



## Local 513 - Fringe Benefit Funds

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**To:** All Active and Retiree Plan Members  
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**From:** The Board of Trustees

**Re:** Exclusion of Gene Therapy Drugs Effective June 26, 2019

Effective June 26, 2019, the Plan will exclude coverage for all gene therapy procedures (both medical and prescription drugs). Gene therapy procedures are health care services that introduce or are related to the introduction of genetic material into a person intended to replace or correct faulty or missing genetic material, whether those therapies have received approval from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration ("FDA").

Some examples of gene therapy include, Chimeric Antigen Receptor T-Cell ("CAR-T") therapies such as Kymriah and Yescarta, as well as other therapies, such as Luxturna and Zolgensma.

Note that the drugs listed above are not all inclusive.

This notice should be kept with your Summary Plan Description.

**Should you have any questions about your prescription drug benefits, please call the Fund Office at (314) 739-2973.**