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Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act (WHCRA)

ANNUAL NOTICE

Important Information About Your Rights Following a Mastectomy

The Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act (WHCRA) of 1998 is a federal law that provides important protections for individuals who choose to have breast reconstruction following a mastectomy.

If you are receiving benefits in connection with a mastectomy and elect breast reconstruction, coverage will be provided, in consultation with you and your attending physician, for:

- All stages of reconstruction of the breast on which the mastectomy has been performed;
- Surgery and reconstruction of the other breast to produce a balanced and symmetrical appearance;
- Prostheses, including breast forms or bra inserts, needed before or during reconstruction; and
- Treatment of physical complications at all stages of the mastectomy, including lymphedema (swelling caused by a buildup of fluid in the arm, hand, or other areas near the surgical site).

These benefits will be provided subject to the same plan provisions, limitations, deductibles, coinsurance, and other cost-sharing requirements that apply to other covered medical and surgical benefits under your health plan.

All other features and benefits of your health coverage remain unchanged and are not affected by this annual notice.

Questions?

If you have questions regarding this notice or your mastectomy-related benefits, please contact Member Service, 1-833-569-7325.

For additional information about the Women's Health and Cancer Rights Act, visit:

https://www.cms.gov/CCIIO/Programs-and-Initiatives/Other-Insurance-Protections/WHCRA_factsheet