

NORTH CAROLINA Office of **State Human Resources**



NCFlex Employee Session – Accident Plan

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Agenda





Eligibility

- You must be enrolled in a plan for your eligible dependent(s) to participate.
- You may not be covered as both an employee and a dependent
- Children may not be dually enrolled.
- You should consult with a tax advisor if you have questions as to whether someone qualifies as your income tax dependent.
- Dependents do not have to be enrolled on your health plan in order to be enrolled on your NCFlex plan(s).



NCFlex Benefits Highlights

- Pre-Tax payroll deductions Save 25% to 40% in taxes
- Most plans transfer between state agencies, universities, participating community colleges and participating charter schools
- Most plans can be continued past separation or retirement

 View the <u>Continuation Flyer</u> on <u>ncflex.org</u> for more info
- Supplemental medical plans DO NOT take place of Health Insurance
- If a wellness benefit is included (Accident, Critical Illness and Cancer), you can file the benefit on each plan you are enrolled in.



When You Can Enroll

New Hire or Newly Benefits Eligible Employee	 You have 30 days from your date of hire or eligibility date to enroll in benefits. 		
Annual Enrollment	 Typically, in October of each year. Effective Jan. 1 of the following year. 		
Qualifying Life Event	 You have 30 days from the date of your event to make a change QLEs include things such as: Marriage, Birth, and Loss of Other Coverage. 		



Accident Plan Overview

- Administered by Voya
- Two plan options Classic and Enhanced
- Pays out a benefit directly to employees for specific injuries and events resulting from a covered accident
 - Common injuries such as fractures, dislocations, lacerations, burns, eye injuries
 - Must seek medical treatment
- For most accidents should fill the gap and cover most of the SHP out-of-pocket cost a member would incur
- Additional Benefits include:
 - \circ Sport rider on both plans additional payout if injured while participating in an organized sport
 - $\,\circ\,$ Wellness Benefit and Travel Assistance on both plans
 - $\circ~$ The Enhanced Option includes a Sickness Hospital Confinement Benefit
- This plan is currently portable at the same rate an employee would pay while actively working if ported prior to age 70



Accident Plan Cost

- The monthly premium is the same rate for each employee, no matter the age
- The cash benefit paid depends on the injury and treatment

Monthly Cost

Coverage Level	Classic Option	Enhanced Option
Employee Only	\$6.94	\$15.98
Employee and Spouse	\$11.50	\$28.46
Employee and Child(ren)	\$13.64	\$31.26
Employee and Family	\$18.20	\$43.72



Examples of payable events

You may qualify to receive a benefit payment for the following items, if they are a result of a covered accident and the accident occurred on or after your effective date.

- Doctor visit or Emergency room treatment
- Physical or occupational therapy (up to 10 visits)
- Medical equipment such as a sling or cast
- Emergency dental work (must be repairable by crown or extraction)
- Lacerations
- Surgical repair for a tendon/ligament/rotator cuff injury
- Burns

- Fractures and Dislocations
 - (payouts differ depending on the location and if it is open or closed reduction)
- Hospital admission
- Coma
- Concussion
- Transportation for hospital care
- Paralysis



How Accident benefits help with medical costs

Service	80/20	70/30	Classic Benefit	Enhanced Benefit
Initial doctor visit	\$80/\$70 specialist copay \$10/\$25 primary care copay	\$94/\$100 specialist copay \$30/\$45 primary care copay	\$100	\$120
Emergency room treatment	\$300 copay	\$337 copay	\$300	\$400
Physical therapy	\$52 copay	\$72 copay	\$60	\$75
X-Ray	copay or deductible/coinsurance	copay or deductible/coinsurance	\$75	\$100
Hospital Admission	\$300 copay	\$337 copay	\$1,250	\$2,000
Eye – removal of foreign body	\$80/\$70 specialist copay	\$94/\$100 specialist copay	\$100	\$120
Laceration	\$70 urgent care copay	\$100 urgent care copay	\$60 - \$480	\$80 - \$960
Torn knee cartilage (surgical repair)	deductible/coinsurance	deductible/coinsurance	\$800	\$1,000



Sports Accident Benefit

The Sports Accident Benefit:

• An additional percentage (25%, not to exceed \$1,000) of the Accident Hospital Care, Accident Care or Common Injuries benefit amount that is payable if the Covered Accident is the result of an Organized Sporting Activity.

Organized Sporting Activity:

- A competition or supervised organized practice for a competition.
- The competition must be governed by a set of written rules, be officiated by someone certified to act in that capacity and overseen by a legal entity such as a public school system or sports conference.
- The legal entity must have a set of bylaws and competition must be on a regulation playing surface.
- Participation must be on an amateur basis.



Wellness Benefit

Included with both Classic and Enhanced Options

- \circ \$50 for employee and covered spouse, \$25 for covered child(ren)
- Payable once per year / per covered person for completing an eligible health

screening

What types of health screening tests are eligible?

Covered Health screening tests include but are not limited to:

- Blood test for triglycerides
- Pap smear or thin prep pap test
- Flexible sigmoidoscopy
- CEA (blood test for colon cancer)
- Bone marrow testing
- Serum cholesterol test for HDL & LDL levels
- Hemoccult stool analysis
- Serum Protein Electrophoresis (myeloma)
- Breast ultrasound, sonogram, MRI
- Molecular or antigen test (Coronavirus) disease (COVID-19)*
- Immunizations

- Chest x-ray
- Mammography
- Colonoscopy
- CA 15-3 (breast cancer)
- Stress test on bicycle or treadmill
- Fasting blood glucose test
- Thermography
- PSA (prostate cancer)
 Hemoglobin A1C (HbA1c)
- Hearing test
- Routine eye exam
- Routine dental exam

- Well child/preventative exams age 1 through age 18
- Biometric screenings
- Electrocardiogram (EKG)
- Annual Physical Exam Adults
- CA 125 (ovarian cancer)
- Tests for sexually transmitted infections (STIs)
- Ultrasound screening for abdominal aortic aneurysms
- Bone density screening

Wellness Benefit (cont.)

- Included on Accident, Critical Illness and Cancer plans
 - \odot Voya: Accident and Critical Illness (as of 1/1/23)
 - Time limit of 180 days or end of plan year, whichever is later; no documentation required
 - \circ Allstate: Cancer
 - No time limit, documentation IS required
- If you have multiple plans (i.e. Accident and Cancer) you can file for a Wellness Benefit on each plan

 \odot Each plan is independent and has its own Wellness Benefit

• Screenings should still be filed on your medical plan



Voya Travel Assistance

For participants of both the Voya Accident and AD&D plans

- Direct access to prompt medical emergency assistance when traveling 100 miles or more from your primary residence
- <u>Printable Flyer</u> with info located at ncflex.org.
- If traveling, consider registering ahead of time

 <u>imglobal.com/member</u>, select "Create an account", enter referral code: VOYATRAVEL, click "continue"



Voya Travel Assistance (cont.)



Emergency Medical Transport Services

- Dispatch of a Physician
- Emergency Medical Evacuation
 Return of Travel Companion
- Medical Repatriation

Interpretation Services

- Return of Dependent Children
- Vehicle Return Services
- Visit of a Family Member or Friend
- Repatriation of Remains



Medical Assistance Services

- Convalescence Arrangements
- Medical Monitoring Outpatient & Inpatient Care Medical & Dental Referrals
 - Prescription Transfer & Shipping



Travel Assistance Services

- Emergency Cash Transfer
- ID Theft Assistance
- Legal Referrals
- Consulate and Embassy Location
 Lost Luggage and/or Document Assistance
- Pet Housing and Return
- Pre-Trip Informational Services

Replacement of Medical Devices

Urgent Message Relay



Security Assistance Services

- Emergency Political Evacuation/
 Location Intelligence App Repatriation
- Natural Disaster Evacuation



Sickness Hospital Confinement Benefit

- Included with the Enhanced Option
- The sickness hospital confinement benefit pays a daily benefit for each day you or your covered dependent is confined to a hospital due to a covered sickness, up to a maximum of 30 days
 - \odot This includes maternity
 - \odot Excludes pre-existing conditions if hospital stay occurs in the first 12 months from the effective date of coverage
 - \odot 30-day waiting period from the effective date of coverage
 - \odot Benefit for covered employee and spouse \$200 per day
 - Benefit for covered child(ren) \$150 per day



Claim Example 1

John, a full-time employee with DOT participates in a summer softball league. While sliding into home base, he broke his ankle and tore his ACL.

Out-of-pocket medical expenses incurred:

- \$300 Emergency room copay
- \$25 copay for follow up doctor visit
- \$1250 deductible for surgery
- \$4150 co-insurance after deductible was met
- \$260 copay for 10 physical therapy visits
- \$5,985 total out-of-pocket expenses

**Disclaimer: The amounts shown are for illustrative purposes only. Actual costs and results may vary.

Accident Insurance (Classic Option) benefit paid:

- \$300 Emergency Room Treatment (+25%)
- \$300 Follow up Doctor's Visits (3 total) (+25%)
- \$75 for x-ray (+25%)
- \$120 for medical equipment (+25%)
- \$5,000 for the broken ankle that was surgically repaired (open reduction)
- \$1,020 surgical benefit for ACL repair
- \$600 Physical Therapy (\$60 per visit, up to 10) (+25%)
- \$7,415 Total benefit paid (+\$348.75 for Sports Accident Benefit)



Claim Example 2

Becki, a full-time employee working with NCSU has a young child in daycare. One day she picks him up and her son has stuck a dried bean in his ear. Becki tried taking her son to the emergency room, where the bean could not be removed, and she followed up with an ENT.

Out-of-pocket medical expenses incurred:

- \$300 Emergency room copay
- \$40 copay for ENT specialist visit
- \$1250 deductible for surgery
- \$200 co-insurance after deductible was met
- \$1,790 total out-of-pocket expenses

Accident Insurance (Classic Option) benefit paid:

- \$300 Emergency Room Treatment
- \$200 Follow up Doctor's Visit (2 total one was surgery day)
- \$500 Total benefit paid to Becki



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Filing Claims

- Both Accident and Wellness claims can be filed online at <u>voya.com/claims</u>
- Wellness benefits for Accident (and Critical Illness) did not start until 1/1/23
- Deadlines:
 - Wellness Claims You have 6 months after the screening to file, or by the end of the plan year, which ever is <u>LATER</u>
 - \circ Accident 18 months, but file ASAP
 - $\circ~$ Check certificate for other deadlines/time limits
- Visit the Accident section of <u>ncflex.org</u> for flyers with more info on filing claims



Filing Claims (cont.)

- Voya's Claim Center One Stop Shop!
 - \odot File a claim or check the status
 - \odot Print a checklist or form
 - \odot Watch a 'how to' video
 - o voya.com/claims
 - \odot Group policy name is State of NC
 - \circ Group policy number is 680770
 - Wellness claims are "Formless"
 - Accident claims <u>REQUIRE</u>, at minimum, a Claim Form <u>and</u> proof of injury and treatment





Claims Checklist & FAQ

Accident Insurance

Ready to file a claim?

Equip yourself with helpful information and documentation before you get started.

Information you'll need:

□ Employer or Group name

- □ Group number (optional, but speeds up the process)
- □ Employee name
- □ Employee birthdate
- Employee Social Security number
- If the claim is for a spouse and/or child, you'll also need:
- □ Spouse/child's name
- □ Spouse/child's birthdate
- □ Spouse/child's Social Security number
- □ Date or accident
- □ Description of accident

Examples of documentation you may need to upload or provide with an accident claim:

□ Proof of injury, such as:

- UB-04 form (if you were hospitalized you can get this from the hospital's billing department)
- □ Admit/discharge summary
- □ Visit summary
- □ Medical records
- □ Itemized bills
- □ Ambulance bill (or notation in medical record)
- Medical equipment bill or notation in medical record
- □ Operative report (if you had surgery)



1099s



If you receive a benefit payment from the **Accident** plan, you should receive a 1099 the following January for tax filing purposes.

Accident and Critical Illness are the two benefits that send out a 1099, if payments are \$600 or greater – includes wellness benefit payments.

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If you have questions about how to file this with your taxes, please contact a tax professional.



In some cases, your medical bills may be able to offset a portion of the money you received from the plan(s)



Continuation

- Continuation is available when you separate from your job or retire
- The plan is portable at the same rate you pay as an employee
- Must be under age 70
- Voya's customer service (LifeHelp) should send a port letter to your last address on file, once you separate from employment
- You can also call LifeHelp directly 1-877-464-5111
- You have a limited amount of time to choose continuation



NCFlex Resources

Website – <u>www.ncflex.org</u>

 \odot Pages on each individual benefit

 $\,\circ\,$ Certificates, claim forms, flyers on benefits

 \circ Enrollment Guide

- Email NCFlex: ncflex@nc.gov
- Voya Financial Customer Service (LifeHelp)
 - \circ 1-877-464-5111

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Questions?

