



Group Long Term Disability Insurance

Group Long Term Disability insurance from Standard Insurance Company helps provide financial protection for insured members by promising to pay a monthly benefit in the event of a covered disability.

The cost of this insurance is paid by Pacific Northwest Consulting Engineers Health & Welfare Trust and may be added to your gross monthly income. If premium payments are made with "after-tax" dollars, benefits are federally tax-free under current federal tax law.

Eligibility

Definition of a Member	You are a member if you are a regular Partner, Sole Proprietor or Owner-Employee of a Participating Employer, actively working at least 17.5 hours per week as shown in the Insurance Eligibility Information form, and a citizen or resident of the United States or Canada. You are not a member if you are a temporary or seasonal employee, a full-time member of the armed forces, a leased employee or an independent contractor.
Eligibility Waiting Period	You are eligible on the first of the month that follows or coincides with the waiting period shown in the Insurance Eligibility Information form.

Benefits

Monthly Benefit	66 2/3 percent of the first \$15,000 of monthly predisability earnings, reduced by deductible income (e.g., work earnings, workers' compensation, state disability, etc.)
Maximum Monthly Benefit	\$10,000
Minimum Monthly Benefit	\$100 or 10 percent of the Long Term Disability benefit before reduction by deductible income, whichever is greater
Benefit Waiting Period	180 days

Definition of Disability

For the benefit waiting period and to the end of the maximum benefit period that Long Term Disability benefits are payable, you will be considered disabled if, as a result of physical disease, injury, pregnancy or mental disorder:

- You are unable to perform with reasonable continuity the material duties of your own occupation, and
- You suffer a loss of at least 20 percent of your predisability earnings when working in your own occupation.

You are not considered disabled merely because your right to perform your own occupation is restricted, including a restriction or loss of license.

Maximum Benefit Period

If you become disabled before age 62, Long Term Disability benefits may continue during disability until age 65. If you become disabled at age 62 or older, the benefit duration is determined by the age when disability begins:

Age	Maximum Benefit Period
62	3 years 6 months
63	3 years
64	2 years 6 months
65	2 years
66	1 year 9 months
67	1 year 6 months
68	1 year 3 months
69+	1 year

Other Features and Services

- 24 hour coverage, including coverage for work-related disabilities
- Assisted Living Benefit
- Employee Assistance Program
- Reasonable Accommodation Expense Benefit
- Rehabilitation Plan Provision
- Return to Work Incentive
- Survivors Benefit
- Temporary Recovery Provision
- Waiver of Premium while Long Term Disability benefits are payable

This information is only a brief description of the group Long Term Disability insurance policy sponsored by Pacific Northwest Consulting Engineers Health & Welfare Trust. The controlling provisions will be in the group policy issued by The Standard. The group policy contains a detailed description of the limitations, reduction in benefits, exclusions and when The Standard and Pacific Northwest Consulting Engineers Health & Welfare Trust may increase the cost of coverage, amend or cancel the policy. A group certificate of insurance that describes the terms and conditions of the group policy is available for those who become insured according to its terms. For more complete details of coverage, contact your human resources representative.

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