documents
- Hospital administration fees
- Any registration fees

**E15** Charges incurred for the overdue payment of any invoice.

#### *Cosmetic*

**E16** Cosmetic treatment.

#### *Weight management*

**E17** Any **treatment** for weight loss or weight problems, including, but not limited to, bariatric procedures, diet pills or supplements, health club memberships, diet programmes and residential eating disorder programmes.

#### *Reproduction and newborns*

**E18** Costs of:

- Contraception or sterilisation
- **Treatment** for sexual problems, including impotence, whatever the cause
- Fertility or infertility tests or **treatment**
- Assisted reproduction
- Surrogacy

**E19** Pregnancy, childbirth and postnatal costs, whether complicated or not, including termination of pregnancy.

**E20** Any **inpatient treatment** needed for an **acute medical condition** that begins before an insured **member** is eight days old if the mother's pregnancy was the result of assisted conception.

#### *Sleep*

**E21** Sleep apnoea, sleep-related breathing disorders, snoring and insomnia.

#### *Sight, hearing and dental*

**E22** Myopia, hypermetropia, astigmatism, natural or non-medical degenerative sight or hearing disorders, aids to help with sight or hearing, contact lens solutions, eye drops, sunglasses and prescription sunglasses.

**E23** Orthodontic treatment and dental implants.

#### *Brain and learning disorders, and speech and voice problems*

**E24** Developmental disorders of the brain, learning disorders, learning difficulties, speech problems and voice problems.

#### *Harvesting, storage and organ transplants*

**E25** The harvesting or storage of umbilical cord blood stem cells, sperm, mature oocytes and embryos.

**E26** Costs of:

- locating a replacement organ,
- removing an organ from a donor,
- transporting an organ, and
- any associated administration.

#### *Addictions and abuse*

**E27** Treatment for alcohol, drug or substance abuse or any kind of addictive condition, and any injury or illness arising directly or indirectly from such abuse or addiction. Drug abuse is the use of any drug:

- in a manner or in quantities other than as directed or prescribed on medical authority, or
- for any reason other than that for which it was originally prescribed.

## *Gender reassignment*

**E28** Treatment directly or indirectly associated with gender reassignment.

## *Journeys and transportation*

**E29** Any journey made specifically for the purpose of receiving treatment, unless **you** have requested preauthorisation and we have given our approval.

**E30** Non-emergency transportation.

## *Acting against medical advice*

**E31** Any journey, activity, action or pursuit carried out against the advice of a medical professional.

## *Professional sports and hazardous activities*

**E32** Playing professional sports, taking part in motor sports of any kind, using a weapon or firearm for any purpose, and the following hazardous activities:

- Mountaineering, potholing, spelunking and caving
- High-altitude trekking over 2,500 m
- Winter sports carried out off-piste
- Arctic or Antarctic expeditions

## *Self-inflicted medical conditions*

**E33** Suicide, attempted suicide or any deliberate, self-inflicted medical condition.

## *Illegal activities*

**E34** You acting illegally, or committing or helping to commit a criminal offence.

## **Extra plan terms, conditions and exclusions for Aetna Travel and Aetna Personal Accident add-on plans**

### **Plan terms for Aetna Travel**

*The Aetna Travel plan is governed by all of the plan terms in the 'Plan terms' section and the extra plan terms below. Claims will only be paid in line with these plan terms.*

**PT1** We have the right to move **you** from one hospital to another or arrange to move **you** to a different location. We will do this if, in our opinion or that of the attending medical practitioner, **you** can be moved safely to continue treatment.

### **Plan terms for Aetna Personal Accident**

*The Aetna Personal Accident plan is governed by all of the plan terms in the 'Plan terms' section and the extra plan terms below. Claims will only be paid in line with these plan terms.*

**PPA1** Cover is not provided for sickness or disease.

**PPA2** If you suffer one or more permanent total or permanent partial disablements within 12 months of an accident, you will only be paid up to the benefit limits shown on the Benefits schedule that applied in the plan

year when you had the accident. No payment will be made for any more than the overall limit shown on the Benefits schedule.

**PPA3** You will not be paid more than the overall plan limit shown in the Benefits schedule, for any one or more accidents.

**PPA4** If you have an existing medical condition and suffer a bodily injury because of an accident, we will ask an independent specialist to assess if your existing medical condition has contributed to your disability after the accident, or if your disability after the accident has made your existing medical condition worse. We will decide the difference between your existing medical condition and the disability suffered after the accident and pay any claim based on this difference. This will be expressed as a percentage and applied to the appropriate benefit.

**PPA5** If you die within 12 months of an accident, payment will only be made up to the benefit limit shown on the Benefits schedule that applied in the plan year when you had the accident. Payment will be made in line with the instructions we receive from your personal representative.

If you die before any disablement benefit is paid, only the accidental death benefit will be paid. If any disablement benefit has already been paid under the plan for any accident that happened in the same plan year, the amount paid for the accidental death benefit will be reduced by the value of any claims already paid.

No payment will be made for any more than the overall limit shown on your Benefits schedule.

**PPA6** If the total value of claims made by multiple members on the same Aetna Personal Accident plan exceeds the accumulation limit shown on the Benefits schedule, the amount paid for each claim will be reduced proportionately based on the amount each member is due, up to the accumulation limit.

### **Conditions for Aetna Travel**

*The Aetna Travel plan is governed by all of the conditions in the 'Conditions' section and the extra conditions below. Claims will only be paid under the plan if you meet all of these conditions.*

**CT1** If you have to change your original plans for returning home and this will incur additional costs, you must tell us before any costs are incurred. It may affect your claim if you do not tell us.

**CT2** When making a claim for a missed departure you must have planned to arrive at your departure point before the earliest scheduled check-in time and give us a written report from the carrier at the point of departure, the police or the relevant public transport authority, confirming the delay and stating its cause.

**CT3** When making a claim for a delayed departure or delayed baggage, you must provide us with a written report from your airline or other carrier giving the details.

**CT4** You must take care of your property at all times and take all practical steps to recover any property that is lost or stolen. It may affect your claim if you do not do this.

**CT5** Any theft, suspected theft or loss must be reported to the local police within 24 hours of discovery and supported by a police report.

**CT6** Any loss of, or damage to, your property during your journey with an airline or other carrier, whether or not your property is checked in:

- must be reported to the airline or carrier immediately upon discovering the loss or damage, and
- must be supported by a written report from them.

**CT7** You must keep any damaged property that you want to claim for. If we ask you to send it to us, you must do so at your own expense. If a claim is paid for the full value of any item, it will become our property.

**CT8** We may discharge any of our legal responsibilities under this plan by replacing or repairing any property that is lost or damaged.

**CT9** When making a claim because your transport was hijacked, you must provide us with a police report giving the details.

**CT10** If the total cost of one or more claims for a trip exceeds the original cost of the trip, we will not pay any more than the original cost of the trip.

### Conditions for Aetna Personal Accident

The Aetna Personal Accident plan is governed by conditions C1, C2, C4, C9, C12, C13 and C14 in the 'Conditions' section and the extra conditions below. Claims will only be paid under the plan if you meet all of these conditions.

**CPA1** We provide cover for managerial, clerical and administrative occupations only. If your occupation puts you at greater risk of a bodily injury caused by an accident, the planholder or your plan administrator must tell us. We will tell them if we agree to cover you and let them know any extra premium that will apply.

**CPA2** You or your personal representative must tell us as soon as possible about any accident that causes or may cause a claim.

**CPA3** You must make all medical records, notes and correspondence we need available to us and any medical advisor we have appointed.

**CPA4** For any claim to be considered for loss of sight of one eye, the degree of sight after correction must be 3/60 or less on the Snellen Scale, seeing at 3 feet what you should see at 60 feet, or an equivalent scale.

**CPA5** For any claim to be considered for loss of sight of both eyes, you must be diagnosed as blind on the authority of a fully qualified ophthalmic specialist.

### Exclusions for Aetna Travel

Section 1 of the Aetna Travel plan does not cover claims for, arising from or connected with exclusions E3, E4, E5, E6, E7, E8, E9, E10, E11, E12, E13, E14, E15, E16, E17, E18, E20, E21, E22, E23, E24, E25, E26, E27, E28, E29, E30, E31, E32, E33 and E34 listed in the 'Exclusions' section and the extra exclusions below.

**ET1** Trips made for the specific purpose of receiving treatment.

**ET2** A medical condition that, within the 24-month period before the date your trip is booked, or your date of joining as shown on your Certificate of insurance, whichever is later, has one or more of the following characteristics:

- Clearly showed itself
- You had signs or symptoms of
- You asked for advice about
- You received treatment for
- To the best of your knowledge, you were aware you had

**ET3** A pregnancy when:

- You are travelling against medical advice
- You are 26 weeks or more into your pregnancy when you start your trip
- You are 34 weeks or more in to your pregnancy, unless:
  - you started your trip before you were 26 weeks or more into your pregnancy, and
  - you planned to complete your trip before the end of week 33 of your pregnancy but, in our reasonable opinion, were unable to do so due to unforeseen circumstances beyond your control.
- There have been complications relating to your pregnancy before your trip
- It is a multiple pregnancy
- The pregnancy is the result of an assisted conception

**ET4** Any treatment that, in our reasonable opinion, is not immediately necessary and can wait until you return to your country of residence.

Sections 2 to 9 of the Aetna Travel plan do not cover claims for, arising from or connected with exclusions E3, E4, E6, E12, E14, E15, E21, E22, E24, E26, E27, E31, E32, E33 and E34 listed in the 'Exclusions' section, ET2 and the extra exclusions below.

**ET5** Leaving your baggage, unless checked in and in the custody of your airline or other carrier:

- with a person you have not previously met,
- in a public place where it can be taken without your knowledge, or
- at a distance from which you cannot prevent it from being taken.

**ET6** An aircraft or sea vessel being withdrawn from service, whether temporary or otherwise, on the recommendation of a relevant port authority, the civil aviation authority or any similar organisation.

**ET7** Strike or industrial action taking place, or publicly declared on, or before, the date **your trip** is booked.

**ET8** Expenses payable by, or to, **your** travel agent, tour operator, accommodation provider, airline or other carrier or provider.

**ET9** Neglect, or failure to act, by the travel agent, tour operator, accommodation provider, airline or other carrier or provider.

**ET10** Proceedings taken against a travel agent, tour operator, accommodation provider, airline or other carrier or provider.

**ET11** Any person, organisation or company becoming insolvent, or being unable or unwilling to fulfil any part of their obligation to **you**.

**ET12** Any costs **you** have to pay for visas needed in connection with **your trip**.

**ET13** Any costs **you** would, in **our** reasonable opinion, normally have to pay in connection with **your trip**.

**ET14** Shortages due to:

- loss of value, including, but not limited to, loss of value due to wear and tear,
- error or omission, including, but not limited to, incorrect or incomplete bookings, or
- exchange, including, but not limited to, switching hotels or travel arrangements.

**ET15** Changes in exchange rates.

**ET16** Government regulations or acts and currency restrictions.

**ET17** Loss, damage or expense, as a result of travelling to an area that the government of **your country of residence**, or the government of **your home country**, has advised against travelling to.

*Sections 2, 4, 7 and 8 of the Aetna Travel plan also do not cover claims for, arising from or connected with the extra exclusions below.*

**ET18** Cancellation or curtailment of **your trip** if you knew that you may have to cancel or cut short **your trip** at **your date of joining the plan** or when booking the trip, whichever is later.

**ET19** You deciding not to travel, not enjoying **your trip**, or not travelling because **you** could not afford it.

**ET20** Cancellation due to an **act of terrorism** or the threat of an **act of terrorism**, unless the government of **your country of residence** or **your home country** has advised against travelling to the area.

**ET21** Failure to tell **your** travel agent, tour operator, accommodation provider, airline or other carrier or provider as soon as **you** know that **you** need to cancel **your travel arrangements**.

**ET22** Unused accommodation, activities or travel arrangements, or any administration costs that **your travel agent, tour operator, accommodation provider, airline or**

other carrier or provider charges for refunds in relation to these.

**ET23** Extra charges made by **your** travel agent, tour operator, accommodation provider, airline or other carrier or provider.

*Sections 6, 7, 8 and 9 of the Aetna Travel plan also do not cover claims for, arising from or connected with the extra exclusions below.*

**ET24** Loss or theft of any one or more of the following that are not personally carried by **you**, unless they were checked in and in the custody of **your** airline or other carrier, secured in the locked boot or locked glove compartment of a vehicle, or held in a safety deposit box or safe that is not in **your room or apartment**:

- Cash, traveller's cheques, and postal or money orders
- Travel documents, including passports
- Photographic, audio, video, computer and electrical equipment of any kind
- Mobile phones, spectacles and sunglasses
- Binoculars and telescopes
- Musical instruments
- Antiques, fine art, furs, leather goods and animal skins
- Watches, jewellery, and any items made of, or containing, gold, silver, precious metals, or precious or semi-precious stones

**ET25** Costs due to:

- Damage caused by moth, vermin, atmospheric conditions or climatic conditions
- Damage caused by any process of cleaning, repair or restoration
- Damage caused by leaking powder or fluid carried within **your baggage**
- Wear and tear, or gradual deterioration
- Mechanical or electrical breakdown of **your property**

**ET26** Any extra value an item had because it formed part of a pair or set.

**ET27** Loss due to customs or any other authority legally taking or destroying **your property**.

**ET28** Loss of, or damage to, contact or corneal lenses.

**ET29** Damage to clothing or sports equipment when in use.

**ET30** Breakage of fragile items, including, but not limited to china, glass and sculptures.

**ET31** Loss of, or damage to, stamps, documents, deeds, manuscripts or securities of any kind.

**ET32** Loss of, or damage to, goods, samples or tools hired or held in trust by **you**, that **you** do not own.

## **Exclusions for Aetna Personal Accident**

*The Aetna Personal Accident plan does not cover claims for, arising from or connected with exclusions E3, E6, E12, E14, E15, E27, E29, E30, E31, E32, E33 and E34 listed in the 'Exclusions' section and the extra exclusions below.*

**EPA1** Any accident that happens before your start date or after your end date.

**EPA2** Engaging in occupations which, in our reasonable opinion, are manual or dangerous occupations.

**EPA3** Aviation other than as a fare-paying passenger in a fully-certified passenger-carrying aircraft, flown in the course of licensed operation by licensed crew for the transportation of passengers.

## **Data Protection**

The words 'Aetna' and 'other Aetna entities' mean Aetna Global Benefits (UK) Limited and include any other Aetna International Inc. group company as the context requires.

We are committed to protecting **your** personal data and privacy. Any personal information that **we** collect will be kept confidential and will be processed in accordance with the UK Data Protection Act 1998, medical confidentiality guidelines, other related legislation and **our** own strict internal policy.

We will use any personal data to process **your** claims, administer **your plan**, service **our** relationship with **you**, provide **you** with products and services and evaluate their effectiveness, provide **you** with better customer services and for statistical analysis.

We may, in carrying out **your** instructions, processing and administering claims, transfer **your** personal data to other Aetna entities and/or third parties acting on **our** behalf inside or outside the European Union where there may be less stringent data protection laws. However, wherever it is held and processed, **your** personal data will be protected by a strict code of security which **we** and any third parties working on **our** behalf are subject to. **Your** personal data will only be used in accordance with **our** instructions.

**Your** information may also be used for fraud prevention and audit purposes. If **you** give **us** false or inaccurate information and **we** suspect fraud, **we** will record this. We may pass such information to other Aetna entities or agents or others as permitted by law so that they may do the same. They may pass information held by them about **you** to **us** so that **we** may do the same. We may also disclose **your** information if **we** are required to do so by law enforcement or other legal agencies, governmental or judicial bodies, or to **our** regulators under proper authority.

In order to assess the terms of **your** insurance cover, including specific medical exclusions, or to administer claims, **we** may collect medical information which the UK Data Protection Act defines as 'sensitive' information. **Your** medical information will only be disclosed to those involved with **your treatment** or care, including **your medical practitioner**, or their agents. If **you** ask **us** to, **we** will also send **your** medical information to any person or organisation that may be responsible for meeting **your treatment** expenses, or their agents. **Your** information may be discussed with **your** agent or broker if **you** have requested the broker to assist **you** in handling **your** claims and **you** have authorised **us** to provide them with such medical information.

**We** will not disclose **your** medical information to any other individual without **your** explicit consent. If **you** want **us** to disclose **your** medical information to another individual or next of kin, **you** must tell **us**. In exceptional emergency situations, and in accordance with medical confidentiality guidelines and relevant law, **we** may be required to disclose such information to relatives, family members or other third parties.

We may, from time to time, provide **you** with marketing information about Aetna, our products and services and those of any associated companies which may be of interest to **you**. You will be given an opportunity to tell us if **you** do not wish to receive such information.

To help us make sure that your personal information remains accurate and up-to-date, please inform us of any changes.

You have the right to see personal information about you held by us. There may be a charge for this.

Please write to:

The Compliance Officer  
Aetna Insurance Company Limited  
25 Templer Avenue  
IQ Farnborough  
Farnborough  
Hampshire  
GU14 6FE  
United Kingdom

## Complaints

We strive to give you a first-class service. However, if there is an occasion when **you** feel we have not done this we want to know.

Please contact us at:

The Complaints Team  
Aetna Global Benefits (UK) Limited  
25 Templer Avenue  
IQ Farnborough  
Farnborough  
Hampshire  
GU14 6FE  
United Kingdom

Telephone: **+44-(0)1252-745-910**

E-mail: **AetnaInternationalComplaints&Appeals@aetna.com**

When **you** contact us it will help if **you** give us **your** plan number and claim number, if this applies. Please also provide as much information as **you** can about **your** complaint, as well as **your** full contact details.

We will deal with **your** complaint fairly, promptly and in accordance with relevant regulation.

When we receive a complaint, we aim to resolve it by the end of the next business day. Sometimes this may not be possible. If this is the case, we will acknowledge the complaint within five business days and provide regular updates until the complaint is resolved. We will give our final response within eight weeks.

If **you** are not satisfied with the outcome of **your** complaint, **you** may be able to refer it to The Financial Ombudsman Service. This must be done within six months of receiving our final response. Their details are below:

The Financial Ombudsman Service  
Exchange Tower  
London  
E14 9SR  
United Kingdom

Telephone from a UK landline: **0800-023-4567**

Telephone from a UK mobile: **0300-123-9-123**

Telephone from outside the UK: **+44-20-7964-0500**

E-mail: **complaint.info@financial-ombudsman.org.uk**

Website: **www.financial-ombudsman.org.uk**

Full details of our complaints procedures are available on our website and other product documentation.

## Financial Services Compensation Scheme

We are covered by the Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS). You may be entitled to compensation from the scheme if we cannot meet our financial responsibilities. This depends on the type of business and the circumstances of **your** claim. Insurance advising and arranging is covered for 90% of the claim, with no upper limit. If **you** want more information about the Financial Services Compensation Scheme you can find further details on the FSCS website at: [www.fscs.org.uk](http://www.fscs.org.uk) or write to:

Financial Services Compensation Scheme  
10th floor, Beaufort House  
15 St Botolph Street  
London  
EC3A 7QU  
United Kingdom

## Help us manage fraud

*Fraud, let's beat it together*

Fraud is a crime and healthcare fraud increases premiums for our customers. This is why, with **your** help, we will do our utmost to detect and eliminate it.

Fraud is the dishonest intent to get financial gain from, or cause a financial loss to a person or party through false representation, failing to disclose information or abuse of position.

There are many examples of fraud, some of these are:

- Giving false or misleading information in order to obtain insurance or a reduction in premium
- Claiming for treatments or services not received
- Altering or amending invoices or any other documents
- Deliberately failing to disclose previous medical history when required
- Giving a false diagnosis
- Claiming from more than one insurer for the same treatment or service
- Using somebody else's insurance to obtain treatments or services

We are committed to protecting **you** against fraud and we also have statutory responsibilities to prevent our products from being used as a vehicle for financial crime.

Maladministration, including innocent and careless overcharging for treatments and services, also raises the cost of medical insurance.

Some examples of maladministration include:

- Billing twice for the same service
- Incorrect billing for treatments or services
- Providing unnecessary treatments or services

#### *How you can help to protect yourself and keep premiums down*

There are simple steps **you** can take to protect **yourself**. Some of these are:

- Compare invoices with your records. Check the dates are correct and the treatments or services were actually provided to **you**
- Ask questions if there is anything **you** are unsure of, do not understand, expect or recognise
- Keep in close contact with us if **you** have made a claim
- Let us know if **you** are concerned that your medical practitioner is providing treatment that is not necessary for **you**
- Carefully fill in any Claim forms. Ask us if there is anything **you** are unsure of or do not understand
- Look after your insurance details and documentation
- Make sure **you** understand any documentation before **you** sign it
- Keep copies of any documentation and correspondence
- Report suspected fraud to us

#### *We work closely with others to prevent fraud*

We are committed to protecting **you** against fraud and we also have statutory responsibilities to prevent our products from being used as a vehicle for financial crime. In addition to our strict controls to deter, prevent, detect and investigate fraud, we also work with other insurance providers to give **you** the best service we can. Other providers we work with are:

- International Insurance bodies
- International Police and Investigative agencies
- Government departments

#### *If you suspect fraud*

Please contact us at:

Fraud and Investigation e-mail: [fraudgovernance@aetna.com](mailto:fraudgovernance@aetna.com)

Fraud and Investigation Confidential telephone line:  
**+44-(0)1252-896-383**

## Definitions

**Accident** – any involuntary or unexpected event resulting in a bodily injury.

**Act of terrorism** – an act by any person, group or groups of people, including, but not limited to, the use or threat of force or violence, whether acting alone, on behalf of, or in conjunction with, any organisation or government. This includes, but is not limited to, acts intended to influence any government or cause fear to members of the public, whatever the reason.

**Acute** – a medical condition that is brief, has a definite end point, and, in our reasonable opinion, based on advice or general advice can be cured by treatment.

**Acute episode** – an unexpected, adverse, change to the usual state of a member's chronic medical condition, which responds to treatment that aims to return them to their state of health before the event occurred.

**Add-on plan** – a plan available in addition to the Aetna Pioneer plan, that must have the same plan start date as the Aetna Pioneer plan.

**Advice** – any consultation or information given by a medical professional.

**Appliances** – prostheses surgically implanted to form permanent parts of the body.

**Application** – either:

- the document entitled 'Aetna Pioneer plan application' which **you** must complete and sign to agree to the terms of the plan plus any supporting information given in connection with it, or
- the information **you** supplied online and signed electronically to agree to the terms of the plan plus any supporting information given.

**Area of cover** – the geographic area of the world in which a member's plan applies. This is shown on their Certificate of insurance.

**Benefit** – cover provided by a plan, and any extensions or restrictions shown in the Handbook, Certificate of insurance or Benefits schedule.

**Benefits schedule** – the document that details the benefits available under a plan.

**Bodily injury** – any physical harm to a member.

**Card** – Visa, MasterCard or American Express.

**Certificate of insurance** – a document that provides plan details, including dates of cover, member information and any special terms that may apply.

**Chronic** – a medical condition that has at least one of the following characteristics:

- Continues indefinitely and has no known cure
- Comes back or is likely to come back
- Is permanent
- Needs rehabilitation or special training for a member to cope with it

- Needs long-term monitoring, including consultations, checkups, examinations and tests

**Claims procedures** – the document that explains how to make a claim under a plan.

**Close Family member** – a son, daughter, stepson, stepdaughter, legally adopted son, legally adopted daughter, spouse, **partner**, parent, step-parent, legally adoptive parent, parent-in-law, grandparent, grandchild, brother, sister, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law or legal guardian.

**Coinsurance** – a percentage of costs a **member** must pay towards a covered claim.

**Conflict or civil unrest** – any act of terrorism, war, invasion, foreign enemy hostility (whether or not war is declared), mutiny, riot, strike, civil war, rebellion, revolution, insurrection or attempted overthrow of government, usurped power, martial law or state of siege.

**Congenital abnormality** – any genetic, physical, biochemical or metabolic defect, disease or malformation, which may be hereditary or due to an influence during gestation, and which may or may not be obvious at birth.

**Continuous Transfer Terms (CTT)** – continuation of the same underwriting terms, including any special exclusions, that applied with a previous insurer. The underwriting terms with us can be CTT previously moratorium or CTT previously FMU. Members will not be subject to any new personal underwriting terms. Cover will still be governed by the **benefits**, terms and conditions of the plan with us. See the ‘Transfers’ or ‘Group member transfers’ section and the CTT previously moratorium and CTT previously FMU definitions for more information.

**Country of nationality** – any country for which a **member** holds a valid passport.

**Country of residence** – the country a **member** lives in for most of the time, usually for a period of at least six months during a plan year.

**Critical** – a medical condition that is, in our reasonable opinion, unstable and serious, where the outcome cannot be medically predicted, the prognosis is uncertain and the person may die.

**CTT previously FMU** – continuation of a member’s full medical underwriting terms with a previous insurer. They will not be subject to any new personal underwriting terms. Cover will still be governed by the **benefits**, terms and conditions of the plan with us, including exclusion E2. Exclusion E1 will not apply.

**CTT previously moratorium** – continuation of a member’s moratorium start date if they had moratorium underwriting terms with a previous insurer. They will not be subject to any new personal underwriting terms. Cover will still be governed by the **benefits**, terms and conditions of the plan with us, including exclusion E1. Exclusion E2 will not apply.

**Date of joining** – the date when a **member** first enrolled or re-enrolled if there is a break in their cover.

**Daycare** – where treatment is received at a hospital or daycare unit, medical supervision is needed for four or more hours for recovery and the **member** does not stay overnight.

**Deductible** – any coinsurance, excess or reasonable and customary deduction that applies to a plan.

**Dental** – that which affects the teeth and gums.

**Dependant** – a planholder’s:

- Spouse or partner
- Unmarried child, stepchild or legally adopted child under the age of 18
- Unmarried child, stepchild or legally adopted child aged 18 to 26 who is in continuous full-time education. We may need written proof from the educational facility where they are enrolled.

**Diagnostic tests and procedures** – any medically necessary test or examination to investigate the cause of a member’s signs or symptoms.

**Direct billing** – where we settle costs of outpatient treatment or services directly with a provider in the network.

**Eligible** – the costs for treatment or services that qualify under the plan, as described in the plan documentation.

**Emergency** – a sudden, unexpected acute medical condition or an unexpected acute episode of a chronic medical condition that, in our reasonable opinion and based on advice if available, presents a clear and significant risk of death or imminent serious damage to bodily function.

**End date** – the last day a **member** has cover under a plan.

**Excess** – an amount a **member** must pay towards the cost of part, or all, of a covered claim or claims.

**Foreseeable** – a medical condition that, in our reasonable opinion, could be reasonably anticipated.

**Full Medical Underwriting (FMU)** – the process that we use to assess a member’s medical history and decide the special terms we offer them. Cover will still be governed by the **benefits**, terms and conditions of the plan with us except for exclusion E1.

**General advice** – any medical opinion or medical recommendation from a relevant professional body in relation to a medical condition or treatment, which confirms, in our reasonable opinion, established medical practice or opinion.

**Home country** – the country a **member** is from as given to us on their Application.

**Hospital** – an establishment that is licensed to provide inpatient, daycare and outpatient medical and surgical treatment in accordance with the laws of the country in which it is situated.

**Ineligible** – the costs for treatment or services that do not qualify under the plan, as described in the plan documentation.

**In-house doctor** – a doctor who is employed by the hospital, is considered a permanent member of staff and charges in line with hospital tariffs.

**Inpatient** – where treatment is received at a hospital and, based on advice, the member needs to stay in a bed for one or more nights.

**Insurer** – one of: Aetna Insurance Company Limited; Aetna Insurance Company Limited (Singapore branch); Aetna Insurance (Singapore) Pte. Ltd; Aetna Life & Casualty (Bermuda) Limited; Al Ain Ahlia Insurance Company; Al Khaleej Takaful Company; Archipelago Life Insurance Limited; Bahrain National Life Assurance BSC; BaoViet Insurance Corporation; Muscat Life Assurance Company S.A.O.C.; PT Asuransi Central Asia; Starr International Insurance (Asia) Limited; Safety Insurance Public Company Limited; Starr International Insurance Philippines Branch; the Company for Cooperative Insurance (Tawuniya); or Warba Insurance Company (K.s.c).

**Intrinsic value** – the actual cash value of an item at the time of loss or damage, including appropriate deductions for wear and tear.

**Lifetime limit** – the total amount that will be paid for any eligible claim for costs incurred during any time a member is covered on any one or more plans with the same or equivalent benefit, even if there is a break in their cover. See plan term P9 for more information.

**Material fact** – information which you have given us which is, in our reasonable opinion, likely to influence us in our assessment, acceptance or renewal of your membership of the plan, or in making any changes to the plan. This includes but is not limited to your responses to our questions about yourself, your lifestyle, your health or your medical conditions.

**Medical condition** – any signs or symptoms, injury, illness or disease.

**Medical History Disregarded (MHD)** – we will cover a member's pre-existing medical conditions, subject to the benefits, terms and conditions of the plan. Exclusions E1 and E2 will not apply.

**Medical necessity, medically necessary** – treatment that is prescribed by a member's medical practitioner or attending specialist, is in line with general advice, and in our reasonable opinion, is appropriate for their medical condition.

**Medical practitioner** – a person who:

- has attained primary degrees in medicine or surgery by attending a medical school recognised by the World Health Organisation, and
- is licensed by the relevant authority to practice medicine in the country where the treatment is given.

**Medical professional** – any medical practitioner, specialist, nurse, therapist, psychiatrist, or qualified and registered psychotherapist or psychoanalyst.

**Member** – a person we have agreed to cover under a plan as named on the Certificate of insurance.

**Member ID Card** – a card we issue for each member, which provides basic plan details and contact information.

**Moratorium** – a waiting period of 24 months from a member's date of joining, or the date shown in the special terms on their Certificate of insurance, that must have passed before claims for pre-existing medical conditions or related medical conditions may become eligible. See exclusion E1 for more information.

**Natural teeth** – any teeth that are original, not artificial implants or replacements.

**Network** – all of the providers with whom there are healthcare arrangements for our members.

**Nurse** – a person who is qualified in nursing, currently practising and on the professional register of nursing in the country where the treatment is given.

**Orthodontic** – that which affects the structure, function, development or appearance of the teeth, upper or lower jaw or the oral cavity.

**Outpatient** – where treatment is received at a medical facility that is recognised by the relevant authority in the country where the treatment is given, and the member is not admitted for inpatient or daycare treatment.

**Palliative treatment** – any medical or surgical services aimed to relieve the symptoms rather than to cure, stop, reverse, or delay the progression of the medical condition causing them.

**Partner** – a person who is in an established personal relationship with the planholder, but is not married to the planholder.

**Personal effects** – personal belongings, including clothing worn and baggage owned by a member, that they take with them on their trip.

**Plan** – the contract of insurance (made up of all of the documents which form the plan documentation) between the planholder and the insurer named on the Certificate of insurance, which takes effect on the plan start date.

**Plan documentation** – Application, Certificate of insurance, Handbook, Benefits schedule and Claims procedures.

**Plan level** – your choice of Aetna Pioneer plan or Aetna Personal Accident plan from the range available.

**Planholder** – the person we have issued a plan to, as named on the Certificate of insurance.

**Plan renewal date** – the date when a new plan year is due to begin, as shown on a Certificate of insurance.

**Plan start date** – the first day of each plan year, as shown on a Certificate of insurance.

**Plan year** – the period of cover from the plan start date to the day before the plan renewal date, as shown on a Certificate of insurance. This is usually a period of 12 months.

**Preatuthorisation** – our assessment of treatment, services or costs before they are received or incurred.

**Preatuthorised** – any treatment, services or costs that we approve as a result of preauthorisation.

**Pre-existing** – any medical condition or related medical condition that, in our reasonable opinion, has any one or more of the following characteristics:

- Was foreseeable
- Clearly showed itself
- A member had signs or symptoms of
- A member asked for advice about
- A member received treatment for
- To the best of a member's knowledge, they were aware they had

**Preventative services** – medical services received when no signs or symptoms are present, and they are not received in relation to a diagnosed medical condition.

**Public transport** – any paid and licensed type of transport.

**Related medical condition** – any injury, illness or disease that, based on advice or general advice, we determine is the result of any one or more other medical conditions.

**Routine health check** – diagnostic tests or procedures where no signs or symptoms are present, and they are not received in relation to a diagnosed medical condition. This includes any cancer screening a member receives after they have been in remission for more than five years.

**Specialist** – a medical practitioner who, in the country where the treatment is given:

- has a recognised certificate of higher specialist training in the relevant field of medicine, and
- has a consultant appointment or equivalent.

**Start date** – the first day a member has cover under a plan during a plan year, as shown on their Certificate of insurance.

**Terminal** – the end stages of a medical condition where life expectancy is considered to be days or weeks and only palliative treatment and care is given.

**Therapist** – a physiotherapist, podiatrist, osteopath, chiropractor, Chinese herbalist, ayurvedic practitioner, acupuncturist or homeopath, who is qualified and licensed in the country where the treatment is given.

**Treatment** – any medical or surgical service, including diagnostic tests and procedures, needed to diagnose, relieve or cure a medical condition.

**Trip** – any journey or period of travel that does not exceed the duration shown on a member's Aetna Travel plan Benefits schedule. This includes the dates of departure from, and return to, a member's country of residence.

**Visiting doctor** – a medical practitioner or specialist who is not employed by the hospital, but has a contract to use the hospital facilities and may have different charges to the hospital tariffs.

**We/our/us** – the relevant insurer (acting through its administrator agent, details of which are available at [www.aetnainternational.com/ai/en/about-us/legal/regional-entities](http://www.aetnainternational.com/ai/en/about-us/legal/regional-entities)), such insurer being the insurer which is permitted to carry on insurance business in your location under legal and regulatory requirements applicable to us, you and/or the plan at any given time (referred to as the relevant time for the purposes of this definition). This excludes, at any relevant time, any insurer which is not permitted to carry out insurance business in your location at that relevant time.

**You/your/yourself** – you as a member.

## **Areas of cover guide**

### **Area 1**

Includes all countries in Areas 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 plus the United States of America (US).

### **Area 2**

Includes the countries listed below and all countries in Areas 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7.

American Samoa	Heard Island and McDonald Islands	Russian Federation
Antarctica	Hong Kong	Saint Helena, Ascension and Tristan da Cunha
Bouvet Island	Israel	Saint Pierre and Miquelon
British Indian Ocean Territory	Kiribati	Samoa
Canada	Macau	Solomon Islands
Christmas Island	Marshall Islands	South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands
Cocos (Keeling) Islands	Micronesia, Federated States of	Tokelau
Cook Islands	Nauru	Tonga
East Timor	New Caledonia	Tuvalu
Fiji	Niue	United States Minor Outlying Islands
French Polynesia	Norfolk Island	Vanuatu
French Southern Territories	Northern Mariana Islands	Wallis and Futuna
Guam	Pitcairn	

### **Area 3**

Includes China and all countries shown in Areas 4, 5, 6 and 7.

### **Area 4**

Includes the countries listed below and all countries in Areas 5, 6 and 7.

Australia	New Zealand	Singapore
Kuwait	Qatar	United Arab Emirates (UAE)

### **Area 5**

Includes the countries listed below and all countries in Areas 6 and 7.

Åland Islands	Belize	Curaçao
Albania	Bermuda	Cyprus
Andorra	Bolivia	Czech Republic
Anguilla	Bonaire, Sint Eustatius and Saba	Denmark
Antigua and Barbuda	Bosnia and Herzegovina	Dominica
Argentina	Brazil	Dominican Republic
Armenia	Bulgaria	Ecuador
Aruba	Cayman Islands	El Salvador
Austria	Channel Islands (Jersey, Guernsey, Alderney, Herm, Jethou, Lihou and Sark)	Estonia
Azerbaijan	Chile	Falkland Islands (Malvinas)
Bahamas	Colombia	Faroe Islands
Barbados	Costa Rica	Finland
Belarus	Croatia	France
Belgium		French Guiana

Georgia	Macedonia	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
Germany	Malta	San Marino
Gibraltar	Martinique	Serbia
Greece	Mexico	Sint Maarten
Greenland	Moldova, Republic of	Slovakia
Grenada	Monaco	Slovenia
Guadeloupe	Montenegro	Spain
Guatemala	Montserrat	Suriname
Guyana	Netherlands	Svalbard and Jan Mayen
Haiti	Nicaragua	Sweden
Honduras	Norway	Switzerland
Hungary	Panama	Trinidad and Tobago
Iceland	Paraguay	Turkey
Ireland	Peru	Turks and Caicos Islands
Isle of Man	Poland	Ukraine*
Italy	Portugal	United Kingdom
Jamaica	Puerto Rico	Uruguay
Kosovo	Romania	Vatican City
Latvia	Saint Barthélemy	Venezuela
Liechtenstein	Saint Kitts and Nevis	Virgin Islands, British
Lithuania	Saint Lucia	Virgin Islands, U.S.
Luxembourg	Saint Martin	

## Area 6

Includes the countries listed below and all countries in Area 7.

Afghanistan	Kyrgyzstan	Papua New Guinea
Bahrain	Laos	Philippines
Bangladesh	Lebanon	Saudi Arabia
Bhutan	Malaysia	South Korea
Brunei	Maldives	Sri Lanka
Cambodia	Mongolia	Taiwan
India	Myanmar	Tajikistan
Indonesia	Nepal	Thailand
Iraq	Oman	Turkmenistan
Japan	Pakistan	Uzbekistan
Jordan	Palau	Vietnam
Kazakhstan	Palestine, State of	Yemen

## **Area 7**

Africa: includes only the countries listed below.

Algeria	Gabon	Nigeria
Angola	Gambia	Réunion
Benin	Ghana	Rwanda
Botswana	Guinea	Sao Tome and Principe
Burkina Faso	Guinea Bissau	Senegal
Burundi	Kenya	Seychelles
Cameroon	Lesotho	Sierra Leone
Cape Verde	Liberia	Somalia
Central African Republic	Libya	South Africa
Chad	Madagascar	South Sudan
Comoros	Malawi	Swaziland
Congo (DRC)	Mali	Tanzania
Congo-Brazzaville	Mauritania	Togo
Côte D'Ivoire	Mauritius	Tunisia
Djibouti	Mayotte	Uganda
Egypt	Morocco	Western Sahara
Equatorial Guinea	Mozambique	Zambia
Eritrea	Namibia	Zimbabwe
Ethiopia	Niger	

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