| 1 | Memorandum of Agreement | | |
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| 2 | Implementation of Article 11 – Health and Welfare | | |
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| 4 | I. Parties | | |
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| 6 | The parties to this Agreement are Multnomah County, Oregon, hereinafter | | |
| 7 | referred to as the County, and Local 86, of the American Federation of State, County | | |
| .8 | and Municipal Employees, AFL-CIO, hereinafter referred to as the Union. | | |
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| 10 | II. Background | | |
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| 12 | The County and the Union are currently in negotiations for a successor | | |
| 13 | agreement to be effective July 1, 2007. Negotiations are at the interest arbitration | | |
| 14 | stage, awaiting the decision of an arbitrator. Article 11 - Health and Welfare is not in | | |
| 15 | dispute. The parties want to implement Article 11 so that members can participate in | | |
| 16 | open enrollment for agreed upon changes that are to be effective January 1, 2009. | | |
| 17 | Therefore, without delay, the parties have agreed that the following contract language | | |
| 18 | will go into effect upon signing of this agreement and that the language will be inserted | | |
| 19 | into the parties July 1, 2007 agreement. | | |
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| 21 | III. Agreement | | |
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| 23 | ARTICLE 11 | | |
| 24 | HEALTH AND WELFARE | | |
| 25 | I. Medical and Dental Insurance | | |
| 26 | A. <u>Medical/Vision/Prescription/Dental Insurance Coverage</u> (July 1, 2007 | | |
| 27 | – December 31, 2008) | | |
| 28 | 1. <u>Full-time employees</u> (July 1, 2007-December 31, 2008) | | |
| 29 | a. <u>Medical/Vision/Prescription Insurance</u> | | |
| 30 | Effective July 1, 2007 each eligible full-time active enrolled | | |
| 31 | employee's monthly contribution for the purchase of medical/vision/prescription benefit | | |
| 32 | plan coverage will be as follows: | | |

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|---------------------------------------|---------------------|------------------|--|--------------|
| PI | an | Total Premium | Full-Time Employee Monthly Contribution Rate | |
| ODS Plus PPO | Plan | | | |
| \$ 1.4 | Single | \$499.68 | \$49.98 | |
| | Two-Party | \$999.38 | \$99.94 | |
| | Family | \$1,425.14 | \$142.50 | |
| ODS Preferred | PPO Plan | | · | |
| 34 1.35 | Single | \$439.18 | \$13.18 | # # 1 |
| | Two-Party | \$878.36 | \$26.36 | |
| | Family | \$1,252.58 | \$37.58 | |
| ODS Major Me | dical Plan - Full-1 | Time employee r | eceives \$50 mo | nthly rebate |
| | Single | \$225.06 | \$0.00 | |
| | Two-Party | \$448.68 | \$0.00 | |
| | Family | \$639.14 | \$0.00 | |
| Kaiser HMO PI | an | | | |
| | Single | \$430.64 | \$8.60 | |
| | Two-Party | \$861.28 | \$17.24 | |
| | Family | \$1,227.32 | \$24.54 | |

Although the above listed Total Premiums may change on July 1, 2008, the County agrees to maintain the listed Employee Monthly Contribution

Rates through December 31, 2008.

b. <u>Dental Insurance</u>

Effective July 1, 2007 each eligible full-time active enrolled employee's monthly contribution for the purchase of dental benefit plan coverage will be as follows:

| | Plan | Total Premium | Full-Time Employee Monthly Contribution Rate | |
|----------|-------------|------------------|---|--|
| ODS De | ental Plan | | | |
| | Single | \$46.92 | \$4.68 | |
| | Two-Party | \$93.86 | \$8.46 | |
| | Family | \$133.72 | \$12.04 | |
| Kaiser I | Dental Plan | | | |
| | Single | \$71.66 | \$8.04 | |
| | Two-Party | \$143.30 | \$16.08 | |
| | Family | \$204.20 | \$23.80 | |

Although the above listed Total Premiums may change on July 1, 2008, the County agrees to maintain the listed Employee Monthly Contribution Rates through December 31, 2008.

2. Part-time employees (July 1, 2007-December 31, 2008)

a. <u>Medical/Vision/Prescription Insurance</u>

Effective July 1, 2007 each eligible part-time active enrolled employee's monthly contribution for the purchase of a medical/vision/prescription benefit plan is as follows:

| Plan | Total Premium | Part-Time Employee Monthly Contribution Rate | |
|---------------------------|------------------|--|--|
| ODS Plus PPO Plan | | | |
| Single | \$499.68 | \$274.62 | |
| Two-Party | \$999.38 | \$550.70 | |
| Family | \$1,425.14 | \$786.00 | |
| ODS Preferred PPO Plan | | | |
| Single | \$439.18 | \$164.12 | |
| Two-Party | \$878.36 | \$379.68 | |
| Family | \$1,252.58 | \$563.44 | |
| ODS Major Medical Plan | | | |
| Single | \$225.06 | \$0.00 | |
| Two-Party | \$448.68 | \$0.00 | |
| Family | \$639.14 | \$0.00 | |
| Kaiser HMO Plan | | | |
| Single | \$430.64 | \$155.58 | |
| Two-Party | \$861.28 | \$362.60 | |
| Family | \$1,227.32 | \$538.18 | |
| Kaiser Maintenance Medica | al Plan | | |
| Single | \$323.04 | \$0.00 | |
| Two-Party | \$646.06 | \$25.84 | |
| Family | \$920.64 | \$64.44 | |

The County will provide the ODS Major Medical Plan at no cost to part-time employees. Part-time employees may elect to purchase one of the other medical/vision/prescription plans available through the County and part-time employee will pay the difference in cost between the County's allowance for the Major Medical Plan and the cost of the selected plan based on coverage level (single, two-party, or family). The County will provide an additional \$50 monthly premium subsidy to part-time employees who enroll in either the Kaiser HMO Plan or the ODS Preferred PPO Plan, regardless of tier.

 Although the above listed Total Premiums may change on July 1, 2008, the County agrees to maintain the listed Employee Monthly Contribution Rates through December 31, 2008.

b. <u>Dental Insurance</u>

Part-time employees may receive dental benefits upon payment of fifty percent (50%) of the total monthly dental plan premium.

B. <u>Medical/Vision/Prescription/Dental Insurance Plans</u> (Effective January 1, 2009)

1. Plan Year.

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 The County and Union agree to shift the Health plan year from the current fiscal year basis of July – June to a calendar year basis as of January 1, 2009.

2. ODS Medical Plan

- a. Effective January 1, 2009, the County will offer a new self-insured medical plan administered by ODS. The new plan is the ODS Platinum Plan.
- **b.** Effective January 1, 2009, the Plus and Preferred medical plans will no longer be available to members (active, COBRA, or retired).
- c. The Major Medical Plan will continue to be offered through December 31, 2009 to Full-Time, Part-Time employees, COBRA, and retired participants. Effective January 1, 2010, the Major Medical Plan will only be available to Part-Time employees, COBRA, and retired participants.
- **d.** The new ODS Platinum Plan will be administered by ODS and will include the following coverage:

| Medical Coverage Levels | | | | |
|---|---|---|--|--|
| Annual Deductible | \$300.00 individual | \$900.00 family | | |
| Annual Out of Pocket Maximum | \$1,500.00 individual | \$4,500.00 family | | |
| Alternative Care (limited to licensed chiropractor or massage therapist) | 50% up to \$350.00 per individual | No family maximum | | |
| Emergency Room | \$100.00 co-pay Waived if admitted | | | |
| Routine Physical (payable at appropriate co-insurance level and not subject to annual deductible) | Up to \$400.00 - per plan year for services rendered by a MD, DO, or ND | | | |
| Percentage of coverage by plan | | | | |
| Type of Care | In-Network Provider | Out of Network Provider | | |
| Office Visits | 85% | 65% | | |
| Inpatient Hospital | 85% | 65% | | |
| Outpatient Surgery | 85% | 65% | | |
| Acupuncture | 85% | 65% | | |
| Lifetime Maximum | \$2 million per person (all ODS plans combined) | (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) | | |
| Hearing aids (exam/appliance) | 50% up to \$500 per 36 months, per ear | | | |
| Prescription Drug Coverage for ODS Platinum Plan | | | | |

| Retail Prescription Drugs | 30-Day Supply | |
|---|-------------------------------|---|
| Generic (Tier1) | 20% co-pay with \$50 maximum | |
| Preferred Brand Name (Tier 2) | 20% co-pay with \$50 maximum | |
| Non-Preferred Brand Name (Tier 3) | 50% co-pay with no maximum | |
| Mail Order Prescription Drugs | 90-Day Supply | |
| Generic (Tier 1) | 20% co-pay with \$30 maximum | |
| Preferred Brand Name (Tier 2) | 20% co-pay with \$125 maximum | |
| Non-Preferred Brand Name (Tier 3) | 50% co-pay with no maximum | |
| Annual Rx out of pocket maximum. Tier 1 and Tier 2 only apply towards annual maximum: Co-pays for Tier 3 Non-Preferred Brand Name do not apply towards out of pocket maximum. | \$2,000.00 per person | No family maximum. Not combined with medical out of pocket maximum |

- e. Naturopathic doctors (ND) will be covered the same as medical doctors (MD) and osteopathic doctors (DO). The parties recognize that not all naturopathic doctors are PPO Network members and not all naturopathic procedures are covered by insurance. Employees are responsible for confirming both provider PPO Network status and coverage levels prior to treatment. Routine physical exams are covered per the chart above. The deductible and applicable co-payments will apply for all other covered services. All prescription medication must be purchased through the County's network pharmacy plan.
- 3. ODS Dental Plan There are no changes to the existing ODS Dental Plan.

4. Kaiser Medical Plan

- **a.** Effective January 1, 2009 office visit co-pays will be ten dollars (\$10).
- **b.** Prescription co-pays will be ten dollars (\$10) for a thirty (30) day supply for generic and formulary brand-name medications. The mail order co-pay will be twenty dollars (\$20) for a ninety (90) day supply, generic and formulary brand-name medications.
- c. The Kaiser Maintenance Medical Plan is available to Part-Time employees and retirees. It is not available to Full-Time employees.

5. Kaiser Dental and Orthodontia Plan

a. Effective January 1, 2009 office visit co-pay will be ten dollars (\$10).

b. Effective January 1, 2009 coverage for Orthodontia treatment will continue to be limited to children under age eighteen (18) only. The maximum benefit allowance, per child, will be three thousand dollars (\$3,000.00). A member will pay fifty percent (50%) of charges, from a Kaiser Orthodontist, for the first six thousand dollars (\$6,000) in treatment costs. A member will pay one hundred percent (100%) of charges in excess of the first six thousand dollars (\$6,000) in treatment costs. For example: if the total cost for orthodontia comes to six thousand seven hundred dollars (\$6700), the employee would be responsible for fifty percent (50%) of the first six thousand dollars (\$6,000), and then one hundred percent (100%) of the remainder. In this example the total employee cost would be three thousand seven hundred dollars (\$3700) (\$6000 x 50%=\$3000+\$700 which is 100% of the balance over \$3000). (Any covered dependent who has been banded prior to January 1, 2009 under the existing Kaiser Orthodontic program (which will end December 31, 2008) will remain eligible to receive the existing orthodontic benefit for the remainder of current orthodontic treatment plan or treatment phase.)

C. <u>Definitions and Contributions Toward Insurance Premiums</u>

1. <u>Definitions</u>

a. Full-Time Employee Definition

Employees who are regularly scheduled to work at least thirty-two (32) hours per week, or regularly scheduled to work at least thirty (30) hours per week on a ten (10) hour per day schedule.

b. Part-Time Employee Definition

Effective January 1, 2009 the following definitions will apply to Part-Time employees related only to Article 11, Section I Medical and Dental Insurance. These new definitions do not apply to other sections or articles of the contract.

i) Three-Quarter Time Employee Definition

Employees who are regularly scheduled to work at least thirty (30) hours but less than thirty-two (32) hours per week (however, not scheduled for three (3), ten (10) hours per day) are hereinafter referred to as Three-Quarter Time employees.

ii) Half-Time Employee Definition

Employees who are regularly scheduled to work at least twenty (20) hours but less than thirty (30) hours per week are hereinafter referred to as Half-Time employees.

2. <u>Medical Insurance Contributions</u>

a. Full-Time Employees

Effective January 1, 2009 each eligible Full-Time active, enrolled employee's monthly contribution for medical/vision/prescription coverage will be calculated as a percentage of the total monthly premium as follows:

| Full-Time Employees | | | | |
|------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|--|--|
| Medical Plan | County Contribution | Employee Contribution | | |
| ODS Platinum Plan | 93.25% | 6.75% | | |
| ODS Major Medical Plan | 100% | 0% | | |
| Kaiser Medical Plan | 95% | 5% | | |

During 2009 Full-Time employees who enroll in the Major Medical coverage will be eligible for a monthly fifty dollar (\$50) rebate.

b. Three-Quarter Time Employees

Effective January 1, 2009 each Three-Quarter Time eligible active, enrolled employee's monthly contribution for medical/vision/prescription coverage will be calculated as a percentage of the total monthly premium by tier as follows:

| Three-Quarter Time Employees | | | | |
|---------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|--|--|
| Medical Plan | County Contribution | Employees' Contribution | | |
| ODS Platinum Plan | 75% | 25% | | |
| ODS Major Medical Plan | 100% | 0% | | |
| Kaiser Medical Plan | 75% | 25% | | |
| Kaiser Maintenance Medical Plan | 90% | 10% | | |

c. Half-Time Employees

Effective January 1, 2009 each Half-Time eligible active, enrolled employee's monthly contribution for medical/vision/prescription coverage will be calculated as a percentage of the total monthly premium for each medical/vision/prescription benefit plan and coverage tier as follows:

| Hali | F-Time Employees | |
|-------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|
| Medical Plan | County Contribution | Employees' Contribution |
| ODS Platinum Plan | 50% | 50% |

| ODS Major Medical Plan | 100% | 0% |
|---------------------------------|------|-----|
| Kaiser Medical Plan | 50% | 50% |
| Kaiser Maintenance Medical Plan | 90% | 10% |

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d. Effective January 1, 2009 Half-Time employees who enroll in the ODS Platinum Plan will receive an additional thirty-five dollar (\$35) monthly premium subsidy provided by the County. This additional premium subsidy will end December 31, 2009. Beginning January 1, 2010, there will be no premium subsidy associated with this election.

e. Effective January 1, 2009 Half-Time employees who enroll in the Kaiser Medical Plan will receive an additional fifty dollar (\$50) monthly premium subsidy provided by the County. This monthly premium subsidy will continue for the duration of the contract.

3. <u>Dental Insurance Contributions</u>

a. Effective January 1, 2009 each eligible Full-Time active, enrolled employee's monthly contribution for dental coverage will be calculated as a percentage of the total monthly premium as follows:

| Full | -Time Employees | |
|--------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| Dental Plan | County Contribution | Employee Contribution |
| ODS Dental Plan | 95% | 5% |
| Kaiser Dental Plan | 95% | 5% |

b. Effective January 1, 2009 each eligible Three-Quarter Time active, enrolled employee's monthly contribution for dental coverage will be calculated as a percentage of the total monthly premium as follows:

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| Three-Q | Quarter Time Employees | The second secon |
|--------------------|------------------------|--|
| Dental Plan | County Contribution | Employees' Contribution |
| ODS Dental Plan | 75% | 25% |
| Kaiser Dental Plan | 75% | 25% |

c. Effective January 1, 2009 each eligible Half-Time active, enrolled employee's monthly contribution for dental coverage will be calculated as a percentage of the total monthly premium as follows:

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|--------------------|---------------------|--|
| Dental Plan | County Contribution | Employees' Contribution |
| ODS Dental Plan | 50% | 50% |
| Kaiser Dental Plan | 50% | 50% |

- D. <u>Premium Calculations</u>. For Kaiser Plans, the premium charges shall be the amount charged by Kaiser to the County. For the ODS plans, the premium charges shall be calculated, using sound actuarial principles, and include projected claim costs based on plan experience as required by state regulations, IBNR expenses, Oregon Medical Insurance Pool assessments, pharmaceutical claim expenses, stop-loss premiums, third-party benefit plan administration costs, and an appropriate trend factor selected to limit County contributions and employee cost shares while providing adequate funding for plan operations.
- **E.** <u>Employee Contribution.</u> Employee contributions will be made through payroll deductions. Enrollment in a County sponsored medical/vision/prescription plan and associated employee contribution is mandatory for employees who do not "Opt Out" of medical/vision/prescription coverage.

F. <u>Employee Cost-Share Review</u>

- 1. The parties recognize that the current structure for employee premium sharing needs to be reviewed and modified. Certain inequities are built into the current system. For example, employees who are regularly scheduled to work:
- a. at least thirty-two (32) hours per week but less than forty (40) hours or regularly scheduled to work at least thirty (30) hours per week on a ten (10) hour per day schedule are considered Full-Time employees,
- **b.** at least thirty (30) hours per week but less than thirty-two (32) hours per week are considered Three-Quarter Time employees, and
- c. at least twenty (20) hours per week but less than thirty (30) hours per week are considered Half-Time employees.

The parties recognize that the Local 88 Employee Benefit Team is charged with exploring the feasibility of designing a pro-rated employee premium sharing structure that is more equitably linked to actual FTE than the three tiers outlined in this Article.

The parties agree to meet and take into consideration any recommendations issued by the Local 88 Employee Benefit Team that addresses any changes to the current pro-rated structure.

G. Opt-Out - Waiver of Benefits.

a. Employees may elect to waive participation (Opt Out of coverage) in the County's medical/vision/prescription insurance plans by making that election on their Benefit Enrollment form. Employees making such election must provide proof of other group medical/vision/prescription insurance in order to make the Opt Out election. Employees will not be eligible to change their election until the County's official open enrollment period, unless the employee experiences an IRS recognized family status change event that would allow a mid-year health plan election change.

b. <u>Full-Time Employees Who Opt Out.</u>

Effective July 1, 2007 employees who Opt Out medical/vision/prescription coverage will receive a reimbursement paid by the County of \$150 (gross) per month.

Effective January 1, 2009 employees who waive medical/vision/prescription coverage will receive a reimbursement paid by the County of \$250 (gross) per month.

c. <u>Part-Time Employees who waive coverage.</u>

Effective July 1, 2007 employees who waive medical/vision/prescription coverage will receive a reimbursement paid by the County of \$75 (gross) per month.

Effective January 1, 2009 employees who waive medical/vision/prescription coverage will receive a reimbursement paid by the County of \$125 (gross) per month.

H. <u>Successor Plans and Carriers</u>

In the event that any of the current insurance plans become unavailable, the County agrees to provide to affected employees a substitute plan for the same service delivery type, if available, at substantially the same or better benefit levels. If a plan or carrier is discontinued and no substitute plan is available of the same service delivery type, the employee will be offered the option to enroll in an alternative service delivery plan.

If the County chooses to change from a plan or carrier which is still available, the County agrees that the overall existing level of benefits for each plan will not be reduced.

I. <u>Premium Reimbursement for Part-time employees</u>

Effective July 1, 2007 – December 31, 2008 Part-time employees who work full time (at least .8 FTE) for six consecutive pay periods will be reimbursed, as if they were entitled to full time benefits (does not include Major Medical Plan Option rebate), for premium payments made to the County for those payroll periods, adjusted for taxes. However, such payment will be made only upon written request submitted by the employee to the Employee Benefits Office within 90 days of the last payroll period of full-time work.

1. Reimbursement Eligibility (Effective January 1, 2009)

Three-Quarter Time and Half-Time employees will be eligible for premium reimbursement if they work the minimum required number of hours for each of six (6) consecutive pay periods. The six (6) pay periods used for calculation are considered a single qualifying block of time. The six (6) consecutive pay period block shall only be applied to one reimbursement request. Changes to a submitted reimbursement request will be considered only if a submitted payroll period is determined to be ineligible.

2. Hours Required for Reimbursement (Effective January 1, 2009)

- a. For purposes of this calculation, Full-Time is defined as the total number of regular hours in a pay period for an employee scheduled to work Monday through Friday, eight (8) hours per day.
- b. "Work" for purposes of this section is defined as regular hours worked, and any paid time such as holiday, vacation or sick time. Overtime hours are not considered time worked for purposes of reimbursement calculations.
- c. Hours required for Three-Quarter-Time reimbursements and Full-Time reimbursements per pay period will be calculated according to the chart below.

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| | Per Pay Period | |
|---------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Total Regular Hours | Minimum Qualifying Hours | |
| Full-Time | Full-Time Reimbursements | Three-Quarter Time Reimbursements |
| 72 | 57.5 | 54 |
| 80 | 64 | 60 |
| 88 | 70.5 | 66 |
| 96 | 76.75 | 72 |

3. Reimbursement Options (Effective January 1, 2009)

a. Full-Time Reimbursement

Three-Quarter Time employees and Half-Time employees may be eligible for Full-Time reimbursements. To qualify, time worked in each pay period must meet the minimum qualifying hours for Full-Time reimbursements for all six (6) consecutive pay periods. Any such premium reimbursements made to the employee will be adjusted for appropriate taxes.

b. Three-Quarter Time Reimbursement

Half-Time employees may be eligible for Three-Quarter Time reimbursements. To qualify, time worked in each pay period must meet the minimum qualifying hours for Three-Quarter Time reimbursements for all six (6) consecutive pay periods. Any such premium reimbursements made to the employee will be adjusted for appropriate taxes.

c. Example

A Half-Time employee works six (6) consecutive pay periods, three (3) pay periods at Three-Quarter Time and three (3) pay periods at Full-Time (see chart). The employee would be eligible to apply for a Three-Quarter reimbursement using these six (6) consecutive pay periods. The employee would not be eligible to apply for a Full-Time reimbursement using these six (6) consecutive pay periods.

d. Reimbursements Combining 2008 and 2009 Pay Periods

Any requests using a combination of 2008 and 2009 pay periods will be eligible for Full-Time reimbursement only. The minimum qualifying hours for 2008 is sixty-four (64) hours per pay period. The minimum qualifying hours for 2009 is based on Full-Time reimbursement hours in the above chart listed above.

- **e.** Employees who elect the Kaiser Maintenance Plan will not be eligible for medical plan premium reimbursements.
- f. Employees who elect the Major Medical Plan will not be eligible for medical plan premium reimbursements.
- **g.** Employees who elect to "Opt-out" and/or decline dental plan enrollment will not be eligible for premium reimbursement.
- h. Reimbursement payments will be made only upon written request submitted by the employee to the Employee Benefits Office within ninety (90)

days of the last payroll period of eligible Full-Time or Three-Quarter Time work.

J. Retirees

Provisions governing retiree participation in County medical and dental plans are in Article 16, "Section V".

K. <u>Default Enrollment</u>

- 1. New full-time employees who fail to submit timely application for enrollment into the medical-dental benefit plans described in Section A.1 will be enrolled by default in the County's Major Medical plan and ODS Dental plan, with employee only coverage. Effective January 1, 2010 default plans will be ODS Platinum Plan and ODS Dental Plan described in Section B.2. Eligible dependents of such employees may be enrolled in the default plans if the employee submits application requesting dependent enrollment within 15 days of receiving notice of his or her default enrollment.
- 2. New part-time employees who fail to submit a timely application for enrollment into the medical and dental benefits described in Section A.2 (Effective January 1, 2009 default plan is described in Section B.2) above will be enrolled by default in the County's Major Medical plan, with employee only coverage. Eligible dependents of such employees may be enrolled in the default plan if the employee submits application requesting dependent enrollment within 15 days of receiving notice of his or her default enrollment.

L. <u>Eligible Dependents</u>

1. Spouses and domestic partners

a. **Definitions**

- i. A "spouse" is a person to whom the employee is married under Oregon law.
- ii. A "domestic partner" is a person with whom the employee:
- (a) Jointly shares the same permanent residence for at least six months immediately preceding the date of signing an Affidavit of Marriage or Domestic Partnership; and intends to continue to do so indefinitely, or if registered with the Multnomah County partnership registry or State of Oregon Domestic Partner registry, the six month waiting period is waived; and
 - (b) Has a close personal relationship.

| 1 | in addition, the employee and the other person must share the following characteristics: |
|----|--|
| 2 | (c) Are not legally married to anyone; |
| 3 | (d) Are each eighteen years of age or older; |
| 4 | (e) Are not related to each other by blood in a |
| 5 | degree of kinship closer than would bar marriage in the State of Oregon; |
| 6 | (f) Were mentally competent to contract when the |
| 7 | domestic partnership began; |
| 8 | (g) Are each other's sole domestic partner; |
| 9 | (h) Are jointly responsible for each other's |
| 10 | common welfare including "basic living expenses" as defined in the Affidavit of Marriage |
| 11 | or Domestic Partnership. |
| 12 | b. <u>Enrollment of Spouse/Domestic Partner</u> |
| 13 | Employee may enroll spouse or domestic partner in County |
| 14 | medical and dental plans upon completion of the County's Affidavit of Marriage or |
| 15 | Domestic Partnership and applicable enrollment forms. Enrollment times and other |
| 16 | procedures for administration of the medical/vision and dental insurance plans shall be |
| 17 | applied to employees with domestic partners in the same manner as to married |
| 18 | employees to the extent allowed by the law. Spouse or domestic partner must be |
| 19 | enrolled in the same plan as the employee. |
| 20 | 2. <u>Children</u> |
| 21 | a. <u>Definition</u> |
| 22 | "Eligible children" includes: |
| 23 | (i) any unmarried biological or adoptive child of the |
| 24 | employee or employee's spouse/domestic partner who is under the age of 23 is a |
| 25 | dependent under the federal tax code and chiefly supported by the employee or |
| 26 | employee's spouse/domestic partner; or |
| 27 | (ii) a court appointed ward of the employee or |
| 28 | employee's spouse/domestic partner; or |
| 29 | (iii) anyone under the age of 23 for whom the employee is |
| 30 | required by court order to provide coverage, or |
| 31 | (iv) the children (grandchild of employee) of enrolled, |
| 32 | eligible children of the employee or employee's spouse/domestic partner when both |

grandchild and parent child are currently enrolled as dependents under employee's County sponsored coverage.

An eligible dependent is enrolled under employee's County sponsored health plan, who becomes permanently disabled prior to their 23rd birth date, may be eligible for continued health plan coverage after reaching the usual maximum dependent age of 23. Employee's with a dependent child in this situation should contact the County Employee Benefits Office three months prior to child's 23rd birth date to initiate eligibility review process.

b. <u>Enrollment of Dependent Children</u>

Employee may enroll eligible children in County medical and dental plans upon completion of the County's applicable enrollment forms. Children must be enrolled in the same plans as the employee. Children must be enrolled in the same plans as the employee.

3. <u>Termination of Dependent Health Plan Coverage</u>

Written notice from employee upon termination of marriage or domestic partnership or any other change in dependent eligibility is required. Employees are responsible for timely reporting of any change in the eligibility status of enrolled dependent family members to the County Employee Benefits Office.

- (i) To protect COBRA rights, employees must notify Employee Benefits Office of the dependent's status change within sixty (60) days of the qualifying event. Federal law shall govern COBRA eligibility for disqualified dependents.
- (ii) Employees whose marriage or domestic partnership ends must complete, sign, and file with the Employee Benefits Office a copy of the statement of Termination of Marriage/Domestic Partnership and a Benefit change form to report the event.
- (iii) Employees must remove from coverage a child who has become ineligible because he or she is 23 years old, or for any other reason by completing a Benefit Change form and submitting completed form to the Employee Benefits Office.
- (iv) Employees who fail to remove an ineligible spouse, domestic partner, or child within sixty (60) days of the qualifying event and have not elected to purchase COBRA rights for the terminated dependent will be required, retroactive to the

coverage end date, to reimburse the County sponsored health plan for claims incurred and paid while the former spouse, partner, or child remained enrolled for coverage but was no longer an eligible-dependent.

e. Termination of dependent health plan coverage ends on the end of the calendar month in which the termination event occurs, examples:

| Terminating Event | Coverage End Date |
|---|--|
| Divorce | End of month divorce became final |
| Dissolution of Oregon State registered domestic partnership | End of month dissolution of partnership became final |
| Dissolution of domestic partnership initiated by Affidavit or Multnomah County registry | End of month partner moved out of shared residence |
| Child Marries | End of month that marriage occurred |

M. When Benefits Coverage Begins and Ends

1. <u>Coverage for new employees</u>

a. <u>Medical and Dental Benefits</u>

The employee and eligible dependents will be covered by medical and dental benefits the first day of the month following hire, provided the employee has submitted completed enrollment form and other required documents to the Employee Benefits office prior to that date. Employees who submit an enrollment form after the first (1st) day of the month following hire, but within thirty-one (31) days of hire, will be covered the first (1st) day of the month following date completed enrollment forms are received by Employee Benefits Office. Employees who do not submit an enrollment form within thirty-one (31) days of hire will be enrolled based on the default enrollment procedure. Coverage under the default plan(s) will begin on the first day of the month following thirty-one (31) days of employment.

2. <u>Benefits coverage for terminating employees</u>

a. Retirees

i. <u>County-subsidized coverage</u>

Benefits options for retirees are provided for in Article

16, "Section V".

ii. <u>Unsubsidized benefits</u>

Retirees may continue to participate in County medical and dental benefits plans on a self-pay basis as mandated by law.

b. Other terminating employees

i. <u>County-subsidized coverage</u>

County sponsored medical/vision/prescription and dental coverage ends based on the employees last regularly scheduled working day in pay status:

| Last Working Day | Coverage Ends |
|----------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1st - 15th of month | 30/31st of the month |
| 16th - 31st of month | 30/31st of the following month |

Example: Employee A's last working day in paid status day is July 15. Employee A's
County sponsored health plan coverage will end July 31. Employee B's last working
day in paid status day is July 16. Employee B's County sponsored health plan coverage
will end August 31. Employee B will have additional cost shares deducted from final
paychecks to cover the cost shares for August coverage.

ii. <u>Unsubsidized benefits</u>

Terminating employees may continue to purchase coverage under County medical and dental benefits plans on a self-pay basis as mandated by law.

3. <u>Employees on unpaid leaves of absence</u>

a. Leaves of less than 30 days

Employees' benefits coverage will not be affected by unpaid leaves of absence of less than 30 days' duration. Unpaid cost shares will be recovered from employee when employee returns to paid status.

b. FMLA/OFLA Leaves

The County will contribute toward medical/vision/prescription and dental insurance coverage during unpaid approved FMLA leave as required by law. Unpaid cost shares will be recovered from employee when employee returns to paid status.

If the employee remains on unpaid leave for more than 30 days after FMLA leave is exhausted, the leave will be treated as an unpaid leave of absence per "Subsection c.i" below, except that the last day of FMLA leave will be deemed the employee's last day in pay status.

During unpaid OFLA leave only, the County will not contribute toward medical/vision/dental insurance coverage.

c. Non-FMLA/OFLA unpaid leaves

i. <u>Lapsing of County-subsidized coverage</u>

Lapsing of County-subsidized coverage occurs after passage of thirty (30) day leave period. 31st day of leave with unpaid status triggers loss of health plan coverage. If 31st day of unpaid non-FMLA/OFLA leave occurs:

| Last Day In Paid Status | Coverage Ends |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1st - 15th of month | 30/31st of the month |
| 16th - 31st of month | 30/31st of the following month |

Example: Employee A goes on non-FMLA/OFLA unpaid leave effective July 15. Leave period exceeds thirty (30) days. 31st day of unpaid leave is August 14. Employee A's County sponsored health plan coverage will end August 31. Employee B goes on non-FMLA/OFLA unpaid leave July 16. Unpaid Leave period_exceeds thirty (30) days. Employee B's County sponsored health plan coverage will end September 30.

ii. Continuation of Coverage through COBRA

Employees may continue to participate in County medical and dental benefits plans on a self-pay basis as mandated by law.

iii. Benefits Coverage upon return from a leave

(a) Employees returning from a leave of absence without pay during the same plan year will be reinstated to the same medical/vision/prescription and dental plans (or successor plans) they had when they left County employment. If they return from leave the first (1st) day of the month, coverage will be in effect upon their return from leave; otherwise, coverage will be in effect the first (1st) day of the month following their return from leave.

(b) Employees returning from unpaid non-FMLA/OFLA leave in a new plan year may enroll in different plans within thirty-one (31) days of their return. Such employees must complete a health plan enrollment form upon their return to work. If enrollment forms are received on the first (1st) day of the month, the coverage will be effective that day; otherwise, coverage will be in effect the first (1st) day of the month following receipt of the completed enrollment forms by the County Employee Benefits Office.

II. Other Benefits

A. Flexible Spending Accounts

1. <u>Medical expenses</u>

To the extent permitted by law, Medical Expense Reimbursement Plan (MERP) accounts, which allow employees to pay for deductibles and unreimbursed medical, dental, and vision expenses with pre-tax wages, will be available according to the terms of the Multnomah County Medical Expense Reimbursement Plan number 504.

2. <u>Dependent care expenses</u>

To the extent permitted by law, Dependent Care Assistance Plan (DCAP) accounts, which allow employees to pay for dependent care with pre-tax wages, will be available according to the terms of the Multnomah County Dependent Care Assistance Plan number 502.

B. Life Insurance

The County agrees to provide each employee covered by this Agreement with term life insurance in the amount of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000). Employees may purchase supplemental term life insurance coverage for themselves, their spouse or their domestic partner consistent with carrier contract(s) by payroll deduction. Premiums will vary according to age of the insured.

C. <u>Emergency Treatment</u>

Employees will be provided with emergency treatment for on-the-job injuries, at no cost to the employees, and employees as a condition of receipt of emergency treatment, do agree to hold the County harmless for injuries or damage sustained as a result thereof, if any. Employees further will promptly sign an appropriate Workers' Compensation claim form when presented by the employer.

D. <u>Disability Insurance</u>

| 25 | Disability insurance benefits are provided for under Article 9. Sick Leave |
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| 27 | EFFECTIVE this day 7 of Ochber, 2008. |
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