

# Your guide to Hospital Treatment Insurance.

Surgery Choices 1



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Harder working health cover

# Hello.

A warm welcome to your health cover from Westfield Health. Since 1919, we've been helping hardworking people like you to stay at your fit and healthy best.

Almost a century on and we still have the same beliefs, vision and values we've always had – to support you throughout your working life with innovative, best in class health cover.

And we've got some good news. Your employer is paying for you to have cover on Hospital Treatment Insurance, Surgery Choices 1. New medical conditions are covered, and there's no excess to pay or medical required.

## **A little bit about us.**

We are Westfield Health. As a leading provider of corporate health insurance, we're here to look after you with products that work as hard as you do.

Innovating, listening, caring, delivering and keeping people at their healthy best. It's what we do.

We're not for profit, so we'll always put something back. We do this by reinvesting our surplus into providing even better products and services. We also support local communities with regular donations to both the NHS and medically related charities, and we place great emphasis on our social and environmental responsibilities too.

## **Getting started.**

Take a look through your handy little guide, which provides everything you need to help you get the most from your cover. If you have any questions at all, just give our friendly UK based Customer Care Team a call on **0114 250 2000**.

**Don't forget to read the full Terms and Conditions at the back of this guide.**



**We're not satisfied unless you are.**

At Westfield Health, we're renowned for our customer care and we continue to be recognised as offering 'world class service' by the Institute of Customer Service. So when you talk to us, you know we'll be fully committed to working harder for you.



# Introducing your cover.

Our Hospital Treatment Insurance gets you on the road to recovery fast.

It's different from Private Medical Insurance. You can choose to receive treatment at any hospital in the UK where a fixed price private treatment package is available.

Although cancer related surgical procedures are excluded, we'll cover you when cancer is suspected but not confirmed e.g. biopsies.

## Taking better care of you.

Waiting for surgery can be a long and stressful time. Hospital Treatment Insurance makes private surgery more accessible for you, so you can be treated quicker and back to your fit and healthy best.

Your policy provides you with immediate cover for new conditions and fast access to fixed price private treatment packages, should you need surgery. Giving you the reassurance that you can access private treatment quickly. Your policy aims to get you treated in complete comfort, taking into account your needs and preferences and getting you on the road to recovery as soon as possible.



## The treatment you need, when you need it most.

Your policy provides you with cover for over 60 surgical procedures for conditions such as:

- Slipped discs
- Varicose veins
- Hip replacement
- Knee replacement
- Abdominal hernias
- Sinus problems
- Cataracts
- Tonsils
- Prostate problems
- Gynaecological problems
- Gallstones

**You can view the full list of surgical procedures covered on pages 19 to 22.**

Steve twisted his knee whilst playing rugby with friends and was still experiencing pain weeks after. His GP referred him to a specialist Consultant and further investigations showed that he needed keyhole surgery to repair his internal knee ligaments.

Thanks to Steve's Hospital Treatment Insurance, arranging treatment was one less thing to worry about. His case manager organised his care and his treatment was quick and in the comfort of a local, private hospital.

# Giving you choice and control.

## **Private treatment.**

We're on hand to help source the right private treatment package for you.

We'll arrange your private treatment package directly with you, including where and when you undergo your procedure.

Following referral from a consultant, you'll be allocated a case manager who will source and arrange a private treatment package to suit your needs. You don't have to be concerned about the cost of treatment as it is all taken care of.

You can choose to receive treatment at any one of the many hospitals in the UK where a fixed price private treatment package is available and you won't be restricted to a specified list of private hospitals.

Each surgical procedure is categorised into one of three bands depending on the complexity of the procedure, and each band has a benefit allowance to cover the cost of private treatment.

We regularly review the benefit allowance to ensure they'll meet the cost of fixed price private treatment packages at most UK hospitals. Certain hospitals, in London for example, may be an exception to this. If you prefer a more expensive hospital, you can do so by topping up the cost.

## **NHS treatment.**

If you prefer NHS treatment, or are assessed as unsuitable for a private treatment package by a healthcare professional, we'll pay an NHS Benefit. This is a cash benefit determined by the band for your surgical procedure.

As it's your employer who is paying the premium, they'll tell us at the start of their company scheme whether the NHS Benefit is payable to you or them. If you're entitled to the NHS Benefit, you can spend this money however you'd like.

The letter enclosed with this plan guide confirms who the NHS Benefit is payable to.



## What's included?

Exactly what's included in a fixed price private treatment package will differ depending on the procedure required.

What remains the same is our commitment to working harder for you.

### The package would normally include:

- The consultant surgeon/physician fees
- The anaesthetist fees
- The private hospital charges relating to
  - the operating theatre
  - accommodation either as an in-patient or day case
  - personal meals
  - drugs and dressings
  - in-patient tests
  - x-rays, pharmacy and occasionally physiotherapy
- The cost of treating any surgical complications relating to the treatment that occur during the operation whilst in hospital or within 30 days of your original surgical procedure. (Surgical complications that arise more than 30 days after your operation will only be covered if they qualify as a separate surgical procedure, and will be treated as a separate claim).

Some private treatment packages may also include a specified number of post-operative out-patient physiotherapy sessions.

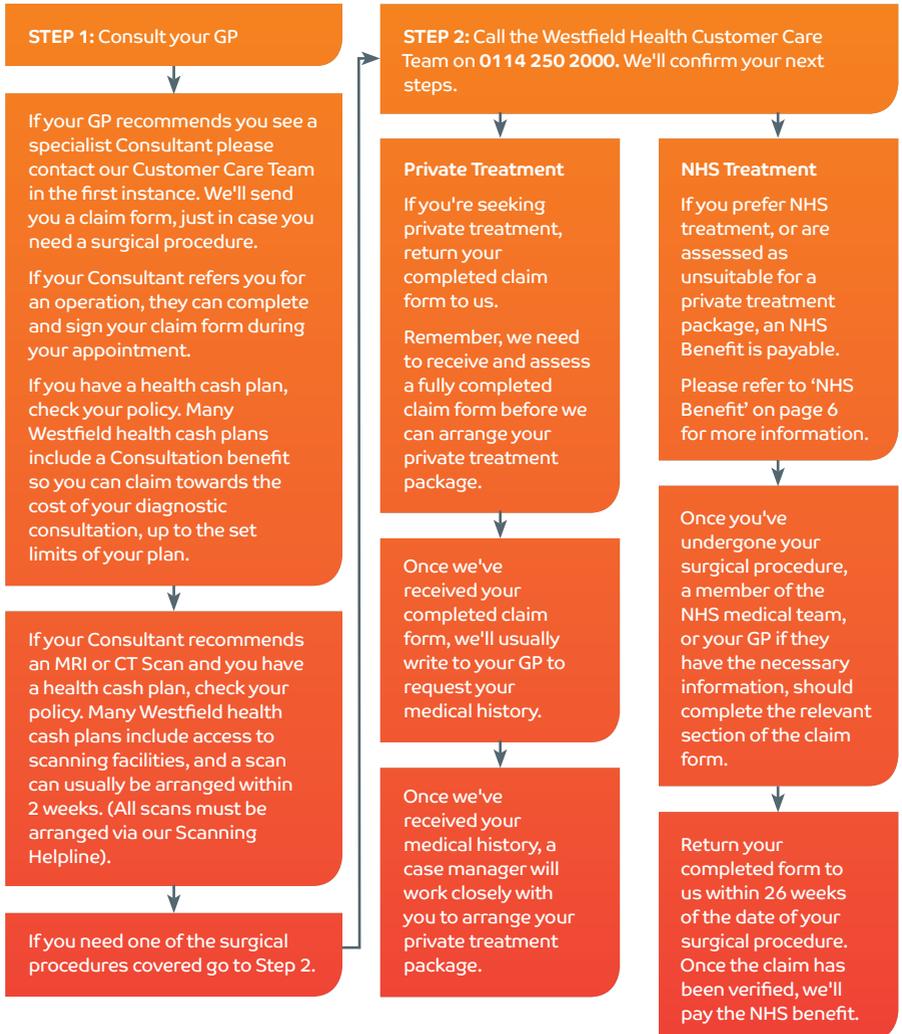
Your case manager will carefully explain the full details of your private treatment package, so you know exactly what is included.

Some examples of items that are not covered in a fixed price private treatment package are:

- Diagnostic tests or consultations prior to admission
- Ambulance fees
- Travel costs
- Car parking
- Newspapers and other sundry items
- Telephone calls

# How it works.

Your step by step guide on how to make a claim.  
A typical example/illustration.



Remember, we're here to help you. If you have any questions contact our Customer Care Team on **0114 250 2000**. Once you've been allocated a case manager, they'll be on hand to assist you.

# Your cover working with a health cash plan.

Your policy provides you with cover for over 60 surgical procedures. It's been designed so that it can be further enhanced and complemented by a Westfield health cash plan, which provides a range of benefits and services that can support and assist you both pre and post-operatively.

Most of our health cash plans feature a **Consultation benefit**. So, if your GP recommends you see a Consultant, you can make an appointment privately should you wish, rather than wait for an NHS appointment. You can claim towards your costs for diagnostic consultations, and diagnostic tests such as x-rays, blood tests and ultrasounds, up to the set limit of your plan.

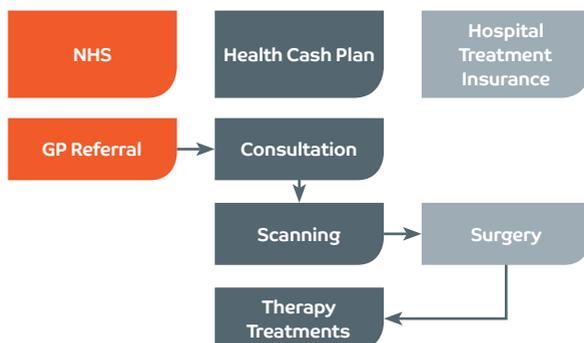
If your Consultant recommends an **MRI** or **CT Scan**, many of our plans provide access to a scanning service. Our Scanning Helpline will arrange a scan quickly for you, often within 2 weeks of referral.

Other complementary benefits and services covered on some of our health cash plans include:

- **Therapy Treatments** – physiotherapy, acupuncture, chiropractic, homeopathy and osteopathy
- **DoctorLine™** – unlimited and convenient telephone access to a team of qualified, practising GPs, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Webcam consultations are also available.
- **24 Hour Counselling and Advice Line**
- **Face to face counselling sessions, including Cognitive Behavioural Therapy (CBT)**

Please check your health cash plan guide to confirm the benefits and services you are covered for. If you don't currently have a health cash plan, why not talk to us on **0114 250 2000** to find out more.

This diagram illustrates the journey you might take following a GP referral, using both your health cash plan and Hospital Treatment Insurance, if you needed a hip replacement for example:





### **Judith has a health cash plan and Hospital Treatment Insurance.**

Judith was referred to a specialist Consultant by her NHS GP, the cost of her private appointment was paid back by her Westfield health cash plan.

The Consultant referred Judith for a scan, which was arranged and covered by her Westfield health cash plan.

Unfortunately, Judith was told that she would need a hip replacement. With her Hospital Treatment Insurance Judith had the reassurance that she could access private treatment quickly. So, within weeks of diagnosis Judith was at home recovering from a successful hip replacement.

Judith also has the added peace of mind that she'll be able to claim back the cost of her physiotherapy treatments following her operation too with her health cash plan cover.

# We're here for you.

If there's anything you need to know about your health cover, your account or your claim, just get in touch. With our help, it's easy to start accessing the treatment you need to keep you at your healthy best.

## Monitoring and confidentiality.

To keep improving our service, we record and monitor all calls. This includes recording and monitoring Sensitive Personal Data such as information relating to health and medical conditions.

In line with the Data Protection Act 1998, we will not discuss policy details with anyone other than the policyholder, unless you have given us written consent for a relative or friend to obtain account information on your behalf.

### Contact us:



#### Online

westfieldhealth.com



#### Email

enquiries@westfieldhealth.com



#### Phone

0114 250 2000  
8am-6pm, Mon-Fri  
(except Christmas Eve  
and public holidays)



#### Textphone

0114 250 2020  
For policyholders with hearing  
or speech difficulties



# Everything you need to know.

This section contains important information about your cover, so please read it carefully.

If you have any questions, please get in touch.

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# Policy Summary.

Hospital Treatment Insurance, Surgery Choices 1 is designed to provide you with immediate cover for new conditions and fast access to fixed price private treatment packages. If you prefer to have NHS treatment, or a private treatment package isn't suitable, then your employer (or, at their discretion you) will receive a cash benefit.

Hospital Treatment Insurance, Surgery Choices 1 is underwritten by Westfield Contributory Health Scheme Limited.

This policy summary contains key information about your cover and it is important that you take the time to read and understand it. Please note that the policy summary does not contain the full standard terms and conditions of your cover. You will find these at the back of this guide.

## Key features

- Cover for over 60 common surgical procedures
- Access for you to receive a private treatment package for eligible procedures, up to maximum monetary limits, that will be arranged on your behalf
- Cover for a new medical condition is available immediately. You won't have to wait a qualifying period
- No medical is required before you're accepted for cover
- If you have NHS treatment for an eligible procedure your employer (or, at their discretion you) will receive a cash benefit. This amount will depend upon the classification for that procedure

## Key exclusions

- Surgery Choices is available when your employer decides to provide it as part of your corporate paid cover (see section 1, Eligibility)
- Pre-existing medical conditions and/or planned treatment may be excluded depending upon the underwriting terms that apply to your cover (see section 4, Underwriting Choices)
- Cover under Surgery Choices 1 is limited to a specified range of surgical procedures (see section 5, Surgical Procedures)
- There is a monetary limit available for the provision of a private treatment package, according to the surgical procedure required (see section 5, Surgical Procedures)
- You will not be covered if you do not contact us so that we can arrange your private treatment package: private treatment must not be arranged by you or your Consultant (see section 5, Surgical Procedures and section 9, Policy Exclusions)
- You can claim for up to three operations in any consecutive 12 month period (see section 5, Surgical Procedures)
- Benefit is restricted to a maximum of £100,000 throughout the lifetime of your cover (see section 5, Surgical Procedures)
- Treatment that arises as a result of certain circumstances will not be covered (see section 9, Policy Exclusions)
- Professional and semi-professional people are not eligible for cover (see section 1, Eligibility)
- To be eligible for cover you must be resident in the United Kingdom, Jersey or Isle of Man for a minimum of six months each year (see section 1, Eligibility)
- Some patients may be deemed unsuitable for a private treatment package (see section 7, Private Treatment – How does a fixed price private treatment package work)
- Surgery Choices 1 covers surgical procedures for acute conditions: chronic conditions are excluded (see section 5, Surgical Procedures)
- Treatment relating to cancer is excluded, however we will cover surgical procedures when cancer is suspected but not confirmed (see section 5, Surgical Procedures and section 9, Policy Exclusions)

### What is the duration of my cover?

Provided that your employer continues to pay the premium for Hospital Treatment Insurance, Surgery Choices 1 to Westfield Health your cover will remain in force. Your cover will cease when your employer cancels or terminates this insurance or when you are no longer eligible for corporate paid cover.

### Can I cancel my policy?

It is only your employer that can cancel your cover as they have purchased it on your behalf. Please refer to sections 2 and 3, within this guide.

### How do I make a claim?

Detailed information on how to claim can be found in section 6 of this guide. Please telephone our Customer Care Team on **0114 250 2000** to arrange for a Hospital Treatment Insurance claim form to be sent to you.

### Making a complaint.

We are committed to providing the highest possible level of service to our customers. However, if the services provided do not meet your expectations please contact our Customer Care Team at Westfield Health, Westfield House, 87 Division Street, Sheffield, S1 1HT or call them on **0114 250 2000**.

Our complaints procedure will be sent to you on request. If you remain dissatisfied with our final response you can refer your complaint to the Financial Ombudsman Service by visiting [www.financial-ombudsman.org.uk](http://www.financial-ombudsman.org.uk) or writing to Insurance Enquiries Division, South Quay Plaza, 183 Marsh Wall, London E14 9SR. The Ombudsman will only consider your complaint after you have written confirmation that our internal complaints procedure has been applied in full or if it takes us longer than eight weeks to resolve your complaint.

### Compensation.

Westfield Health is covered by the Financial Services Compensation Scheme.

In the unlikely event that we are unable to meet our obligations, you may be able to claim compensation. Further information is available from the Financial Services Compensation Scheme, 10th Floor, Beaufort House, 15 St Botolph Street, London EC3A 7QU.

## Your Cover

The information contained within this guide is effective from 1st December 2013 and replaces all previously published information.

This guide details **your** Hospital Treatment Insurance, Surgery Choices 1 cover. Where words or phrases appear in **bold type**, they have the special meaning for the purposes of Surgery Choices 1, as detailed in the Definitions section within this guide.



If there is anything about your cover that you do not understand please contact our Customer Care Team on 0114 250 2000 and we will be happy to help.

### 1. Eligibility

The employer has chosen this cover for **you** from the range of products offered by Westfield Health.

If the employer decides to change the cover available to **you** we will notify **you** as soon as reasonably practicable. **Your** cover will cease if the agreement between the employer and Westfield Health comes to an end. **We** will try to offer **you** an alternative Westfield Health plan; however this may not be on the same terms as **your** current cover.

**You** must reside in the **United Kingdom**, Jersey or Isle of Man for a minimum of six months each year to be eligible for cover.

**You** must satisfy **yourself** that Surgery Choices 1 cover is right for **you**. Westfield Health will not provide any advice in this regard but **you** are of course free to seek information or advice from a professional advisor.

**We**, like any responsible insurer, and to the extent permitted by all applicable laws, reserve the right to decline an application for a policy or request to upgrade **your** cover. If an application is not accepted, **we** will refund any premium paid for the cover that **we** have declined to offer (providing **we** have not paid a claim under that cover).

There are no age restrictions for **you** to receive corporate paid cover.

Professional and semi-professional sports people are not eligible for the **plan**.

### 2. The contract between Westfield Health and you

**Your** cover will continue on condition that the employer continues to pay the premiums for **your** cover to Westfield Health. As it is the employer who is paying the premiums, they must notify **us** if **your** cover is to be cancelled.

#### Terminating your cover

**We** reserve the right to cancel **your** cover at any time, (with retrospective effect where appropriate), if:

- Under the terms and conditions of the **plan** **you** are not eligible for cover
- **You** or **your** employer provided false information and/or failed to disclose all the relevant required information with an application for cover

- **You** provided false information and/or failed to disclose all the relevant required information when **you** submitted a claim
- **You** fail to comply with **our** request for information relating to a claim or an application for cover
- **You** submit a claim that is fraudulent or that **we** reasonably believe to be intentionally false, and/or misleading, and/or exaggerated
- **You** act in a threatening or abusive manner, e.g. violent behaviour; verbal abuse; sexual or racial harassment, towards a member of **our** organisation, or one of **our** suppliers
- **You** fail to abide by any of the terms and conditions of Hospital Treatment Insurance Surgery Choices 1

Should **we** cancel **your** cover **you**/the employer will not have any right to make any further claim on the **plan**. In addition, **we** may also seek to recover any monies from **you** that **we** have paid to provide **your private treatment**, or paid to **you**/the employer that **you**/the employer were not due to under the Terms and Conditions of this **plan**.

If premiums for **your** cover have been paid in advance **we** may refund premiums paid beyond the date for which **you** have had the benefit of cover. However, **we** retain the right to withhold such premiums if **you**/the employer owes **us** money.

**We** will notify **you** in writing **our** reason for cancelling **your** cover and **you** have the right to appeal to **us** through **our** published Complaints Procedure, which is available on request.

If **your** policy is terminated **we** will not accept **you** for cover with **us** again on any Westfield Health product.

### 3. Premiums

The employer is paying the premiums for **your** Surgery Choices 1 cover. **Your** corporate paid cover will continue on condition that the employer pays the premium due. **We** will not pay a claim if premiums are not paid up to and including the date of the **surgical procedure**.

If **you** leave **your** employment, or otherwise lose eligibility for corporate paid cover, **your** cover will cease on the date that **your** premium has been paid up to.

Premiums include Insurance Premium Tax at the current rate and are subject to review in respect of any changes in taxation.

#### 4. Underwriting Choices

You are covered for eligible **surgical procedures** relating to new **medical conditions**, i.e. **medical conditions** that arise after your **registration date**. Cover is subject to the exclusions in Section 9. Policy Exclusions, on pages 24 to 25.

It is the employer's responsibility to promptly notify Westfield Health when you become eligible for cover and we cannot accept responsibility for loss of benefit that may arise if they fail to do so.

Your **policy schedule** details the underwriting terms that apply to **pre-existing conditions** on your Surgery Choices Level 1 cover. If you are not sure whether a **medical condition** qualifies please contact us and we will be happy to confirm the extent of any cover.

We will agree the underwriting terms with the employer who is paying for your cover.

Your corporate paid cover will be provided on one of the following basis:

**Medical History Disregarded (MHD)**  
**Pre-existing conditions** are covered for the **surgical procedures** detailed in our **schedule of procedures**. Any **surgical procedure** that was **planned** prior to the start of your Surgery Choices 1 cover will be excluded, except when we have agreed with the employer purchasing the group policy that **planned treatment** will be covered.

You must contact us to check whether you have any cover before proceeding with any **planned surgical procedure** for which you (or the employer) intend to make a claim.

#### Continuation of Personal Medical Exclusion (CPME)

You will not be covered for any **medical condition** that is excluded from the private medical insurance cover provided for you by the employer at the time that your cover is transferred to Hospital Treatment Insurance, Surgery Choices 1. The employer will provide us with details of your excluded **medical conditions** and we will hold this information in order that we can administer the **plan**. You (or the employer) cannot

claim for any **surgical procedure** that was **planned** prior to the start of your Hospital Treatment Insurance, Surgery Choices 1 cover.

#### Moratorium

You do not need to have a medical or declare any **pre-existing conditions** before being accepted on a moratorium basis.

However, you will not be covered for any **medical condition** (or **related medical condition**), that you knew about, or had symptoms, received **advice** or **treatment** in the 2-year period prior to the start of your Hospital Treatment Insurance, Surgery Choices 1 cover. You can only have an eligible **surgical procedure** for a **pre-existing condition** once you have been free of symptoms, **treatment** or **advice** for 2 continuous years from the **registration date** of your current Hospital Treatment Insurance, Surgery Choices 1 cover.

The moratorium period starts again for a **pre-existing condition** or **related medical condition** each time you receive **treatment**, medication, or **advice**.

Long-term or **chronic medical conditions** usually require regular or periodic **treatment**, medication or **advice**. This means that a long-term **pre-existing condition** or **related medical condition** may never be eligible for cover because it is unlikely that there would ever be 2 continuous years without any **treatment**, medication or **advice**. You should not delay seeking medical **advice** or **treatment** for a **pre-existing condition** in order to become eligible for cover on the **plan**.

#### 5. Surgical Procedures

Surgery Choices 1 covers over 60 common **surgical procedures** these are listed in our **schedule of procedures** on pages 19 to 22: cover is subject to the exclusions in Section 9. Policy Exclusions, on pages 24 to 25.

#### Important please note that:

- Surgery Choices 1 covers **surgical procedures** for **acute conditions**: **chronic conditions** are excluded
- **Cancer related surgical procedures** are excluded, however we will cover **surgical procedures** when **cancer** is suspected but not confirmed e.g. biopsies

- We will not cover any **surgical procedure** that is not listed in our **schedule of procedures** on pages 19 to 22, except when at our discretion we agree to cover a procedure that does not substantially differ from one of those listed
- You will not be covered if you do not contact us so that we can arrange your **private treatment** package: **private treatment** must not be arranged by you or your Consultant
- The maximum benefit allowance for each band in our **schedule of procedures** has been designed to cover the cost of a **private treatment** package in most circumstances, however there can be no absolute guarantee that it will fully cover the **surgical procedure** in every case or in every **private hospital**
- If the cost of your fixed price **private treatment** package is more than the benefit entitlement you will be given the opportunity to pay the additional cost to top-up the benefit
- We will pay the NHS Benefit amount if you have **NHS treatment for your surgical procedure** (see page 24)

The **plan** covers you for a maximum of 3 **surgical procedures** in any consecutive 12 month period, with a maximum lifetime benefit of **£100,000** throughout the time you have Surgery Choices 1 cover.

If you have previously had cover under this **plan** or any of our other similar surgery package plans, any claims we have paid may also count towards your **£100,000** lifetime benefit limit. Please contact our Customer Care Team to confirm whether we will take previous claims into account when assessing your entitlement to benefit and the amount of lifetime benefit available to you.

Each **surgical procedure** is classified into one of 3 bands according to its medical complexity. Band A are the least complicated **surgical procedures** and Band C the most complicated **surgical procedures**.

We reserve the right to vary the benefit amounts to reflect any changes in medical technology or inflation of medical costs. We will notify the employer in advance of any such changes and you will be informed as soon as reasonably practicable.

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The allocated banding of individual procedures under the **schedule of procedures** may be reviewed (either up or down) to reflect changes in technology or the cost of the **surgical procedure**.

If **you** undergo more than one **surgical procedure** at the same time then cover will be provided up to one band higher than the highest banded individual procedure being conducted (except when the highest band procedure is the maximum Band C).

The amount shown under Private Treatment Package, below, is the maximum monetary amount that **we** will use for the provision of **your private treatment** package for each band.

If **we** cannot source a **private treatment** package for **your surgical procedure**, or **you** choose to have the **surgical procedure** carried out by the NHS, **we** will pay the NHS Benefit amount shown in the table below. The employer providing the

cover decides whether they wish the NHS Benefit to be paid to **you** or to them: this is detailed on **your policy schedule**.

Classification of Surgical Procedure	Private Treatment Package	NHS Benefit
Band A	Up to <b>£3,000</b>	<b>£500</b>
Band B	Up to <b>£6,000</b>	<b>£1,500</b>
Band C	Up to <b>£10,000</b>	<b>£2,500</b>

## Schedule of Procedures

	Name and description of Surgical Procedure*	Band
<b>Cataracts</b>	Operations in this section are aimed at improving vision when the lens in the eye has become cloudy (a cataract).	
1	Phakoemulsification of lens without implant - unilateral The removal of the eye lens using ultrasonic vibrations.	A
2	Phakoemulsification of lens without implant - bilateral The removal of the eye lens on both sides using ultrasonic vibrations.	A
3	Phakoemulsification of lens with implant - unilateral The removal of the eye lens using ultrasonic vibrations then replacing the lens with an implant.	A
4	Phakoemulsification of lens with implant - bilateral The removal of the eye lens on both sides using ultrasonic vibrations, then replacing the lens with an implant.	A
5	Extracapsular extraction with an implant - unilateral The removal of the eye lens as well as the front portion of the lens capsule, normally replacing the lens with an implant.	A
6	Extracapsular extraction with an implant - bilateral As above except that both eyes are treated.	B
7	Lens implant/exchange The removal and replacement of an older implant.	B
<b>Ears</b>	Operations in this section are aimed at improving ear pain or hearing problems related to infections.	
8	Combined approach tympanoplasty - intact canal wall tympanoplasty The repair of a hole or perforation in the eardrum.	B
9	Myringotomy and the insertion of a tube through the tympanic membrane (one ear or both) The insertion of a small tube in the eardrum(s) to assist drainage of secretions.	A
<b>Sinus Problems</b>	Operations in this section are aimed at treating sinus problems. When sinuses become blocked or inflamed they can cause severe headaches.	
10	Caldwell-Luc Procedure The emptying and cleaning of the sinus in the cheek.	A
11	Trephining of the frontal sinus Creating a hole in the forehead sinus to allow drainage.	A
12	Operation(s) on the sphenoid sinus including those done by keyhole surgery Draining, cleaning or emptying the sphenoid sinus in the head.	A
<b>Tonsils</b>	Operations in this section are aimed at treating tonsil problems. When tonsils become inflamed they can cause sore throats and make swallowing difficult.	
13	Tonsillectomy - adult (on one or both sides) The removal of the tonsil(s).	A
<b>Abdominal Hernias</b>	Operations in this section are aimed at treating abdominal hernia problems. Hernias represent a weakness in the muscle wall through which bowel or other tissue pushes through under the skin. The weaknesses are often exacerbated by heavy lifting or other physical activity.	
14	Primary repair of an inguinal hernia Strengthening of the lower abdominal/groin muscle wall.	A
15	Repair of recurrent inguinal hernia Repeat strengthening of the lower abdominal/groin muscle wall.	A

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	<b>Name and description of Surgical Procedure*</b>	<b>Band</b>
16	Repair of a primary femoral hernia Strengthening of the upper leg/groin muscle wall.	A
17	Repair of a primary incisional hernia Strengthening of the abdominal wall at the site of a previous operation.	A
18	Repair of an umbilical hernia Strengthening of the lower abdominal muscle wall around the belly button.	A
19	Transthoracic repair of diaphragmatic hernia (acquired) The closure of a hole in and strengthening of the diaphragm muscle in the chest through a cut in the chest. Diaphragm hernias present from birth are excluded.	B
<b>Gall Bladder and Gallstones</b>		
Operations in this section are primarily aimed at treating gallstone problems, which can cause abdominal pain.		
20	Cholecystectomy (including mini-cholecystectomy) The removal of all or part of the gall bladder by either using keyhole surgery or a cut in the abdomen.	B
21	Excision of a lesion of the bile duct The removal of a section of the bile duct.	B
22	Therapeutic ERCP (including insertion of biliary or pancreatic prosthesis, sphincterotomy and stone extraction) The insertion of a fibre-optic camera down the gullet and into the bile duct/pancreas area to treat a variety of conditions.	A
<b>Veins in the Legs</b>		
Operations in this section are aimed at treating poorly functioning veins in the leg. Varicose veins cause ankle swelling, leg aching and sometimes leg ulcers.		
23	Ligation/stripping of long and short saphenous veins (including local excision/multiple phlebectomy) Tying off and removing weakened veins in the legs.	A
24	Operations for recurrent varicose veins with re-exploration of groin - unilateral Repeat tying off and removing of weakened veins in one leg.	A
<b>Bladder</b>		
Operations in this section are aimed at either treating abnormalities of the bladder itself or improving the functioning of the bladder such as leaking/ incontinence.		
25	Endoscopic resection of lesion of bladder (including cystoscopy) The insertion of a fibre-optic camera into the bladder and the removal of an abnormality of the bladder wall.	A
26	Combined abdominal and vaginal operations to support outlet of female bladder (including sling procedures) The strengthening of the tissue around the bladder to prevent leaking.	B
27	Combined abdominal and vaginal operations to support outlet of female bladder (including sling procedures) - redo operation A revision of the above procedure involving different techniques.	B
28	Retropubic suspension of neck of bladder (including colposuspension) An alternative method used to treat urinary incontinence by lifting the tissue around the bladder neck.	B
<b>Men's Health</b>		
Operations in this section are aimed at treating prostate problems.		
29	Open excision of prostatic adenoma The removal of a prostate lesion through a cut in the abdominal wall.	B
30	Endoscopic biopsy of the prostate The insertion of a fibre-optic camera down the penis and removal of a sample of the prostate gland.	A

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	<b>Name and description of Surgical Procedure*</b>	<b>Band</b>
31	Transurethral microwave therapy The insertion of a fibre-optic camera down the penis and the treatment of an abnormality of the prostate gland using heat treatment.	A
<b>Women's Health</b>	Operations in this section cover a wide range of common gynaecological problems.	
32	Excision of lesion of vulva The removal of pre-cancerous lesions on the outside of the vagina.	A
33	Anterior +/- posterior colporrhaphy and amputation of the cervix uteri (including primary repair of enterocele) Surgical repair of the front and back of the vaginal wall, including removal of the cervix.	B
34	Anterior +/- posterior colporrhaphy (including primary repair of enterocele) Surgical repair of the front and back of the vaginal wall.	B
35	Posterior colporrhaphy Surgical repair of the back of the vaginal wall.	A
36	Total abdominal hysterectomy (+/- oophorectomy) The removal of the womb, with or without the removal of the fallopian tubes and ovaries, by making a cut through the abdomen.	B
37	Subtotal abdominal hysterectomy (+/- oophorectomy) The removal of most of the womb, with or without the removal of the fallopian tubes but leaving the cervix, by making a cut through the abdomen.	B
38	Vaginal hysterectomy (including laparoscopically assisted) The removal of the womb through the vagina with or without the assistance of keyhole surgery techniques.	B
39	Myomectomy (including laparoscopically) The removal of fibroids embedded in the wall of the womb either by a cut in the abdomen or using keyhole surgery techniques.	B
40	Therapeutic endoscopic operations on uterus (including endometrial ablation) The insertion of a fibre-optic camera through the cervix into the womb and the treatment of a variety of conditions.	B
41	Oophorectomy and salpingectomy as sole procedure (one or both sides) The removal of both ovaries and fallopian tubes on one or both sides but leaving the womb intact.	B
42	Laparoscopy and therapeutic procedures including laser, diathermy and destruction e.g. endometriosis, adhesiolysis, tubal surgery) The insertion of a fibre-optic camera through the abdominal wall ('key-hole surgery') and the treatment of a variety of conditions.	B
43	Ovarian cystectomy as sole procedure (one or both sides) The removal of a cyst or cysts on one or both ovaries where not conducted as part of a larger procedure.	B
<b>Spine/Slipped Disc</b>	Operations in this section are aimed at improving neck/back stiffness or pain often resulting from physical activity such as lifting or poor posture while sitting at a desk.	
44	Posterior decompression +/- foraminotomy (cervical region) Relieving pressure on the spine in the neck by moving and stabilising a slipped disc.	C
45	Revisional posterior decompression +/- foraminotomy (cervical region) A revision of the first posterior decompression in the neck.	C
46	Posterior decompression (thoracic region) Relieving pressure on the spine in the upper back by moving and stabilising a slipped disc.	C

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	<b>Name and description of Surgical Procedure*</b>	<b>Band</b>
47	Revisional posterior decompression with fusion (thoracic region) A revision of the first posterior decompression in the upper back.	C
48	Primary anterior discectomy, decompression and anterior fusion (lumbar region) Relieving pressure on the spine in the lower back by moving and stabilising a slipped disc.	C
49	Anterior discectomy (cervical region) Removal of a part or all of a disc from the neck.	C
50	Revisional anterior discectomy (cervical region) Further removal of a part or the remainder of a disc in the neck.	C
51	Posterior excision of disc prolapse including microdiscectomy (lumbar region) Removal of a disc from the lower back using a variety of different approaches.	B
52	Revision of posterior excision of disc prolapse with undercutting facetectomy (lumbar region) A revision of the first posterior excision in the lower back.	C
<b>Bones, Joints and Ligaments</b>	Operations in this section cover the major joint replacements, keyhole surgery on the knee or shoulder and ligament repairs.	
53	Primary total hip replacement with or without cement Replacement of a hip joint by a prosthetic implant.	C
54	Complex primary total hip replacement requiring bone grafting or femoral osteotomy A more complicated replacement of the hip joint.	C
55	Total hip replacement, with or without cement, after excision arthroplasty or arthrodesis, including conversion of hemiarthroplasty or revision of other previous hip surgery which involved internal fixation A complicated type of hip replacement sometimes involving revision of previous work.	C
56	Total prosthetic replacement of knee joint, with or without cement, +/- patella Replacement of a knee joint by a prosthetic implant.	C
57	Multiple arthroscopic operation on knee (including meniscectomy, chondroplasty, drilling or microfracture) Insertion of a fibre-optic camera ('key-hole surgery') into the knee joint and treatment of a variety of conditions.	B
58	Carpal Tunnel release Carpal tunnel release surgery is used to relieve severe symptoms of carpal tunnel syndrome, which causes pain or weakness in the hand and forearm. It involves cutting a ligament in the wrist to relieve pressure on a nerve.	A
59	Cubital Tunnel release Cubital tunnel release surgery is used to relieve severe symptoms of cubital tunnel syndrome, which causes symptoms of pins and needles in the little, and ring fingers and the inner side of the forearm. It involves releasing a ligament to allow decompression of a nerve at elbow level.	A
60	Therapeutic arthroscopy of shoulder (as sole procedure) Shoulder arthroscopy is a minimally invasive technique that allows orthopaedic surgeons to assess - and in some cases, treat - a range of conditions affecting the shoulder joint.	B
61	Dupuytren's fasciectomy (palm only, single digit with proximal interphalangeal joint and multiple digits with proximal interphalangeal joints) Dupuytren's contracture/disease is a condition of the hands and fingers. A contracture is when affected fingers bend (contract) towards the palm and you cannot straighten them fully. The procedure most commonly used to correct Dupuytren's contracture is fasciectomy. This involves cutting open the skin on the palm of the hand and fingers and removing the underlying tissue that has become thickened and tight and is causing the fingers to stay bent inwards.	A

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## Chronic Conditions

**Chronic conditions** are **not** covered on Surgery Choices 1.

A **chronic condition** is a disease, illness or injury that has one or more of the following characteristics:

- it needs ongoing or long term monitoring through consultations, examinations, check ups and/or tests
- it needs ongoing or long term control or relief of symptoms
- it requires **your** rehabilitation or for **you** to be specially trained to cope with it
- it continues indefinitely
- it has no known cure
- it comes back or is likely to come back

If a **medical condition** has failed to improve following a **surgical procedure** we may consider it to be a **chronic condition** that is not eligible for cover e.g. more than one hip replacement revision.

We do not cover monitoring of **medical conditions** e.g. we may decline to cover repeated arthroscopies. We may cover a **chronic condition** if there is evidence of a new acute phase (a flare-up), however we will not cover frequent flare-ups.

## 6. How to claim

Please read the list of Policy Exclusions in Section 9 before making a claim.

**You must contact us prior to having a surgical procedure.**

As soon as **you** become aware that **you** might need one of the **surgical procedures** listed in **our schedule of procedures** please call **us** on **0114 250 2000**. Please have **your** policy details to hand.

We will need to ask **you** certain questions about **your medical condition** so that we can confirm that **your surgical procedure** is covered and then we will send **you** a claim form for completion.

The **Medical Specialist** who considers **your** surgery to be necessary must fill in a section of the claim form and attach a copy of **your GP's** referral letter BEFORE we can arrange **private treatment for your surgical procedure**.

For **NHS treatment** a member of **your** medical team should complete

the claim form AFTER **your surgical procedure** has been carried out.

At **our** discretion, **we** may provide cover for an operation that does not substantially differ from one of the **surgical procedures** listed and **you** should submit a completed claim form for **our** fullest consideration.

Any charges that a practitioner or any other person makes for filling in a claim form will not be covered and must be paid for by **you**.

In most cases it will be necessary for **us** to request additional medical information from **your GP**, or any other doctor or practitioner who has been involved in **your** care, in order to assess the claim. If this information is not available, or if **you** do not complete the section on the claim form consenting to this in accordance with the Access to Medical Reports Act 1988, **we** may not be able to proceed with the claim. The **plan** covers the cost of any report that **we** request.

It is **your** responsibility to ensure that complete and accurate information is submitted with the claim. For audit purposes **we** will carry out checks on the information **you** and practitioners provide to **us**. If **you** submit a claim that is false **your** cover will be terminated and **your** benefits will end immediately. **We** will not refund premiums paid by the employer for **your** healthcare cover and always take legal action for fraudulent claims.

**You** must tell **us** if the **surgical procedure** is covered under another Westfield Health plan, or by another insurer. If **you** are claiming from another insurer **we** will pay **our** proportionate share of the cost, subject to the terms and conditions of the **plan**.

**You** must tell **us** whether the cost of the **surgical procedure** may be recovered from a third party: **we** reserve the right to commence proceedings against a third party in **your** name to recover the benefits that **we** have paid.

## 7. Private Treatment – How does a fixed price private treatment package work?

On receipt of **your** completed claim form a case manager will contact **you** and, taking into account **your**

personal circumstances, will work closely with **you** to arrange the most appropriate **private treatment** package possible.

**We** will arrange a **private treatment** package for **you** in a **private hospital**. **We** will spend up to the maximum allowance allocated for **your surgical procedure** in **our schedule of procedures**. **We** may use a third party service to source and arrange the **surgical procedure**.

**Private treatment** packages normally include: the consultant surgeon/physician and anaesthetist fees; the **private hospital** charges relating to use of the operating theatre; accommodation either as an **in-patient** or **day patient**; personal meals; drugs and dressings; **in-patient** tests and **treatment** such as x-rays; pharmacy and physiotherapy. Some **private treatment** packages may also include a specified number of post-operative **out-patient** physiotherapy sessions. **Your** case manager will carefully explain the full details of the **private treatment** package, so that **you** know exactly what is included. If **you** have any out of pocket expenses that are not included in the package, such as travel or telephone calls, these will not be covered.

Jersey residents may have to travel to the **UK** for **your surgical procedure**; **you** will not be able to claim towards **your** travel expenses or for any accommodation that is not part of **your private treatment** package.

**Private treatment** packages include the cost of treating any **surgical complications** relating to **your surgical procedure** that occur within 30 days of the original **surgical procedure**. **Surgical complications** that arise more than 30 days after **your surgical procedure** will only be covered if they qualify as a separate surgical procedure, and will be treated as a separate claim.

While it is the intention of the policy to provide care in a **private hospital** if requested, the decision to decline to provide **you** with a **private treatment** package will be at the absolute discretion of Westfield Health, or one of **our** representatives.

The reasons why a **private treatment** package may not be made available to **you** include:

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- if for medical reasons **private treatment** will not be appropriate for **you**;
- a **private treatment** package is not available within the monetary limit;
- **private hospitals** decline to provide a package price for a particular case

If a **private treatment** package is available, but the cost exceeds the monetary limit available for that **surgical procedure**, **you** will be offered the opportunity to top-up the benefit level **yourself**. **You** must pay the top-up amount to the **private hospital** prior to having **your surgical procedure**.

If a suitable **private treatment** package is not available **NHS treatment** will be recommended.

## 8. NHS Treatment

If **you** prefer to have **NHS treatment**, or if a **private treatment** package is unsuitable, **we** will pay the NHS Benefit. The NHS Benefit is a fixed monetary amount that is determined by the band for **your surgical procedure**. At the start of the company's scheme, the employer providing the cover decides whether they wish the NHS Benefit to be paid to **you** or to them. Please refer to **your policy schedule** for details of who is entitled to receive the NHS Benefit if **you** have **NHS treatment**.

If **you** have **NHS treatment**, once **you** have undergone **your surgical procedure** a member of **your NHS treatment** medical team should complete the relevant section of the claim form. Alternatively, providing that they have all the necessary information regarding **your NHS treatment**, the claim form can be completed by **your GP**. **We** will offer any assistance or advice that **you** need in connection with making a claim.

Completed forms must reach **us** within 26 weeks of the date of **your surgical procedure**. Once the claim has been verified a payment will be sent to either **you** or the employer.

## 9. Policy Exclusions

**You** should read this list of policy exclusions before applying for **private treatment** or making an NHS Benefit claim.

### We will not cover:

1. Any procedure that is not listed in **our schedule of procedures**

on pages 19 to 22 (except when at **our** discretion **we** agree to cover a procedure that does not substantially differ from one of those listed);

2. Any **private treatment** that has not been arranged by **us** or **our** appointed representative;
3. Any claim that arises as a result of a **pre-existing condition** (or **related medical condition**), until **you** have been free of symptoms, **treatment** or **advice** for 2 continuous years from **your registration date**, if **your** cover is underwritten on a moratorium basis;
4. Any claim that arises as a result of an excluded **medical condition** or **planned treatment** if **your** cover is underwritten on the basis of the continuation of personal medical exclusions (CPME);
5. **Planned treatment** if **your** cover is underwritten on the basis that medical history has been disregarded (MHD): except when **we** have confirmed to **you** that **your surgical procedure** will be covered;
6. Consultations or scans that are used to diagnose **your** need for a **surgical procedure** (if **you** also have Westfield Health Cash Plan cover please refer to the Benefit Rules section in the Health Cash Plan guide for details of any benefits that may be available to **you** and/or contact **our** Customer Care Team);
7. Any charges that a **hospital**, practitioner or any other organisation makes for filling in a claim form;
8. **Emergency procedures**;
9. **Surgical procedures** relating to **chronic conditions**: except when there is evidence of a new acute phase;
10. Fertility or infertility **treatment**, or any **treatment** relating to fertility, low fertility or infertility;
11. Pregnancy and/or childbirth, or any **treatment** relating to pregnancy or childbirth e.g. termination of pregnancy;
12. Services or **treatment** at any long term care facility, nursing home, spa hydro-clinic or sanatorium that is not a **hospital**;

13. **Medical conditions** either directly or indirectly arising from or associated with alcohol, solvent abuse, and/or drug dependency;
14. Any claim if **you** do not seek and follow the medical advice of a **Medical Specialist** relating to the **treatment** of a specific condition;
15. Self-inflicted injuries, illness, disease or any condition intentionally self-inflicted or self-inflicted or arising from suicide attempts, including **treatment** required as a result of attempted suicide;
16. Psychiatric Treatment – **treatment** associated with psychiatric conditions and any **related medical condition**;
17. **Treatment** directly or indirectly arising from, or as a consequence of:
  - a. War, riots, civil disturbances, **terrorism** or acts against any foreign hostility, whether war has been declared or not.
  - b. **Terrorism** whether or not this involves the use or release or threat thereof of any nuclear weapon or any chemical or biological agents.
  - c. Natural perils and nuclear risks;
18. **Treatment** directly or indirectly arising from, or as a consequence of, a pandemic illness;
19. **Treatment** required as a consequence of any criminal action **you** have undertaken;
20. **Treatment** directly or indirectly arising from or as a consequence of:
  - a. Work that involves handling explosives, toxic chemicals, deep-sea diving or outdoor activity at heights above 50 feet.
  - b. Professional sports where a fee is received for training or playing.
  - c. Injury sustained whilst participating in dangerous or hazardous sporting activity including, but not limited to: mountaineering;

rock climbing; motor sports, including motor cycle sport; aviation, other than as a fare paying passenger; ballooning; bungee jumping; hang gliding; micro lighting; parachuting; paragliding or parasailing; potholing or caving; power boat racing; white water rafting; competitive yachting or sailing; bobsleighbing; competitive canoeing or kayaking; judo or martial arts; scuba diving or extreme sports such as free-diving; base jumping, ski-racing and ice climbing;

21. Any claim arising from a sexually transmitted disease;
22. Cosmetic **treatment**, whether or not required for psychological or religious purposes or following accident, illness or injury. Also, cover will not be provided for **treatment** either directly or indirectly arising from or associated with cosmetic **treatment**;
23. **Treatment** that is experimental or that has not been approved by the National Institute for Health and Care Excellence (NICE);
24. **Cancer** related **surgical procedures**. For the purpose of this exclusion this means **surgical procedures** related to:
  - a. All **cancers**, including leukaemia and Hodgkin's disease;
  - b. Tumours which are histologically described as pre-malignant, or non-invasive, or types of intraepithelial neoplasia, or as **cancer** in situ, or as undefined or mixed;
  - c. Any **cancer** in the presence of Human Immunodeficiency Virus;
  - d. Any skin **cancer** including pre-malignant, basal cell and malignant melanoma.

This exclusion will not apply to **surgical procedures** when **cancer** is suspected but not confirmed e.g. biopsies.

## 10. General Conditions

### Governing Law

Once **your** application to register for the **plan** has been accepted by **us**, this **agreement** shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of England and the parties irrevocably and unconditionally submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of England in respect of any dispute or difference between them arising out of this **agreement**.

### General Conditions

Hospital Treatment Insurance, Surgery Choices 1 is provided to eligible employees, the cost of which is met by the employer.

From time to time upon renewal it may be necessary for Westfield Health to alter the terms or amend the rules relating to this insurance. If **we** decide to make any such changes **we** will provide the employer with reasonable notice, and **you** will be informed as soon as reasonably practicable, except when it is not possible for **us** to do this, for example changes required by law.

A person who is not a party to this **agreement** shall not have any rights under or in connection with it by virtue of the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 except where such rights are expressly granted in these terms and conditions but this does not affect any right or remedy of a third party which exists, or is available, apart from that Act.

The rights of the parties to terminate, rescind or agree any variation, waiver or settlement under this **agreement** is not subject to the consent of any person that is not a party to this **agreement**.

### Data Protection/Fair Processing Notice

Information provided to **us** or collected concerning **your plan** in the future will be used by Westfield Health, or selected third parties to:

- provide the benefits for which **you** have applied
- maintain **your** records
- manage the underwriting and/or claims handling procedures
- prevent and detect fraud

This will include the recording and monitoring of Sensitive Personal Data such as health and medical conditions for all claims processed under **your plan**.

This information may be shared with:

- other insurance providers
- police and enforcement agencies
- the employer (if they are paying some or all of the premium for **your** cover) where **we** have a reasonable belief that the claims activity is in serious breach of **our** terms and conditions and/or may be fraudulent

In the interests of continuously improving **our** services to customers and for training purposes telephone calls to Westfield Health will be recorded and monitored. This will include the recording and monitoring of Sensitive Personal Data such as data relating to health and medical conditions.

Whenever an employer passes information about you to Westfield Health **we** will process the information in accordance with all applicable data protection and medical information laws and regulations. By collecting such information from the employer Westfield Health relies on the employer's compliance with all data protection legislation. The employer warrants that whenever they transfer personal data (including any medical or other sensitive personal data) to Westfield Health for the purposes set out in this policy that they have full authority to do this, and do so in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.

Where you have provided information about another person you should ensure that you have their consent to do so. For a small fee you are entitled to a copy of the information which **we** hold about you by writing to the Data Subject Rights Officer, Westfield Contributory Health Scheme Limited, 87 Division Street, Sheffield S1 1HT, telephone **0114 250 2000**.

### Marketing Preferences

**We** may occasionally use your contact information to contact you by post, email, text or phone with marketing offers and details of **our** other products and services. To opt out please contact **us** at the above address. **We** may also share all contact details with other selected organisations who may contact you by post or phone about other products and services. To opt out please contact **us** at the above address. If you are also happy to

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receive emails/texts from these other selected organisations please contact **us** at the above address.

### Language

In accordance with regulatory guidance **we** confirm the language **we** will use for communication purposes. It is: English.

### Additional Information

**We** are required to notify **you** that there may also be other taxes or costs which are not paid through, or imposed by, the insurance underwriter.

## Definitions

Where words or phrases appear in this document in **bold type**, they have the special meaning for the purposes of Hospital Treatment Insurance, Surgery Choices 1 cover, as detailed below.

### E

**United Kingdom** pounds sterling.

### Acute condition

A disease, illness or injury that is likely to respond quickly to **treatment** which aims to return **you** to the state of health **you** were in immediately before suffering the disease, illness or injury, or which leads to **your** full recovery.

### Advice

Any consultation regarding a **pre-existing condition** or **related medical condition** from a **GP**, **Medical Specialist**, therapist or allied healthcare specialist: this includes the issue of any prescription or repeat prescription.

### Agreement

The contract between Westfield Health and **you** for the provision of Hospital Treatment Insurance, Surgery Choices 1 cover governed by the terms and conditions set out in this guide.

### Cancer

A malignant tumour, tissues or cells, characterised by the uncontrolled growth and spread of malignant cells and invasion of tissue.

### Chronic condition

A disease, illness or injury that has one or more of the following characteristics:

- it needs ongoing or long term monitoring through consultations, examinations, check ups and/or tests

- it needs ongoing or long term control or relief of symptoms
- it requires your rehabilitation or for **you** to be specially trained to cope with it
- it continues indefinitely
- it has no known cure
- it comes back or is likely to come back

### Day patient

A patient who is admitted to a **hospital** or day patient unit because they need a period of medically supervised recovery but does not occupy a bed overnight.

### Diagnosed/Diagnostic

The unequivocal discovery and identification of a **medical condition** from the examination of symptoms using investigations such as x-rays or blood tests, by a **Medical Specialist**.

### Diagnostic tests

Investigations, such as x-rays or blood tests, to find or to help to find the cause of **your** symptoms.

### Emergency procedures

Procedures usually carried out in an Accident and Emergency Department or procedures carried out following admission into a **hospital** via an Accident and Emergency Department or procedures carried out following same-day referral to the **hospital** by a **GP** or **Medical Specialist** or any other person.

### GP

General Practitioner i.e. a physician registered with the General Medical Council, who is currently in general practice and is not a **Medical Specialist**.

The **GP** must not be **you**, **your partner** or a member of **your** family.

### Hospital

An independent **hospital** or nursing home registered in accordance with the Registered Homes Act 1984 or a **NHS hospital** in the **United Kingdom** with specialist facilities for medical and surgical procedures.

or

The Jersey General Hospital: any other **hospital** on Jersey with specialist facilities for medical and surgical procedures.

**Hospitals** in other countries may be included in this definition at Westfield Health's discretion.

### Independent Sector Treatment Centres (I.S.T.C.)

A **treatment** centre that is registered

with the Department of Health and appears on the National Administrative Code Service Register.

### In-patient

A patient who is admitted to a **hospital** and who occupies a bed overnight or longer, for medical reasons.

### Medical condition

Any symptom, illness, disease or injury.

### Medical Specialist

A Doctor who:

- holds a NHS Consultant post and;
  - is on the Specialist Register held by the General Medical Council
- or
- holds a Consultant post on Jersey and;
  - is on the Specialist Register held by the General Medical Council
- or
- who is otherwise approved by Westfield Health prior to any **surgical procedure**.

### NHS treatment

For the purposes of Surgery Choices 1, patients who undergo NHS-subsidised **surgical procedures** at either independent **hospitals** or **Independent Sector Treatment Centres (I.S.T.C.)** will be deemed to have received **NHS treatment**.

The NHS (National Health Service) means the free-to-use public health service.

For residents of Jersey this will include health care funded by the States of Jersey Health and Social Services Department.

### Partner

A person **you** live with that **you** are married to, or a person that **you** permanently live with as if **you** are married to them

or

A person **you** live with in a civil partnership, or a person that **you** permanently live with as if you are in a civil partnership

### Plan

The Hospital Treatment Insurance, Surgery Choices 1 cover detailed in this guide.

### Planned/Planned treatment

Means any **medical condition** for which **you**:

- have a date scheduled for a **surgical procedure**;

- are on a NHS waiting list for a **surgical procedure**;
- have been told by **your GP** or **Medical Specialist**, in the 3 months period prior to **your** current Surgery Choices 1 cover commencing, that reasonable medical opinion would consider may require a **surgical procedure**.

#### Policyholder

The person in whose name the **plan** is held.

#### Policy schedule

The statement from **us** confirming **your** current benefits and level of cover.

#### Pre-existing condition

Any disease, illness or injury for which:

- **you** have received consultation, medication, monitoring, **advice** or **treatment**

or

- **you** have experienced symptoms

in the 2 years prior to **your** **registration date** for **your** current cover on Surgery Choices 1, whether the condition has been **diagnosed** or not.

#### Private hospital

An independent **hospital** or NHS pay bed, or any other establishment e.g. an **Independent Sector Treatment Centre (I.S.T.C.)**, which Westfield Health may decide to treat as a **private hospital** for the purpose of this benefit.

#### Private treatment

A **surgical procedure** that is not **NHS treatment**, or funded by States of Jersey, whether in a NHS/States of Jersey funded **hospital** or a **private hospital**.

#### Registration date

**Your registration date** is the date that the employer elects to pay premiums from for **your** Surgery Choices 1 cover. If **your** cover has lapsed and is then re-instated a new **registration date** will apply.

#### Related medical condition

Any condition, symptom, disease, illness or injury, which is medically considered to be associated with another condition, symptom, disease, illness or injury.

#### Schedule of procedures

The Hospital Treatment Insurance, Surgery Choices 1 **schedule of procedures** classifying **surgical**

**procedures** according to their complexity. Band A are the least complicated procedures and Band C the most complicated procedures. Please refer to pages 19 to 22.

#### Surgical complication

An adverse and unintended medical event resulting directly from the **surgical procedure**, which requires medical or surgical intervention.

#### Surgical procedure

A procedure that is listed in **our schedule of procedures** on pages 19 to 22.

#### Terrorism

An act of **terrorism** means an act, including but not limited to the use of force or violence and/or the threat thereof, of any person or group(s) of persons, whether acting alone or on behalf of or in connection with any organisation(s) or government(s), committed for political, religious, ideological, or ethnic purposes or reasons including the intention to influence any government and/or to put the public, or any section of the public, in fear.

#### Treatment

Surgical or medical services (including **diagnostic tests**) that are needed to diagnose, relieve or cure a disease, illness or injury.

#### UK/United Kingdom

The **United Kingdom** of Great Britain and Northern Ireland i.e. England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland.

#### We/us/our

Westfield Contributory Health Scheme Ltd., or someone appointed by **us** to administer **your** Hospital Treatment Insurance, Surgery Choices 1 cover.

#### You/your/yourself

The named Hospital Treatment Insurance, Surgery Choices 1 **policyholder**.

Remember, our friendly Customer Care Team is here to help.

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