



**SUMMARY PLAN DESCRIPTION  
OF THE**

**MEDICAL EXPENSE  
REIMBURSEMENT PLAN**

For Employees of

**Blackhawk Engineering, Inc.**

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**For Employees of**  
**Blackhawk Engineering, Inc.**

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**1. INTRODUCTION**

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Your Employer maintains this Plan for the exclusive benefit of eligible employees. Under the Plan, an employee can be reimbursed for covered expenses incurred by the employee, provided the expenses aren't otherwise reimbursed by insurance or other programs.

The Plan is intended to qualify as an "self-insured medical reimbursement plan" under Section 105(h) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), and the reimbursements of qualifying expenses under the Plan are intended to be eligible for exclusion from participating employees' gross income under Section 105(b) of the Code. The Plan is also intended to meet the requirements of Prop. Treas. Reg. §1.125-2, Q/A-7 (regarding special rules applicable to certain flexible spending arrangements that apply to plans such as this one, even though there may be no cafeteria plan or employee contributions.)

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**2. GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE PLAN**

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<b>Plan Name</b>	Blackhawk Engineering, Inc. Medical Expense Reimbursement Plan
<b>Type of Plan</b>	Welfare benefit plan providing reimbursements for certain medical expenses.
<b>Plan Year</b>	The twelve month period ending every December 31.
<b>Policy Year</b>	The twelve month period established under the Insurance Contract under which deductible and co-payment limits are calculated.
<b>Plan Number</b>	502
<b>Effective Date</b>	The effective date of the Plan as described in this document is January 1, 2025. The original date the Plan was effective was January 1, 2018.
<b>Funding Medium</b>	Benefits are paid directly out of the general assets of the Plan Sponsor. No special fund or trust exists from which benefits are paid.

While the Plan Sponsor has complete responsibility for the payment of benefits out of its general assets, it may engage an outside paying agent to make benefit payments on its behalf.

**Source of Contributions** Your Employer bears the entire cost of this Plan. Covered employees do not make contributions. However, former employees who elect COBRA coverage must pay for that coverage.

**Plan Sponsor** Blackhawk Engineering, Inc.  
118 Blackhawk Lane  
Cedar Falls, IA 50613  
Telephone: 319-266-2681  
EIN: 45-0497049

The Plan Sponsor is also the Plan Administrator and the Named Fiduciary.

**Service of Legal Process** Legal process may be made upon the Plan Sponsor.

**Type of Administration** The Plan is administered by a Third Party Administrator, who acts on behalf of the Plan Administrator. Questions about administration of the Plan may be addressed to:

**Advantage Administrators**  
**P.O. Box 118**  
**Waverly, Iowa 50677-0118**  
**customercare@advantageadmin.com**  
**(319) 352-1623 or (800) 383-1623**

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### **3. DEFINITIONS**

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**Affiliated Employer** Any corporation which is a member of a controlled group of corporations (as defined in Code Section 414(b)) which includes the Plan Sponsor; any trade or business (whether or not incorporated) which is under common control (as defined in Code Section 414(c)) with the Plan Sponsor; any organization (whether or not incorporated) which is a member of an affiliated service group (as defined in Code Section 414(m)) which includes the Plan Sponsor; and any other entity required to be aggregated with the Plan Sponsor pursuant to Treasury regulations under Code Section 414(o).

<b>Allowable Reimbursement</b>	The amount of Benefit payable under the terms of the Plan as determined by the Schedule of Benefits. The Employer may designate, subject to meeting the discrimination requirements of Code Section 105(h): (a) which Participant or group of Participants who are covered under a Group Medical Plan of the Employer will receive Benefits from this Plan, or (b) if this Plan has more than one Schedule of Benefits, which Schedule of Benefits is applicable to a Participant or group of Participants.
<b>Benefit</b>	Payment for Covered Expenses by the Plan.
<b>Covered Expenses</b>	Expenses that are subject to reimbursement under the terms of the Insurance Contracts.
<b>Eligible Employee</b>	Any Employee who has satisfied the eligibility provisions of the Plan.
<b>Employee</b>	Any person who is employed by the Employer, but excludes any person who is employed as an independent contractor. The term Employee shall not include any leased employee (including but not limited to those individuals defined as leased employees in Code § 414(n)) nor any employee covered under a collective bargaining agreement. The term Employee also does not include any sole proprietor, partner in a partnership or more-than-2% shareholder in a Subchapter S corporation (by ownership or attribution) which is the Employer or a member of a controlled group of which the Employer is a member.
<b>Employer</b>	The Plan Sponsor, any Affiliated Employer that adopts this Plan by completing a Participation Agreement and any successor that maintains this Plan. A list of Affiliated Employers that have adopted this Plan can be found in the Appendix.
<b>Group Medical Plan</b>	The plan of benefits sponsored by the Employer which provides medical benefits to Employees under which all or a part of the risk of providing medical benefits is borne by a party other than the Employer. If the Employer sponsors more than one such plan of benefits, the Employer may designate one or more of such plans as the Group Medical Plan for purposes of determining Benefits and calculating Allowable Reimbursements under this medical expense reimbursement plan.
<b>Insurance Contract</b>	The contract issued by the Insurer underwriting, or making benefit payments for, the Employer's Group Medical Plan.

<b>Insurer</b>	The insurance company that underwrites, or the company that processes claims for, the Employer's Group Medical Plan.
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#### 4. ELIGIBILITY AND PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS

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<b>Eligibility</b>	You are eligible to participate in the Plan when you have satisfied the eligibility requirements for your Employer's Group Medical Plan. Spouses and other dependents are not eligible unless employed by Employer.
<b>Participation</b>	You will become a participant in the Plan on the date that you first become eligible for coverage under your Employer's Group Medical Plan.
<b>Opt-Out Feature</b>	You have the right to permanently opt-out of and waive future reimbursements from the plan at any time while you are an employee and also at any time after your termination of employment.
<b>COBRA</b>	If this Plan is subject to the continuation coverage requirements of the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985 (COBRA) and your participation or a "Qualifying Beneficiary's" participation in the Plan ceases following the occurrence of certain "Qualifying Events" designated by COBRA then you and your "Qualifying Beneficiaries" have the right to continue to receive benefits from the Plan, but only if the appropriate premiums are paid. The continuation of coverage requirements of COBRA are hereby incorporated into this Plan for determining continuation coverage benefits of terminated participants and "Qualifying Beneficiaries."
<b>FMLA</b>	Notwithstanding anything in the Plan to the contrary, if you go on a qualifying unpaid leave under the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993 (FMLA), to the extent required by the FMLA, you will continue to be eligible for benefits under the Plan on the same terms and conditions as though you were still an active Employee.

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#### 5. BENEFITS

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<b>Benefits Provided</b>	The Plan will pay an amount equal to the Allowable Reimbursement, as determined under the Schedule of Benefits found in the Appendix. Only claims that are determined to be Covered Expenses for you by the
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Insurer under the terms of the Insurance Contract, and which are submitted to and processed by the Insurer, will be eligible for payment by the Plan.

**Payments to  
Third Party**

Benefit payments under this Plan will be made directly to you. However, in the Administrator's discretion, payments may be made to the service provider or to a representative of a mentally, physically or legally incapacitated individual. The Plan Administrator shall be fully discharged from all future liability with respect to any such payment made in good faith.

**Qualified  
Medical Child  
Support Order**

This Plan will also provide benefits as required by any qualified medical child support order, as defined in ERISA §609(a), and provide benefits to dependent children placed with an eligible employee for adoption under the same terms and conditions as apply in the case of dependent children who are natural children of eligible employees, in accordance with ERISA §609(a).

**Benefits  
Required By  
Federal Law**

This Plan will also provide benefits in accordance with the applicable requirements of Federal laws, such as COBRA, HIPAA and the NMHPA.

**Special Rights  
Upon Childbirth**

This Plan may not, under Federal law, restrict benefits for any hospital length of stay in connection with childbirth for the mother or newborn child to less than 48 hours following a normal vaginal delivery, or less than 96 hours following a cesarean section, or require that a provider obtain authorization from the Plan Administrator for prescribing a length of stay not in excess of the above periods.

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## **6. CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH MAY AFFECT BENEFITS**

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**Denial or Loss  
of Benefits**

You will not be eligible to receive benefits from the Plan for expenses that arise at any time when you are not covered under your Employer's Group Medical Plan. You also will not be eligible to receive benefits from the Plan for any expenses that arise after you have separated from service with the Employer, unless you are eligible to, and elect to, continue your coverage under COBRA. If your coverage under your Employer's Group Medical Plan terminates and you elect to continue coverage under COBRA (or under a similar state law), you will not receive continuation coverage under this Plan unless you separately elect coverage under this Plan and pay the required premium.

Your benefits will also cease upon termination of the Plan or upon the non-payment of any required premium.

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## 7. CLAIMS PROCEDURE

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### **Applying for Benefits**

When you incur a claim for which you wish to be reimbursed, you must first submit the claim to the Insurer. The Insurer will make a determination under its adjudication procedures as to whether your claim is for an expense that is covered under the Insurance Contract. If the Insurer denies all or part of the claim for any reason, the part of the claim that was denied will not, in any circumstance, be eligible for reimbursement under this Plan. If you do not agree with the Insurer's determination, you must appeal to the Insurer by following the appeal procedures contained in the Insurance Contract.

### **Approved Claims**

If the Insurer determines that your claim is for an expense that is covered under the Insurance Contract, the amount of benefit which you are to receive from this Plan will be determined exclusively from the Explanation of Benefits report prepared by the Insurer. You will not be required to file a claim or other request with the Plan Administrator of this Plan to receive your benefit.

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## 8. BENEFIT DENIALS AND APPEALS PROCEDURE

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### **Benefit Denials**

The Plan Administrator is responsible for evaluating claims for benefits under the Plan that have been approved by the Insurer. The Plan Administrator will decide your claim after the Explanation of Benefits report is received from the Insurer according to the following timetable:

Notification of whether claim is accepted or denied	30 days
Extension due to matters beyond the control of the Plan	15 days
Insufficient information on the Claim:	
Notification of	15 days
Response by Participant	45 days
Review of claim denial	60 days

If the Plan Administrator denies your claim, in whole or in part, after it has been approved by the Insurer, you will receive a written or electronic notification stating:



- a. The specific reason or reasons for the denial.
- b. Reference to the specific Plan provisions on which the denial was based.
- c. A description of any additional material or information necessary for the claimant to perfect the claim and an explanation of why such material or information is necessary.
- d. A description of the Plan's review procedures and the time limits applicable to such procedures. This will include a statement of the right to bring a civil action under section 502 of ERISA following a denial on review.
- e. A statement that the claimant is entitled to receive, upon request and free of charge, reasonable access to, and copies of, all documents, records and other information relevant to the Claim.
- f. If the denial was based on an internal rule, guideline, protocol or other similar criterion, the specific rule, guideline, protocol or criterion will be provided free of charge. If this is not practical, a statement will be included that such a rule, guideline, protocol or criterion was relied upon in making the denial and a copy will be provided free of charge to the claimant upon request.

### **Appealing a Denied Claim**

If your claim is denied by the Plan Administrator, (not the Insurer) you have 180 days following receipt of the notification in which to appeal the decision. Your written appeal should state the reasons that you feel your claim should not have been denied. It should include any additional facts and/or documents that you feel support your claim. You may also ask additional questions or make comments, and you will be provided, free of charge, reasonable access to, and copies of, all documents, records and other information relevant to the claim. A document, record or other information will be considered relevant to a claim if it:

1. was relied upon in making the claim determination;
2. was submitted, considered or generated in the course of making the claim determination without regard to whether it was relied upon in making the claim determination;
3. demonstrated compliance with the administrative processes and safeguards designed to ensure and to verify that claim determinations are made in accordance with Plan documents and Plan provisions have been applied consistently with respect to all claimants; or

4. constituted a statement of policy or guidance with respect to the Plan concerning the denied claim.

## **Review of Appeal**

The Plan Administrator will review and decide your appeal within 60 days after it is submitted (without regard to whether all the necessary information accompanies the filing) and will notify you of its decision in writing. The review will take into account all comments, documents, records and other information submitted by the claimant relating to the Claim without regard to whether such information was submitted or considered in the initial claim determination. The review will not afford deference to the initial denial and will be conducted by a fiduciary of the Plan who is neither the individual who made the adverse determination nor a subordinate of that individual.

If the decision on appeal affirms the initial denial of your claim, this notice will set forth:

- a. The specific reason(s) for the denial; and
- b. The specific Plan provision(s) on which the denial is based.

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## **9. PLAN ADMINISTRATION**

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### **Plan Administration**

The administration of the Plan is under the supervision of the Plan Administrator. The principal duty of the Plan Administrator is to see that the Plan is carried out in accordance with its terms, and for the exclusive benefit of persons entitled to participate in the Plan.

### **Plan Costs**

Your Employer bears all costs of administering the Plan.

### **Power and Authority of Plan Administrator**

The Plan Administrator shall have, but shall not be limited to, the following authority:

- To make and enforce such rules and regulations as the Plan administrator deems necessary or proper for the efficient administration of the Plan;
- To decide all questions concerning the Plan and the eligibility of any person to participate in the Plan and to receive benefits provided under the Plan;

- To approve reimbursement requests and to authorize the payment of benefits; and
- To appoint such agents, counsel, accountants, consultants, and actuaries as the Plan Administrator deems advisable to assist in administering the Plan.

**Discretionary Authority**      The Plan Administrator has the discretionary authority to interpret the Plan and to resolve any ambiguities under the Plan. The Plan Administrator's interpretations made in good faith are final and conclusive on all persons claiming benefits under the Plan.

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## 10. AMENDMENT OR TERMINATION OF PLAN

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**Amendment or Termination**      Your Employer, at any time or from time to time, may amend or terminate any or all of the provisions of the Plan without the consent of any Employee.

**Authority to Amend or Terminate**      The Plan may be amended or terminated by a written instrument signed by any officer of the Plan Sponsor without further authorization or approval by a Board of Directors or other similar governing body.

The Third Party Administrator, R. D. Drenkow & Co., Inc. (doing business as Advantage Administrators), is authorized to adopt amendments to the Plan that are clarifying in nature or advisable to comply with applicable law.

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## 11. MISCELLANEOUS

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**Plan Interpretation**      All provisions of this Plan will be interpreted and applied in a uniform, nondiscriminatory manner. This Plan shall be read in its entirety and not severed except as provided below.

**Gender and Number**      Whenever any words are used in the masculine, feminine or neuter gender, they are to be construed as though they were also used in another gender in all cases where they would so apply. And whenever any words are used in the singular or plural form, they are to be

construed as though they were also used in the other form in all cases where they would so apply.

<b>Non-Alienation of Benefits</b>	No benefit, right or interest of any person is to be subject to anticipation, alienation, sale, transfer, assignment, pledge, encumbrance or charge, seizure, attachment or legal, equitable or other process or be liable for, or subject to, the debts, liabilities or other obligations of such person, except as otherwise required by law.
<b>No Contract of Employment</b>	This Plan shall not be deemed to constitute a contract between the Employer and any Employee or to be a consideration or an inducement for the employment of any Employee. Nothing contained in this Plan shall be deemed to give any Employee the right to be retained in the service of the Employer or to interfere with the right of the Employer to discharge any Employee at any time regardless of the effect which such discharge shall have upon him as a participant of this Plan.
<b>Governing Law</b>	This Plan is governed by the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and the Treasury regulations issued thereunder (as they might be amended from time to time). To the extent not preempted by Federal law, the provisions of this Plan shall be construed, enforced and administered according to the laws of the State of Iowa.
<b>Severability</b>	If any provision of this Plan is held invalid or unenforceable, its invalidity or unenforceability shall not affect any other provision of the Plan, and the Plan shall be construed and enforced as if such provision had not been included herein.
<b>Failure to Enforce</b>	Failure to enforce any provision of this Plan does not constitute a waiver or otherwise affect the Plan Administrator's right to enforce such a provision at another time, nor will such failure affect the right to enforce any other Plan provision.
<b>Captions</b>	Captions contained are inserted only as a matter of convenience and for reference, and in no way define, limit, enlarge or describe the scope or intent of the Plan, nor in any way shall affect the Plan or the construction of any provision of the Plan.

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## 12. PRIVACY PROVISIONS

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<b>Protected Health Information</b>	Protected Health Information (PHI) means information that is created or received by the Plan and relates to the past, present, or future physical or mental health or condition of a participant; the provision of health
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care to a participant; or the past, present, or future payment for the provision of health care to a participant; and that identifies the participant or for which there is a reasonable basis to believe the information can be used to identify the participant. Protected Health Information includes information of persons living or deceased.

**Permitted and  
Required Uses  
and Disclosures**

Employer shall:

- ◆ not use or further disclose PHI other than as permitted by this Plan document or as required by law;
- ◆ ensure that any agents or subcontractors to whom it provides PHI received from the Plan agree to the same restrictions and conditions that apply to the Employer;
- ◆ not use or disclose PHI for employment-related actions or in connection with any other employee benefit plan;
- ◆ report to the duly appointed Privacy Officer any use or disclosure of the information that is inconsistent with the permitted uses or disclosures;
- ◆ make PHI available to Plan participants, consider their amendments and, upon request, provide them with an accounting of PHI disclosures;
- ◆ make the Employer's internal practices and records relating to the use and disclosure of PHI received from the Plan available to the Department of Health and Human Services upon request; and
- ◆ if feasible, return or destroy all PHI received from the Plan that the Employer still maintains in any form and retain no copies of such information when no longer needed for the purpose for which disclosure was made, except that, if such return or destruction is not feasible, limit further uses and disclosures to those purposes that make the return or destruction of the information infeasible.

**Certifications**

The Employer must certify to the duly appointed Privacy Officer that the Plan documents have been amended to include the above restrictions and that the Employer agrees to those restrictions. The Employer must also provide adequate safeguards to protect PHI.

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## **13. STATEMENT OF ERISA RIGHTS**

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**Your Rights**

As a participant in the Plan, you are entitled to certain rights and protections under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). ERISA provides that all Plan participants shall be entitled to:

- examine, without charge, at the Plan Administrator's office, all Plan documents, and copies of all documents filed by the Plan with the U.S. Department of Labor, such as detailed annual reports and Plan descriptions; and
- obtain copies of all Plan documents and other Plan information upon request to the Plan Administrator. The Plan Administrator may make a reasonable charge for the copies.

### **Fiduciary Obligations**

In addition to creating rights for Plan participants, ERISA imposes duties upon the people who are responsible for the operation of an employee benefit plan. The people who operate your Plan, called "fiduciaries" of the Plan, have a duty to do so prudently and in the best interest of you and other Plan participants.

### **No Discrimination**

No one, including your Employer or any other person, may fire you or otherwise discriminate against you in any way to prevent you from obtaining a benefit or exercising your rights under ERISA.

### **Right to Review**

If your claim for a benefit is denied in whole or in part, you must receive a written explanation of the reason for the denial. You have the right to have your claim reviewed and reconsidered.

### **Filing Suit**

Under ERISA there are steps you can take to enforce the above rights. For instance, if you request materials from the Plan and do not receive them within thirty days, you may file suit in a Federal court. In such a case, the court may request the Administrator to provide the materials and pay you up to \$100 a day until you receive the materials, unless the materials were not sent because of reasons beyond the control of the Administrator. If you have a claim for benefits which is denied or ignored, in whole or in part, you may file suit in a state or Federal court.

If it should happen that Plan fiduciaries misuse the Plan's money, or if you are discriminated against for asserting your rights, you may seek assistance from the U.S. Department of Labor, or you may file suit in a Federal court. The court will decide who should pay court costs and legal fees. If you are successful, the court may order the person you have sued to pay these costs and fees. If you lose, the court may order you to pay these costs and fees; for example, if it finds your claim is frivolous.

### **Questions**

If you have any questions about this statement or your rights under ERISA, you should contact the nearest office of the Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, listed in your

telephone directory or the Division of Technical Assistance and  
Inquiries, Pension and Welfare Benefits Administration, U.S.  
Department of Labor, 200 Constitution Avenue N.W., Washington, D.C.  
20210.

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## APPENDIX A

### Schedule of Benefits

#### Blackhawk Engineering, Inc. Medical Expense Reimbursement Plan

<b>BENEFIT</b>	<b>INDIVIDUAL LIMITS (Embedded Deductibles)</b>	<b>ADDITIONAL FAMILY LIMITS</b>
<b>DEDUCTIBLES</b>	<p>The Plan will pay 80% of any additional In-Network deductibles incurred by an individual during a Policy Year once that individual has incurred a total of \$4,000.00 of In-Network deductibles during the Policy Year.</p> <p>No Benefits are payable for services provided Out-of-Network.</p>	<p>The plan will pay 80% of any additional In-Network deductibles incurred by an Eligible Employee or any family member of that Eligible Employee during a Policy Year once the Eligible Employee and family members of that Eligible Employee have collectively incurred a total of \$8,000.00 of In-Network deductibles during the Policy Year.</p> <p>No Benefits are payable for services provided Out-of-Network.</p>
<b>OUT OF POCKET MAXIMUM</b>	<p>The Plan will pay 100% of all additional In-Network deductible, co-payment and coinsurance charges incurred by an individual during a Policy Year after the individual has incurred a combined total of \$6,000.00 of In-Network deductible, co-payment and coinsurance amounts (net of reimbursements) during the Policy Year.</p> <p>No Benefits are payable for services provided Out-of-Network.</p>	<p>The Plan will pay 100% of all additional In-Network deductible, co-payment and coinsurance charges incurred by any Eligible Employee or any family member of an Eligible Employee during a Policy Year after the Eligible Employee and family members of that Employee have collectively incurred a combined total of \$12,000.00 of In-Network deductible, co-payment and coinsurance amounts (net of reimbursements) during a Policy Year.</p> <p>No Benefits are payable for services provided Out-of-Network.</p>



## **APPENDIX B**

### **List of Affiliated Employers**

NONE