

Woodbury County



Act Now to Help Protect What Matters Most



The life you're building for yourself and your family is precious. Every financial decision, every first step, every milestone — these are the things that matter. Think of insurance as a financial safety net that can help protect you when life doesn't go as planned. Enrolling in coverage now is a small thing you can do to help make sure you and your loved ones keep moving forward.

In this guide, you'll find details about your group insurance options from Standard Insurance Company (The Standard) and the forms you need to start the application process.



Protection for Your Paycheck

Your most valuable asset is your ability to earn an income. Disability insurance provides partial income replacement if you can't work because of a qualifying disability caused by an illness, injury or pregnancy. The benefit payments can help with bills that continue even when you can't work, like your mortgage or rent — expenses medical insurance won't cover.

Short Term Disability insurance pays a weekly benefit to help you keep your finances on track when you're out of work because of a disability.

Benefits You Can Apply for Now:

• Short Term Disability insurance

Ready to Apply? You'll Find the Form(s) Right Here

Once you've reviewed your options, the next step is to apply using the form(s) included at the end of this guide. Don't forget to turn in your forms before your enrollment period ends.

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Group Short Term Disability Insurance

Protect your income and those who depend on it.

This coverage replaces a portion of your income when you can't work because of a qualifying disability. Even if you're healthy now, it's important to protect yourself and the people who count on your income. This insurance can help you pay the bills when you're unable to work.

This plan offers:

- Competitive group rates
- The convenience of payroll deduction
- Benefits for a qualifying disability that is not work-related

② About This Coverage

See the Important Details section for more information, including requirements, exclusions and definitions.

What Your Benefit Provides

This is the benefit you'd receive if you were to suffer a qualifying disability. Eligible earnings are your weekly insured predisability earnings, as defined by the group policy. Your benefit amount will be reduced by deductible income; see the Important Details section for a list of deductible income sources.

66 2/3% of your eligible earnings, up to a maximum benefit of \$1,000 per week. Plan minimum \$15 per week.

Benefit Waiting Period

If you suffer a qualifying disability, your benefit waiting period is the length of time you must be continuously disabled before you can begin receiving your weekly benefit.

14 days for accidental injury

14 days for physical disease, pregnancy or mental disorder

Extended Benefit Waiting Period

This applies if you do not apply for this coverage within 31 days of becoming eligible, were eligible for coverage under a prior plan for more than 31 days but were not insured, or if your insurance ends because you failed to pay your premium and is later reinstated.

60 days for any qualifying disability caused by physical disease, pregnancy or mental disorder occurring during the first 12 months of coverage.

How Long Your Benefits Last

This is the maximum length of time you could be eligible to receive a weekly disability benefit.

90 days

≥ Additional Features

Your coverage comes with some added features:

Return to Work Incentive

Your disability benefit will not be reduced by any work earnings you receive until the combined amount of the benefit, earnings and other sources of income exceeds 100 percent of your predisability earnings.

Help with Returning to Work

If a worksite modification would enable you to return to work, we can help your employer make approved modifications by covering some or all of the cost.

Show Much Your Coverage Costs

Because this insurance is offered through Woodbury County, you'll have access to competitive group rates that may be more affordable than those available through individual insurance. You'll also have the convenience of having your premium deducted directly from your paycheck. How much your premium costs depends on a number of factors, such as your age and benefit amount.

Use this formula to calculate your premium payment:

Enter your weekly earnings (cannot be more than \$1,500).

Enter your rate from the rate table.

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This amount is an estimate of how much you'd pay each month.

Your Age (as of January 1)	Rate per \$10 of weekly benefit
<30	\$0.50
30–34	\$0.64
35-39	\$0.42
40–44	\$0.33
45–49	\$0.37
50–54	\$0.41
55–59	\$0.55
60+	\$0.68

Not being able to work also means not being able to earn a paycheck. As you consider Short Term Disability insurance, think about the expenses you would need to cover if you were to become disabled:

- · Mortgage or rent
- Utilities
- Groceries
- Medical bills
- Car insurance
- Childcare costs

To estimate your insurance needs, you'll need to consider your unique circumstances.

Use our online calculator at www.standard.com/disability/needs.

Important Details

Here's where you'll find the nitty-gritty details about the plan.

Eligibility Requirements

To be eligible for coverage, you must be:

- A regular employee of Woodbury County
- · Actively working at least 30 hours per week
- A citizen or resident of the United States or Canada

Temporary and seasonal employees, full-time members of the armed forces, leased employees and independent contractors are not eligible.

Employee Coverage Effective Date

To become insured, you must:

- Meet the eligibility requirements listed above
- Serve an eligibility waiting period*
- Apply for coverage and agree to pay premiums
- 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 or plan administrator for more information regarding the requirements that must be satisfied for your insurance to become effective.

*Defined as first of the month that follows or coincides with 30 consecutive days as a member

Definition of Disability

You will be considered disabled if, as a result of physical disease, injury, pregnancy or mental disorder:

- You are unable to perform with reasonable continuity the material duties of your own occupation, and
- You suffer a loss of at least 20 percent in your predisability earnings when working in your own occupation.

You are not considered disabled merely because your right to perform your own occupation is restricted, including a restriction or loss of license.

Exclusions

Subject to state variations, 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 or riot

- 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
- An activity arising out of or in the course of any employment for wage or profit

Limitations

Short Term Disability 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
- Able to work and earn at least 20 percent of your predisability earnings in your own occupation but you elect not to
- Eligible to receive benefits for your disability under a workers' compensation law or similar law

When Your Benefits End

Your Short Term Disability benefits end automatically on the date any of the following occur:

- · You are no longer disabled
- Your maximum benefit period ends
- Long term disability benefits become payable to you under a Long Term Disability plan
- Benefits become payable under any other disability insurance plan under which you become insured through employment during a period of temporary recovery
- You fail to provide proof of continued disability and entitlement to benefits
- You pass away

Deductible Income

Your benefits will be reduced if you have deductible income, which is income you receive or are eligible to

receive while receiving Short Term Disability benefits. Deductible income includes:

- Sick pay, annual or personal leave pay, severance pay or other forms of salary continuation (including donated amounts) paid
- · Amounts under unemployment compensation law
- Amounts because of your disability from any other group insurance
- Any retirement or disability benefits received from your employer's retirement plan which are not attributable to your contributions
- Amounts under any state disability income benefit law or similar law
- Earnings from work activity while you are disabled, plus the earnings you could receive if you work as much as your disability allows
- Earnings or compensation included in your predisability earnings which you receive or are eligible to receive while Short Term Disability benefits are payable
- 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

When Your Insurance Ends

Your insurance ends automatically when any of the following occur:

- The date the last period ends for which a premium was paid
- The date your employment terminates
- The date the group policy (or your employer's coverage under the group policy) terminates
- The date you cease to meet the eligibility requirements (insurance may continue for limited periods under certain circumstances)
- The date Woodbury County ends participation in the group policy

Group Insurance Certificate

If coverage becomes effective and you become insured, you will receive 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. The information present in this summary does not modify the group policy, certificate or the insurance coverage in any way.

GP399-STD, GP899-STD, GP309-STD, GP209-STD,

GP399/ASSOC, GP399-STD/TRUST

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About Standard Insurance Company

For more than 100 years, we have been dedicated to our core purpose: to help people achieve financial well-being and peace of mind. Headquartered in Portland, Oregon, The Standard is a nationally recognized provider of group employee benefits. To learn more about products from The Standard, visit us at **www.standard.com**.

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