

# GROUP SHORT-TERM DISABILITY INSURANCE BENEFIT HIGHLIGHTS



In the U.S., a disabling injury occurs every second.<sup>1</sup>

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A disability can happen to anyone. A back injury, pregnancy, or serious illness can lead to months without a regular paycheck. If you're unable to work for a short period of time due to a non-work-related condition, illness or injury, short-term disability insurance offers financial protection by paying you a portion of your earnings.



To learn more about Short-Term Disability insurance, visit [thehartford.com/employeebenefits](http://thehartford.com/employeebenefits)

## COVERAGE INFORMATION

BENEFIT PERCENTAGE (PERCENT OF YOUR EARNINGS)	MAXIMUM	SICKNESS BENEFIT STARTS	INJURY BENEFIT STARTS	BENEFIT DURATION
60%	\$500	On the 8 <sup>th</sup> day	On the 1 <sup>st</sup> day	26 weeks

## PREMIUMS

Your employer pays 100% of the premium for your coverage.<sup>2</sup>

## ASKED & ANSWERED

### WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

You are eligible if you are an active full time employee who works at least 40 hours per week on a regularly scheduled basis.

### AM I GUARANTEED COVERAGE?

This insurance is guaranteed issue coverage - it is available without having to provide information about your health.

### WHEN CAN I ENROLL?

Your employer will automatically enroll you for this coverage.

### WHEN DOES THIS INSURANCE BEGIN?

This insurance will become effective on the date you become eligible. You must be actively at work with your employer on the day your coverage takes effect.

### WHEN DOES THIS INSURANCE END?

This insurance will end when you no longer satisfy the applicable eligibility conditions, premium is unpaid, you leave your employer, or the coverage is no longer offered.

### WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE DISABLED?

Disability is defined in The Hartford's certificate with your employer.

Due to accidental bodily injury, sickness, mental illness, substance abuse or pregnancy you are unable to perform the essential duties of your occupation, and as a result, you are earning 20% or less of your pre-disability weekly earnings or you are able to perform some, but not all, of the essential duties of your occupation and as a result, you are earning more than 20% but less than 80% of your pre-disability weekly earnings.

Pre-disability earnings means your monthly average of earnings from your employer based on your Statement of Wages Earned and Taxes Withheld (Form W-2) for the one full tax year immediately prior to the last day you were actively at work.

<sup>1</sup>Injury Facts. National Safety Council. 2015 Edition. P. 37. Web. 30 June 2017.

<sup>2</sup>Rates and/or benefits may be changed.

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# GROUP LONG-TERM DISABILITY INSURANCE BENEFIT HIGHLIGHTS



Just over 1 in 4 of today's 20 year-olds will become disabled before they retire (age 67).<sup>1</sup>

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A disability can happen to anyone. Long-term disability insurance helps protect your paycheck if you're unable to work for a long period of time after a serious condition, injury or sickness.



To learn more about Long-Term Disability insurance, visit [thehartford.com/employeebenefits](http://thehartford.com/employeebenefits)

## COVERAGE INFORMATION

BENEFIT PERCENTAGE (PERCENT OF YOUR EARNINGS)	MAXIMUM	MINIMUM (BASED ON MONTHLY INCOME LOSS BEFORE THE DEDUCTION OF OTHER INCOME BENEFITS)	BENEFIT STARTS (ELIMINATION PERIOD)	BENEFIT DURATION
60%	\$5,000	The greater of \$100 or 10% of the benefit	After 180 days disabled	Disabled before: Age 63 Benefit duration: As long as you are disabled Benefit duration maximum: The greater of your Social Security Normal Retirement Age or 3.5 years

## PREMIUMS

Your employer pays 100% of the premium for your coverage.<sup>2</sup>

## ASKED & ANSWERED

### WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

You are eligible if you are an active full time employee who works at least 40 hours per week on a regularly scheduled basis.

### AM I GUARANTEED COVERAGE?

This insurance is guaranteed issue coverage – it is available without having to provide information about your health.<sup>3</sup>

This coverage is subject to a pre-existing condition exclusion, which is detailed on the Limitations & Exclusions sheet.

### WHEN CAN I ENROLL?

Your employer will automatically enroll you for this coverage.

### WHEN DOES THIS INSURANCE BEGIN?

This insurance will become effective on the date you become eligible. You must be actively at work with your employer on the day your coverage takes effect.

### WHEN DOES THIS INSURANCE END?

This insurance will end when you no longer satisfy the applicable eligibility conditions, premium is unpaid, you leave your employer, or the coverage is no longer offered.

### WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BE DISABLED?

Disability is defined in The Hartford's certificate with your employer. Typically, disability means that you cannot perform one or more of the essential duties of your occupation due to injury, sickness, pregnancy or other medical condition covered by the insurance, and as a result, your current monthly earnings are less than 80% of your pre-disability earnings. Once you have been disabled for 2 years following the elimination period, you must be prevented from performing one or more of the essential duties of any occupation and as a result, your current monthly earnings are less than or equal to 60% of your pre-disability earnings.

Pre-disability earnings means your monthly average of earnings from your employer based on your Statement of Wages Earned and Taxes Withheld (Form W-2) for the one full tax year immediately prior to the last day you were actively at work.

**WILL MY BENEFIT BE TAXED?**

The cost of your core coverage is not included in your gross income on IRS Form W-2, unless you elect otherwise prior to the beginning of a new plan year. This means your benefit will be taxed.

<sup>1</sup>U.S. Social Security Administration Fact Sheet. Web. 30 June 2017 <https://www.ssa.gov/news/press/factsheets/basicfact-alt.pdf>

<sup>2</sup>Rates and/or benefits may be changed.

<sup>3</sup>The Long Term Disability policy contains a Pre-Existing Condition Exclusion. Please refer to the certificate for more information on exclusions and limitations, such as Pre-Existing Conditions.

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# LIMITATIONS & EXCLUSIONS



This insurance coverage includes certain limitations and exclusions. The certificate details all provisions, limitations, and exclusions for this insurance coverage. A copy of the certificate can be obtained from your employer.

## GROUP LIFE INSURANCE

### GENERAL LIMITATIONS AND EXCLUSIONS

- Your benefit will be reduced by 35% at age 65 and 50% at age 70. Reductions will be applied to the original amount.
- You must be a citizen or legal resident of the United States, its territories and protectorates.

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## GROUP ACCIDENTAL DEATH & DISMEMBERMENT INSURANCE

### GENERAL LIMITATIONS AND EXCLUSIONS

- Your benefit will be reduced by 35% at age 65 and 50% at age 70. Reductions will be applied to the original amount.
- This insurance does not cover losses caused by:
  - Sickness; disease; or any treatment for either
  - Any infection, except certain ones caused by an accidental cut or wound
  - Intentionally self-inflicted injury, suicide or suicide attempt
  - War or act of war, whether declared or not
  - Injury sustained while in the armed forces of any country or international authority
  - Injury sustained on aircraft in certain circumstances
  - Taking prescription or illegal drugs unless prescribed by or administered by a licensed physician
  - Injury sustained while riding, driving, or testing any motor vehicle for racing
  - Injury sustained while committing or attempting to commit a felony
  - Injury sustained while driving while intoxicated
- You must be a citizen or legal resident of the United States, its territories and protectorates.

### DEFINITIONS

- Loss means, with regard to hands and feet, actual severance through or above wrist or ankle joints; with regard to sight, speech or hearing, entire and irrecoverable loss thereof; with regard to thumb and index finger, actual severance through or above the metacarpophalangeal joints; with regard to movement, complete and irreversible paralysis of such limbs.
- Injury means bodily injury resulting directly from an accident, independent of all other causes, which occurs while you have coverage.

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## GROUP SHORT TERM DISABILITY INSURANCE

### LIMITATIONS AND EXCLUSIONS

#### GENERAL EXCLUSIONS

- You must be under the regular care of a physician to receive benefits.
- You cannot receive disability insurance benefit payments for disabilities that are caused or contributed to by:
  - War or act of war (declared or not)
  - The commission of, or attempt to commit a felony
  - An intentionally self-inflicted injury
  - Your being engaged in an illegal occupation
  - Sickness or injury for which workers' compensation benefits are paid, or may be paid, if duly claimed
  - Sickness or injury sustained as a result of doing any work for pay or profit for another employer, including self-employment

#### OFFSETS

- Your benefit payments will be reduced by other income you receive or are eligible to receive due to your disability, such as:
  - Social Security disability insurance (please see next section for exceptions)
  - Other employer-based insurance coverage you may have
  - Unemployment benefits
  - Settlements or judgments for income loss
  - Retirement benefits that your employer fully or partially pays for (such as a pension plan)
- Your benefit payments will not be reduced by certain kinds of other income, such as:
  - Retirement benefits if you were already receiving them before you became disabled
  - Retirement benefits that are funded by your after-tax contributions your personal savings, investments, IRAs or Keoghs profit-sharing
  - Most personal disability policies
  - Social Security cost-of-living increases

This example is for purposes of illustrating the effect of the benefit reductions and is not intended to reflect the situation of a particular claimant under the Policy:

Insured's weekly [Pre-Disability Earnings/Basic weekly Pay] \$1,000  
Short term disability benefits percentage x 60%  
Unreduced maximum benefit \$600  
Less Social Security disability benefit per week - \$300  
Less state disability income benefit per week - \$100  
Total amount of short term disability benefit per week \$200

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 Department of Financial Services.

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## GROUP LONG TERM DISABILITY INSURANCE

### LIMITATIONS AND EXCLUSIONS

#### GENERAL EXCLUSIONS

- You must be under the regular care of a physician to receive benefits.
- You cannot receive disability insurance benefit payments for disabilities that are caused or contributed to by:
  - War or act of war (declared or not)
  - The commission of, or attempt to commit a felony
  - An intentionally self-inflicted injury
  - Your being engaged in an illegal occupation

#### PRE-EXISTING CONDITIONS

•Your insurance excludes the benefits you can receive for pre-existing conditions. In general, if you were diagnosed or received care for a condition before the effective date of your certificate, you will be covered for a disability due to that condition only if:

- You have not received treatment for your condition for 6 months before the effective date of your insurance, or
- You have been insured under this coverage for 12 months prior to your disability commencing, so you can receive benefits even if you're receiving treatment, or
- You have already satisfied the pre-existing condition requirement of your previous insurer

#### LIMITATIONS

- Mental Illness Limitation.** If you are disabled because of Mental Illness, benefits will be payable for a maximum of 24 months - Outpatient On in your lifetime, unless at the end of that 24 months - Outpatient On, you are confined to a hospital or other place licensed to provide medical care for your disability.
- Substance Abuse Limitation.** If you are disabled because of alcoholism or use of narcotics, sedatives, stimulants, hallucinogens or other similar substance, benefits will be payable for a maximum of 24 months - Outpatient On in your lifetime, unless at the end of that 24 months - Outpatient On, you are confined to a hospital or other place licensed to provide medical care for your disability.

#### OFFSETS

- Your benefit payments will be reduced by other income you receive or are eligible to receive due to your disability, such as:
  - Social Security disability insurance (please see next section for exceptions)
  - Workers' compensation
  - Other employer-based insurance coverage you may have
  - Unemployment benefits
  - Settlements or judgments for income loss
  - Retirement benefits that your employer fully or partially pays for (such as a pension plan)
- Your benefit payments will not be reduced by certain kinds of other income, such as:
  - Retirement benefits if you were already receiving them before you became disabled
  - Retirement benefits that are funded by your after-tax contributions your personal savings, investments, IRAs or Keoghs profit-sharing
  - Most personal disability policies
  - Social Security cost-of-living increases

This example is for purposes of illustrating the effect of the benefit reductions and is not intended to reflect the situation of a particular claimant under the Policy:

Insured's monthly [Pre-Disability Earnings/Basic Monthly Pay] \$3,000  
Long term disability benefits percentage x 60%  
Unreduced maximum benefit \$1,800  
Less Social Security disability benefit per month - \$900  
Less state disability income benefit per month - \$300  
Total amount of long term disability benefit per month \$600

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