

**IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR PARTICIPANTS AND DEPENDENTS OF
UFCW LOCAL 1500 WELFARE FUND
FULL-TIME, SPECIAL PART-TIME AND PART-TIME ACA PLANS**

This serves as notice to all Participants (and dependents covered under the Full-Time Plan) regarding an expansion of coverage under the Preventive Care Benefit of the UFCW Local 1500 Welfare Fund's Full-Time, Special Part-Time and Part-Time ACA Plans.

Currently, the Preventive Care Benefit of the above Plans provides coverage for colonoscopy testing if the patient meets the necessary criteria. In an effort to expand diagnostic testing for colorectal cancer, the Plans also cover Cologuard testing in lieu of a colonoscopy. Cologuard is a test that is administered at the home. Such testing must be prescribed by the patient's physician and the patient must meet the age and medical criteria currently established for such testing. Additionally, to be covered under the Plans Preventive Care Benefit, the test must be eligible for coverage at the time services are rendered (i.e., the patient must be eligible to receive a colonoscopy under the Preventive Care Benefit).

Please note, you are not required to use Cologuard instead of having a colonoscopy. The Cologuard test may not be right for you for a variety of reasons. The decision to choose the Cologuard test as opposed to a colonoscopy is to be made between the patient and the treating physician. However, if all criteria are met, the Plans will process benefits for Cologuard under the Preventive Care Benefit pursuant to the guidelines of the Plan under which the patient is covered at the time services are rendered.

If you have any questions regarding this notice or the benefit coverage, contact Associated Administrators, LLC at (855) 266-1500.