Group Benefit Program Summary for The HOPE Institute for Children and Families

Group Long-term Disability Insurance (LTD)

Without a steady income, most people would not be able to make payments on their homes or keep their family financially stable. LTD reduces the burden during these unstable times. It is a convenient, economical way of securing an income while out of work from an unexpected injury or illness. Your employer has made LTD coverage available for you to enroll in. Below are some of the major features of this program.

Eligibility	All Active Full-Time Employees
Group LTD Benefit Percentage	60%
Maximum Monthly Benefit	\$7,000
Minimum Monthly Benefit	\$100 or 10% of gross monthly earnings, whichever is greater
Elimination Period	90 days
Maximum Period Payable	Social Security Normal Retirement Age (SSNRA)
Social Security Offset Method	Primary and Family Integration
Mental Disorder Limitation	24 Months
Substance Abuse Limitation	24 Months
Special Conditions Limitation	No limitation
Pre-Existing Condition Limitation	3/12 - A Pre-Existing Condition is a Sickness or Injury for which you have received treatment within 3 months prior to your effective date. Any disability contributed to or caused by a Pre-Existing Condition within the first 12 months of your effective date will not be covered.
Rehabilitation Incentive Income (RII)	Your Plan provides a Partial Disability benefit, that when combined with return to work income, will provide up to 100% of pre-disability income for 12 months and then reduce as stated in your certificate of Insurance. Rehab Incentive Income is offered to employees who agree to take part in a rehabilitation plan, structured to return them to gainful employment in another occupation because they cannot return to their regular occupation. When in a Rehabilitation program, a Partial Disability benefit is paid, that when added to your return to work income, allows you to earn more than your predisability income for 12 months and then reduce as stated in your certificate of insurance.
Disability Resource Service	In addition to the resource services available on-line at GuidanceResources.com, Disability Resource Services provides a 24-hour telephonic support for all LTD insureds for behavioral health issues. A staff of master degree clinicians are available to provide each caller with assessment, counseling and referral advice for face-to-face counseling. Face-to-face counseling - Up to three face-to-face counseling sessions per year to address appropriate behavioral health issues.
Additional Features	Work Incentive Benefit, Survivor Benefit





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LTD Definition of Disability:

Total Disability	Total Disability means that during the first 24 consecutive months of benefits due to Injury or Sickness the employee is unable to perform all of the material and substantial duties of the employee's regular occupation, and the employee's disability earnings, if any, are less than the percentage (20%) of the employee's pre-disability weekly earnings.
Partial Disability	Partial Disability means that during the elimination period the employee is able to perform some, but not all, of the material and substantial duties of the employee's regular occupation. After the elimination period, partial disability means that due to Injury or Sickness the employee is able to perform some but not all of the material and substantial duties of the employee's regular occupation, and the employee's disability earnings, if any are at least the minimum percentage (20%), but less than the maximum percentage of the employee's pre-disability weekly earnings (80%).

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