# **IAPE TNG/CWA LOCAL 1096**

## PROPOSAL NO. 14

#### Select Issues

November 28, 2023

(The Union reserves the right to modify or withdraw any of the following proposals during bargaining. These proposals are made without prejudice to the Union's position regarding the proper interpretation of the existing contract language or existing practices or policies. All proposals are part of a complete package, and no agreements reached during bargaining are final until agreement has been reached on all issues.)

All Union proposals remain unchanged except as provided below. All Union responses to Company proposals remain unchanged except as modified below.

#### **Health Insurance**

**Premiums.** For calendar year 2024, the Company may increase all plan premiums by up to 0.25% of Employee salary. For future benefits plan years, the Company may increase plan premiums by an amount equal to the average CPI for the 12-month period ending June 30 of each year. For example: if CPI for the 12-month period ending June 30, 2024 = 5%, the Company may increase the premium for POS Employee + Spouse coverage from 4.6% to 4.83%. **Proposal Unchanged.** 

**Canadian Premiums.** For 2024, preserve 2023 health insurance premiums for IAPE-represented employees working in Canada. **Proposal Unchanged.** 

**Plan Design.** The union offers the following counter proposals for maximum plan design changes. Areas where the union's proposal differs from the company's are highlighted in **red text**.

### **Choice POS II**

Choice POS II Provision	2023 Plan Design	Dow Jones Proposal	IAPE Proposal
In-network plan design			
Deductible	\$600 / \$1,200	\$700 / \$1400	\$700 / \$1,400
PCP Visit	\$35 copay	\$40	\$40

Specialist Visit	\$50 copay	\$50	\$50
Emergency Room	20% after \$300 copay	20% after \$300 copay	20% after \$300 copay
Coinsurance	20%	25%	<mark>20%</mark>
OOP Maximum (Incl. Deductible)	\$4,000 / \$8,000	\$5000/\$10,000	\$5000/\$10,000
OOP Maximum Type	Embedded	Embedded	Embedded
Pharmacy plan design			
Rx Deductible	N/A	N/A	N/A
Retail Rx: Generic	\$10 copay	\$15 copay	\$15 copay
Retail Rx: Brand	30% coinsurance	30% coinsurance	30% coinsurance
Netali IX. Dialid	(\$30 min, \$75 max)	(\$40 min, \$85 max)	(\$40 min, \$85 max)
Retail Rx:	50% coinsurance	50% coinsurance	50% coinsurance
Non-formulary	(\$50 min / \$100 max)	(\$60 min / \$110 max)	(\$60 min / \$110 max)
Mail Rx	2 times retail	2 times retail	2 times retail
Rx OOP Maximum	\$3,000 / \$6,000	Combined with medical	Combined with medical

# **CDHP - Tentative Agreement**

CDHP Provision	2023 Plan Design	2025/26 Tentative Agreement
Employer Funding Amount	\$500 / \$1,000	\$500 / \$1,000
In-network plan design		
Deductible*	\$1,500 / \$3,000 (1,600/3,200 in '24)	\$2,000 / \$4,000
PCP Visit		
Specialist Visit	20% after deductible	20% after deductible
Emergency Room		
Coinsurance	20%	25%
	\$4,000 / \$8,000	\$5,000 / \$10,000
OOP Maximum (Incl. Deductible)*	(OOPM for individuals on a family contract will be embedded at \$7,900)	(OOPM for individuals on a family contract will be embedded at the lesser of the family OOPM and the

		individual maximum allowable OOPM, as defined by the ACA)
00P Maximum Type	Aggregate	Aggregate
Pharmacy plan design		
Rx Deductible	Combined with medical	Combined with medical
Retail Rx: Generic	Preventive Rx at no cost	Preventive Rx at no cost
Retail Rx: Brand	20% after deductible (\$75 max for generic and brand, \$100 max for non- formulary)	20% after deductible (\$100 max for generic and brand, \$125 max for non-formulary)
Retail Rx: Non-formulary		
Mail Rx	2 times retail	2.5 times retail
Rx OOP Maximum	Combined with medical	Combined with medical

 $<sup>^{\</sup>star}$  OOPM for individuals on a family contract will be embedded at the lesser of the family OOPM or the individual maximum allowable OOPM, as defined by the ACA

**Basic Choice - Tentative Agreement** 

Basic Choice Provision	2023 Plan Design	2025/26 Tentative Agreement
Employer Funding Amount	N/A	N/A
In-network plan design		
Deductible	\$3,000 / \$6,000	\$3,500 / \$7,000
PCP Visit		
Specialist Visit	30% after deductible	30% after deductible
Emergency Room		
Coinsurance	30%	30%
OOP Maximum (Incl. Deductible)	\$6,000 / \$12,000	\$7,000 / \$14,000
OOP Maximum Type	Embedded	Embedded
Pharmacy plan design		
Rx Deductible	Combined with medical	Combined with medical
Retail Rx: Generic		
Retail Rx: Brand	Preventive Rx at no cost 30%	Preventive Rx at no cost 30%
Retail Rx: Non-formulary	after deductible	after deductible

Mail Rx		
Rx 00P Maximum	Combined with medical	Combined with medical

**Future Plan Improvements.** Improvements to health insurance coverage that may have a financial impact will be offered to/discussed with the Union. The Union will accept or reject participation in the enhanced benefit within 60 days. **Proposal Unchanged.** 

**Doula Coverage.** The Union is willing to accept a 2025 introduction of this benefit, per the Company's explanation. ("Since Doula coverage is not 'medically necessary' within the Aetna plan, it must be provided outside the Aetna medical plan and it must be a taxable benefit. Note that this will require that employees disclose to the company the fact that they are using the Doula services.") **Proposal Unchanged.** 

**Out-Of-Network Mental Health Coverage.** Apply in-network reimbursement percentages (subject to the Aetna R&C and other plan terms) for out-of-network providers for mental health services. We understand the issue about finding in-network providers. **Proposal Unchanged.** 

**Physical Fitness Reimbursement.** Modify plan to allow for participation in wellness programs. **Proposal Unchanged.** 

**Leaves of Absence.** Modify the bereavement policy (which will remain part of a list of Company benefits in which IAPE-represented employees participate subject to the Company's ability to implement future changes without further bargaining) to provide for up to 5 days of leave per death, including the day of the funeral, and to remove restrictions on the familial relationship between the employee and the deceased. **Proposal Unchanged.** 

**Parental Leave.** Remove distinction between primary and secondary caregivers. **Proposal Unchanged.** 

#### Article XXIV - Miscellaneous

**Source Protection:** Whenever a request or demand, including a subpoena, for the disclosure of information, notes, documents, photograph, video, or other material, or the source thereof, is made of the Company, the Company shall immediately notify all affected employees of the request or demand. Whenever such a request or demand is made directly of an employee, the employee shall immediately notify the Company of the request or demand.

Following such notification, if the employee elects to resist or refuse the demand for information pursuant to a shield law or otherwise, the Company shall provide competent legal counsel to assist the employee in resisting or refusing the demand information.

The Company shall make employees whole for any fines, damages, loss of pay, or loss of benefits resulting from the employee's decision to resist or refuse the demand for information.

Proposal Unchanged.