

MetLife
Metropolitan Life Insurance Company
Group Life Claims
Telephone Number: 1-877-255-5862

### The Accelerated Benefits Option ("ABO")

## Please read the following important information before completing the attached ABO claim form:

- Claiming an accelerated benefit will reduce the amount of your life coverage in effect and will reduce any life coverage eligible for conversion.
- If any of your Group Life benefits have been assigned to someone else, the ABO is not available to you or your assignee.

#### **Applying for an Accelerated Benefit**

If, after you have given careful consideration to the ABO, you wish to claim an accelerated benefit, please complete the Claimant's Statement and Medical Authorization portion of the claim form, have your doctor provide the requested information, and return the completed claim form to MetLife.

#### An Example

The following illustrates in a general way how ABO works. Please refer to your Group Insurance certificate or Summary Plan Description for details of the specific provisions that apply to your coverage.

You currently have \$50,000 of Group Life Insurance and your plan allows you to accelerate up to 100% of your coverage if you meet specified criteria, but you elect to accelerate 80%.

ABO Provision:	
Your current coverage:	\$50,000
Amount accelerated:	\$40,000
Remaining Group Life Insurance Payable to Your Beneficiary:	\$10,000

You may elect to accelerate a lower percentage if you wish.

## **ABO Employer's Statement**

To the employer: Please make certain the Claimant's Statement and the Statement of Attending Physician are properly completed. Please complete the Employer's Statement and submit the claim to:

#### Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, Group Life Claims, P.O. Box 6100, Scranton, PA 18505-6100

Name of Covered Employee Last First			Middle		Date of Birth (Mo. / Day / Yr.)		☐ Male	Social Security Number		
Name of	Name of Policyholder State of Georgia									
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153651	0001	0001	☐ Dependent Spous	se Life					/ /	
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Please C	Complete	Informatio	on Below:							
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For empl	lovees wh	o are not a	actively at work, please	indicate status of em	nlovee	(select on	e item);			
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Reason				Reason						
Was life insurance cancelled? No Yes (Mo. / Day / Yr.)  Date premium payments for employee (Mo. / Day / Yr.)										
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Dear Claimant:

Attached is the material you have requested about MetLife's Accelerated Benefits Option ("ABO") for your Group Insurance plan.

Under the ABO, if you are diagnosed as having a terminal illness, with a life expectancy of twelve months or less, you may be eligible to receive a portion of your Group Life benefits. This option can provide financial assistance and flexibility in a crisis; therefore, it is important that you are aware of it.

The accelerated life insurance benefits offered under your certificate are intended to qualify for favorable tax treatment under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. If the accelerated benefits qualify for such favorable treatment, they will be excludable from your income and not subject to federal taxation. Receipt of accelerated death benefit payments may be taxable for purposes other than federal income tax. Tax laws relating to accelerated benefits are complex. You are advised to consult with a qualified tax advisor about circumstances under which you could receive accelerated benefits excludable from income under federal tax law.

Receipt of accelerated benefits may affect your eligibility, or that of your spouse or family, for public assistance programs such as medical assistance (Medicaid), Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC), Supplementary Social Security Income (SSI), and drug assistance programs. You are advised to consult with social services agencies concerning the effect receipt of accelerated benefits will have on public assistance eligibility for you, your spouse, or your family.

Approval of this claim is subject to an independent medical review by MetLife.

Please refer to your Group Insurance certificate or Summary Plan Description for details on the specific ABO provision for your MetLife Group coverage(s).

Sincerely,

MetLife Group Life Products

#### FRAUD WARNINGS

Before signing this claim form, please read the warning for the state where you reside and for the state where the insurance policy under which you are claiming a benefit was issued.

Alabama, Arkansas, District of Columbia, Louisiana, Massachusetts, Minnesota, New Mexico, Ohio, Rhode Island and West Virginia: Any person who knowingly presents a false or fraudulent claim for payment of a loss or benefit or knowingly presents false information in an application for insurance is guilty of a crime and may be subject to fines and confinement in prison.

**Alaska**: A person who knowingly and with intent to injure, defraud, or deceive an insurance company files a claim containing false, incomplete or misleading information may be prosecuted under state law.

**Arizona**: For your protection, Arizona law requires the following statement to appear on this form. Any person who knowingly presents a false or fraudulent claim for payment of a loss is subject to criminal and civil penalties.

**California**: For your protection, California law requires the following to appear on this form: Any person who knowingly presents a false or fraudulent claim for the payment of a loss is guilty of a crime and may be subject to fines and confinement in state prison.

**Colorado**: It is unlawful to knowingly provide false, incomplete or misleading facts or information to an insurance company for the purpose of defrauding or attempting to defraud the company. Penalties may include imprisonment, fines, denial of insurance and civil damages. Any insurance company or agent of an insurance company who knowingly provides false, incomplete, or misleading facts or information to a policyholder or claimant for the purpose of defrauding or attempting to defraud the policyholder or claimant with regard to a settlement or award payable from insurance proceeds shall be reported to the Colorado Division of Insurance within the Department of Regulatory Agencies.

**Delaware, Idaho, Indiana and Oklahoma**: WARNING: Any person who knowingly, and with intent to injure, defraud or deceive any insurer, makes any claim for the proceeds of an insurance policy containing any false, incomplete or misleading information is guilty of a felony.

**Florida**: A person who knowingly and with intent to injure, defraud or deceive any insurance company files a statement of claim or an application containing false, incomplete or misleading information is quilty of a felony of the third degree.

**Kentucky**: Any person who knowingly and with intent to defraud any insurance company or other person files a statement of claim containing any materially false information or conceals, for the purpose of misleading, information concerning any fact material thereto commits a fraudulent insurance act, which is a crime.

**Maine, Tennessee, Virginia and Washington**: It is a crime to knowingly provide false, incomplete or misleading information to an insurance company for the purposes of defrauding the company. Penalties may include imprisonment, fines or a denial of insurance benefits.

**Maryland**: Any person who knowingly and willfully presents a false or fraudulent claim for payment of a loss or benefit or who knowingly and willfully presents false information in an application for insurance is guilty of a crime and may be subject to fines and confinement in prison.

**New Hampshire**: Any person who, with a purpose to injure, defraud or deceive any insurance company, files a statement of claim containing any false, incomplete or misleading information is subject to prosecution and punishment for insurance fraud as provided in R.S.A. 638.20.

**New Jersey**: Any person who knowingly files a statement of claim containing any false or misleading information is subject to criminal and civil penalties.

**Oregon and Vermont**: Any person who knowingly presents a false statement of claim for insurance may be guilty of a criminal offense and subject to penalties under state law.

**Puerto Rico**: Any person who knowingly and with the intention to defraud includes false information in an application for insurance or files, assists or abets in the filing of a fraudulent claim to obtain payment of a loss or other benefit, or files more than one claim for the same loss or damage, commits a felony and if found guilty shall be punished for each violation with a fine of no less than five thousand dollars (\$5,000), not to exceed ten thousand dollars (\$10,000); or imprisoned for a fixed term of three (3) years, or both. If aggravating circumstances exist, the fixed jail term may be increased to a maximum of five (5) years; and if mitigating circumstances are present, the jail term may be reduced to a minimum of two (2) years.

**Texas**: Any person who knowingly presents a false or fraudulent claim for the payment of a loss is guilty of a crime and may be subject to fines and confinement in state prison.

**Pennsylvania and all other states**: Any person who knowingly and with intent to defraud any insurance company or other person files an application for insurance or statement of claim containing any materially false information, or conceals for the purpose of misleading, information concerning any fact material thereto commits a fraudulent insurance act, which is a crime and subjects such person to criminal and civil penalties.

# ACCELERATED BENEFITS CLAIM FORM Claimant's Statement

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Please complete this form and return it to your Employer.

1.	Name of Covered Employee Last First	Middle	Employee's Date of Birth (Mo. / Day / Yr.)	☐ Male ☐ Female	Employee's S	ocial Security Number		
2. Residence								
	Number and Street		City or Town	Sta	ate	Zip Code		
	Telephone Number ()		<del>_</del>					
3.	. Marital Status of Claimant 🗌 Single 🔲 Married 🔲 Widowed 🔲 Divorced 🔲 Separated							
4.	Is the claimant the Employee or Dependent? if spouse or child, please provide:	☐ Empl	oyee 🗌 Spouse 🔲 Child	t .				
	Name of Dependent Last First	Middle	Dependent's Date of Birth (Mo. / Day / Yr.) / /	☐ Male ☐ Female	Dependent's S	ocial Security Number		
5.	Have any of your Life Insurance benefits bee If "yes", specify which coverage	-		_ and amoun				
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6.	Select the coverage and amount you wish to							
	☐ Supplemental/Optional Life Insurance \$ ☐ Dependent Life Insurance \$							
7.	Payment option desired (please select one):  Lump Sum Three Monthly Installme	nts						
Ce	ertifications and Signature:							
Ву	signing below, I acknowledge:							
_	All information I have given is true and comp	olete to the	best of my knowledge and b	pelief.				
2	2. I have read the applicable Fraud Warning(s)	provided i	n this form.					
Me	Medical Authorization (NOTE: Approval of this claim is subject to an independent medical review by MetLife.)							
I authorize any insurance company, organization, employer, hospital, physician or pharmacist to release any information requested with regard to this claim.								
The	The covered employee must sign for all claims.							
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## **Statement of Attending Physician**

Patient's Name			

The information provided is to be used for claims evaluation and auditing purposes only.

The patient is responsible for having this form completed without expense to MetLife or the Employer. If more space is needed, please use reverse side of form.

History and Diagnosis  Does the condition, in whole or part, result from an			H. Subjective symptoms:						
intentionally self-inflicted injury or suicide attempt?									
A.	Does the condition, in whole or part, result from an intentionally self-inflicted injury or suicide attempt?  Yes No			State primary diagnosis and use ICD-9 code:					
	If yes, please explain								
					dary diagnosis and comp				
B.	Date symptoms first appeared or accid	lent occurred		use ICD-9 co	ode:				
	C. Date of first visit			J. Past, present and future course of treatment:					
D.	Date of most recent examination	_							
E.	Frequency of visits/treatments								
F.	Past history:		14						
			K.	Other known	injuries or presently acti	ve diseases:			
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G.	Objective findings (including pertinent l results):	laboratory test	L.	L. What is patient's functional status, that is, is he or she					
					mbulatory, etc.?				
ls t	ne patient hospitalized or confined in so	me other facility?	☐ Ye	es 🗌 No	If Yes:				
A.	Name of hospital/facility								
B.	Address of hospital/facility								
	C. Dates of Confinement								
To qualify for this benefit, the patient must suffer from a terminal condition while covered for Life Insurance Benefits. "Terminal condition" means a sickness or an injury which is expected to result in his/her death within 12 months; and from which he/she is not expected to recover.									
In y	our opinion, does the patient meet thes	se requirements? [	] Ye	s 🗌 No					
In your opinion is the patient competent to endorse checks and direct the use of their proceeds?									
Name of Physician				Board (	Certified Specialty				
	eet Address	City or Town			State	Zip Code			
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Tel	Telephone Number Date Signed			Signature					

## **Statement of Attending Physician (Continued)**

Patient's Name	
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