

### **Notice of Continuation of Coverage**

As a terminated employee – or as an active employee or retiree – losing coverage or a portion of coverage under your employer's Group plan(s), you may be eligible to continue all or a portion of that coverage without submitting evidence of good health. Potential options are explained below. The specific options available to you are based on the provisions as defined in the Group plan. Included with this notice is a form you can submit to obtain additional information. Based on your selection, you will receive a personalized quote, details on the specific coverage options available to you, and the necessary forms to enroll.

#### **Life Conversion**

The Life Conversion option provides the opportunity for you to obtain an individual life insurance policy that accumulates cash value and is offered at individual insurance rates. There are no mandatory age reductions and coverage can continue with premium payment until the Scheduled Maturity Date (generally age 100 or 120, depending on the policy version) at which time the Cash Surrender Value is paid to the insured.

If coverage is ending because The Hartford Group Life policy is terminating or coverage for a class of employees is terminating, some restrictions may apply. If coverage is ending for any other reason, you can generally convert up to the full amount of your terminating coverage. Conversion is also available to your dependents if they had coverage under your group plan. Residents of New York and West Virginia have the option for an 11-month term policy prior to the permanent life policy becoming effective. **Premiums for a Life Conversion policy are substantially higher than your Employer Group plan rates.** 

#### **Portability**

Under the Portability option you may obtain a group life insurance policy to continue 100%, 75%, or 50% of the amount of life insurance coverage (Basic, Supplemental, or both) you had under your Group plan up to a maximum amount, generally \$250,000 depending upon the provisions of your Group plan. The Portability policy provides group term coverage and is available to you provided you have not yet reached your Social Security full retirement age. The Portability option may also be available to your dependents if you carried dependent coverage under your employer's group plan and if the group plan includes portability as an option for dependents. The amount of coverage you elect to port is reduced by 75% at age 65 and coverage terminates at age 75. Portability is not available if your employer is terminating the group plan. Additional restrictions may also apply. Premiums for a Life Portability policy may be higher than your Employer Group plan rates and rates increase every five years (years in which your age on your birthday ends in 5 or 0).

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Attached is a form that contains additional information about continuing coverage. You can use this to request a quote and the necessary forms to enroll.

Please note that there is a designated timeframe during which you can exercise your coverage continuation options. To continue coverage, you must mail or fax this form to request information within 15 days from the date of this notice or 31 days from your group coverage termination date, whichever is later. Under no circumstances, however, will continuation of coverage be available beyond 91 days from your group coverage termination date. Any issues regarding late notification by your employer must be addressed with the employer.

If you have questions about this information, your eligibility, or the status of any request you have submitted, please call a representative at **1-877-320-0484.** 

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#### **Frequently Asked Questions**

#### Q: If I request a quote, how does Hartford determine the amount of coverage to quote?

A: Hartford will contact your employer to obtain the amount of coverage you had in effect under the group plan. The quote is based on this amount as well as applicable plan provisions.

#### Q: If I receive a quote for coverage, does this mean I qualify for the coverage amount quoted?

A: The amount quoted is not a guarantee that a policy will be issued in that amount. Upon receipt of your application for coverage, Hartford will perform an eligibility review to determine that the amount of coverage you have requested can be granted based on the coverage you had in effect under the group plan as well as plan provisions.

#### Q: What is my policy effective date?

A: A Group Life policy has a 31-day grace period; hence, the effective date of a Life Conversion or Portability policy is the 32<sup>nd</sup> day following the group coverage termination date.

#### Q: If my application for coverage is not approved by the effective date, am I still covered?

A: Yes, if your application is approved the effective date of your policy will be retroactive to the date indicated above.

#### Q: I understand that there is no medical underwriting or physical exam required but can I still be denied for coverage?

A: Your request for coverage can be denied if you do not meet the timeliness requirement. You must mail or fax this form to request information within 15 days from the date of this notice or 31 days from your group coverage termination date, whichever is later. Under no circumstances will continuation of coverage be available beyond 91 days from your group coverage termination date. Coverage can also be denied if it exceeds the amount you had in effect under your employer's Group plan or if it does not align with you employer's plan provisions. In addition, any request for coverage that is not available under your employer's Group plan will also be denied.

# Q: If I start to work for a new employer and obtain coverage under that employer's Group plan, will that Group coverage impact any conversion or portability policy that I may have purchased?

A: If you obtain coverage under a new employer's Group plan, your portability or conversion policy will remain in effect provided you continue to pay the required premiums. However, benefits under conversion policies may be affected by the amount of your other coverage.



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Employer:	Policy #:	
The following in	nformation is to be completed by Employ	er or Employer Representative
Employee Name:	Employee ID#:	:Date:
Last Day Worked (or date employe	ee is no longer in an eligible class):	
Date of Group Coverage Terminati	ation:Termination Reason:	
Signature	Print Name	
Email Address	Telephone	
Life Conversion will be substantiall employer's standard industry code	y higher than your employer Group plan rat and/or Group plan provisions and may be h s in which your age on your birthday ends in	mission of evidence of good health. The rates for les. The rates for Portability are based on the nigher than your employer Group rates. Portability in 5 or 0).
Employee: To request specific r fax this entire page to:	ates and enrollment information, please	complete the information below and mail or
The Hartford, Por  Yes, I am interested in receiving th  Life Conversion Quote P		
Please print the following inform	nation:	
Name:	Date of Birth:_	
Social Security # (indicate last 4 c	digits only):	
Address:		
City:	State:	Zip Code:
Telephone Number:	Email	:
I am interested in receiving information Myself My Spouse Please print the name(s), relation Include an additional sheet if new	My Child(ren) nship, and date(s) of birth for each deper	ndent who may be eligible for coverage.
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notice, whichever is later, to con		e termination <u>OR</u> 15 days from the date of this ord. In no event, however, will my eligibility to date.