



# AF™ Short-Term Disability Income Insurance

South Texas ISD

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EMPLOYER BENEFIT SOLUTIONS FOR YOUR INDUSTRY

## Focus on Recovery, Not Expenses

How would you cover your everyday expenses if you experienced an Injury or Sickness and couldn't work for a period of time? AF™ **Short-Term Disability Income Insurance** provides a steady benefit to cover everyday expenses while you are unable to work due to a covered Disability.

### Plan Highlights



#### Benefits are Payable Directly to You

You have the freedom to use the funds for your daily expenses such as: groceries, mortgage, daycare, etc.



#### Customized to Meet Your Individual Needs

You can select a benefit amount and elimination period that best meets your financial needs.

### Choose the Right Plan for You

#### BENEFITS BEGIN

Plan I	On the 8th day of Disability due to a covered Injury or Sickness.	\$0.85*
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*\*The premium is per \$100 of covered monthly compensation.*

### Disability Benefit

60% of your monthly compensation not to exceed: a maximum covered monthly compensation of \$12,500.00; and the amount for which premium is being paid. If applicable, your Disability Benefit will be reduced by Deductible Sources of Income.



**Injury** means physical harm or damage to the body you sustained which results directly from an accidental bodily Injury, is independent of disease or bodily infirmity; and takes place while your coverage is active.



**Sickness** means a disease or illness (including pregnancy). Disability must begin while your coverage is active.



**Hospital** - the term "Hospital" shall not include an institution used by you as a place for rehabilitation; a place for rest or for the aged; a nursing or convalescent home; a long-term nursing unit or geriatrics ward; or an extended care facility for the care of convalescent, rehabilitative, or ambulatory patients.



**Disability** or disabled means that you are unable to perform the material and substantial duties of your regular occupation.

## Maximum Benefit Period

Benefits are payable up to 90 days for a covered Injury or Sickness.

## When Coverage Begins

Certificates will become effective on the requested effective date following the date we approve the application, provided you are on active employment and premium has been paid.

## Physician Expense Benefit

Injury - \$150.00 per Injury

If you need personal treatment by a physician due to an Injury, we will pay the amount shown above provided no other claim has been paid under the policy. This benefit will be limited to 8 payments per calendar year.

## Donor Benefit

If you are Disabled as a result of being an organ or tissue donor, we will pay your benefit as any other Sickness under the terms of the plan.

## Offsets With Other Sources of Income

Deductible Sources of Income include: Other group Disability income; Governmental or other retirement system, whether due to Disability, normal retirement or voluntary election of retirement benefits; United States Social Security Act or similar plan or act, including any amounts due your dependent(s) on account of your Disability; State Disability; Unemployment compensation; Sick leave or other salary or wage continuance plans provided by the employer which extend beyond 30 calendar days from the date of Disability.

We reserve the right to estimate these Deductible Sources of Income that you may receive as defined in your certificate.

## Minimum Disability Benefit

The Minimum Disability Benefit is 10% of the Monthly Disability Benefit or \$100.00, whichever is greater.

## If You Are Disabled Due to a Covered Disability and Not Working

Your disability payment will be the lesser of: the Disability Benefit; or 60% of your monthly compensation less any deductible sources of income you receive or are entitled to receive. No Disability payment will be provided for any period in which you are not under the regular and appropriate care of a physician.

- **Worksite Accommodation**

As a part of our claims evaluation process, if worksite modifications may assist your return to work, we will evaluate your claim for appropriate action.

## Alcoholism and Drug Addiction Limited Benefit

If you are Disabled due to alcoholism or drug addiction, a limited benefit of up to 15 days for each Disability will be paid. Benefits will not be paid beyond the maximum benefit period. If drug addiction is sustained at the hands of, or while under the regular and appropriate care of a physician in the course of treatment for Injury or Sickness, it will be covered the same as any other Sickness.

## Pre-Existing Condition Limitation

No Disability Benefit will be payable if Disability is caused by or resulting from a Pre-Existing Condition and begins before you have been continuously covered under the policy for 12 months. This provision will not apply if you have: gone treatment-free; incurred no expense; taken no medication; and received no diagnosis or advice from a physician, for 12 consecutive months for such condition(s).

This limitation will not apply to a Disability resulting from a Pre-Existing Condition that begins after you have been continuously covered under the policy for 12 months.

Any increase in benefits will be subject to this Pre-Existing Condition limitation. A new Pre-Existing Condition period must be met with respect to any increase applied for and approved by us.

**Pre-Existing Condition** means a disease, Injury, Sickness, physical condition or mental illness for which you: had treatment; incurred expense; took medication; received care or services including diagnostic testing or related measures; or received a diagnosis or advice from a physician, during the 12 month period immediately before your effective date of coverage. The term Pre-Existing Condition will also include conditions which are related to such disease, Injury, Sickness, physical condition, or mental illness.

## Policy Exclusions

The policy does not cover any loss, fatal or non-fatal, resulting from: Intentionally self-inflicted Injury while sane or insane; An act of war, declared or undeclared; Injury sustained or Sickness contracted while in the service of the armed forces of any country; Committing a felony; Penal incarceration. We will not pay benefits for Disability or any other loss during any period for which you are incarcerated in a penal or correctional institution for a period of 30 consecutive days or longer; Injury or Sickness arising out of and in the course of any occupation for wage or profit or for which you are entitled to Workers' Compensation.

The term "entitled to Workers' Compensation" shall also include Workers' Compensation claim settlements that occur via compromise and release. Further, no benefits will be paid under this policy for any period during which you are entitled to Workers' Compensation benefits.

Your coverage may be extended for up to 1 year during a leave of absence approved in writing by your employer. Coverage will continue as long as the group policy remains in force, the premiums are paid and you remain eligible for the coverage under the policy. Your coverage will end when you no longer qualify as an insured, you retire, you are not on active employment, or your employment terminates. Your coverage can be terminated on any premium due date with 31 days advance notice. If premium rates are increased, we will provide a 60 day advance notice.

*Pre-Existing Conditions may apply.*

*This brochure highlights important features of the policy. Please refer to your certificate for complete details.*



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