NORTHERN WESTMORELAND CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY CENTER

SECTION: OPERATIONS

TITLE: OTHER INSURANCE

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813. OTHER INSURANCE

1. Purpose

Proper operation of the center requires that adequate, basic insurance programs be provided for the protection of the center and its employees.

2. Authority SC 513, 774 1850.1

The Joint Operating Committee shall have full power and authority to make and enter into any contract(s) of insurance with any person, firm or corporation authorized to transact business in this Commonwealth for the purpose of providing adequate insurance coverage to protect the center's interests. Such coverage shall be in accordance with established guidelines.

In placing insurance, the Joint Operating Committee shall be guided by the service of an insurance agent, scope of coverage provided, price of desired coverage, and assurance of coverage.

The Joint Operating Committee shall appoint an insurance advisor, who may be the agent of record.

3. Delegation of Responsibility

The Administrative Director's office shall maintain a complete file of all policies and information on insurance coverage.

4. Guidelines

Liability insurance for the center shall include coverage for excess indemnity - umbrella liability, workers' compensation, and errors and omissions for designated staff members.

Health care insurance shall include coverage for regularly employed staff members in accordance with the terms of an applicable benefits statement, individual contract, or collective bargaining agreement.

Group life insurance shall include coverage for regularly employed staff members in accordance with the terms of an applicable benefits statement, individual contract, or collective bargaining agreement.

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COBRA

In the event of a qualifying event to the employee, the employer has thirty (30) days to notify the plan administrator of the termination, reduction in hours, or death of the employee. This terminates his/her insurance under the plan.

The employer has fourteen (14) days to notify the employee of the right to continue coverage under the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1986 (COBRA).

In the event of a qualifying event to a dependent, the employer has fourteen (14) days after being advised by the employee or dependent that the event has occurred to notify the dependent of the right to continue coverage.

Qualifying Event	Duration of Continuance

of Coverage

Termination of employment Up to 18 months

(except for gross misconduct)

Reduction of the employee's Up to 18 months

hours which results in loss of coverage

Death of an employee Up to 36 months

Divorce Up to 36 months

Loss of dependent coverage Up to 36 months

because employee becomes entitled to Medicare benefits

Dependent child no longer meets Up to 36 months

definition of an eligible dependent

Terminated employees are responsible for the gross rate of premiums charged, with an additional two percent (2%) charged for additional corporate administrative cost.