Retiree's Report – April 2014

The second quarter for the healthcare contribution deductible to be applied to your medical claims began on April 1.

On the website Chris has posted on my behalf Green Shield's Drug Dispensing Cost Breakdown information. There are plandesign features that are not shown on your prescription receipt that are reflected in the final cost of your prescription. Features include Copayment, Healthcare Contribution Deductible, Dispensing Fee Caps, etc. Understanding the cost breakdown will help you demystify your prescription receipt.

Green Shield has updated their Plan Member Online Services. Once logged in you can search for eligible providers in your area such as Chiropractors, Massage Therapists, Dentists, Optometrists, just to name a few. Please remember that we do not have Acupuncture or Physiotherapy coverage, but they are listed on the search screen if you do wish to find one in your area. There is also a drug coverage search tool, where you enter the name or Drug Identification Number of the drug being prescribed and they will tell you if it is covered or not or if special requirements are needed prior to approval. Please remember that the cost breakdown (as stated in previous paragraph) applies if covered. Go to Green Shield's website at <u>www.greenshield.ca</u> to sign up or login access these new features.

A reminder for those that still pay premiums for the Ford Optional Life Insurance. Coverage ends the last day of the calendar month when you attain 70 years old. Since you are retired you cannot increase your coverage, but at any time you can decrease or terminate your coverage. Contact the Benefit Office if you wish to decrease or terminate your Ford Optional Life Insurance.

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