

# Policyholder: KESSLER TOPAZ MELTZER & CHECK, LLP



## Group short-term disability (STD) insurance benefit summary for partners

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### What's available to me?

Help protect one of your most valuable assets - the ability to earn an income. If you're temporarily disabled and can't work for a short amount of time, you can rely on short-term disability insurance to replace a portion of your weekly income.

Your primary weekly benefit is 60% of your earnings prior to your disability up to \$2,000 minus other income sources. Other income sources could include but aren't limited to Social Security, other earnings, worker's compensation, state disability (if applicable), and salary continuance.

Your benefits are determined by your W2 - 1 year average. This is your definition of earnings and is outlined further in the booklet you'll receive following enrollment.

Compensation for business owners covers business profits plus salaries averaged over the prior two years.

### Who receives coverage?

- You'll receive coverage if you're an active, full-time employee working at least 30 hours a week. Seasonal, temporary, or contract employees aren't eligible.
  - If you're on regularly scheduled day off, holiday, vacation day, jury duty, funeral leave, or personal time off, you're still considered actively at work, as long as you're fulfilling your regular duties and were working the day immediately prior to your time off.
  - You must enroll within 31 days of being eligible. If you don't, you'll need to provide health information for us to review for approval, or if you have a qualifying event.

Additional eligibility requirements may apply.

### Once I start receiving benefits, how long will they continue?

Short-term disability benefits can continue up to 11 weeks.

### When do I begin receiving disability benefits?

You must fulfill the elimination period (the amount of time before benefits are available) before you start receiving benefits. Your elimination period is completed on the 15th day for accidents and the 15th day for sickness.

## What types of conditions may qualify as a disability?

You'll be considered disabled due to sickness or injury, or pregnancy.

During your elimination period and your benefit payment period (how long benefit is paid), one of the following must apply:

- You're unable to perform the majority of substantial duties of your own job; or
- You're unable to earn 80% of your income prior to your disability while working in a modified capacity.

### Additional benefits:

<b>Work incentive benefit</b>	If you're working on a limited or part-time basis, you can keep your work earnings and may still receive your disability benefit. You can't receive more than 100% of your earnings prior to your disability.
<b>Rehabilitation plan</b>	<p>If you're disabled, our staff may work with you, your physician and employer to create an individual rehabilitation plan to help you return to work.</p> <p>You may also receive this benefit if you're not disabled but have a condition that prevents you from working.</p>
<b>Rehabilitation incentive benefit</b>	If you're totally disabled and satisfy the requirements of an individual rehabilitation plan, your benefit percentage may increase by 5%.
<b>Mandatory rehabilitation</b>	You may be paid for any expenses associated with an approved rehabilitation plan.
<b>Reasonable accommodation</b>	This benefit helps cover the cost of modifying the worksite to allow disabled employees to return to work. You may receive up to \$500 for this benefit.
<b>Full maternity</b>	You may receive a benefit for pregnancy or childbirth.



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