

# Standard Insurance Company Buy-up Long Term Disability Coverage Highlights

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# **Buy-up Long Term Disability (LTD) Insurance**

Long Term Disability insurance is designed to pay a monthly benefit to you in the event you cannot work because of a covered illness or injury. This benefit replaces a portion of your income, thus helping you to meet your financial commitments in a time of need. Buy-up LTD insurance offers you the opportunity to choose one of two levels of LTD coverage.

The basic LTD plan is fully paid by the University and provides a basic level of LTD coverage. The buy-up option is paid for by you and provides a higher level of LTD coverage. If the policy becomes effective and you do not elect the buy-up option, you will automatically be enrolled in the basic LTD plan. Standard Insurance Company (The Standard) has developed this document to provide you with information about the optional coverage you may select through the University.

# **Eligibility Requirements**

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The group policy effective date is January 1, 2015

#### **Employee**

- You must be an active employee of the University of Arkansas at Batesville, who is employed at least 50 percent time or greater and is on at least a nine-month appointment period
- · A citizen or resident of the United States or Canada
- Temporary and seasonal employees, leased employees and independent contractors are not eligible

#### **Premium**

 You pay 100 percent of the premium for the buy-up portion of this coverage through easy payroll deduction

#### **Benefit Amount**

Your monthly LTD benefit is a percentage of your insured monthly predisability earnings reduced by deductible income.

	Basic LTD Plan	Buy-up LTD Plan
Percentage of monthly predisability earnings	60%	60%
Plan Maximum Monthly Benefit	\$5,000	\$25,000
Plan Minimum Monthly Benefit	\$100 or 10% of your LTD benefit before reduction by deductible income	\$100 or 10% of your LTD benefit before reduction by deductible income

#### Note:

As of January 1, 2016, the LTD Policy has been changed to a 180 day/12 month Preexisting Condition
 Exclusion for all late applications (applying 31 days after becoming eligible) for Buy-up optional LTD. LTD claims
 filed within the first 12 months of the Buy-up optional LTD plan becoming effective may be subject to this
 exclusion.

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# **Benefit Amount, Continued**

To compare the amount of your LTD benefit under both plans, fill in the blanks below:

	Basic LTD Plan	Buy-up LTD Plan
1. Enter your monthly predisability	\$	\$
earnings	(If your monthly predisability earnings exceed \$8,333, do not include earnings over \$8,333)	(If your monthly predisability earnings exceed \$41,667, do not include earnings over \$41,667)
2. Percentage of predisability earnings	60%	60%
3. Multiply amount on line 1 by percentage on line 2 and enter total here. This is your monthly LTD benefit amount before	\$	\$

#### **Disability Needs Calculator**

Your family has a unique set of circumstances and financial demands. To help you figure out the amount of Disability insurance you may need if you become unable to work, The Standard has created a Disability Needs Calculator found at: http://www.standard.com/calculators/dineeds.html

# **Employee Coverage Effective Date**

To become insured, you must satisfy the eligibility requirements listed above, receive medical underwriting approval (if applicable), and be actively at work (able to perform all normal duties of your job) on the day before the scheduled effective date of insurance. If you are not actively at work on the day before the scheduled effective date of insurance, your insurance will not become effective until the day after you complete one full day of active work as an eligible employee.

Please contact your human resources representative for more information regarding the requirements that must be satisfied for your insurance to become effective.

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Understanding Your Plan Design	
Benefit Waiting Period	If your claim for LTD benefits is approved by The Standard, benefits become payable after the benefit waiting period. This is a specified number of days during which you must remain continuously disabled. Benefits are not payable during the benefit waiting period. The benefit waiting period is the longer of 180 days or the period of accumulated sick leave to which you are entitled from the Employer.
Own Occupation Definition of Disability	For the benefit waiting period and the first 24 months for which LTD benefits are paid, you are considered disabled when you are unable as a result of physical disease, injury, pregnancy or mental disorder to perform with reasonable continuity the material duties of your own occupation <b>AND</b> are suffering a loss of at least 20 percent of your indexed predisability earnings when working in your own occupation. You are not disabled merely because your right to perform your own occupation is restricted, including a restriction or loss of license.
Any Occupation Definition of Disability	After the own occupation period of disability, you will be considered disabled if you are unable as a result of physical disease, injury, pregnancy or mental disorder to perform with reasonable continuity the material duties of any occupation.

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# **Understanding Your Plan Design, Continued**

#### **Maximum Benefit Period**

The maximum benefit period is indicated below. The benefit duration is determined by your age when disability begins:

<u>Age</u>	<b>Maximum Benefit Period</b>
59 or younger	To age 65, or 5 years, if longer
60	5 years
61	4 years
62	3 years 6 months
63	3 years
64	2 years 6 months
65	2 years
66	1 year 9 months
67	1 year 6 months
68	1 year 3 months
69 or older	1 year

Deductible income is income you receive or are eligible to receive while LTD benefits are payable. Deductible income includes, but is not limited to:

- Benefits under any workers' compensation law or similar law
- Amounts under unemployment compensation law
- Social Security disability or retirement benefits, including benefits for your spouse and children
- · Disability benefits from any other group insurance
- Benefits under any state disability income benefit law or similar law
- Earnings or compensation included in predisability earnings which you receive or are eligible to receive while LTD benefits are payable
- Earnings from work activity while you are disabled, plus the earnings you could receive if you worked as much as your disability allows
- Amounts due from or on behalf of a third party because of your disability, whether by judgment, settlement or other method
- Any amount you receive by compromise, settlement or other method as a result of a claim for any of the above

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#### **Benefit Calculation**

#### Example

The LTD benefit amount is determined by multiplying your insured predisability earnings by the specified benefit percentage. This amount is then reduced by deductible income. In the example below, which assumes the employee has purchased Buy-up LTD coverage, the LTD benefit amount is 60 percent of insured predisability earnings. If your monthly earnings before becoming disabled were \$4,500, and you now receive a monthly Social Security disability benefit of \$1,200 and a monthly retirement benefit of \$900, your monthly LTD benefit would be calculated as follows:

Insured predisability earnings	\$4,500
LTD benefit percentage	X 60%
	\$2,700
Less Social Security disability benefit	-\$1,200
Less retirement benefit	-\$900
Amount of LTD benefit	\$600

#### **Additional Features**

Please see your human resources representative for additional information about the features and benefits below.

24 Hour Coverage 24-hour LTD plans provide coverage for disabilities occurring on or off the job.

Rehabilitation Plan If you are participating in an approved Rehabilitation Plan, The Standard may include

> payment of some of the expenses you incur in connection with the plan including but not limited to: training and education expenses, family (child and elder) care expenses,

job related expenses and job search expenses.

Reasonable Accommodation **Expense Benefit** 

If your employer makes an approved work-site modification that enables you to return to work while disabled. The Standard will reimburse your employer up to a preapproved amount for some or all of the cost of the modification.

Rehabilitation **Incentive Benefit**  If you agree to participate in a rehabilitation plan that prepares you to return to work (plan must be approved by The Standard), you may be eligible to receive an additional benefit equal to 10 percent of your predisability earnings. When added to any other amount you receive from The Standard, your total benefit cannot exceed the maximum benefit allowed by the policy.

**Survivors Benefit** 

If you die while LTD benefits are payable, and on the date you die you have been continuously disabled for at least 180 days, a survivors benefit will be payable. The Survivors Benefit is the amount of the last LTD Benefit paid to you and will be paid for up to 12 months after your death. Any survivor's benefit payable will first be applied to any overpayment of your claim.

Conversion

Allows you to obtain LTD conversion insurance after the termination of your insurance. You must be eligible and apply within 31 days of the date your insurance ends. Contact your Human Resources department for more information.

#### **Exclusions**

You are not covered for a disability caused or contributed to by any of the following:

- Your committing or attempting to commit an assault or felony, or your active participation in a violent disorder
- An intentionally self-inflicted injury, while sane or insane
- War or any act of war (declared or undeclared, and any substantial armed conflict between organized forces of a military nature)
- The loss of your professional or occupational license or certification
- A preexisting condition or the medical or surgical treatment of a preexisting condition unless on the date you become disabled, you have been continuously insured under the group policy for a specified period of time, and you have been actively at work for at least one full day after the end of the exclusion period. These periods are

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SI 12507 4 of 7 of the same duration under both the basic LTD plan and buy-up LTD plan, however the periods may not run concurrently, depending upon the effective date of your coverage under the buy-up LTD plan.

# **Preexisting Condition Provision**

A preexisting condition is a mental or physical condition whether or not diagnosed or misdiagnosed:

• For which, as a result of any medical examination, including routine examination, was discovered or suspected at any time during the Preexisting Condition Period below.

# **Preexisting Condition**

**Period** 

Basic LTD Plan 1 At any time during the 90-day period just before your insurance becomes effective

under Plan 1

Buy-up LTD Plan 2 At any time during the 180-day period just before your insurance becomes effective

under Plan 2

Exclusion Period 12 months

#### Limitations

LTD benefits are not payable for any period when you are:

- Not under the ongoing care of a physician in the appropriate specialty as determined by The Standard
- Not participating in good faith in a plan, program or course of medical treatment or vocational training or education approved by The Standard, unless your disability prevents you from participating
- Confined for any reason in a penal or correctional institution

In addition, payment of LTD benefits is limited in duration:

- · If you reside outside the United States or Canada
- If your disability is caused or contributed to by mental disorders.

#### When Benefits End

LTD benefits end automatically on the earliest of:

- The date you are no longer disabled
- The date your maximum benefit period ends
- · The date you die
- The date benefits become payable under any other LTD disability insurance plan under which you become
  insured through employment during a period of temporary recovery
- The date you fail to provide proof of continued disability and entitlement to benefits

#### When Insurance Ends

Insurance ends automatically on the earliest of the following:

- The last day of the last period for which you make a premium contribution (except if premiums are waived while disabled)
- The date your employment terminates
- The date the group policy terminates
- The date you cease to be a member (insurance may continue for limited periods under certain circumstances)
- If applicable, the date your employer ceases to participate under the group policy

# **Group Insurance Certificate**

If coverage becomes effective, and you become insured, you will receive access to a group insurance certificate containing a detailed description of the insurance coverage including the definitions, exclusions, limitations, reductions and terminating events. The controlling provisions will be in the group policy. Neither the information presented in this summary nor the certificate modifies the group policy or the insurance coverage in any way.

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If you elect the Buy-up LTD plan, your monthly premium rate for this plan is 0.430% of your monthly earnings in excess of the first \$8,333 of your insured predisability earnings. Premiums for the Buy-up LTD plan will be deducted directly from your paycheck. If you do not enroll in the Buy-up LTD plan, subject to eligibility requirements, you will automatically be insured under the basic LTD plan with no premium cost to you. If you have questions regarding how to determine your earnings, please contact your human resources representative.

To calculate your estimated monthly payroll deduction, use the formula indicated below:

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1. Enter your annual base salary on line 1 (up to \$500,000 max).	Line 1:
Divide the amount on line 1 by 12 for your monthly salary and enter the amount on line 2.	Line 2:
3. Subtract \$8,333 (which is your covered Basic LTD), from the amount on line 2 and enter on line 3.	Line 3:
4. Multiply the amount on line 3 by 0.00430.	Line 4:

The amount shown on Line 4 is your estimated monthly payroll deduction.



# **Standard Insurance Company**

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