



Welcome to

Workplace benefits

Everyone deserves a Guardian

Every day, Guardian gives 26 million Americans the security they deserve through our insurance and wealth management products and services.

We've partnered with your organization to offer you a range of employee benefits. Inside this pack, you'll find the plans your employer thinks you might benefit from.

Your coverage options



Life insurance

Protecting your family's financial future

Know your benefits

Your benefits support your physical and financial wellbeing, to help keep you and your loved ones protected.

With Guardian, you're in good hands. We've been delivering on our promises for over 150 years, and we're looking forward to doing the same for you too.

1 Read through this information.

2 Find out more about your benefits.

3 Talk to your employer if you need help or have any questions.

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Life insurance

If something happens to you, life insurance can help your family reduce financial stress.

Life insurance helps protect your family's finances by providing a cash benefit if you pass away. This ensures that they'll be financially supported, and can cover important things from bills to funeral costs. With life policies, you can get affordable life insurance protection for a set period of time.

Who is it for?

Everyone's life insurance needs are different, depending on their family situation. That's why group life insurance through an employer is an easier and more affordable option than individual life insurance.

What does it cover?

Life insurance protects your loved ones by providing a benefit (which is usually tax-exempt) if you pass away.

Why should I consider it?

Life insurance is about more than just covering expenses. Depending on your circumstances, it could take your family years to recover from the loss of your income.

With a life insurance benefit, your family will have extra money to cover mortgage and rent payments, legal or medical fees, childcare, tuition, and any outstanding debts.

Guardian, its subsidiaries, agents, and employees do not provide tax, legal, or accounting advice. Consult your tax, legal, or accounting professional regarding your individual situation.

You will receive these benefits if you meet the conditions listed in the policy.



Preparing and planning

Jorge's never considered purchasing life insurance, but after being offered it through work, he decides it's a smart way to protect his family.

Jorge has a mortgage, and because his wife is helping to take care of her mother, she only works part-time. In addition, his daughter is about to start college.

Jorge looks at how his family would be affected by losing him.

Average funeral cost: **\$9,000**

Average mortgage debt: **\$202,000**

Average cost of college: **\$17,000 - \$44,000**

Average household credit card debt: **\$8,500**

With life insurance, Jorge can make sure that part of these costs are covered if something happens to him.

This example is for illustrative purposes only. Your plan's coverage may vary. See your plan's information on the following pages for specific amounts and details.



Your life coverage

BASIC LIFE

Employee Benefit	Your employer provides \$20,000 Basic Term Life coverage for all full time employees.
Guarantee Issue: The 'guarantee' means you are not required to answer health questions to qualify for coverage up to and including the specified amount, when you sign up for coverage during the initial enrollment period.	Guarantee Issue coverage up to \$20,000 per employee
Premiums	Covered by your company if you meet eligibility requirements
Conversion: Allows you to continue your coverage after your group plan has terminated.	Yes, with restrictions; see certificate of benefits
Benefit Reductions: Benefits are reduced by a certain percentage as an employee ages.	35% at age 65

Subject to coverage limits

The Guarantee Issue amount may be subject to reductions by percentage at the ages shown in this summary.

LIMITATIONS AND EXCLUSIONS:

A SUMMARY OF PLAN LIMITATIONS AND EXCLUSIONS FOR LIFE COVERAGE:

You must be working full-time on the effective date of your coverage; otherwise, your coverage becomes effective after you have completed a specific waiting period. Employees must be legally working in the United States in order to be eligible for coverage. Underwriting must approve coverage for employees on temporary assignment: (a) exceeding one year; or (b) in an area under travel warning by the US Department of State. Subject to state specific variations. Evidence of Insurability is required on all late enrollees. This coverage will not be effective until approved by a Guardian underwriter. This proposal is hedged subject to satisfactory financial evaluation. Please refer to certificate of coverage for full plan description.

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We pay no Accidental Death benefits for an insured where death occurs as the result of a disease or a bodily infirmity; through willful self-injury; by declared or undeclared war, act of war, armed aggression, or while a member of armed forces; may vary by state while driving motor vehicle without a current, valid driver's license; while legally intoxicated; while participating in civil disorder or committing a felony; traveling on any type of aircraft while having any duties on that aircraft; while voluntarily using a non-prescription controlled substance.

Guardian Group Life Insurance underwritten and issued by The Guardian Life Insurance Company of America, New York, NY. Products are not available in all states. Policy limitations and exclusions apply. Optional riders and/or features may incur additional costs. Plan documents are the final arbiter of coverage.
Policy Form # GP-1-LIFE-15

Electronic Evidence of Insurability (EOI)

Our online EOI forms are an easier, quicker alternative to traditional paper forms, helping you get covered when you need to provide additional information.

There are a few situations where you need to answer health questions, enroll for higher amounts of coverage, or request coverage after the initial eligibility period. In all of these situations, our online EOI form keeps things simple.

Electronic EOI keeps things simple

With Guardian's electronic EOI forms, your data is kept secure at every stage of the process. And with fewer errors than hand-written forms, and faster submission digitally, it's easier than ever to complete it and get covered.

Electronic EOI can be used for*:

- Basic life
- Voluntary life
- Short term disability
- Long term disability

*Applicable to coverage requiring full Evidence of Insurability (not applicable to conditional issue amounts). Electronic EOI is available using most internet browsers.



How it works

You will receive a letter or email from your employer or Guardian with instructions and a unique link to submit your EOI form online.

First register and create an account on Guardian Anytime. Then simply fill out the form, electronically sign it, and click 'Submit.'

Once we receive the form, we'll contact you with any questions, before notifying you (and your employer if the coverage amount changes).

GuidanceResources® - Employee Assistance Program

Sometimes life can feel overwhelming. It doesn't have to.

Guardian's Employee Assistance Program provides confidential counseling, expert guidance, and valuable resources to help you handle any of life's challenges, big or small.

How it can help



Confidential emotional support

- Anxiety, depression, stress



Work and lifestyle support

- Child, elder and pet care



Financial resources and legal guidance

- Retirement planning, taxes
- Wills, trusts and estate planning

This service is only available if you purchase qualifying lines of coverage. See your plan administrator for more details.

Legal/financial assistance and resources services are not available in the state of New York.

The Employee Assistance Program is a suite of services solely created and offered by ComPsych. Guardian is not responsible or liable for care or advice given by any provider or any service offering within the Employee Assistance Program. This information is for informational purposes only. It is not a contract. Only the plan service agreement can provide the actual terms, services, limitations and exclusions. Guardian and ComPsych reserve the right to discontinue the Employee Assistance Program at any time without notice. Legal services provided through the Employee Assistance Program will not be provided in connection with or any action against Guardian, ComPsych, or your employer. The Employee Assistance Program, or any individual service offering within the Program, is not an insurance benefit and may not be available in all states.



How to access 24/7 live assistance



Call
1 855 239 0743
TRS: Dial 711



Visit
guidanceresources.com

App: GuidanceNowSM
Organization web ID: Guardian
Note: First-time users will need to register first with the organization web ID: Guardian.



Our commitment to you

Please read the documentation referenced below carefully. The notices are intended to provide you important information about our insurance offerings and to protect your interests. Certain ones are required by law.

Important information



Notice Informing Individuals about Nondiscrimination and Accessibility Requirements

Guardian notice stating that it complies with applicable Federal civil rights laws and does not discriminate based on race, color, national origin, age, disability, sex, or actual or perceived gender identity. The notice provides contact information for filing a nondiscrimination grievance. It also provides contact information for access to free aids and services by disabled people to assist in communications with Guardian.

Visit <https://www.guardiananytime.com/notice48> to read more.

No Cost Language Services

Guardian provides language assistance in multiple languages for members who have limited English proficiency.

Visit <https://www.guardiananytime.com/notice46> to read more.

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Guardian Life, P.O. Box 14319,
Lexington, KY 40512

Please print clearly and mark carefully.

Employer/Planholder Name: The City of Stow	Group Plan Number: 00059517	Benefits Effective: _____
PLEASE CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX <input type="checkbox"/> Initial Enrollment <input type="checkbox"/> Add Employee/Member Dependents/Family Members <input type="checkbox"/> Drop/Refuse Coverage <input type="checkbox"/> Information Change		
<p>In this form, you will be referred to as an Employee/Member. Members of your family will be referred to as Dependents/Family Members. There will also be times, when referring to Dependents/Family Members, this form will distinguish between your spouse and your children. Depending on the type of plan your Planholder selected, other plan documents may refer to you as an employee, a member, or a similar term, and, to members of your family, as family members, dependents, eligible dependents, or a similar term. Please refer to the group policy, certificate of coverage, (sometimes called a member guide), to see how terms are defined and to determine which members of your family are eligible for coverage. Plan documents such as the group policy, certificate of coverage, (sometimes called a member guide), control if there is any dispute concerning the meaning of terms used in this form.</p>		

Class: Closed Retirees Class	Division: _____	Subtotal Code: _____	(Please obtain this from your Employer/Planholder)
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About You: Full Legal Name-First, MI, Last Name: _____ What is the name you go by? (optional) _____	Employer/Planholder Provided Identification: _____	Social Security Number _____ - _____ - _____ Your Social Security Number must be provided if enrolling for Life Coverage. Short Term Disability Coverage and/or Long Term Disability Coverage.	
Address _____	City _____	State _____	Zip _____
Gender Identity: <input type="checkbox"/> M <input type="checkbox"/> F		Date of Birth (mm-dd-yy): ____ - ____ - ____	
Phone (indicate primary): <input type="checkbox"/> Home (____) ____ - ____ <input type="checkbox"/> Work (____) ____ - ____ <input type="checkbox"/> Mobile (____) ____ - ____			
E mail Address (indicate primary) <input type="checkbox"/> Home _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Work _____			
Do you have children or other dependents? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		Are you married or in a civil union? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Date of marriage/civil union: ____ - ____ - ____ Placement date of adopted child: ____ - ____ - ____	

About Your Job:	Job Title: _____
Work Status: <input type="checkbox"/> Active <input type="checkbox"/> Retired <input type="checkbox"/> COBRA/State Continuation Hours worked per week: _____	Date of full time hire: ____ - ____ - ____ Annual Salary: \$ _____

Basic Life Coverage with Accidental Death and Dismemberment (AD&D):

Benefit reductions apply. Please see plan administrator.

The amount of life insurance coverage you select may be either a specific dollar amount or an amount that is a multiple of your salary and may be subject to certain reductions.

Policy Amount
Employee/Member Only

\$20,000

The Guarantee Issue
Amount is \$20,000.

* If Employee/Member is
65+ benefit reductions
may apply which may
change the GI amount.
Please see enrollment
materials for details.

Employee/Member Name your beneficiaries: (Primary beneficiary percentages must total 100%)

If additional space is needed, please attach a separate sheet of paper with this information along with your enrollment form. Be sure to sign and date (mm-dd-yy) the paper and keep a copy for your records.

Primary Beneficiaries:

Name: _____ Social Security Number: _____ - _____ - _____ %

Date of Birth (mm-dd-yy): ____ - ____ - ____

Address/City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: () - _____ Relationship to Employee/Member: _____

Name: _____ Social Security Number: _____ - _____ - _____ %

Date of Birth (mm-dd-yy): ____ - ____ - ____

Address/City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: () - _____ Relationship to Employee/Member: _____

Contingent Beneficiary: _____ Social Security Number: _____ - _____ - _____

Date of Birth (mm-dd-yy): ____ - ____ - ____

Address/City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: () - _____ Relationship to Employee/Member: _____

(In the event the primary beneficiaries are deceased, the contingent beneficiary will receive the benefit. Employer/Planholder maintains beneficiary information.)

Dependents/Family Members – If the intended beneficiary is to be someone other than the Employee/Member, please complete the Beneficiary Designation form.

Attention: If any of the beneficiaries named above is a minor (a person under the age of 18 or 21, depending on their state of residency), state law may limit Guardian's ability to pay life insurance proceeds directly to them for as long as they remain a minor. State Uniform Transfers to Minors Act (UTMA) laws, where applicable, may allow for the normal course of payment of these proceeds, or a portion thereof, to the minor beneficiary's designated Custodian to manage on the minor's behalf until they reach adult age. At that time, the proceeds are turned over to the adult child, who can use the proceeds in any way he or she chooses.

Are any of the beneficiaries identified above considered a minor in the state in which they reside? Check one box only. Yes No
If you answered "Yes", please name the legally designated UTMA Custodian for all minor beneficiaries you have designated:

Custodian to Minor Beneficiaries:

Name: _____ Social Security Number (or FEIN/TIN # if a corporate entity): _____ - _____ - _____

Date of Birth (mm-dd-yyyy) (if an individual): ____ - ____ - ____

Address/City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: () - _____

If this Basic Life coverage will replace your existing life insurance coverage through your current Employer/Planholder, provide the amount of the previous policy \$ _____

Important Notes:

- Based on your plan benefits and age, you may be required to complete an evidence of insurability form.

Signature

- I understand that I must be actively at work or my elected coverage will not take effect until I have met the eligibility requirements (as defined in the benefit booklet.) This does not apply to eligible retirees.
- If coverage is waived and you later decide to enroll, late entrant penalties may apply. You may also have to provide, at your own expense, proof of each person's insurability. Guardian or its designee has the right to reject your request.
- I understand that plan design limitations and exclusions may apply. For complete details of coverage, please refer to the plan documents or enrollment materials. State limitations may apply.
- Your coverage will not be effective until approved by a Guardian or its designated underwriter.

- I hereby apply for the group benefit(s) that I have chosen above.
- I understand that I must meet eligibility requirements for all coverages that I have chosen above.
- Submission of this form does not guarantee coverage. Among other things, coverage is contingent upon underwriting approval and meeting the applicable eligibility requirements.
- I agree that my employer/planholder may deduct premiums from my pay if they are required for the coverage I have chosen above.
- I attest that the information provided above is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Any person who, with intent to defraud or knowing that he/she is facilitating a fraud against an insurer, submits an application or files a claim containing a false or deceptive statement is guilty of insurance fraud.

SIGNATURE OF EMPLOYEE/MEMBER X _____

DATE _____

Fraud Warning Statements

The laws of several states require the following statements to appear on the enrollment form:

Alabama: Any person who knowingly presents a false or fraudulent claim for payment of a loss or benefit or who knowingly presents false information in an application for insurance is guilty of a crime and may be subject to restitution fines or confinement in prison, or any combination thereof.

California: For your protection California law requires the following to appear on this form: Any person who knowingly presents false or fraudulent claim for the payment of a loss is guilty of a crime and may be subject to fines and confinement in state prison.

Colorado: It is unlawful to knowingly provide false, incomplete, or misleading facts or information to an insurance company for the purpose of defrauding or attempting to defraud the company. Penalties may include imprisonment, fines, denial of insurance, and civil damages. Any insurance company or agent of an insurance company who knowingly provides false, incomplete, or misleading facts or information to a policy holder or claimant for the purpose of defrauding or attempting to defraud the policy holder or claimant with regard to a settlement or award payable from insurance proceeds shall be reported to the Colorado Division of Insurance within the Department of Regulatory Agencies.

Delaware, Indiana and Oklahoma: WARNING: Any person who knowingly, and with intent to injure, defraud or deceive any insurer, makes any claim for the proceeds of an insurance policy containing any false, incomplete or misleading information is guilty of a felony.

District of Columbia: WARNING: It is a crime to provide false or misleading information to an insurer for the purpose of defrauding the insurer or any other person. Penalties include imprisonment and/or fines. In addition, an insurer may deny insurance benefits, if false information materially related to a claim was provided by the applicant.

Florida: Any person who knowingly and with intent to injure, defraud, or deceive any insurer files a statement of claim or an application containing any false, incomplete, or misleading information is guilty of a felony of the third degree.

Kentucky: 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 commits a fraudulent insurance act, which is a crime.

Louisiana and Texas: Any person who knowingly presents a false or fraudulent claim for payment of a loss or benefit is guilty of a crime and may be subject to fines and confinements in state prison.

Maryland : Any person who knowingly or willfully presents a false or fraudulent claim for payment of a loss or benefit or knowingly or willfully presents false information in an application for insurance is guilty of a crime and may be subject to fines and confinement in prison.

New Jersey: Any person who knowingly files a statement of claim containing any false or misleading information is subject to criminal and civil penalties.

New Mexico: ANY PERSON WHO KNOWINGLY PRESENTS A FALSE OR FRAUDULENT CLAIM FOR PAYMENT OF A LOSS OR BENEFIT OR KNOWINGLY PRESENTS FALSE INFORMATION IN AN APPLICATION FOR INSURANCE IS GUILTY OF A CRIME AND MAY BE SUBJECT TO CIVIL FINES AND CRIMINAL PENALTIES.

Rhode Island: Any person who knowingly and willfully presents a false or fraudulent claim for payment of a loss or benefit or knowingly and willfully presents false information in an application for insurance is guilty of a crime and may be subject to fines and confinement in prison.

Virginia: Any person who with intent to defraud or knowing that he/she is facilitating a fraud against an insurer, submits an application or files a claim containing a false or deceptive statement may have violated state law.

