



**Sulphur Springs Independent School District
Policy # 126842**

Please read carefully the following description of your Unum Long Term Disability Income Protection insurance plan.

Your Plan

Eligibility

You are eligible for LTD coverage if you are an active employee in the United States working a minimum of 20 hours per week.

Benefit Amount

Monthly LTD Benefit:

- 60% of your monthly earnings
- To a maximum of \$5000

The total benefit payable to you on a monthly basis (including all benefits provided under this plan) will not exceed 100% of your monthly earnings. However, if you are participating in Unum's Rehabilitation and Return to Work Assistance program, the total benefit payable to you on a monthly basis (including all benefits provided under this plan) will not exceed 110% of your monthly earnings (unless the excess amount is payable as a Cost of Living Adjustment).

Your disability benefit may be reduced by deductible sources of income and any earnings you have while disabled. Deductible sources of income may include such items as disability income or other amounts you receive or are entitled to receive under: workers compensation or similar occupational benefit laws; state compulsory benefit laws; automobile liability and no fault insurance; legal judgments and settlements; certain retirement plans; salary continuation or sick leave plans; other group or association disability programs or insurance; and amounts you or your family receive or are entitled to receive from Social Security or similar governmental programs.

Definition of Disability

You are disabled when Unum determines that:

- you are limited from performing the material and substantial duties of your regular occupation; and
- you have a 20% or more loss in indexed monthly earnings due to the same sickness or injury.
- After benefits have been paid for 24 months, you are disabled when Unum determines that due to the same sickness or injury, you are unable to perform the duties of any gainful occupation for which you are reasonably fitted by education, training or experience.

You must be under the regular care of a physician in order to be considered disabled.

Elimination Period

The Elimination Period is the length of time of continuous disability which must be satisfied before you are eligible to receive benefits.

LTD benefits would begin after 180 days of disability, if you are disabled,

as described in the definition above.

During your elimination period you will be considered disabled if you are limited from performing the material and substantial duties of your regular occupation due to your sickness or injury, and you are under the regular care of a physician. You are not required to have a 20% or more earnings loss to be considered disabled during the elimination period due to the same sickness or injury.

Benefit Duration

Your duration of benefits is based on your age when the disability occurs. Your LTD benefits are payable for the period during which you continue to meet the definition of disability. If your disability occurs before age 60, benefits will be payable until age 65. If your disability occurs at or after age 60, benefits would be paid according to a benefit duration schedule.

Gainful Occupation

Gainful occupation means an occupation that is or can be expected to provide you with an income at least equal to your gross disability payment within 12 months of your return to work.

Federal Income Taxation

The taxability of benefits depends on how premium was taxed during the plan year in which you become disabled. Whether you pay 100% of the premium or you and your Employer share in the cost, if premium for the plan year is paid with **post-tax** dollars, your benefits **will not** be taxed. If premium for the plan year is paid with **pre-tax** dollars, your benefits **will** be taxed. If premium for the plan year is paid partially with post-tax dollars and partially with pre-tax dollars, then a portion of your benefits will be taxed.

Additional Benefits

Rehabilitation and Return to Work Assistance

Unum has a vocational Rehabilitation and Return to Work Assistance program available to assist you in returning to work. We will make the final determination of your eligibility for participation in the program, and will provide you with a written Rehabilitation and Return to Work Assistance plan developed specifically for you. This program may include, but is not limited to the following benefits:

- coordination with your Employer to assist your return to work;
- adaptive equipment or job accommodations to allow you to work;
- vocational evaluation to determine how your disability may impact your employment options;
- job placement services;
- resume preparation;
- job seeking skills training; or
- education and retraining expenses for a new occupation.

If you are participating in a Rehabilitation and Return to Work Assistance program, we will also pay an additional disability benefit of 10% of your gross disability payment to a maximum of \$1,000 per month. In addition, we will make monthly payments to you for 3 months following the date your disability ends, if we determine you are no longer disabled while:

- you are participating in a Rehabilitation and Return to Work Assistance program; and
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Dependent Care Expense Benefit

- you are not able to find employment.

If you are disabled and participating in Unum's Rehabilitation and Return to Work Assistance program, Unum will pay a Dependent Care Expense Benefit when you are disabled and you:

- are incurring expenses to provide care for a child under the age of 15;
- and/or start incurring expenses to provide care for a child age 15 or older or a family member who needs personal care assistance.

The payment will be \$350 per month per dependent, to a maximum of \$1,000 per month for all dependent care expenses combined.

Waiver of Premium

You will not be required to pay LTD premiums as long as you are receiving LTD benefits.

Work/Life Balance Employee Assistance Program

Work-life balance is a comprehensive resource providing access to professional assistance for a wide range of personal and work-related issues. The service is available to you and your family members twenty-four hours a day, 365 days a year, and provides resources to help employees find solutions to everyday issues such as financing a car or selecting child care, as well as more serious problems such as alcohol or drug addiction, divorce, or relationship problems.

Services include: toll-free phone access to master's-level consultants, up to three face-to-face sessions to help with more serious issues; and online resources. There is no additional charge for utilizing the program. Participation is confidential and strictly voluntary, and employees do not have to have filed a disability claim or be receiving benefits to use the program.

However, if you become disabled and are receiving benefits, Unum's On Claim Support can provide additional resources including: coaching on how to communicate effectively with medical personnel, conducting consumer research for medical equipment and supplies, assessing emotional needs and locating counseling resources.

Worldwide Emergency Travel Assistance Services

Whether your travel is for business or pleasure, our worldwide emergency travel assistance program is there to help you when an unexpected emergency occurs. With one phone call anytime of the day or night, you, your spouse and dependent children can get immediate assistance anywhere in the world. Emergency travel assistance is available to you when you travel to any foreign country, including neighboring Canada or Mexico. It is also available anywhere in the United States for those traveling more than 100 miles from home. Your spouse and dependent children do not have to be traveling with you to be eligible. However, spouses traveling on business for their employer are not covered by this program.

Survivor Benefit

Unum will pay your eligible survivor a lump sum benefit equal to 3 months of your gross disability payment.

This benefit will be paid if, on the date of your death, your disability had continued for 180 or more consecutive days, and you were receiving or were entitled to receive payments under the plan. If you have no eligible survivors, payment will be made to your estate, unless there is none. In this case, no payment will be made. However, we will first apply the survivor benefit to any overpayment which may exist on your claim.

You may receive your survivor benefit prior to your death if you have been diagnosed as terminally ill, your life expectancy has been reduced to less than 12 months, and you are receiving monthly payments. If you elect to receive this benefit, no survivor benefit will be payable to your eligible survivor upon your death.

**Limitations/Exclusions/
Termination of Coverage****Pre-existing Condition
Exclusion**

You have a pre-existing condition if:

- you received medical treatment, consultation, care or services including diagnostic measures, or took prescribed drugs or medicines in the 3 months just prior to your effective date of coverage; and
- the disability begins in the first 12 months after your effective date of coverage.

**Instances When Benefits
Would Not Be Paid**

Benefits would not be paid for disabilities caused by, contributed to by, or resulting from:

- intentionally self-inflicted injuries;
- active participation in a riot;
- war, declared or undeclared, or any act of war;
- conviction of a crime;
- loss of professional license, occupational license or certification;
- pre-existing conditions (see definition).

Unum will not pay a benefit for any period of disability during which you are incarcerated.

Mental and Nervous

The lifetime cumulative maximum benefit period for all disabilities due to mental illness and disabilities based primarily on self-reported symptoms is 24 months. Only 24 months of benefits will be paid for any combination of such disabilities even if the disabilities are not continuous and/or are not related. Payments would continue beyond 24 months only if you are confined to a hospital or institution as a result of the disability.

Termination of Coverage

Your coverage under the policy ends on the earliest of the following:

- The date the policy or plan is cancelled;
- The date you no longer are in an eligible group;
- The date your eligible group is no longer covered;
- The last day of the period for which you made any required contributions;
- The last day you are in active employment except as provided under the covered layoff or leave of absence provision.

Unum will provide coverage for a payable claim which occurs while you are covered under the policy or plan.

Delayed Effective Date of Coverage

Insurance will be delayed if you are not in active employment because of an injury, sickness, temporary layoff, or leave of absence on the date that insurance would otherwise become effective.

Questions

If you should have any questions about your coverage or how to enroll, please contact your Plan Administrator.

This plan highlight is a summary provided to help you understand your insurance coverage from Unum. Some provisions may vary or not be available in all states. Please refer to your certificate booklet for your complete plan description. If the terms of this plan highlight summary or your certificate differ from your policy, the policy will govern. For complete details of coverage, please refer to policy form number C.FP-1, et al.

All worldwide emergency travel assistance must be arranged by Assist America, which pays for all services it provides. Medical expenses such as prescriptions or physician, lab or medical facility fees are paid by the employee or the employee's health insurance.

Work-life balance employee assistance program services are provided by Ceridian Corporation. Worldwide emergency travel assistance services are provided by Assist America, Inc. Services are available with selected Unum insurance offerings. Exclusions, limitations and prior notice requirements may apply, and service features, terms and eligibility criteria are subject to change. The services are not valid after termination of coverage and may be withdrawn at any time. Please contact your Unum representative for full details.

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