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Benefit FAQs (third group) Last Updated: February 16, 2015

Benefits FAQs Tuition Reimbursement:

1. Will employees be required to pay back the tuition reimbursement received if the employee voluntarily leaves the Company within 12 months of receiving reimbursement, but after the LabCorp transaction closes?

Yes. In accordance with the current Covance US Tuition Reimbursement Policy and UK and Latin America Education Assistance Policy, employees are required to pay back tuition reimbursement received if the employee voluntarily leaves the Company within 12 months of receiving reimbursement, even if the employee's termination date is after the closing date of the LabCorp transaction. The provisions of the Covance Tuition Reimbursement and Education Assistance policies continue to apply until and unless a policy change is announced.

2. Do employees need to submit tuition reimbursement applications and supporting documentation for courses that will begin or be completed after the LabCorp transaction closes?

Yes. In accordance with the current Covance US Tuition Reimbursement Policy and UK and Latin America Education Assistance Policy, to receive reimbursement for a course, the application and all supporting documentation must be submitted and approved prior to the start of the course. The provisions of the Covance Tuition Reimbursement and Education Assistance policies continue to apply until and unless a policy change is announced.

Covance 401(k) Savings Plan:

3. Will Covance 401(k) Savings Plan contributions be deducted from the cash payments received by US employees for their stock options and restricted stock units in connection with the closing of the LabCorp transaction?

No. Covance 401(k) Savings Plan contributions will not be deducted from the cash payments received by US employees for their stock options and restricted stock units in connection with the LabCorp transaction because these payments do not qualify as eligible compensation under the plan.

Covance UK Pension Plan

4. Can UK employees elect to have a Covance UK Pension Plan lump sum contribution withheld from the cash payments they receive for their stock options in connection with the LabCorp transaction?

No. Employees cannot elect to have a Covance UK Pension Plan lump sum contribution withheld from the cash payments they receive for their stock options in connection with the LabCorp transaction because salary sacrifice is not legally permitted for these types of payments in the UK (i.e., HMRC has limited the use of salary sacrifice to

salary and contractual bonus). However, UK employees will continue to be able to make lump sum pension contributions on a salary sacrifice basis via their Covance Annual Bonus Plan payment, Covance Sales Incentive Plan payment and monthly base pay. In addition, UK employees can make a lump sum pension contribution by writing a check to the trustees. The process for making each of these types of lump sum pension contributions can be found on mAPS.

Australia Superannuation Fund

5. Can Australia employees elect to have a Superannuation Fund contribution withheld, via salary sacrifice, from the payments they receive for their restricted stock units in connection with the LabCorp transaction?

No. Employees cannot elect to have Superannuation Fund contribution withheld from the cash payments they receive for their restricted stock units in connection with the LabCorp transaction because the terms of the Covance Total Remuneration Package policy only permit salary sacrifice of base salary.

Cautionary Statement Regarding Forward Looking Statements

This communication contains "forward-looking" statements within the meaning of Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, known as the PSLRA. These statements, as they relate to Laboratory Corporation of America Holdings ("LabCorp") or Covance Inc. ("Covance"), the management of either such company or the proposed transaction between LabCorp and Covance, involve risks and uncertainties that may cause results to differ materially from those set forth in the statements. These statements are based on current plans, estimates and projections, and therefore, you are cautioned not to place undue reliance on them. No forward-looking statement can be guaranteed, and actual results may differ materially from those projected. LabCorp and Covance undertake no obligation to publicly update any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except to the extent required by law. Forward-looking statements are not historical facts, but rather are based on current expectations, estimates, assumptions and projections about the business and future financial results of the pharmaceutical industry, and other legal, regulatory and economic developments. We use words such as "anticipates," "believes," "plans," "expects," "projects," "future," "intends," " "will," "should," "could," "estimates," "predicts," "potential," "continue," "guidance," and similar expressions to identify these forward-looking statements that are intended to be covered by the safe harbor provisions of the PSLRA. Actual results could differ materially from the results contemplated by these forward-looking statements due to a number of factors, including, but not limited to, those described in the documents LabCorp and Covance have filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") as well as the possibility that (1) LabCorp and Covance may be unable to obtain stockholder or regulatory approvals required for the proposed transaction or may be required to accept conditions that could reduce the anticipated benefits of the merger as a condition to obtaining regulatory approvals; (2) the length of time necessary to consummate the proposed transaction may be longer than anticipated; (3) problems may arise in successfully integrating the businesses of LabCorp and Covance or such integration may be more difficult, time-consuming or costly than expected; (4) the proposed transaction may involve unexpected costs; (5) the businesses may suffer as a result of uncertainty surrounding the proposed transaction, including difficulties in maintaining relationships with customers or retaining key employees; (6) the parties may be unable to meet expectations regarding the timing, completion and accounting and tax treatments of the transaction; or (7) the industry may be subject to future risks that are described in the "Risk Factors" section of the Annual Reports on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, the definitive proxy statement/prospectus referred to below and other documents filed from time to time with the SEC by LabCorp and Covance. Neither LabCorp nor Covance gives any assurance that either LabCorp or Covance will achieve its expectations.

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The foregoing list of factors is not exhaustive. You should carefully consider the foregoing factors and the other risks and uncertainties that affect the businesses of LabCorp and Covance described in the "Risk Factors" section of their respective Annual Reports on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, the definitive proxy statement/prospectus referred to below and other documents filed by either of them from time to time with the SEC. All forward-looking statements included in this communication are based upon information available to LabCorp and Covance on the date hereof, and neither LabCorp nor Covance assumes any obligation to update or revise any such forward-looking statements.

Additional Information and Where to Find It

This communication does not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy any securities or a solicitation of any vote or approval in any jurisdiction, nor shall there be any sale, issuance, exchange or transfer of the securities referred to in this press release in any jurisdiction in contravention of applicable law. This communication relates to a proposed transaction between Covance and LabCorp, and may be deemed to be solicitation material in respect of the proposed transaction. In connection with the proposed transaction, LabCorp has filed a registration statement on Form S-4 with the SEC, which was declared effective by the SEC on January 14, 2015, and LabCorp and Covance filed the definitive proxy statement/prospectus in connection with the proposed transaction on January 16, 2015. Covance began mailing the definitive proxy statement/prospectus to Covance stockholders on January 20, 2015. This communication is not a substitute for the registration statement, definitive proxy statement/prospectus or any other documents that Covance or LabCorp may file with the SEC or send to stockholders in connection with the proposed transaction. Before making any voting decision, investors and security holders of Covance are urged to read carefully and in their entirety the registration statement, definitive proxy statement/prospectus and all other relevant documents filed or that will be filed by LabCorp or Covance with the SEC in connection with the proposed transaction as they become available because they will contain important information about the proposed transaction and related matters.

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Investors and security holders will be able to obtain free copies of the registration statement, definitive proxy statement/prospectus and all other relevant documents filed or that will be filed with the SEC by Covance or LabCorp through the website maintained by the SEC at www.sec.gov.

In addition, investors and security holders may obtain free copies of the definitive proxy statement/prospectus and other relevant documents filed by Covance with the SEC by accessing Covance's website at www.covance.com or upon written request to Covance Inc., Office of the Secretary, 210 Carnegie Center, Princeton, New Jersey 08540. Free copies of the registration statement, definitive proxy statement/prospectus and other relevant documents filed by LabCorp with the SEC are available on LabCorp's website at www.labcorp.com or upon written request to Laboratory Corporation of America Holdings, Office of the Secretary, 358 South Main Street, Burlington, North Carolina 27215.

Participants in Solicitation

LabCorp, Covance and their respective directors and executive officers may be deemed to be participants in the solicitation of proxies from Covance's stockholders in connection with the proposed transaction. Information regarding Covance's directors and executive officers is contained in the proxy statement for Covance's 2014 Annual Meeting of Shareholders, which was filed with the SEC on March 24, 2014. You can obtain a free copy of this document at the SEC's website at www.sec.gov or by accessing Covance's website at www.covance.com. Information regarding LabCorp's executive officers and directors is contained in the proxy statement for LabCorp's 2014 Annual Meeting of Shareholders filed with the SEC on April 4, 2014. You can obtain a free copy of this document at the SEC's website at www.sec.gov or by accessing LabCorp's website at www.labcorp.com. Additional information regarding those persons and other persons who may be deemed participants in the proxy solicitation, including their respective direct and indirect interests in the proposed transaction, by security holdings or otherwise, is contained in the definitive proxy statement/prospectus and other relevant materials filed with the SEC. You may obtain free copies of these documents as described in the preceding paragraph.

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