

THE EDMONTON PIPE INDUSTRY

HEALTH, WELFARE & PENSION TRUST FUNDS

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To: All Members
The Edmonton Pipe Industry Health & Welfare Plan

Re: Important Plan Announcements

Dear Plan Member,

Please take note of the following important Plan announcements:

1. All claims for dental services, massage therapy, physiotherapy, chiropractor and naturopath/acupuncture services that were incurred in 2020 must be submitted no later than **April 30, 2021** in order to facilitate the granting of up to 25% of the annual maximum for those benefits due to the impact of COVID-19 during the months of March, April, May and June 2020. Members must have been covered for the months of March, April, May and June 2020 to be eligible. **Claims submitted for these services, incurred in 2020 and submitted after April 30, 2021 will not be eligible for reimbursement.**

2. Effective March 1, 2021, the Health & Welfare Plan will no longer be using the services of the Construction Employees & Family Assistance Plan (CEFAP) as the Plan's employee assistance program provider. In place of CEFAP, effective March 1, 2021, the Health & Welfare Plan will utilize the services of the United Associations Member Assistance Plan (UAMAP). Details regarding the UAMAP can be found on the Plan's website at www.epibenefitplans.com **When contacting the UAMAP, please identify yourself as a UA Local 488 Member and provide your Union Membership Number.**

3. As a reminder, all claims must be submitted electronically. **The Administration Office will no longer accept "paper" claims from Members or Service Providers for reimbursement by cheque.** Any claims received on "paper" will be returned. For information or assistance on the electronic claims submission please visit the Plan's website at www.epibenefitplans.com

Sincerely,

The Board of Trustees