

# GROUP SHORT-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. 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/employee-benefits/employees](http://thehartford.com/employee-benefits/employees)

## COVERAGE INFORMATION

COVERAGE LEVEL	BENEFIT PERCENTAGE	MAXIMUM	MINIMUM	SICKNESS BENEFIT STARTS	INJURY BENEFIT STARTS	BENEFIT DURATION
Core	50%	\$200	\$25	On the 8th day sick	On the 8th day injured	26 weeks
Buy-Up	70%	\$1,000				

## PREMIUMS

Your employer is paying for core coverage. Your contribution for buy-up coverage is shown on the Premium Worksheet.<sup>2</sup>

## ASKED & ANSWERED

### WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

You are eligible for this insurance if you are an active full-time Non-Union Hebrew Home for Health & Rehabilitation employee working a minimum of 30 hours per week for core STD coverage on a regularly scheduled basis.

### AM I GUARANTEED COVERAGE?

For your core coverage, this insurance is guaranteed issue coverage – it is available without having to provide information about your health.

For your buy-up coverage, if this is the first time you are eligible to elect coverage, evidence of insurability is not required. If you did not elect coverage the first time it was offered to you, evidence of insurability is required to elect coverage. Evidence of insurability is also required to make a change to enhance your current coverage.

### HOW MUCH DOES IT COST AND HOW DO I PAY FOR THIS INSURANCE?

Your employer pays 100% of the premium for your (employee) core coverage.

Premium for buy-up coverage is provided on the Premium Worksheet. Premium will be automatically paid through payroll deduction, as authorized by you during the enrollment process. This ensures you don't have to worry about writing a check or missing a payment.

### WHEN CAN I ENROLL?

Your employer will automatically enroll you for core coverage.

You may enroll in buy-up coverage during any scheduled enrollment period, within 31 days of the date you have a change in family status, or within 31 days of the completion of any eligibility waiting period established by your employer.

### WHEN DOES THIS INSURANCE BEGIN?

For your core coverage, this insurance will become effective for you on the date you become eligible.

For your buy-up coverage, this insurance will become effective for you 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?**

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 is your regular monthly rate of pay, not counting commissions, bonuses, overtime pay or any other fringe benefit or extra compensation.

<sup>1</sup>U.S. Social Security Administration Fact Sheet. Web. 14 October 2020 <https://www.ssa.gov/news/press/factsheets/basicfact-alt.pdf>

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

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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 SHORT TERM DISABILITY INSURANCE 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
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- 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 LIMITED BENEFITS.

This limited benefit plan (1) does not constitute major medical coverage, and (2) does not satisfy the individual mandate of the Affordable Care Act (ACA) because the coverage does not meet the requirements of minimum essential coverage.

In New York: This Disability 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.

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