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We strive to maintain a comprehensive and relevant course catalog, and are committed to continuously developing new courses to keep pace with changing learning needs. We draw upon the rich knowledge base and extensive experience of our in-house subject matter experts when developing content to ensure you get the highest quality information in every course. Many of our experts have over 20 years' experience in the industry!

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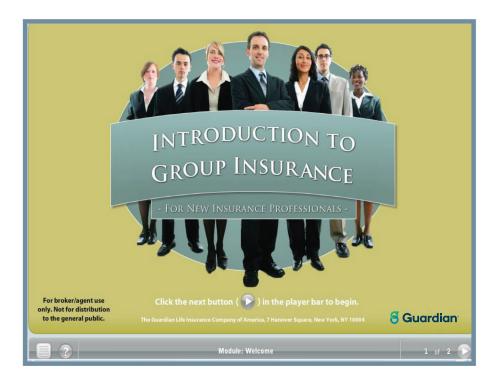
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### Introduction to Group Insurance

If you are a new insurance professional, this interactive online course will help you gain basic knowledge about group insurance. At your own pace, you will learn the characteristics of group insurance, as well as the roles and responsibilities of everyone involved in selling, installing, administering, and maintaining group insurance plans.

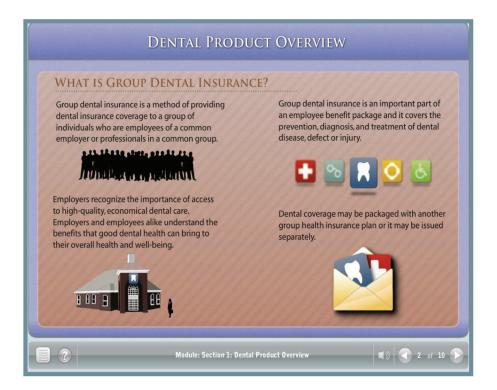
This course offers audio throughout. A post-course assessment is also available. Approximate completion time is 45 min., and you can stop at any time to come back and finish or review later.



### **Group Dental Overview**

Upon completing this interactive online course, you will have an understanding of group dental insurance, its characteristics, different types of dental insurance products, and the benefits available under group dental plans. Those supporting the sale of group dental insurance can learn about pricing and rating group dental plans, as well as helpful sales tips.

A post-course assessment is available. Approximate time to complete this self paced course is 30 minutes, and you can stop at any time and come back to finish or review later.



### **Group Short Term Disability Overview**

Anyone looking to learn more about Group Short Term Disability (STD) insurance will gain basic knowledge about this product by completing this interactive online course with audio. After taking this course, you will know the essential elements and features of the group STD product and the main provisions available under STD plans. You'll identify the factors that influence STD rates, and learn helpful selling tips and potential target markets to assist you in promoting this product.

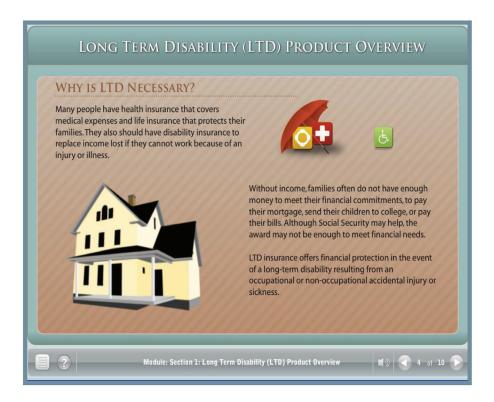
A post-course assessment is available.



### Group Long Term Disability Overview

Anyone supporting the sale of Group Long Term Disability (LTD) insurance will benefit from this interactive online course. After taking this course, you will know the basic elements and features of the group LTD product and the provisions available under LTD plans. You will understand how underwriting rates and risk selection affect LTD plans, identify target markets, and learn tips to help you position this product.

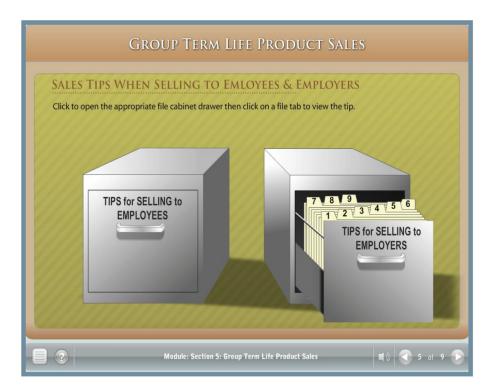
A post-course assessment is available. This self paced course takes about 30 minutes, and you can stop at any time to come back and finish or review later.



### **Group Term Overview**

If you'd like to learn more about Group Term Life insurance, completing this interactive online course with audio will give you a solid understanding of the features of this product. Specifically, you'll learn what group term life insurance is, the various types of coverage, and the plan design elements that are available. You will also learn how risk affects group term life rates, and some standard contract provisions. As an added benefit, you'll acquire tips to help you identify ideal target markets and successfully position this product.

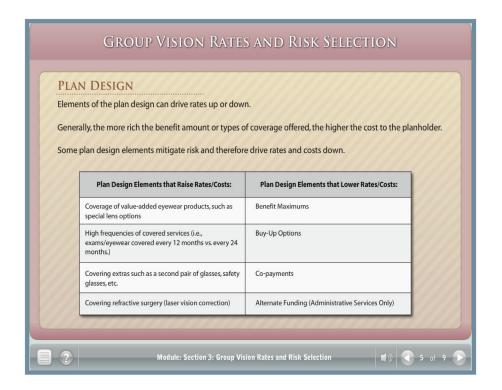
A post-course assessment is available. Approximate completion time is 45 min., and you can stop at any time to come back and finish or review later.



#### **Group Vision Overview**

Anyone looking to learn more about group vision insurance will benefit from completing this interactive online course with audio. You will learn what group vision insurance is, why it is needed, the main types of group vision plans, and how they can be customized. Underwriting considerations and factors affecting group vision rates are also examined. Those supporting the sale of group vision insurance will acquire helpful selling tips for this product.

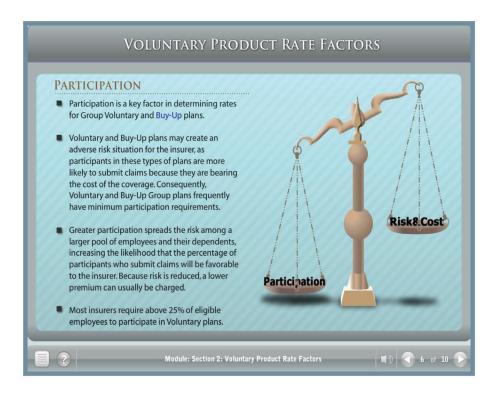
A post-course assessment is available. Approximate completion time is 30 minutes, and you can stop at any time to come back and finish or review later.



#### **Group Voluntary Benefits Overview**

Offering voluntary insurance products is an effective way to deliver significant savings to the groups you serve. If you support the sale of group voluntary (worksite) benefits, this interactive online course with audio will help you learn more about the advantages of this type of insurance. At your own pace, you will learn the varieties of voluntary insurance products, as well as the key factors affecting voluntary premium rates. You'll also discover an assortment of good selling practices specific to voluntary products.

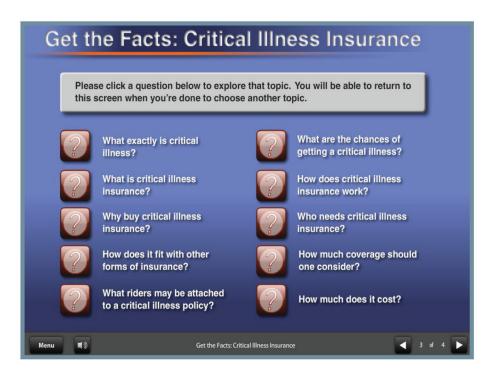
A post-course assessment is available. Approximate completion time is 30 minutes, and you can stop at any time to come back and finish or review later.



#### Get the Facts: Critical Illness Insurance

By taking this course, you'll get answers to 10 key questions about critical illness insurance and the facts you need to better serve your clients. Among the many things you'll learn are: what critical illness insurance is, how it differs from other forms of insurance, who needs it, and how it can be used to fill insurance gaps.

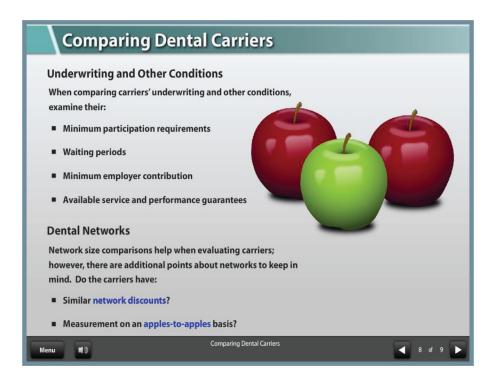
The exploratory approach of "Get the Facts: Critical Illness Insurance" helps you quickly and easily get answers to the questions that interest you most. You will guide your own learning by choosing the questions you want answered and the order in which you'd like to explore them. In addition, you control how much time you spend learning by deciding how in depth you'd like to go. You can stop at any time to come back and finish or review later. The course offers audio throughout.



### Comparing Dental Carriers and Contracts

If you support the sale of Group Dental insurance, this interactive online course will help you ask valuable questions to evaluate different dental carriers' capabilities. At your own pace, you will learn several points to consider when comparing carriers' plan designs, benefit richness, underwriting and conditions, and networks. Most importantly, you'll learn how adjusting certain plan design elements can help you meet plan objectives and drive results.

This course offers audio throughout. Approximate completion time is 25 minutes, and you can stop at any time to come back and finish or review later.



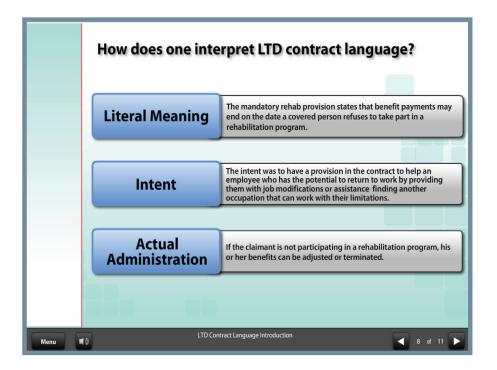
### **Group LTD Contract Language: Introduction**

This is the first in a series of courses to help you accurately and confidently discuss Group LTD contracts with customers. After completing the Group LTD Contract Language series as a whole, you should be able to explain what the most common LTD contract provisions mean and how they are applied.

After completing this course, you will be able to:

- Explain to clients how a group LTD contract works in a basic, easy-to-understand way
- Describe the various levels of meaning inherent in group LTD contract language
- Identify several ways state and federal laws impact contract administration

This course will take about 30 minutes to complete.



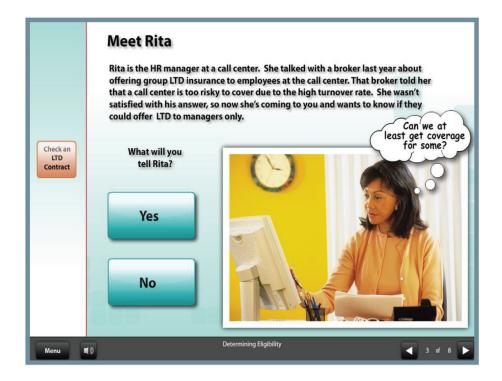
# Group LTD Contract Language: Determining Eligibility

This is the second in a series of courses to help you accurately and confidently discuss Group LTD contracts with customers. After completing the Group LTD Contract Language series as a whole, you should be able to explain what the most common LTD contract provisions mean and how they are applied.

After completing this course, you will know:

- · Where to go to find an LTD plan's eligibility requirements
- What some of the common LTD eligibility requirements are, so you can determine who's eligible for coverage at a company (and who's not).

This course will take about 30 minutes to complete.



# Group LTD Contract Language: Defining "Disabled"

This is the third in a series of courses to help you accurately and confidently discuss Group LTD contracts with customers. After completing the Group LTD Contract Language series as a whole, you should be able to explain what the most common LTD contract provisions mean and how they are applied.

After completing this course, you will be able to:

- Explain how the various Group LTD contract definitions of disability work
- Guide customers to select a definition of disability that is right for their group.

This course will take about 1 hour to complete.



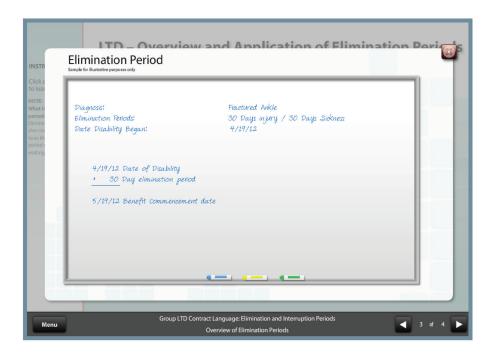
## Group LTD Contract Language: Elimination and Interruption Periods

This is the fourth course in a series to help you accurately and confidently represent group LTD contracts to clients. After completing the Group LTD Contract Language series as a whole, you should be able to explain what the most common LTD contract provisions mean and how they are applied.

After completing this course, you will be able to:

- · Define elimination and interruption periods
- Identify common elimination periods
- Identify the interruption period on partial and zero day residual disability plans
- Explain how elimination and interruption periods are applied by Guardian and other carriers

This course will take about 30 minutes to complete.



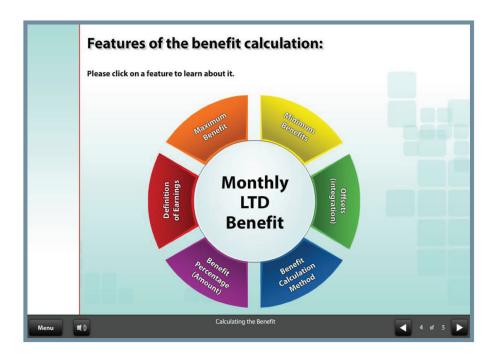
## Group LTD Contract Language: Calculating the Benefit

"Group LTD Contract Language: Calculating the Benefit" is the fifth course in a series to help you accurately and confidently represent group LTD contracts to clients. After completing the Group LTD Contract Language series, you should be able to explain what the most common LTD contract provisions mean and how they are applied.

By taking the "Group LTD Contract Language: Calculating the Benefit" course, you will learn:

- Features of the LTD monthly benefit calculation
- How each feature impacts the benefit calculation
- Important things to consider about the benefit calculation when designing a group LTD plan.

This course will take about 1 hour to complete.



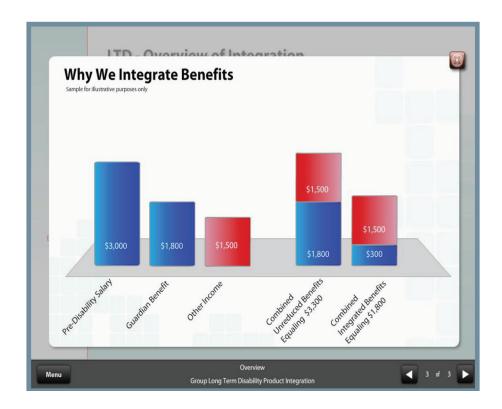
### **Group LTD Contract Language: Integration**

"Group LTD Contract Language: Integration" is the sixth course in a series to help you accurately and confidently represent group LTD contracts to clients. After completing the Group LTD Contract Language series as a whole, you should be able to explain what the most common LTD contract provisions mean and how they are applied.

By taking the "Group LTD Contract Language: Integration" course, you will learn:

- · What integration is
- Why, how, and with what other income Guardian integrates benefits
- A review of the AbilityGuard 2000 and AbilityGuard 2009 contracts

This course will take about 45 minutes to complete.



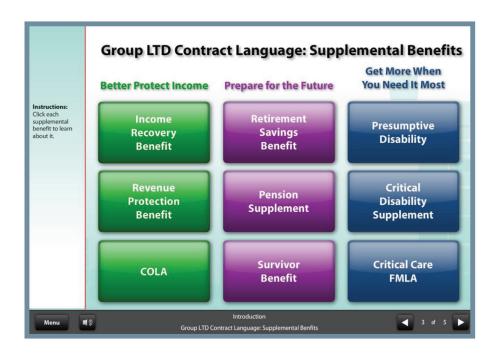
# Group LTD Contract Language: Supplemental Benefits

"Group LTD Contract Language: Supplemental Benefits" is the seventh course in a series to help you accurately and confidently represent group LTD contracts to clients. After completing the Group LTD Contract Language series as a whole, you should be able to explain what the most common LTD contract provisions mean and how they are applied.

In the "Group LTD Contract Language: Supplemental Benefits" course, you can explore each of the supplemental LTD benefits Guardian offers. For each supplemental benefit, you can learn:

- · What it is
- · Who it benefits
- How it works
- · How to position it
- · Guardian's rules for selling it

The exploratory approach of this course helps you quickly and easily find what interests you most. You control how much time you spend learning by deciding how in depth you'd like to go.

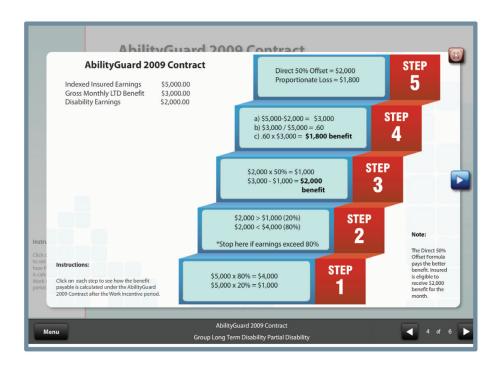


### Group LTD Contract Language: Partial Disability

"Group LTD Contract Language: Partial Disability" is the last course in our Group LTD Contract Language series. After completing the Group LTD Contract Language series as a whole, you should be able to explain what the most common LTD contract provisions mean and how they are applied.

After completing the "Group LTD Contract Language: Partial Disability" course, you will:

- Understand how a covered employee's disability benefits may be affected by return to work earnings
- Identify the differences in how return to work earnings are handled under Guardian's AbilityGuard and AbilityGuard 2009 Long Term Disability contracts.

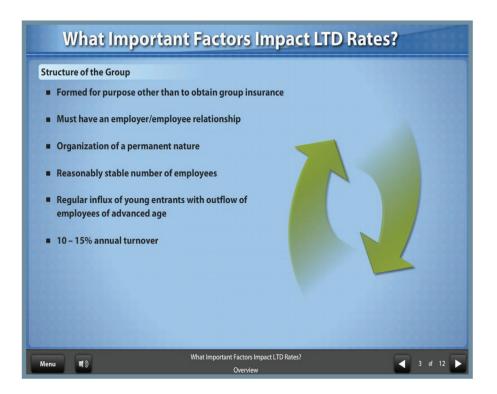


### Getting the Best LTD Rate for Your Clients

This course is best for those already familiar with the basics of the LTD product who want to learn more about how group LTD insurance is priced and where the flexibility is in a rate. By completing this course, you will be able to:

- Identify the most important factors that impact an LTD rate
- · Name the top 10 client questions to help you obtain the best rate possible
- Explain where the flexibility is in an LTD rate

This course features audio throughout. Approximate completion time is 45 minutes — 1 hour, and you can stop at any time to come back and finish or review later.

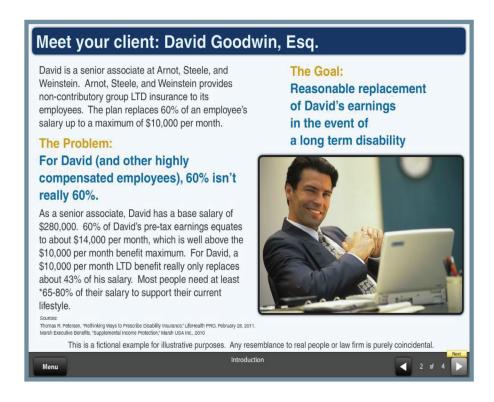


### Expand Your Options: Multi-life Disability Insurance

A growing opportunity in the disability insurance market is multi-life disability. If you'd like to learn more about this combination individual and group insurance product, take this course to learn:

- What is multi-life disability insurance?
- · Why have it?
- · Who needs it?
- How popular is it?
- · How does it work
- · What's the best way to sell it?

This course incorporates audio throughout and takes about 90 minutes to complete.



## Understanding the Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA)

FMLA is one of the most time consuming, complicated areas for many of your clients to manage from a compliance and risk perspective. Learn how to help your clients navigate this law by taking this course.

This course will help you learn what FMLA is, whom it affects, the employer's and employee's responsibilities, and how FMLA works with other forms of leave. You'll identify reasons for outsourcing leave administration and learn why it might make sense for your clients. Best yet, you can take the FMLA Challenge: a fun, interactive game that will put your knowledge to the test and reinforce your learning.

This course features audio throughout. Approximate completion time is 1 hour, and you can stop at any time to come back and finish or review later.

This course offers audio throughout. Approximate completion time is 15 min., and you can stop at any time to come back and finish or review later.



### Understanding ASO Self-funding

The Administrative Services Only (ASO) method of self funding insurance is becoming more popular due to the cost savings and flexibility it gives employers. Guardian's Understanding ASO Self Funding online course will help you take advantage of this growing market by enabling you to:

- Determine which clients would benefit from an ASO self funded plan
- · Understand and avoid the potential pitfalls of this method of insuring
- Effectively communicate with clients about the opportunity to self fund

The exploratory approach of this course helps you quickly and easily get answers to the questions that interest you most. You control how much time you spend learning by deciding how in depth you'd like to go. Additionally, the course offers audio throughout.



### The Whats and Whys of the Quote Process

Would you like to learn how to get your group insurance quotes faster, without having to go back and forth to answer lots of questions and supply all kinds of additional information? After completing this course, you will know:

- What's needed for a quality quote
- Why it's needed
- · What can impact a group insurance client's rate
- · When carriers typically need experience
- Some helpful strategy questions carriers would often like answered up front

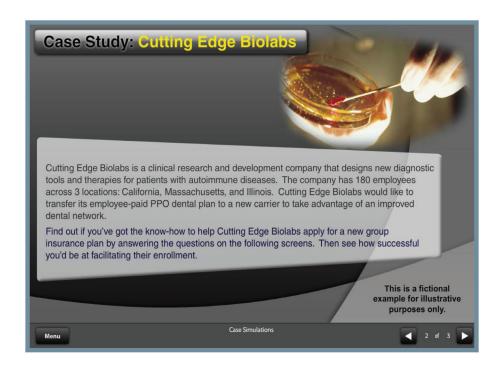


### "In Good Order" Submission

Certain times of year are busier than others for employee benefits professionals. During those times, it can feel as though you're in a "race for the case." Everything has to get set up in time for the client's effective date, which can be challenging.

This course can make the process easier by helping you identify the common things needed on all types of new group insurance case, and recognize how submission requirements vary according to case characteristics and the type of coverage selected. Knowing these things will help you avoid common mistakes and missing information on new case submissions, so your clients get their cases set up as quickly and easily as possible.

In this course, you'll learn by participating in interactive case simulations. You'll test your knowledge and gain some insight by answering questions about several fictional companies and their desired group insurance plans. It will take you just over an hour to complete this course.



#### The Employee Benefits Renewal Toolkit

This interactive online course will help you better understand and manage the annual employee benefits plan renewal process. At your own pace, you will learn about the steps and timing of the renewal process and the main factors that influence renewal rates. You'll acquire a variety of tips for successfully selling insurance renewals, and identify several best practices when cross selling on a renewal. You'll also learn some strategies for negotiating an appeal to a renewal rate action.

This course is divided into three parts:

- Your Toolbox
- Cross-selling Best Practices
- · Negotiating an Appeal

This course offers audio throughout. Approximate completion time is 60 minutes, and you can stop at any time to come back and finish or review later.



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