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EA Alert: Enhancements to Foreign Domestic Worker's (FDW) Personal Accident Insurance Requirements

All FDWs working in Singapore are required to be covered under a Personal Accident Insurance (PAI). Employers are required to purchase the PAI for their FDWs, as part of employers' obligations to their FDWs.

2 From 1st October 2017, the minimum sum assured required for an FDW's PAI will be increased from \$40,000 to \$60,000. The current minimum sum assured of \$40,000 has been in place since 2008. The increase in minimum sum assured is to help FDW employers to better protect their FDWs and their families. The revision takes into account the rise in FDWs' salaries and the general increase in cost of living in the source countries of FDWs. More details are in the attached MOM press release.

3 Minister of State for Manpower, Mr Sam Tan, has announced this enhancement at the Centre for Domestic Employees May Day celebration on 7 May 2017. MOM will also email FDW employers, informing them of the revision. We seek EAs' assistance to highlight the change to employers when they hire new FDWs or renew their existing FDW's Work Permit from 1st October 2017 onwards.

4 MOM will continue to share useful and important information with all EAs through this channel. Please keep your EA email address updated. For further clarification, you may call us at 6438 5122 or email us at MOM_FMMD@mom.gov.sg.

Thank you.

Yours sincerely

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