## AMENDMENT No. 17-6

#### TO THE

### RULES AND REGULATIONS

#### OF THE

# MEBA MEDICAL AND BENEFITS PLAN

On August 24, 2017, the Trustees of the MEBA Medical and Benefits Plan approved amendment of the MEBA Medical and Benefits Plan Rules and Regulations ("Plan") with respect to expenses for vision therapy as a Covered Medical Expense to (i) remove the limitation that vision therapy be a covered expense only if such therapy is provided in lieu of surgery; (ii) include expenses for treatment prescribed by and performed by a Doctor of Optometry. Expenses for vision therapy that otherwise meets the criteria as a Covered Medical Expense pursuant to this amendment will not be capped with respect to the number of visits.

The Plan, as heretofore amended, shall further be amended effective June 1, 2017 as follows:

- 1. Article VI, Section 2(d), *Legally Qualified Physician*, is amended to add the following new sentence at the end thereof
  - "For purposes of Section 3(e)(27), a duly licensed Doctor of Optometry is deemed to be a Legally Qualified Physician when acting within the scope of his/her license."
- 2. Article VI, Section 3(e)(27) is amended to read as follows (new language shown in *italics*, deletions shown in strikethrough):
  - (27) coverage of vision therapy when the condition can be corrected surgically and therapy is being performed in lieu of surgery prescribed by and performed under the supervision of a Legally Qualified Physician.
- 3. Article XI, Section 2(c) is amended to read as follows (new language shown in italics, deletions shown in strikethrough):
  - (c) Pensioners (and their Dependent spouse and Dependent children) shall be entitled to coverage of vision therapy only when the condition can be corrected surgically and therapy is being performed in lieu of surgery to the extent such vision therapy would be a covered expense under Article VI, Section 3(e)(27).

Adopted in Principle: May 25, 2017

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