

Reporting Your Disability Claim

The **Rhode Island School of Design** Short-Term Disability Policy is administered by Lincoln Life Assurance Company of Boston, a Lincoln Financial Group company.

Lincoln Financial Group offers employees direct access to claims resources and information. You can easily report a claim and check the status of your claim through Lincoln Financial Group's dedicated secure website or by telephone. Please visit: www.MyLincolnPortal.com to access employee resources and online tools, as referenced below.

When Do I Report a Claim?

You may report a claim up to 30 days in advance of a planned disability absence (such as childbirth or prescheduled surgery) OR as soon as you are aware that you will be disabled due to injury or illness for **7** or more calendar days.

How Do I Report a Claim?

- 1. Contact your supervisor to report your absence.
- 2. Print this document, sign and date the Authorization to Release Information section below, and leave with your physician or medical care provider at your next visit. Note: Lincoln Financial Group requires your physician to provide information about your medical condition. If this information cannot be obtained, benefits may be delayed.
- 3. Report your claim via <u>www.MyLincolnPortal.com</u>. First time users must register using Company Code **RISD-EE**. Please have the following information available when you report your claim:
 - Your physician or medical care provider's name, address, fax and telephone numbers
 - Your manager's name, telephone number and e-mail address
 - Reason you are out of work (diagnosis/symptoms)
 - Your last day worked, first day absent from work, and anticipated return to work date

Or you can call **1-800-713-7384** and speak with an Intake Specialist to report your claim.

- 4. Keep a record of your claim number. Reporting your claim online provides the added convenience of printing a claim report which includes your claim number and a summary of your claim details.
- 5. You may securely check the status of your claim online at <u>www.MyLincolnPortal.com</u> or by calling your Case Manager at **1-800-210-0268**.

Authorization to Release Information

I authorize any health care provider having information about my physical or mental condition and treatment to give all information to the Company in the Lincoln Financial Group of companies and/or Plan Sponsor to which I am submitting a claim. I understand the information obtained by this Authorization will be used to determine eligibility for benefits. Information obtained under this Authorization or directly from me may be released to persons/organizations providing medical treatment or claim management/advisory services in connection with my claim, including Employee Assistance Programs (EAP), or other similar disease management/assistance programs providing services to the Plan Sponsor and/or the Company. This Authorization is valid for two years from the date appearing below with my signature. I have the right to revoke this Authorization by notifying the Company. I know that I may request a copy of the Authorization and I agree that a photographic copy shall be as valid as the original.

Employee Signature:

Date:

Print Employee Name:

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