



Your Guide to Filing a Long Term Disability (LTD) Claim

We recognize how important it is for you to begin receiving the Long Term Disability (LTD) benefits to which you may be entitled. Guardian would like to make this process as easy as possible for you by providing all the forms and information you will need to initiate an LTD claim, so we can thoroughly review your case and make a timely decision.

To ensure this process goes smoothly, **it is imperative that you respond to all questions fully and accurately and send the forms back to us as soon as possible** -- you should not wait to file a claim until the elimination period has passed. The elimination period is the period of time between the onset of a disability and the time you are eligible for benefits.

How to Complete the Form

Please follow the instructions outlined below:

- **Section 1:** Claimant Statement – This section should be completed in full by you (the claimant).
- **Section 2:** Employer/Planholder Statement – This section should be provided to and completed in full by your company representative.
- **Section 3:** Attending Physician's Statement – You (the claimant) should complete the authorization section. The Attending Physician section should be provided to and completed by the physician who first treated you at the time you stopped working or when you reduced your work hours.

Note: Please also attach any additional information or documentation you feel necessary to support your claim.

How to Submit Your Claim

After all sections of the form have been completed, you will need to submit it along with any supporting information or documentation to the following address:

Guardian
Group LTD Claims
PO Box 14333
Lexington, KY 40512

Or via our secure email site at: **Documents can be returned electronically at www.guardianlife.com/forms. Select the "Benefits through work" option and click the "Secure Channel" link to send your private information.**

If you have any questions while completing these forms, please feel free to contact our Customer Response Unit at 1-800-538-4583 for assistance. Once the claim information is received, you and your employer will be notified of receipt via a formal acknowledgement letter.

Thank you in advance for your attention.

IMPORTANT NOTICE: If you have **group term life insurance**, you may have the opportunity to convert your group life coverage to an individual life insurance policy upon termination of your life coverage. Please contact your employer/planholder **immediately** upon onset of disability to discuss your options for continuing your life insurance. The timeframe allowed for conversion is limited; please refer to your certificate booklet for details on your conversion rights. If you have any questions regarding conversion, please contact our National Conversion Unit at (800) 433-5982, ext. 5696.



The Guardian Life Insurance Company of America

Application for Long Term Disability Income Benefits

If you are unable to provide a handwritten signature due to technical limitations resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic, Guardian will accept a typewritten name in lieu of your signature on an interim basis. You must check the box below each signature line certifying that you understand that your typewritten name has the same force and effect as your signature.

For **faster** service please:

1. Complete this form on-line
2. Print, and physically sign it or use interim accommodation of typing your name in the signature line
3. Save the completed form to your computer
4. Return to Claim Submission page
5. Click Secure Channel Claim Submission button and follow prompts

To mail this form:

Guardian Group Long Term Disability Claims
PO Box 14333 Lexington KY 40512

To fax the form:

(610)-807-8221

Customer Service:
1-800-538-4583

SECTION 1 - CLAIMANT STATEMENT

To be completed by the Employee/Member (Be sure to answer ALL questions – Failure to do so may delay your claim review)

INFORMATION ABOUT YOU

First Name	Middle Initial	Last Name	Member ID
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Address of Residence	City	State	Zip	Social Security Number
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Telephone #	Cell # or alternate #	E-mail Address
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Date of Birth (Month, Day, Year) : _____ / _____ / _____
 Male Single
 Female Married Widowed
 Divorced
 Other legal union

Your employer: _____ Group Policy #: _____ Occupation: _____

Please indicate the extent of your formal education (circle one). This information is needed to evaluate return to work potential.

Schooling Completed: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 Diploma: Yes No GED: Yes No

Vocational or Trade School: 1 2 3 4 Field of Study: _____ Certificate or license obtained Yes No

College: 1 2 3 4 Degree: _____ Masters: Yes No Doctorate: Yes No

Fields of Study _____

Briefly describe your past work experience for the last 20 years or attach resume. (Begin with your most recent job.)

Job Title	Duties	# of Years Worked
(a)		
(b)		
(c)		
(d)		

Spouse's First Name	Last Name	Date of Birth (Month, Day, Year)
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Do you authorize us to speak with someone other than yourself regarding your claim? Yes No If yes, advise of name, relationship and telephone # below:

Name	Relationship	Telephone #
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Do you have any dependent children? Yes No If yes, name and birth date of each child

Do you have an appointed Durable Power of Attorney to handle your financial affairs? Yes No If yes, please attach a copy.

INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR CLAIMED DISABILITY

Please provide the date you were first unable to work your regular work schedule due to your condition: ____/____/____ How many hours did you work that day? _____

Since that date, have you done any work? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If yes, indicate dates worked, name of employer, and amount earned		
Before you stopped working, did your condition require you to change your job, or the way you did your job? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If yes, please explain:		
What job duties are you unable to perform due to your condition and why?		
If you have not returned to work, do you expect to? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown If yes, Part time (date) ____/____/____ Full time (date) ____/____/____. Would you be interested in vocational rehabilitation services to assist with your return to work? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
What is or are your disabling condition(s)?		
What were your first symptoms?		
When did you first notice your symptoms? _____ Have you had this condition before? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If yes, when?		
Next to each Activity of Daily Living (ADL) listed below, please place the number that most accurately reflects your ability or inability to perform each activity:		
1 = I can perform this activity independently; 2 = I can perform this activity with the use of equipment or adaptive devices; 3 = I cannot perform this activity.		
<input type="checkbox"/> Bathe (tub, shower, or sponge)	<input type="checkbox"/> Transfer from bed to chair	
<input type="checkbox"/> Dress yourself	<input type="checkbox"/> Voluntary bladder and bowel control or ability to maintain a reasonable level of personal hygiene	
<input type="checkbox"/> Use the toilet	<input type="checkbox"/> Feed yourself with food that has been prepared and made available to you	
Have you suffered a severe cognitive impairment that renders you unable to perform common tasks, such as using the phone, money management, or medication management? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If yes, describe:		
Date you were first treated by a physician for the condition for which you are claiming disability: _____ / _____ / _____		
Name of Physician _____ Physician's Telephone # _____		
Is your condition related to your employment? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If yes, please explain:		
Have you filed, or do you intend to file a Workers' Compensation Claim? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If yes, attach a copy of the award or denial.		
If your disability was caused by an accident, answer the following questions:		
When, where and how did the accident occur?		
If a police report was filed, attach a copy of the report. Do you intend to file suit regarding this accident? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If yes, provide attorney name, address and telephone #:		
INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR CARE AND TREATMENT		
Family Physician Name _____ Specialty _____		
Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____		
Telephone # _____	Fax # _____	Dates Seen: _____ / _____ / _____ to _____ / _____ / _____
List all other physicians, pharmacy, and hospitals you have seen for your condition (attach separate sheet, if needed)		
Physician Name _____ Specialty _____		
Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____		
Telephone # _____	Fax # _____	Dates Seen: _____ / _____ / _____ to _____ / _____ / _____
Physician name _____ Specialty _____		
Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____		
Telephone # _____	Fax # _____	Dates Seen: _____ / _____ / _____ to _____ / _____ / _____

Pharmacy Name	Telephone #	Fax #
Address	City	State Zip
Hospital Name	Dates of Hospitalization: _____/_____/____ to ____/_____/____	
Address	City	State Zip

OTHER INCOME/BENEFITS

Complete the sections below for any other income/benefits you have received/are receiving, or are eligible to receive during your disability.
Please attach a copy of the award letter.

Source of income	Amount(week/month)	Date claim was filed	Date payments began	Date payments ended
Sick pay or salary continuation	\$ _____	N/A	_____	_____
Earnings from work while disabled	\$ _____	N/A	_____	_____
State Disability	\$ _____	_____	_____	_____
Short Term Disability	\$ _____	_____	_____	_____
Workers' Compensation	\$ _____	_____	_____	_____
No-Fault Insurance	\$ _____	_____	_____	_____
Social Security Disability	\$ _____	_____	_____	_____
Social Security Retirement	\$ _____	_____	_____	_____
Pension/Disability	\$ _____	_____	_____	_____
Pension/Retirement	\$ _____	_____	_____	_____
Unemployment	\$ _____	_____	_____	_____
Other _____	\$ _____	_____	_____	_____

Please contact us immediately if any of the above sources of income changes.

INFORMATION ABOUT TAX WITHHOLDING

Federal law requires us to withhold income tax from your check **only if you request us to do so**. We are also required to send a report to your employer at the end of each calendar year showing your name, total amount of benefits paid to you, total amount withheld, if any, and your social security number. If you want us to withhold tax, please indicate on the line below the whole dollar amount or percentage to be withheld per month. (Minimum of \$20.00)

\$ _____ .00 or _____ %

FRAUD NOTICE

Any person who knowingly and with intent to defraud any insurance company or other person files an application for insurance or statements of claim containing any materially, false information, or conceals for purpose of misleading information concerning any fact material thereto, commits a fraudulent insurance act, which is a crime, and may also be subject to civil penalties, or denial of insurance benefits.

The laws of New York require the following statement appear: Any person who knowingly and with intent to defraud any insurance company or other person files an application for insurance or 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, and shall also be subject to a civil penalty not to exceed five thousand dollars and the stated value of the claim for each such violation.

* _____ Date ____ / ____ / ____

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Alaska: A person who knowingly and with intent to injure, defraud, or deceive an insurance company files a claim containing false, incomplete, or misleading information may be prosecuted under state law.

Arkansas, West Virginia: 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 fines and confinement in prison.

Arizona: For your protection Arizona law requires the following statement to appear on this form. Any person who knowingly presents a false or fraudulent claim for payment of a loss is subject to criminal and civil penalties.

California: For your protection California law requires the following to appear on this form: Any person who knowingly presents a 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 policyholder or claimant for the purpose of defrauding or attempting to defraud the policyholder 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.

Connecticut, Iowa, Nebraska and Oregon: Any person who knowingly, and with intent to defraud any insurance company or other person, files an application of insurance or statement of claim containing any materially false information or conceals, for the purpose of misleading, information concerning any fact material thereto, may be guilty of a fraudulent insurance act, which may be a crime, and may also be subject to civil penalties.

Delaware, Indiana and Oklahoma: WARNING: Any person who knowingly, and with the 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.

Idaho: Any person who knowingly, and with intent to defraud or deceive any insurance company, files a statement of claim containing any false, incomplete, or misleading information is guilty of a felony.

Kansas: Any person who knowingly, and with intent to defraud any insurance company or other person, files an application of insurance or statement of claim containing any materially false information or conceals, for the purpose of misleading, information concerning any fact material thereto, may be guilty of insurance fraud as determined by a court of law.

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.

New Mexico: Any person who knowingly presents a false or fraudulent claim for payment or 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 or denial of insurance benefits.

Maine, Tennessee and Washington: It is a crime to knowingly provide false, incomplete or misleading information to an insurance company for the purpose of defrauding the company. Penalties may include imprisonment, fines or a denial of insurance benefit.

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.

Minnesota: A person who files a claim with intent to defraud or helps commit a fraud against an insurer is guilty of a crime.

New Hampshire: Any person who, with a purpose to injure, defraud or deceive any insurance company, files a statement of claim containing any false, incomplete or misleading information is subject to prosecution and punishment for insurance fraud, as provided in N.H. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 638:20.

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 York: Any person who knowingly and with intent to defraud any insurance company or other person files an application for insurance or 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, and shall also be subject to a civil penalty not to exceed five thousand dollars and the stated value of the claim for each such violation.

Ohio: 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.

Pennsylvania: Any person who knowingly and with intent to defraud any insurance company or other person files an application for insurance or 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 and subjects such person to criminal and civil 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.

Vermont: It is a crime for any person knowingly to provide material false, incomplete, or misleading information to an insurance company for the purpose of defrauding the company, for any person knowingly to provide material false, incomplete, or misleading information concerning the sale of insurance or the status of an insurer, or for any person to misappropriate the funds of an insured or an applicant for insurance. Penalties include imprisonment, fines, and denial of insurance benefits.

Virginia: It is a crime to knowingly provide false, incomplete or misleading information to an insurance company for the purpose of defrauding the company. Penalties include imprisonment, fines and denial of insurance benefits.

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Name of insured ("The Insured")	Policy Number(s)
Address of Insured	Date of Birth

Permission to Obtain and Disclose Information

I, the undersigned, AUTHORIZE any physician, medical or mental health professional, medical practitioner, hospital, clinic, healthcare or other medical or medically related facility, healthcare provider, pharmacy, pharmacy benefit manager, therapist, benefit plan administrator, business associate, insurer or reinsurer, consumer reporting agency subject to the Fair Credit Reporting Act, insurance support organization, insurance agent, employer, financial institution, Governmental Agency including The Social Security Administration, The Veteran's Administration or any other organization or person having any knowledge of The Insured or The Insured's health to give The Guardian Life Insurance Company of America ("Guardian") or its employees and agents, or its authorized representatives, or third parties, any information in its possession about The Insured. This information includes, but is not limited to, medical information as to cause, treatment, diagnoses, prognoses, consultations, examinations, tests or prescriptions with respect to The Insured's physical or mental condition or treatment of The Insured. This may include (but is not limited to) HIV infection, any disorder of the immune system, including acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS), mental illness or use of alcohol or drugs. This information also includes non-medical information concerning The Insured, The Insured's occupation, employment history, driving history, earnings or finances or information otherwise needed to determine policy claim benefits that may be due The Insured.

I, the undersigned, UNDERSTAND that this authorization is part of the policy's Proof of Loss requirement and if I revoke or fail to sign this authorization or alter its content in any way, it may affect the handling of The Insured's claim, including the denial of benefits under The Insured's policy. Any information obtained will not be released by Guardian to any person or organization except to: affiliates (including but not limited to Berkshire Life Insurance Company of America); reinsuring companies; other persons (including but not limited to The Insured's attending medical provider), or insurance support organizations performing business or legal services in connection with The Insured's claim or application for insurance, or as may be otherwise lawfully required, or as I may further authorize. Information disclosed pursuant to this authorization is no longer covered by federal privacy rules and may be redislosed pursuant to this authorization or as otherwise permitted or required by law.

I, the undersigned, UNDERSTAND that I have the right to revoke this authorization in writing at any time by sending a written request for revocation to Guardian at PO Box 14333, Lexington, KY 40512. I understand that a revocation is not effective to the extent that Guardian has already relied on this authorization, or to the extent that the company has a legal right to contest a claim under an insurance policy or to contest the policy itself.

I, the undersigned, UNDERSTAND some states require that I be informed that: "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 fraudulent insurance act, which is a crime and subject to criminal prosecution, substantial civil penalty and the stated value of the claim for each violation."

I, the undersigned, AGREE the information obtained with this authorization may be used by Guardian to determine eligibility for benefits under The Insured's policy. A photocopy of this form is as valid as the original, and I may request one. This form is valid up to 24 months (12 months in Kansas) from the date shown below.

I, the undersigned, AUTHORIZE the Social Security Administration to release information or records about _____ (The Insured) to Guardian or its authorized representative or third parties. This information is to be released in order to properly adjudicate The Insured's claim or continue The Insured's eligibility for benefits. Please release detailed earnings for up to the last ten years and/or summary record of total earnings and/or information from master benefit records regarding award, denial or continuing benefits. I declare that all answers, statements and information made or given by me, or at my direction, in connection with this claim are and have been complete and true.

Authorizing Signature _____ **Date** _____

Relationship or authority, if other than The Insured _____



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SECTION 2 - EMPLOYER/PLANHOLDER STATEMENT

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE EMPLOYER/PLANHOLDER

Employee/Member Name (Hereafter referred to as claimant)

Social Security Number

Date of Birth

Claimant's Address (Street, City, State, Zip)

INFORMATION ABOUT THE EMPLOYER / PLANHOLDER

Company's Name

Group Policy Number

Address (Street, City, State, Zip)

Telephone Number

Name and address of division where claimant works (if different from above)

Fax Number

INFORMATION ABOUT THE CLAIMANT

Date claimant was hired

Date claimant became insured under this plan

Insurance class:

Schedule at time last worked:

_____ hours per day _____ days per week

Was the claimant insured under your prior LTD policy? Yes No If Yes, please provide

the effective and termination dates of coverage: _____ / _____ / _____ Through _____ / _____ / _____

Name of prior carrier:

Has the claimant been terminated? Yes No If Yes, date: _____ / _____ / _____ Reason:

Would you be willing to rehire this person? Yes No Reason:

Was the claimant on non-discriminatory family leave when disability began? Yes No

Date leave of absence started under Family Leave Act _____ / _____ / _____

Did LTD insurance continue while on family leave? Yes No

INFORMATION NEEDED FOR WITHHOLDING AND REPORTING TAXES

Contributions to the cost of this insurance:

_____ % paid by employer Check here if claimant elected a bonus back/gross up arrangement (IRS Ruling 2004-55) on a Post Tax basis
_____ % paid by claimant Pre-Tax Post-Tax

INFORMATION ABOUT THE CLAIM

What was the claimant's regular job?

How long had the claimant been performing his/her regular job?

Was the claimant performing his regular job on his or her last day at work? Yes No If No, Please explain _____

If no, how long had this claimant been performing this other job? _____

Last day claimant worked

On that day, did the claimant work a full day?

_____ / _____ / _____

Yes No If No, how many hours were worked? _____

Reason for leaving work:

dismissed leave of absence disability
 resigned retired layoff

Date claimant is expected/did return to work

_____ / _____ / _____ Full time? Yes No
Part time? Yes No

Is the claimant's condition work related?

Has a Workers' Compensation claim or similar claim been filed?

Yes No

Yes No If Yes, send initial report of illness or injury and award notice.

Name, address and phone number of that benefit provider

INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR PENSION PLAN (Do not complete for maternity claim.)

Do you have a pension plan?

If Yes, what type?

Defined Benefit

401 K

Other (specify)

Yes No

(Check as many as applicable)

Defined Contribution

Profit Sharing

Is the claimant eligible for your pension plan? Yes No

If eligible, does the claimant participate? Yes No

If No, why?

If No, why?

If the claimant is participating, when is he or she eligible for benefits under the plan? _____ / _____ / _____

Is there a Disability Retirement option available to this claimant? Yes No

INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR JOB ACCOMMODATION OR RETURN-TO-WORK POLICIES

Does your company have a job-holding policy? Yes No If yes, please explain _____

What is the name, title, and telephone number of the person we should contact to discuss return to work or job accommodation opportunities?

INFORMATION ABOUT THE CLAIMANT'S SALARY

Average earnings excluding bonus, overtime and special compensation as of the most recent redetermination date:

\$ _____ Week Month Year

Date of last salary increase ____/____/____

Claimant is paid:

hourly Salary W2 earnings _____
 by partnership commissions only* salary & commissions*
 salary & bonus* salary & commissions*

*Please provide average of bonus and commissions for 24 months preceding your plan's most recent redetermination date

Is this claimant eligible for salary continuation?

Yes No If Yes, what is the weekly amount? \$ _____ When did benefits begin? ____/____/____ End? ____/____/____

Has the claimant filed for Short Term Disability or State Disability benefits?

Yes No If Yes, what is the weekly amount? \$ _____ When did benefits begin? ____/____/____ End? ____/____/____

List any other sources of income to which the claimant is entitled as a result of this disability:

Information about the physical aspects of the claimant's job

Check the items below that relate to the claimant's job and complete the information requested. Use these definitions for the frequency of occurrences in an eight hour day

- **Not Applicable** means the person does not perform this activity
- **Frequently** - 2 ½ hours up to 5 ½ hours

- **Occasionally** – 15 minutes up to 2 ½ hours
- **Continuously** – 5 ½ hours and beyond

Activity	N/A	Frequency of Occurrence		
		Occasionally	Frequently	Continuously
<input type="checkbox"/> Standing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Walking	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Sitting	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Balancing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Bending	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Kneeling	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Crouching	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Crawling	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Reaching	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Working overhead	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Keyboard Use/Repetitive Hand Motion	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Climbing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Driving	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Activity	Description	Frequency	Weight	
<input type="checkbox"/> Pushing	_____	_____	lbs.	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Pulling	_____	_____	lbs.	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Lifting	_____	_____	lbs.	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Carrying	_____	_____	lbs.	_____

Stress level Low Moderate High Very high

Can the job be performed by alternating sitting and standing? Yes No

Claimant must use hands for repetitive action such as:

	Right	Left
Simple grasping	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Firm grasping	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Fine manipulation	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

Use feet for repetitive movements as in operating foot controls:

Right Yes No Left Yes No Both Yes No

REQUIRED ATTACHMENTS AND SIGNATURE

Please attach a copy of the claimant's job description.

If salary is based on a W-2, K-1, 1099 or a similar document, attach a copy of the most recent document.

If you have medical information from the claimant's file relating to this disability, please attach copies.

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Name (Please print or type)

Title

Email Address

Signature

Date

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SECTION 3 - ATTENDING PHYSICIAN'S STATEMENT

PATIENT AUTHORIZATION (This part to be completed by the claimant: The patient is responsible for the cost of completing this form)

Name of Patient	Date of Birth		
Address of Patient	City	State	Zip
Employer/Planholder Name	Group Policy #		

I, the undersigned "patient", AUTHORIZE any physician, medical or mental health professional, medical practitioner, hospital, clinic, healthcare or other medical or medically related facility, healthcare provider, pharmacy, pharmacy benefit manager, therapist, benefit plan administrator, business associate, insurer or reinsurer, consumer reporting agency subject to the Fair Credit Reporting Act, insurance support organization, insurance agent, employer, financial institution, Governmental Agency including The Social Security Administration, The Veteran's Administration or any other organization or person having any knowledge of me or my health to give The Guardian Life Insurance Company of America ("Guardian"), or its employees and agents, or its authorized representatives or third parties, any information in its possession about me. This information includes, but is not limited to, medical information as to cause, treatment, diagnoses, prognoses, consultations, examinations, tests or prescriptions with respect to my physical or mental condition or treatment of me. This may include (but is not limited to) HIV infection, any disorder of the immune system, including acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS), mental illness or use of alcohol or drugs. This information also includes non-medical information concerning me, my occupation, employment history, driving history, earnings or finances or information otherwise needed to determine policy claim benefits that may be due me. I agree that a photocopy of this form is as valid as the original, and that this form is valid up to 24 months (12 months in Kansas) from the date shown below.

Signed (Patient)	Date
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THIS PART TO BE COMPLETED BY THE ATTENDING PHYSICIAN

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Patient's condition is the result of: Illness Injury Pregnancy

Is the condition due to a work related illness or injury? Yes No

If pregnancy, indicate LMP date: ____ / ____ / ____ Delivery Date: ____ / ____ / ____ Expected Actual

Type of delivery: Vaginal C-Section Single Birth Multiple Births

DIAGNOSIS

Primary diagnosis: _____ ICD-9/10 Code: _____

Secondary diagnosis(es): _____ ICD-9/10 Code: _____

Subjective symptoms: _____

Physical examination findings: _____

Test results (list all results, or enclose test):

Test: _____ Date: _____ Results: _____

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TREATMENT

Date of onset of this condition: ____ / ____ / ____ Date you first treated this patient for this condition: ____ / ____ / ____

Date of most recent visit: ____ / ____ / ____ Date of next office visit: ____ / ____ / ____

Frequency of visits/treatment for this condition: Weekly Monthly Other _____

Was patient referred to you by another physician? Yes No If yes, provide name, address, phone # and fax #:

Have you referred this patient to any other physician? Yes No If yes, Date(s): ____ / ____ / ____ ____ / ____ / ____

Physician Name _____ Specialty _____

Address (Street, City, State, Zip) _____ Phone # _____

Describe treatment plan (Include medication, therapy, counseling, rehab, etc.):

Has surgery been performed? Yes No If yes, Date: ____ / ____ / ____ Procedure: _____ CPT Code: _____

Was patient hospitalized for this condition? Yes No If yes, Date(s) admitted: ____ / ____ / ____ Date(s) discharged: ____ / ____ / ____

Name of Hospital

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Progress (please check one): Recovered Improved Unchanged Retrogressed

Patient is (please check one): Ambulatory Bed confined House confined Hospital confined

Nursing Home/Assisting Living confined Other _____

LEVEL OF FUNCTIONAL IMPAIRMENT

Degree of Physical Impairment: In an 8-hour work day, your patient can:

Lift/carry (in pounds) 1-10 11-20 21-50 51-75 76+
Push/pull (in pounds) 1-10 11-20 21-50 51-75 76+

	Total hours with positional changes							
Sit	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
Stand	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
Walk	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
Alternately sit/stand	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1

Bend/stoop:	<input type="checkbox"/> Never	<input type="checkbox"/> Occasionally	<input type="checkbox"/> Frequently
Reach:	<input type="checkbox"/> Never	<input type="checkbox"/> Occasionally	<input type="checkbox"/> Frequently
Drive:	<input type="checkbox"/> Never	<input type="checkbox"/> Occasionally	<input type="checkbox"/> Frequently
Dominant Hand:	<input type="checkbox"/> Right	<input type="checkbox"/> Left	

Other restrictions:

Duration of restrictions:

Degree of Psychiatric Impairment if applicable (check one):

- Inadequate information to make assessment
- Essentially good functioning in all areas. Occupationally and socially effective.
- Slight difficulty in occupational functioning, but generally functioning well. Has some meaningful interpersonal relationships.
- Moderate impairment in occupational functioning. Limited in performing some occupational duties.
- Major impairment in several areas—work, family relations. Avoidant behavior, neglects family, is unable to work.
- Inability to function in almost all areas.

Current GAF (Global Assessment of Functioning): ____/90 Highest GAF in past year: ____/90

Do you believe that this patient is competent to endorse checks and direct the use of the proceeds? Yes No

Degree of Cardiac Functional Impairment (check one):

Class 1 (No limitation); Class 2 (Slight limitation); Class 3 (Marked limitation); Class 4 (Complete limitation)

Please supply patient's height: _____ weight _____ blood pressure _____ / _____; EF _____ % date _____

Return to Work Expectation

In your opinion, does the patient have some capacity for work: Yes No

If yes, as of what date: _____ / _____ / _____ Full-time _____ / _____ / _____ Part-time

If no, when do you anticipate the patient will have capacity for work? / / Full-time Part-time Never

PLEASE ATTACH PERTINENT MEDICAL RECORDS INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, PROGRESS NOTES, DIAGNOSTIC TEST RESULTS, DISCHARGE SUMMARIES, OPERATIVE REPORTS, CONSULTATION REPORTS AND MENTAL STATUS EXAM (IF APPLICABLE). THIS WILL HELP TO EXPEDITE THE CLAIM PROCESSING AND REDUCE ADDITIONAL REQUESTS AND FOLLOW UP.

Physician's Name	Degree	Specialty	
Address	City	State	Zip
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Remarks:

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Signature of Physician (no stamp)

Date _____ / _____ / _____

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