



# Info Note

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## **Increase in Employment Insurance Maximum Insurable Earnings**

We would like to advise you that the January premium statement will include an InfoNote informing plan administrators that the Employment Insurance (EI) maximum yearly insurable earnings will increase from \$43,200 to \$44,200 effective January 1, 2011. As a result, the maximum weekly EI benefit amount will rise from \$457 to \$468.

At the same time, we will be encouraging everyone once again to sign up for the new online version of Liaison. Going forward, we will be posting this information in our online newsletter so that they are notified earlier about changes to the EI plan.

Below is the text of the InfoNote to help you answer questions your clients may have.

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### **Possible impact on contracts that include the Weekly Indemnity Benefit**

The impact of this change depends on the Weekly Indemnity Benefit amount that appears in the contract:

1. If the benefit amount provided in the contract is higher than the new maximum weekly EI benefit amount, the change has no impact.
2. If the benefit amount is defined as the maximum weekly EI benefit amount, the change has been automatically implemented in our administrative systems and is reflected in your attached premium statement.
3. If the benefit amount provided for under the contract is less than \$468, your plan's Weekly Indemnity Benefit will no longer be eligible for the Employment Insurance (EI) Premium Reduction Program. In order for your plan to remain eligible for this program, you must send us a change request to this effect.

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### **Stay on top of changes**

We have taken the opportunity afforded by the new online version of Liaison to publish this information earlier, to make things easier for you.

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