

SEND TO THE GROUP SHORT TERM DISABILITY CLAIM OFFICE SHOWN ON THE FIRST PAGE OF THE GROUP ADMINISTRATION MANUAL.

EMPLOYEE SECTION		Notify The Guardian when you return to work.					
1. PLANHOLDER/EMPLOYER NAME				2. PLAN NUMBER			
3. EMPLOYEE'S NAME			4. DATE OF BIRTH	5. SOCIAL SECURITY NO.		6. <input type="checkbox"/> MALE <input type="checkbox"/> FEMALE	7. <input type="checkbox"/> SINGLE <input type="checkbox"/> WIDOWED <input type="checkbox"/> MARRIED <input type="checkbox"/> DIVORCED <input type="checkbox"/> LEGALLY SEPARATED
8. EMPLOYEE'S ADDRESS CITY STATE ZIP							
9. HOME TELEPHONE NO. () -		10. DESCRIBE FIRST SYMPTOMS OF ILLNESS OR ACCIDENT.			11. NATURE OF ILLNESS OR ACCIDENT		
12. DATE OF ACCIDENT OR DATE FIRST NOTICED SYMPTOMS OF ILLNESS		13. WAS ACCIDENT OR ILLNESS RELATED TO YOUR EMPLOYMENT? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO IF YES, PLEASE EXPLAIN.					
14. DATE FIRST TREATED FOR THIS ILLNESS OR INJURY		15. DATE YOU BECAME UNABLE TO WORK BECAUSE OF THIS DISABILITY		16. DATE YOU RETURNED TO WORK PART TIME		17. DATE YOU RETURNED TO WORK FULL TIME	
18. DATE YOU EXPECT TO RETURN TO WORK PART TIME		19. DATE YOU EXPECT TO RETURN TO WORK FULL TIME		20. IF YOU HAVE ENGAGED IN ANY OTHER WORK SINCE DISABILITY BEGAN, EXPLAIN AND GIVE DATES.			
21. EXPLAIN THE DUTIES OF YOUR OCCUPATION WHEN YOUR DISABILITY BEGAN.							
22. NAME AND COMPLETE ADDRESS OF FAMILY PHYSICIAN							
23. NAMES AND COMPLETE ADDRESSES OF PHYSICIANS AND HOSPITALS THAT FIRST TREATED YOU FOR THIS ILLNESS OR INJURY							
24. HAVE YOU EVER HAD THE SAME OR A SIMILAR CONDITION IN THE PAST? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO IF "YES," PLEASE PROVIDE NAMES & COMPLETE ADDRESSES OF PHYSICIANS WHO TREATED YOU.							
25. DESCRIBE ANY OTHER INCOME YOU ARE RECEIVING OR ARE ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE AS A RESULT OF YOUR DISABILITY (E.G., SOCIAL SECURITY, WORKERS' COMPENSATION, STATE DISABILITY, PENSION DISABILITY/RETIREMENT, GROUP DISABILITY, NO-FAULT).							
Source	Plan No.	Claim No.	Amount/How often	Date claim filed	Date income began	Date income ended	
26. IF YOUR REQUEST FOR SHORT TERM DISABILITY BENEFITS IS APPROVED, AMOUNT YOU WANT US TO WITHHOLD FROM EACH PAYMENT FOR FEDERAL INCOME TAX (MUST BE WHOLE DOLLAR AMOUNT OF AT LEAST \$20 AND MAY NOT REDUCE PAYMENT TO LESS THAN \$10).							\$ (or %)
SIGNATURE OF EMPLOYEE _____				DATE _____			
27. I authorize any physician, medical practitioner, hospital, clinic, other health facility, consumer reporting agency, the Medical Information Bureau, insurance or reinsurance company, or employer to release any and all medical and non-medical information about me in its possession to The Guardian Life Insurance Company of America or its legal representatives. Medical information means all information in the possession of or derived from providers of health care regarding my medical history, mental or physical condition, or treatment. I understand that The Guardian will use the information obtained by this authorization to determine eligibility for insurance or eligibility for benefits under an existing plan. The Guardian will not release any information obtained to any person or organization except to reinsurance companies, the Medical Information Bureau, or other persons or organizations performing business or legal services in connection with my application, claim, or as may be lawfully required or permitted, or as I may further authorize. I know that I may request and receive a copy of this authorization. I agree that a photocopy of this authorization shall be as valid as the original. I agree that this authorization shall be valid for the duration of my claim.							
Any person who knowingly and with intent to defraud any insurance company or other person files a statement of claim containing any materially false information, or conceals, for the purpose of misleading; information concerning any fact material thereto, may be committing a criminal act.							
SIGNATURE OF EMPLOYEE _____				DATE _____			

EMPLOYER SECTION		If your plan has Direct Certification, complete questions 11, 13, 16, 19, 21, & 24 only.				
1. PLANHOLDER/EMPLOYER NAME			2. PLAN NUMBER			
3. PLANHOLDER/EMPLOYER ADDRESS			CITY	STATE	ZIP	
			4. TELEPHONE NUMBER () -			
5. IF BRANCH OR AFFILIATE, NAME & RELATIONSHIP TO PARENT COMPANY			6. EMPLOYER SOCIAL SECURITY OR TAX I.D. NO.			
7. EMPLOYEE'S NAME		8. DATE OF BIRTH	9. DATE OF EMPLOYMENT	10. CERTIFICATE NO.	11. INSURANCE CLASS	
12. DATE INSURANCE EFFECTIVE UNDER THIS PLAN	13. OCCUPATION AT TIME LAST WORKED	14. WORK SCHEDULE AT TIME LAST WORKED PER DAY, _____ HOURS DAYS PER WEEK		15. DATE DISABILITY BEGAN		
16. DATE LAST WORKED	17. REASON FOR LEAVING WORK <input type="checkbox"/> DISMISSED <input type="checkbox"/> LEAVE OF ABSENCE <input type="checkbox"/> DISABILITY <input type="checkbox"/> RESIGNED <input type="checkbox"/> RETIRED <input type="checkbox"/> LAYOFF		18. DATE TERMINATED FOR DISABILITY	19. LAST FULL DAY OF DISABILITY		
20. HAS THE EMPLOYEE RETURNED TO WORK? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO IF "YES," <input type="checkbox"/> PART TIME <input type="checkbox"/> FULL TIME IS THE EMPLOYEE PRESENTLY PERFORMING ALL DUTIES PERFORMED PRIOR TO DISABILITY? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO						
21. AVERAGE EARNINGS EXCLUDING BONUS, OVERTIME, AND SPECIAL COMPENSATION ON THE REDETERMINATION DATE OF YOUR PLAN \$ _____ <input type="checkbox"/> WEEK <input type="checkbox"/> MONTH <input type="checkbox"/> YEAR		22. EMPLOYEE IS PAID <input type="checkbox"/> BY PARTNERSHIP <input type="checkbox"/> HOURLY <input type="checkbox"/> COMMISSIONS ONLY <input type="checkbox"/> SALARY <input type="checkbox"/> SALARY & BONUS <input type="checkbox"/> SALARY & COMMISSIONS		23. IF EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTES TO COST OF THIS INSURANCE, _____% PAID BY EMPLOYEE _____% PAID BY EMPLOYER		
24. I CERTIFY THAT I HAVE REVIEWED THE EMPLOYEE SECTION AND THAT THE EMPLOYEE NAMED ABOVE HAS BEEN A FULL-TIME, ACTIVE EMPLOYEE FOR WHOM PREMIUMS HAVE BEEN PAID.						
AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE AND TITLE _____				DATE _____		

Federal law requires a third-party payer, such as an insurance company, to withhold income taxes from sick pay payments if the employee so requests. Sick pay includes Short Term (Weekly Loss of Time) and Long Term Disability benefits provided under an employer-sponsored group insurance plan as well as statutory disability benefits.

An employee who elects to have federal income taxes withheld from disability benefit payments must provide the information requested in Question No. 28 in the Employee Section. We will withhold the requested amount until the employee notifies us in writing to modify or terminate the request.

If coverage is provided to employees under the terms of a collective bargaining agreement, an employee need not request withholding provided that the agreement specifies that IRC section 3402(O)(5), the sick pay withholding provision, will apply to sick pay paid pursuant to the agreement and provided also that the agreement states the manner in which the amount withheld is to be determined. Notify The Guardian how much income tax to withhold and provide the social security number of the employee from whom we are to withhold taxes.

The law also requires us to give you a written report by January 15 of the year succeeding that in which disability payments were made. Our report will give the name of each employee who received disability payments, the total amount of benefits paid, and the total amount of income tax withheld from each employee's payments. If taxes were withheld from an employee's disability benefit payments, we must also give you the employee's social security number.

By January 31, you must provide a W-2 statement to each employee who has received disability payments. The W-2 must contain all the information you received from us and must show which portion, if any, of the employee's disability payments is excludable from gross pay and which is not. Contact your tax consultant if you have any questions about sick pay withholding.

PHYSICIAN SECTION		Please complete this form and return it to your patient.			
1. PHYSICIAN'S NAME					
2. PHYSICIAN'S ADDRESS					
		CITY	STATE	ZIP	
3. TELEPHONE NUMBER () -		4. SOCIAL SECURITY OR TAX I.D. NO.		5. NAME OF REFERRING PHYSICIAN	
6. DATE OF PATIENT'S ILLNESS (FIRST SYMPTOM), OR INJURY (ACCIDENT), OR PREGNANCY (LMP)			7. DATE FIRST CONSULTED YOU FOR THIS CONDITION		8. HAS PATIENT EVER HAD SAME OR SIMILAR SYMPTOMS? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
9. DATE PATIENT ABLE TO RETURN TO WORK		10. DATES OF TOTAL DISABILITY FROM _____ THROUGH _____		11. DATES OF PARTIAL DISABILITY FROM _____ THROUGH _____	
12. DIAGNOSIS OR NATURE OF ILLNESS OR INJURY			13. LIST DATES OF ALL TREATMENTS FOR THIS CONDITION		
14. PLEASE SIGN AND DATE					
SIGNATURE OF PHYSICIAN _____				DATE _____	