



## Continuation of Employee Benefits Coverage (COEB)

Leave of Absence Without Pay or Lay Off

No Cost Sharing in Place

### TIME SENSITIVE—ACT NOW

**You have 60 days** from the date your approved leave without pay or lay-off commenced to decide if you wish to continue some or all of your benefits during this period. Failure to do so will result in suspension or termination of coverage as applicable. Retroactive payments will not be accepted

You and your employer are responsible for completing this form. Your employer must complete their sections first so that you are aware of the total premium required.

#### If you choose to continue coverage for some or all benefits:

- Check and initial each box on page 2 for the benefits you wish to continue.
- Date and sign page 2 once you have made your choices.
- Send a copy of page 2 of this form attached to your premium payments **to Vestcor\*** for the Group Life Insurance, Long Term Disability (LTD) and Accidental Death & Dismemberment Insurance (AD&D). **Vestcor\* requires monthly post-dated cheques or monthly money orders.**
- Send a copy of page 2 of this form attached to your premium payments **to your employer (HR/Payroll Office)** for Health, Travel, and Dental coverage. **Contact your employer for applicable methods of payment.**
- Go to the website [Vestcor.org/continuation-coverage](https://vestcor.org/continuation-coverage) for the maximum periods for Leave of Absence Continuation of Coverage or contact your employer for the information.
- Contact your employer if you:
  - Experience a qualifying life-changing event [Vestcor.org/enrolment-change](https://vestcor.org/enrolment-change).
  - Will be absent from work for more than 4-months due to illness or injury.
- **Optional Critical Illness coverage will automatically be continued.** If you wish to discontinue/cancel coverage, you must call Medavie Blue Cross' Optional Benefits Team at 1-844-949-3809.

#### If you choose to discontinue coverage for some or all benefits:

- Check and initial each box on page 2 for the benefits you wish to discontinue.
- Date and sign page 2 once you have made your choices.
- Send a copy of page 2 of this form to **Vestcor\*** if you wish to discontinue coverage for the Group Life Insurance, Long Term Disability (LTD) and Accidental Death & Dismemberment Insurance (AD&D).
- Send a copy of page 2 of this form to **your employer (HR/Payroll Office)** if you wish to discontinue coverage for Health, Travel, and Dental coverage.
- Coverage will end on the last day of the month for which the last premium payment paid for and will then be suspended. Coverage will only be reinstated upon your return to work.
- You are waiving your right to submit a claim for LTD and/or Waiver of Premium (WOP) benefits.
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If you choose to cancel continuation of your coverage at any time on a go forward basis, inform Vestcor\* and your employer in writing. **If you cancel your coverage, you will not be able to reinstate the coverage until your return to work.**

**\*If you have any questions, please contact Vestcor's Member Services Team at 506-453-2296 or 1 800 561 4012. Vestcor's mailing address is PO Box 6000, Fredericton, NB E3B 5H1. They can also be contacted by email at [info@vestcor.org](mailto:info@vestcor.org).**

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 Leave of Absence Without Pay or Lay Off  
**No Cost Sharing in Place**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ SIN: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_ Bargaining Unit: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Leave:  Sick  Maternity  Lay-Off  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Start of Leave (DD/MM/YYYY): \_\_\_\_\_ End of Leave - if known (DD/MM/YYYY): \_\_\_\_\_

Start of Lay-Off (DD/MM/YYYY): \_\_\_\_\_ End of Lay-Off - if known (DD/MM/YYYY): \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Telephone (while on leave): \_\_\_\_\_ Preferred Email (while on leave): \_\_\_\_\_

**Premiums required when there are no cost sharing arrangements in place (Group Life Insurance, AD&D and LTD)**

Type of coverage	Employer to complete			Employee to complete		
	Coverage Amount(\$)	Monthly Premium (\$)	Last Premium paid (MM/YYYY)	Continuing Coverage?	Employee initials	If yes - employee premium required (\$)
Basic Group Life/AD&D*				<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A		
Optional Group Life/AD&D				<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A		
Dependent Life				<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A		
Voluntary AD&D				<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A		
LTD (cannot be continued during lay-off period)				<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A		

Monthly post-dated cheques or monthly money orders to continue Group Life, AD&D and/or LTD coverage must be made payable to the Minister of Finance, dated the 1<sup>st</sup> of each month, and sent to (employer to complete): \_\_\_\_\_ Monthly cheque total (\$) \_\_\_\_\_

Premium payment attached for the month(s) of: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional notes: \_\_\_\_\_

\*IMPORTANT! Basic Group Life/AD&D is mandatory in order to continue Optional Group Life, Dependent Life or Voluntary AD&D.

**Premiums required when there are no cost sharing arrangements in place (Health, Travel and Dental)**

Type of coverage	Employer to complete		Employee to complete		
	Monthly Premium (\$)	Last Premium paid (MM/YYYY)	Continuing Coverage?	Employee initials	If yes - employee premium required (\$)
Health and Travel			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A		
Dental			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A		

Monthly post-dated cheques or monthly money orders or pre-authorized debit/chequing (PAD or PAC) to continue Health, Travel and Dental coverage must be made as per your employer's instructions, dated the 1<sup>st</sup> of each month, and sent to your employer at the following address: \_\_\_\_\_ Monthly cheque total (\$) \_\_\_\_\_  
 (employer to complete): \_\_\_\_\_

Premium payment attached for the month(s) of: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional notes: \_\_\_\_\_

**Employer Signature**

Employer Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date (DD/MM/YYYY): \_\_\_\_\_

**Employee Signature**

- I have been given the opportunity to choose if I want to continue or discontinue employee benefits during my leave of absence without pay or lay-off period.
- I understand that any coverage I have chosen not to continue will end on the last day of the month that the last premium payment paid for and then be suspended. Coverage will only be reinstated upon my return to work.
- Cheques returned due to insufficient funds will result in suspension (for a leave) or termination of coverage (for lay-off) as applicable.

Employee Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date (DD/MM/YYYY): \_\_\_\_\_