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Understanding Your Benefits

Long Term Disability Insurance

Have you ever thought about what would happen if an non-work related illness or injury prevented you from working for months or even years? Keep reading to learn how Long-Term Disability (LTD) Insurance can help protect your income.



<u>Watch video</u> above to learn about Long Term Disability (LTD) Insurance and why it's important to have.

What is LTD insurance?

An insurance plan that pays a monthly benefit to you if you cannot work because of a covered illness or injury. This benefit replaces a portion of your income, helping you with financial costs in a time of need.

Why is it important?

- Maintain financial stability by replacing a portion of your lost income when you are unable to work due to a non-work-related illness or injury.
- Focus on recovery without the added stress of managing everyday expenses.
- Protect long-term savings by reducing the need to use retirement funds for daily living costs.

How do I elect coverage?

Employees may elect coverage anytime in the HCBD online enrollment system.

- 1. Go to benefits.mt.gov
- 2. Click the Benefit Enrollment and Changes button and sign into your account
- 3. Select Change My Benefits and follow the prompts

If electing LTD Insurance after the initial enrollment period, <u>Evidence of Insurability</u> (EOI) is required. EOI is also known as "evidence of good health". It's the process that determines if you are eligible for LTD.

<u>BlueCross BlueShield of Montana</u> (BCBSMT) provides fully insured LTD Insurance for the State Plan. For complete details, review the <u>Long Term Disability Insurance</u> <u>Certificate</u>.

> If you have questions, contact BCBSMT at (866) 739-4090 or service.ancillary.bcbsmt.com.

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