

## HARTFORD LIFE AND ACCIDENT INSURANCE COMPANY

### Notice of Information Practices

#### **This notice applies to residents of Massachusetts.**

The Hartford Life and Accident Company respects your right to privacy and values your trust. This Notice explains how we collect, use and protect your personal information and your rights regarding that information.

**Information We Collect:** While your application for insurance is our primary source of information about you, we may also need to collect or verify information from other sources such as physicians and other medical and health care providers and professionals, health facilities such as hospitals, clinics, pharmacies, employers, consumer reporting agencies, and insurance- support organizations, which may provide us with an investigative consumer report about you. Organizations that provide us with consumer reports about you may disclose the contents of the report to others for which such organization performs such services. We may collect personal information about you that is necessary to determine your eligibility for insurance, to service your insurance policy, and otherwise as permitted by law; the information may include information from which judgments can be made about your age, health and medical history, occupation, avocations, finances, credit, character, habits, general reputation, or any other personal characteristics. We also collect information about your transactions with us, such as the products you buy from us; the amount you paid for those products; your account balances; and your payment and claims history.

**Personal History Interview:** To provide you, our client, with the best possible service, we may also conduct what we call a personal history interview. This is a phone call placed from our underwriting office. Its purpose is to make sure that the application information is complete. Our interviewers are trained to conduct their calls in a friendly, professional manner. The nature of the information discussed is always treated as personal and confidential and will only be used to assess your eligibility for insurance.

**Medical Information Bureau (MIB) Pre-Notice:** Information regarding your insurability will be treated as confidential. Hartford Life and Accident Insurance Company or its reinsurer(s) may, however, make a brief report thereon to the MIB, Inc., formerly known as Medical Information Bureau, a not-for-profit membership organization of insurance companies, which operates an information exchange on behalf of its members. If you apply to another MIB member company for life or health insurance coverage, or a claim for benefits is submitted to such a company, MIB, upon request, will supply such company, with the information about you in its file. Upon receipt of a request from you, MIB will arrange disclosure of any information in your file. Please contact MIB at (866) 692-6901 (TTY (866) 346-3642). If you question the accuracy of the information in MIB's file, you may contact MIB and seek a correction in accordance with the procedures set forth in the Federal Fair Credit Reporting Act. The address of MIB's information office is 50 Braintree Hill Park, Suite Model 400, Braintree, Massachusetts 02184-8734. Hartford Life and Accident Insurance Company, or their reinsurers, may also release information from their files to other

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insurance companies to whom you may apply for life or health insurance, or to whom a claim for benefits may be submitted. Information for consumers about MIB may be obtained on its website at [www.mib.com](http://www.mib.com).

**Disclosure of Personal Information:** We will not disclose your personal information to third parties without your authorization except in connection with our business or as otherwise permitted or required by law. For example, in connection with our general business practices, we may disclose personal information we collect to: companies performing services or functions on our behalf, including other insurers, agents or insurance-support organizations, including for the purpose of determining your eligibility for insurance benefits or payments; detect or prevent fraud or criminal activity in connection with insurance transactions; medical care institutions or medical professionals for the purposes of verifying coverage or benefits; insurance regulatory authorities or law enforcement of other governmental authorities to prevent or prosecute the perpetration of fraud; the policyholder of a group insurance policy (for example an employer who provides group insurance) for purposes of reporting claims experience, conducting an audit of our operations or services, risk mitigation or other permissible purposes; third parties who collect data regarding claims for purposes of underwriting and claims handling, or to a third party as otherwise permitted or required by law; or reinsurers. Information obtained from a report prepared by an insurance-support organization may be retained by the insurance-support organization and disclosed to other persons.

**How We Protect Your Information:** We employ administrative, technical and physical safeguards to protect the security, confidentiality and integrity of personal information. We will continue to protect your information even when a business relationship no longer exists between us.

**Right to Access and Right to Correct/Amend/Delete:** You have the right to access what personal, including medical, information we have in our files about you, to whom it has been recently disclosed, to have access to the information, to correct the information, and to receive a copy. We are not required to provide you access to information that is collected when we evaluate a claim or when the possibility of a lawsuit exists.

Within 30 days of receipt of your written request, we will make any of this personal information available to you or to your designated representative. You also have the right to request correction, amendment or deletion of any of this personal information. Within 30 business days of receipt of your written request, we will notify you of our correction, amendment or deletion of the information in dispute, or our refusal to make such correction, amendment or deletion after further investigation. In the event that we refuse to correct, amend or delete the information in dispute, you have the right to submit to us a written statement of the reasons for your disagreement with our assessment of the information in dispute and what you consider to be the correct information. We shall make such a statement accessible to any and all parties reviewing the information in dispute.

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Please contact us if you would like access to your information from your files. There may be a reasonable charge for copies of records. If you think your file contains incorrect information, notify us indicating what you believe is incorrect and your reasons. We will investigate the matter and either correct our records or place a statement from you in our files explaining why you believe the information is incorrect. We will also notify persons or organizations to whom we previously disclosed the information of the change or your statement.

If you request access to medical record information that was supplied to us by a medical care institution or medical professional, we may choose to provide it to a medical professional designated by you.

**Rights Relating to Adverse Underwriting Decision:** You have the right to certain information relating to adverse underwriting decisions we may make about You, including the reason for such decision. In the event that coverage for which you have applied is declined, terminated for reasons other than failure to pay your premium, or offered to you at a higher than standard rate, you have the right to request in writing within 90 days the specific reasons why. Within 21 days of receipt of your written request, we will submit to you a written statement of the specific reasons for our decision and the specific items in your recorded personal information that support that decision.

***How to make a request:*** If you wish to exercise your rights as provided in this notice, please provide us with your full name, complete address, your policy number or other identifying information and a reasonable description of the information you wish to access or correct. Please send your written request to: The Hartford, Attn: Medical Underwriting, PO Box 2999, Hartford, CT 06104-2999.