



Welcome to

Workplace benefits

Everyone deserves a Guardian

Every day, Guardian gives 26 million Americans the security they deserve through our insurance and wealth management products and services.

We've partnered with your organization to offer you a range of employee benefits. Inside this pack, you'll find the plans your employer thinks you might benefit from.

Your coverage options



Short term disability insurance

Coverage if you're temporarily unable to work

Ready to enroll?

Only you know what's right for you and your family. Which is why you can choose from a range of plans to pick the best fit.

Whatever you pick, you're in good hands. We've been delivering on our promises for over 150 years, and we're looking forward to doing the same for you too.

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Read through this information.

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Choose the benefits you'd like to take.

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Follow your employer's instructions to complete the enrollment process.

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Short term disability insurance

Disability insurance covers a part of your income, so you can pay your bills if you're injured or sick and can't work.

Disability is more common than you might realize, and people can be unable to work for all sorts of different reasons. In fact, many disabilities are caused by illness, including common conditions like heart disease and arthritis. However, most disabilities aren't covered by workers' compensation.

Who is it for?

If you rely on your income to pay for everyday expenses, then you should probably consider disability insurance. It ensures that you'll receive a partial income if you're injured or too sick to work.

What does it cover?

Most disability insurance pays out a portion or percentage of your income if you're diagnosed with a serious illness or experience an injury that prevents you from doing your job.

Why should I consider it?

Accidents happen, and you can't always anticipate if or when you'll become sick or injured. That's why it's important to have a disability policy that helps you pay your bills in the event of being unable to collect your normal paycheck.

You will receive these benefits if you meet the conditions listed in the policy.



Replacing income

Mike injures his back in a bicycle accident and can't work for 13 weeks.

Unpaid time off work: **13 weeks**

Elimination period: **1 week**

After a 1-week elimination period following his accident, Mike's Guardian Short Term Disability policy kicks in and replaces **\$400** of his weekly income for the remaining **12 weeks** of his rehabilitation.

This gives him a total of **\$4,800** to cover his expenses while he's unable to work.

This example is for illustrative purposes only. Your plan's coverage may vary. See your plan's information on the following pages for specific amounts and details.



Your short term disability coverage

Short-Term Disability

Coverage amount	60% of salary to maximum \$1500/week
Maximum payment period: Maximum length of time you can receive disability benefits.	13 weeks
Accident benefits begin: The length of time you must be disabled before benefits begin.	Day 8
Illness benefits begin: The length of time you must be disabled before benefits begin.	Day 8
Evidence of Insurability: A health statement requiring you to answer a few medical history questions.	Health Statements may be required
Minimum work hours/week: Minimum number of hours you must regularly work each week to be eligible for coverage.	Planholder Determines
Pre-existing conditions: A pre-existing condition includes any condition/symptom for which you, in the specified time period prior to coverage in this plan, consulted with a physician, received treatment, or took prescribed drugs.	3 months look back; 12 months after 2 week limitation
Premium waived if disabled: Premium will not need to be paid when you are receiving benefits.	Yes

UNDERSTANDING YOUR BENEFITS—DISABILITY (Some information may vary by state)

- **Earnings definition:** Your covered salary excludes bonuses and commissions.

Short-Term Disability Plan Cost Illustration:

To determine the most appropriate level of coverage, you should consider your current basic monthly expenses.

Policy amounts shown based on sample salary amounts only.

	< 25	25–29	30–34	35–39	40–44	45–49	50–54	55–59	60+
Your premium rate	\$0.959	\$0.959	\$0.951	\$0.666	\$0.532	\$0.517	\$0.561	\$0.738	\$0.966
<i>Election Cost Per Age Bracket</i>									
	< 25	25–29	30–34	35–39	40–44	45–49	50–54	55–59	60+
\$20,000 Annual Salary \$231 Weekly Benefit	\$11.08	\$11.08	\$10.98	\$7.69	\$6.15	\$5.97	\$6.48	\$8.52	\$11.16
\$30,000 Annual Salary \$346 Weekly Benefit	\$16.59	\$16.59	\$16.45	\$11.52	\$9.20	\$8.94	\$9.71	\$12.77	\$16.71
\$40,000 Annual Salary \$462 Weekly Benefit	\$22.15	\$22.15	\$21.97	\$15.39	\$12.29	\$11.94	\$12.96	\$17.05	\$22.32
\$50,000 Annual Salary \$577 Weekly Benefit	\$27.67	\$27.67	\$27.44	\$19.21	\$15.35	\$14.92	\$16.19	\$21.29	\$27.87
\$60,000 Annual Salary \$692 Weekly Benefit	\$33.18	\$33.18	\$32.91	\$23.04	\$18.41	\$17.89	\$19.41	\$25.54	\$33.42
\$70,000 Annual Salary \$808 Weekly Benefit	\$38.74	\$38.74	\$38.42	\$26.91	\$21.49	\$20.89	\$22.66	\$29.82	\$39.03
\$80,000 Annual Salary \$923 Weekly Benefit	\$44.26	\$44.26	\$43.89	\$30.74	\$24.55	\$23.86	\$25.89	\$34.06	\$44.58
\$90,000 Annual Salary \$1,038 Weekly Benefit	\$49.77	\$49.77	\$49.36	\$34.57	\$27.61	\$26.83	\$29.12	\$38.30	\$50.14
\$100,000 Annual Salary \$1,154 Weekly Benefit	\$55.33	\$55.33	\$54.87	\$38.43	\$30.70	\$29.83	\$32.37	\$42.58	\$55.74
\$110,000 Annual Salary \$1,269 Weekly Benefit	\$60.85	\$60.85	\$60.34	\$42.26	\$33.76	\$32.80	\$35.60	\$46.83	\$61.29
\$120,000 Annual Salary \$1,385 Weekly Benefit	\$66.41	\$66.41	\$65.86	\$46.12	\$36.84	\$35.80	\$38.85	\$51.11	\$66.90
\$150,000 Annual Salary \$1,500 Weekly Benefit	\$71.93	\$71.93	\$71.33	\$49.95	\$39.90	\$38.78	\$42.08	\$55.35	\$72.45

A SUMMARY OF DISABILITY PLAN LIMITATIONS AND EXCLUSIONS

- Evidence of Insurability is required on all late enrollees. This coverage will not be effective until approved by a Guardian underwriter. This proposal is hedged subject to satisfactory financial evaluation. Please refer to certificate of coverage for full plan description.
 - You must be working full-time on the effective date of your coverage; otherwise, your coverage becomes effective after you have completed a specific waiting period.
 - Employees must be legally working in the United States in order to be eligible for coverage. Underwriting must approve coverage for employees on temporary assignment: (a) exceeding one year; or (b) in an area under travel warning by the US Department of State. Subject to state specific variations.
 - For Short-Term Disability coverage, benefits for a disability caused or contributed to by a pre-existing condition are limited, unless the disability starts after you have been insured under this plan for a specified period of time. We do not pay short term disability benefits for any job-related or on-the-job injury, or conditions for which Workers' Compensation benefits are payable.
 - We do not pay benefits for charges relating to a covered person: taking part in any war or act of war (including service in the armed forces) committing a felony or taking part in any riot or other civil disorder or intentionally injuring themselves or attempting suicide while sane or insane. We do not pay benefits for charges relating to legal intoxication, including but not limited to the operation of a motor vehicle, and for the voluntary use of any poison, chemical, prescription or non-prescription drug or controlled substance unless it has been prescribed by a doctor and is used as prescribed. We limit the duration of payments for long term disabilities caused by mental or emotional conditions, or alcohol or drug abuse. We do not pay benefits during any period in which a covered person is confined to a correctional facility, an employee is not under the care of a doctor, an employee is receiving treatment outside of the US or Canada, and the employee's loss of earnings is not solely due to disability.
 - This policy provides disability income insurance only. It does not provide "basic hospital", "basic medical", or "medical" insurance as defined by the New York State Insurance Department.
 - If this plan is transferred from another insurance carrier, the time an insured is covered under that plan will count toward satisfying Guardian's pre-existing condition limitation period. State variations may apply.
 - When applicable, this coverage will integrate with NJ TDB, NY DBL, CA SDI, RI TDI, Hawaii TDI and Puerto Rico DBA, DC PFML and WA PFML.
- Contract # GP-1-STD-15-1.0 et al.

Guardian's Group Short Term Disability Insurance is underwritten and issued by The Guardian Life Insurance Company of America, New York, NY. Products are not available in all states. Policy limitations and exclusions apply. Optional riders and/or features may incur additional costs. This policy provides disability income insurance only. It does NOT provide basic hospital, basic medical or major medical insurance as defined by the New York State Department of Financial Services. Plan documents are the final arbiter of coverage. Policy Form #GP-1-STD07-1.0, et al, GP-1-STD-15



Our commitment to you

Please read the documentation referenced below carefully. The notices are intended to provide you important information about our insurance offerings and to protect your interests. Certain ones are required by law.

Important information



Notice Informing Individuals about Nondiscrimination and Accessibility Requirements

Guardian notice stating that it complies with applicable Federal civil rights laws and does not discriminate based on race, color, national origin, age, disability, sex, or actual or perceived gender identity. The notice provides contact information for filing a nondiscrimination grievance. It also provides contact information for access to free aids and services by disabled people to assist in communications with Guardian.

Visit <https://www.guardiananytime.com/notice48> to read more.

No Cost Language Services

Guardian provides language assistance in multiple languages for members who have limited English proficiency.

Visit <https://www.guardiananytime.com/notice46> to read more.

Short term disability insurance



Disability Offset Notice

Offsets are provisions in your disability coverage that allow the insurer to deduct from your regular benefit other types of income you receive or are eligible to receive from other sources due to your disability.

Visit <https://www.guardiananytime.com/notice51> to read more.