# **American General**

HIV Testing and Consent California Version

Life Companies

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### **Notice and Consent for AIDS Virus (HIV) Antibody Testing**

To determine your insurability, the Company has requested that you provide a sample or samples of your bodily fluids (blood, urine, and/or oral fluid) as may be allowed under state or jurisdictional law for testing and analysis. One of the tests to be performed will determine the presence or absence of antibodies to the Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV). The testing will be performed by a licensed laboratory in accordance with guidelines approved by the Centers for Disease Control. By signing and dating this form, you agree that this testing may be done and that underwriting decisions may be based upon the test results.

#### Information on HIV

HIV, the virus that causes AIDS, is transmitted from one person to another through blood, semen, and vaginal fluids. The disease is spread primarily during anal, vaginal, or oral intercourse, the sharing of needles and syringes used for shooting drugs, or from a mother to her unborn child. HIV is not spread through casual contact, such as eating with or touching a person infected with the virus. There is no medical evidence that HIV is spread by kissing. Persons most at risk of contracting HIV are men who have sex with other men; intravenous ("IV") drug users; prostitutes (male or female); persons who have had many sexual partners since 1977; persons who received transfusions of blood or blood products prior to March, 1985; the sexual partners of persons in any of these groups; and infants born to infected mothers.

### **Pre-Testing Considerations**

Many public health organizations have recommended that before taking an HIV antibody test, a person seek counseling to become informed concerning the implications of such a test. You may wish to consider counseling, at your expense, before being tested.

#### **Meaning of Test Results**

A positive result, which is a series of three positive tests, does not mean you have Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS). A positive test indicates that you have been infected with HIV, the causative agent for AIDS, and that you are at significantly increased risk of developing alterations of your immune system, including AIDS and AIDS-Related Complex (ARC). The test for HIV antibodies is extremely accurate and reliable. However, in rare instances, the test may be positive in individuals who are not infected with the virus (false positive) and occasionally it may be negative in persons infected with HIV (false negative), especially when infection occurred within the 3-6 months prior to testing. Your private physician, a public health clinic or an AIDS information organization in your city can provide you with further information on the medical implications of a positive test.

#### **Disclosure of Test Results**

All test results will be treated confidentially. The laboratory will report them only to the Company. The test results may be disclosed as required by law or may be disclosed to employees of the Company who have responsibility for making underwriting decisions on behalf of the Company or to outside legal counsel who needs such information to effectively represent the Company in regard to your application. The results may be disclosed to a reinsurer if the reinsurer is involved in the underwriting process. Please also be advised that the jurisdiction in which you reside may require reporting of positive HIV test results or other test results by the Company and/or the laboratory that conducts the test to a regulatory agency. Such reporting may include disclosure of personal information such as your name, address and date of birth.

If your HIV antibody test is normal (negative), no routine notification will be sent. You will be notified of an abnormal (positive or indeterminate) test result if you indicate that you desire this result be made known to you. You may also identify another person to whom you want the abnormal results released. If you want a physician or other health care provider to be notified of an abnormal HIV antibody test result, you must indicate the name and address of that physician or provider.

If your HIV antibody test is abnormal, a generic code signifying a non-specific blood, oral fluid or urine abnormality may be made known to the Medical Information Bureau, Inc. (MIB) as described in the notice given you at the time of application. The MIB is an organization of life and health insurance companies, which operates as an information exchange on behalf of its members. There will be no records with the MIB that you had a positive HIV antibody test; however, there will be a record that you have some laboratory abnormality. If you apply to another MIB member company for life or health insurance coverage, the MIB, upon request and with your authorization, will supply the information on you in its file to that member.

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Notification of Abnormal Test Result In the event of an abnormal result:	
Send the result to me at:	
Address:	
I authorize the Company to send the result to another person:	
Name:	
Address:	
I authorize the Company to send the result to the following physician or health ca	re provider:
Name:	
Address:	
Consent I have read and I understand this HIV Testing Notice and Consent form. I voluntari bodily fluids from me, the testing of bodily fluids and the disclosure of the test reform about what a test result means and understand that I should contact my physic for further information and counseling if the test result is abnormal.	esults as described above. I have read the information on this
I understand I have the right to request and receive a copy of this authorization. A	A photocopy of this form will be as valid as the original.
This consent will be valid for six (6) months from the date of my signature below.	
Authorization	
Name of Proposed Insured	Date of birth
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Signature of Proposed Insured or Parent/Guardian (if under age 15)	Date signed
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Signature of Person Obtaining Consent	Date signed

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