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Faut-il en rire ?

[Should we laugh about it?]

Fait-elle envie ou bien pitié ?

[Is she enviable or pitiful?]

Dear AREF members,

I will be on vacation for a month. One of my colleagues from the Insurance Committee will be responsible for dealing with demands in my absence. Before that, I want to keep you updated on our group insurance contract.

The pandemic is receding but we must remain vigilant.

Summer started a month ago already and we are aware that many of you have questions about your insurance.

I quoted Jean Ferrat at the beginning of this text: we hold an excellent group insurance contract. When we compare it with other private plans, we find that both the premiums and the coverage are excellent. Our group insurance contract is thus more “enviable than pitiful”, and our concern is that it remains as such.

Firstly, we know that you are looking forward to travelling again, in Quebec and abroad. AREF Insurance Committee met (in person, finally!) on July 8, and we agreed to extend the 30-day limit for travel insurance as long as the Government of Canada maintains the travel advisories to avoid non-essential travels. We understand and apologize for the inconveniences this decision causes, but caution continues to be necessary, both for our collective health and for our insurance plan's sustainability.

Secondly, for any request for assistance, we ask you to contact our secretariat directly:
secretariat@aref-neq.ca or **1 888 513-2494**.

The person in charge will be in touch with the committee to help you. It will be easier this way to keep track of your requests and follow up on them.

Finally, you should know that we continue to work on the life insurance issue. We are confident that we will soon come up with an interesting proposal that will be fair for all.

With that, on behalf of myself and the committee, I wish you a summer filled with joy, good times and above all, good health.

Clermont Lavoie

For AREF's Insurance Committee