

SMA Resident Disability
INSURANCE PLAN

The Manufacturer's Life Insurance Company





# Saskatchewan Medical Association Disability Insurance

#### **Eligibility**

You are eligible for this plan if you are a resident under Resident Doctors of Saskatchewan (RDoS), a member of the Saskatchewan Medical Association (SMA), and on the Educational Register of the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan.

#### **How to Enroll**

You may enroll by completing the Manulife Resident Application for SMA Disability Insurance and returning it to the SMA office. The SMA will confirm receipt and advise of any further requirements. Upon acceptance into the plan, you will receive an issued certificate outlining your coverage.

#### **Coverage Options Available**

Minimum – \$500 per month

Maximum – 100% percent of monthly earnings (subject to the plan maximum \$25,000 per month)

Non-Evidence Medical Amount – \$2,500 per month

#### Monthly Premiums per \$100 of Monthly Benefits

Premiums are paid by the University of Saskatchewan through the Resident Doctors of Saskatchewan contract while you are a resident.

Age Attained	Resident Plan C	
	Male	Female
under 30	\$0.77	\$1.12
30-34	\$1.05	\$1.50
35-39	\$1.12	\$1.60
40-44	\$1.80	\$2.50
45-49	\$2.12	\$2.90
50-54	\$3.28	\$3.90
55-59	\$4.19	\$4.41
60-62	\$4.40	\$4.40
63-70	\$3.64	\$3.64

<sup>\*</sup> Smoker rate is 15% higher than quoted monthly premiums.

#### **Guaranteed Renewable**

Manulife will not cancel your certificate, as long as premiums are paid, you remain an SMA Member in good standing, and continue to practice medicine.

#### **Effective Date of Coverage**

Coverage is effective on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of the month following Manulife's approval of the application (and medical evidence if applicable) provided the member is a resident under RDoS at that date.

<sup>\*</sup> Upon attaining a higher age bracket, your premium automatically increases in accordance with the above schedule on May 1.

#### **Portability**

An insured SMA Member who relocates outside of Saskatchewan is eligible to maintain existing coverage throughout the world, subject to the policy exclusions, as long as you maintain your membership with the SMA, and you continue to pay your premiums for this coverage.

#### **Uninterrupted Coverage**

Upon completion of your residency training program, the University of Saskatchewan through the RDoS contract will discontinue payment of your premiums.

However, the SMA has made it simple and easy to retain your coverage uninterrupted. Contact the SMA within 60 days of your completion of the residency program in order to continue your coverage by arranging for premium payment and SMA membership.

# Disability Benefits

Benefits for total disability due to:

*Injury* - commence on the first day and are payable for lifetime.

*Sickness* - commence on the 91<sup>st</sup> day of disability and are payable to age 65. The 90-day elimination period can be satisfied by cumulative periods of intermittent disabilities. Benefits are not payable during the elimination period.

If disability commences after age 63 but prior to age 70, benefits will be payable after a 30-day elimination period for a maximum of 24 months for each separate period of disability, but in no event beyond the anniversary date of the policy next following or coinciding with attainment of age 70.

The following benefits are included. There is no extra cost associated with these benefits:

#### **Total Disability Benefits**

These benefits are payable to you if you suffer an injury or sickness and:

- are unable to engage in your regular occupation (the work you normally performed prior to disability),
- are not working in any other occupation for remuneration or profit,
- and are following appropriate regular care and treatment of a physician.

#### **Partial Disability Benefits**

These benefits are payable to you if you are:

- able to perform some duties of your regular occupation (the work you normally performed prior to disability),
- only able to perform your regular occupation for less time than before you became disabled, or
- working in another type of practice or occupation as a result of becoming disabled.

For any Partial Disability benefits to be payable, you must be following appropriate regular care and treatment of a physician and experiencing at least a 20% reduction in your pre-disability monthly earned income.

It is not necessary to have been Totally
Disabled in order to qualify for Partial
Disability benefits. If qualified, the benefits
payable would be equal to the monthly
benefit that would be payable for Total
Disability, multiplied by the percentage
reduction in earned income.

#### **Recurrent Disability**

If Total or Partial Disability from the same cause recurs within six months following the termination of a previous period of benefits, payments can resume, without re-satisfying the elimination period.

#### **Automatic Increases**

Your Monthly Benefit will increase without being required to submit proof of good health when obtaining a new post-graduate year (PGY) subject to the condition that the maximum coverage for the existing PGY is in effect.

#### **Cost of Living Benefit**

After receiving benefit payments for a period of 12 months, subsequent payments will increase each year, commencing with the 13th monthly payment. The amount of the increase will be in the same ratio as Canada Pension Plan benefits have been increased within the preceding 12 months, subject to a maximum increase of 8% in any one year. The indexing is on a compound basis.

After a period of Total Disability where your benefits were increased under a Cost of Living Benefit, you may contact the SMA within a 30 day period of returning to work to retain the new increased benefit amount.

#### **HIV/Hepatitis B or C Benefit**

Although being HIV positive or a Hepatitis B or C carrier does not constitute being disabled under the terms of the disability certificate, it is recognized that as a physician, your ability to earn an income could be severely affected even though no sickness would limit your ability to work.

Prior to age 65, if you test positive for HIV or you are determined to be a Hepatitis B or C carrier, you would be eligible for Partial Disability benefits. Certain conditions, disclosures, limitations and circumstances are applicable.

## Transplant Donor or Cosmetic Surgery

Disabilities due to cosmetic surgery or you being a transplant donor are covered as a sickness after your coverage has been in force for 6 months.

#### **Waiver of Premium**

After Total or Partial Disability has continued and while you are in receipt of benefits for longer than 3 months or the elimination period, premiums will be waived as they become due.

#### Rehabilitation

Provides for a continuation of benefits for up to 24 months or longer periods, if the SMA and Manulife consider appropriate, should you engage in rehabilitative employment following a period of continuous Total Disability.

#### **Cash Flow Replacement**

Provides for a lump-sum payment when you cease to be disabled and resume practice, after being on claim in excess of 90 days.

#### **Catastrophic Loss**

While you are experiencing a catastrophic loss, you will be deemed to be Totally Disabled and a benefit equal to 125% of the benefit otherwise payable under your certificate will be paid to you. Catastrophic loss means you satisfy the minimum criteria in one of the following categories: self care, transfer and mobility, cognitive ability, terminal illness. However, catastrophic loss will not exist if you are engaged in any gainful occupation.

#### **Presumptive Total Disability**

If you suffer a disability resulting in the irrecoverable loss of speech, hearing, sight or the use of two limbs, you would be entitled to full benefits whether or not you are gainfully employed or under the care of a physician.

## Minimum benefit for certain accidental losses

For any injury that results in certain accidental losses within 180 days after the date of the injury, benefits will be paid to you, in advance, for a guaranteed minimum period whether or not you are working or Totally Disabled.

#### **Death Benefit**

If you die while on claim, a lump sum equal to 3 months' benefits will be paid to your Estate

# The following Optional Benefits are available\*

\*If chosen to be added, premiums for the following riders are the responsibility of the Resident and will be deducted through payroll.

#### **Own Occupation Rider**

With this rider, if you became Totally Disabled as a result of injury or sickness, you would still receive Total Disability benefits, even if you are earning an income in a different occupation, as long as you are unable to engage in your regular occupation.

The premium for the Own Occupation Rider is an additional 10% of the basic premium.

#### **Retirement Protection Rider**

The Retirement Protection Rider allows the insured Resident to save for retirement during periods of total disability, when their income is reduced and when they cannot contribute to a RRSP. The rider pays a benefit into a a Non-Registered Savings Plan (NRSP) offered through Manulife Group Retirement Solutions. You will have the ability to select the investment option that best suits your retirement needs. The amount of benefit that may be applied for is up to a maximum of 20% of earned income and is available from a minimum of \$300 to maximum of \$1500 in \$100 units.

The cost of living benefit and the automatic increase provisions of the policy will not apply to the Retirement Protection Rider. An insured Resident receiving benefits under the own occupation rider will not be entitled to retirement protection payments.

### Monthly Premium for \$100 of Retirement Benefit 90 Days Injury/90 Days Sickness:

Age Attained	Per \$100 of Monthly Benefits	
under 30	\$1.17	
30-34	\$1.25	
35-39	\$1.33	
40-44	\$2.08	
45-49	\$2.50	
50-54	\$3.33	
55-59	\$3.75	
60-62	\$4.58	

any loss or Disability resulting directly or indirectly and wholly or partially from committing or attempting to commit an assault or criminal offence;

Disability as the result of alcoholism, drug addiction, substance abuse, or other addiction, unless You are participating in a therapeutic program, recognized as such by the Company, and are following Appropriate Care and Treatment; and/or

any Disability during a period of imprisonment

If You must hold a government permit or medical licence to perform Your regular duties, You will not be considered Totally Disabled solely because such permit or licence has been withdrawn or revoked.

#### **Exclusions and Limitations**

any period of Disability, including throughout the Elimination Period, during which You are not following Appropriate Care and Treatment considered satisfactory to the Company;

any loss or Disability resulting from intentionally self-inflicted Injuries, unless medical evidence establishes that the injuries are related to a mental health illness;

any Disability due to bodily Injury resulting directly or indirectly from declared or undeclared war or any act of war, insurrection or participation in a riot or civil commotion or participation in any act of terrorism;



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