## The Choice for Long Term Disability Coverage



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# **VOLUNTARY GROUP DISABILITY INSURANCE** 30-Day Plan

**Additional Insurance Protection** 

Additional Services Provided

Worldwide



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American Foreign Service Protective Association has selected Cigna Global Health Benefits to provide a voluntary group disability insurance program for members residing both internationally and in the USA. This program offers two options for disability insurance:

- Option 1 is a Benefit for 2 years, after a 30 day elimination period.
- Option 2 is a Benefit for 5 years, after a 30 day elimination period.

Both options include additional insurance coverage and additional services listed below:

#### **Coverage Includes:**

#### Disability

12 month Own Occupation is included.

#### **Maternity Coverage**

Delivery with complications as prescribed by a Physician: "Medically Necessary"

#### **Survivor Benefits**

3 months of benefits for your beneficiary.

#### War & Terrorism Coverage

Included

#### Waiver of Premium

Premium waived when benefits are payable.

#### **Additional Services:**

#### **Benefits Paid**

In over 132 currencies and can be delivered via Electronic Transfer, Wire Transfer or Check.

#### **International Service Center**

Available 24/7/365 with the infrastructure and experience to provide assistance worldwide.

#### **USA: Expat In-House Disability Resources**

1,200+ professionals in claims offices in the USA. Plus access to 1,100 nurses and 500 doctors, representing more than 40 clinical specialties, 36+ vocational professionals, 80+ health professionals.

#### Top 4 Reasons to Consider the AFSPA Disability Plan

## 1. If you have a partial disability, you will not qualify for FERS disability retirement benefits.

In a recent study done by a federal employee association, over 70% of the disability cases were partial or residual. (1) Therefore, the federal employee did not qualify for federal disability retirement benefits under FERS.

2. Disability retirement benefits under FERS are taxable. (2) The benefit amount under AFSPA's Plan is not taxable (3), providing a greater net income replacement ratio for when you need it most.

- 3. New federal employees must complete at least 18 months of service to be eligible for FERS disability retirement benefits.(4)
- 4. To be eligible for FERS disability retirement benefits, the disability must be expected to last at least one year. (4)

Source material

- 1 Annual Statistical Report on the Social Security Disability Insurance Program, 2012
- 2 IRS.gov, January 2014 3 IRS Publication 907
- 4 www.opm.gov/retirement-services/fers-information/types-of-retirement/, August 4,





#### **ELIGIBILITY**

You must be a member of the American Foreign Service Protective Association. Membership is open to:

- All Foreign Service personnel and direct hire employees of the Department of State; Department of Defense; Agency for International Development; Foreign Commercial Service; Foreign Agricultural Service; Department of Homeland Security; Central Intelligence Agency; National Security Agency; Office of Director of National Intelligence and Peace Corps staff and volunteers. Executive Branch civilian employees assigned overseas or to U.S. possessions and territories; and the direct hire domestic employee assigned to support those activities. Executive Branch includes all Federal civilian employees except those working for the Legislative (Congress) or Judicial (Courts) Branches of the Federal government.
- Active full-time employees working a minimum of 30 hours per week.
  Contact us either via e-mail at disability@AFSPA.org or via phone at 202-833-4910 regarding your eligibility for AFSPA membership.

#### **AVAILABLE BENEFITS**

**Benefit Amount**: You may apply for a benefit amount of **60%** of your salary, to a maximum of **\$5,000** USD per month less any other in-force disability benefits.

**Maximum Benefit Period**: The plan provides **24** months or **60** months of benefits, depending on your election. **Elimination Period**: The policy Elimination Period is **30** days. This is the amount of time before benefits begin, if you become disabled.

#### **POLICY SPECIFICS**

**Disability Accident and Sickness**: Monthly benefits will be payable upon completion of the Elimination Period for the period of disability, but not longer than the policy monthly Benefit Period.

**Own Occupation Coverage**: During the first **12 months** of disability, benefits are based upon your inability to perform the essential and substantial duties of your own occupation.

**Any Occupation Coverage**: After the first **12 months** of your disability, you must be unable to work in <u>any</u> occupation based upon your education, training and experience.

**Partial Disability**: A disability in which you are able to perform one or more, but not all material and substantial duties of an occupation full or part time; or you are able to perform all material and substantial duties part time.

**Waiver of Premium**: Premium payments are waived during any period for which benefits are payable. If coverage is to be continued, premium payments may be resumed following a period during which they were waived.

**Covered Earnings Definition**: Member's base monthly gross wage or salary as reported by the member, excluding bonuses, commissions, overtime pay or extra compensation.

#### **ADDITIONAL FEATURES**

- Worldwide Coverage
- Survivor Benefit: 3 Months

- War & Terrorism: Covered
- Mental Illness Limitation: 24 months

#### **EXCLUSIONS**

**Pre-Existing Condition**: **3/6/12 Rule**: If you are treated for a medical condition 3 months prior to your effective date, it will not be covered unless you are treatment free for 6 consecutive months after your effective date of coverage or after you have been insured and still active at work for 12 consecutive months.

**Disability that occurs as a result of the following**: Bodily Injury or Sickness caused or contributed to by service in the armed forces of any country or international authority; intentionally self-inflicted injury or attempted suicide; taking illegal or non-prescribed drugs; alcohol; injury sustained while engaged in illegal activity; piloting any aircraft unless specifically covered by the policy.

#### WHEN COVERAGE BEGINS

All periods of insurance begin at 12:01 a.m. Local Standard Time on the first of the month following your approval of coverage and your direct debit has been activated.

#### WHEN COVERAGE ENDS

Coverage will end when one of the following occurs: (1) on the date the insured dies; (2) on the date you request to end coverage; (3) on the Termination Date shown in the Schedule; (4) at the end of the period for which the premium is paid; or (5) the date the Insured ceases to be employed.

#### **COORDINATION OF BENEFITS**

Any benefit hereunder is payable secondary to any other valid and collectible disability benefit in-force at the time of claim and the maximum total combined benefit of all in-force disability policies shall not exceed 60% of the Insured Person's average monthly earned taxable income for the twelve (12) consecutive months immediately prior to any claim, at the time of claim, or the amount stated in the Schedule, whichever is less.





### Schedule of Premiums

Option 1					
Benefit Period: 2 years					
Elimination Period: 30 Days					
Monthly Benefit Rate – Per \$100					
(\$5,000 USD maximum)					
Rate \$1.25 per \$100 USD					
Monthly	Rate	Monthly	Annual		
Benefit		Premium	Premium		
\$3,000	\$1.25 x 30	\$37.50	\$450.00		
\$3,500	\$1.25 x 35	\$43.75	\$525.00		
\$4,000	\$1.25 x 40	\$50.00	\$600.00		
\$4,500	\$1.25 x 45	\$56.25	\$675.00		
\$5,000	\$1.25 x 50	\$62.50	\$750.00		

Option 2					
Benefit Period: 5 years					
Elimination Period: 30 Days					
Monthly Benefit Rate – Per \$100					
(\$5,000 USD maximum)					
Rate \$1.65 per \$100 USD					
Monthly	Rate	Monthly	Annual		
Benefit		Premium	Premium		
\$3,000	\$1.65 x 30	\$49.50	\$594.00		
\$3,500	\$1.65 x 35	\$57.75	\$693.00		
\$4,000	\$1.65 x 40	\$66.00	\$792.00		
\$4,500	\$1.65 x 45	\$74.25	\$891.00		
\$5,000	\$1.65 x 50	\$82.50	\$990.00		

#### **How to Enroll**

Return via secure fax to: 1- 202-775-9082. Email from secure form on our website www.afspa.org/disablity or mail to:

AFSPA

1620 L Street, NW Suite 800 Washington, DC 20036-5

Washington, DC 20036-5629 Attn: AIP Department

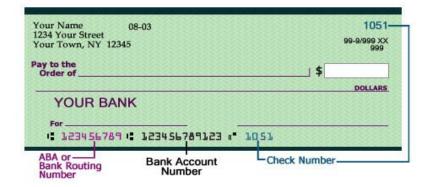
For additional information, you may contact us via phone at 202-833-4910 or via e-mail at <a href="mailto:disability@AFSPA.org">disability@AFSPA.org</a>.

**NOTE**: Monthly premiums are to be paid via DIRECT DEBIT only. Please do not send any premium payment with the enrollment form. You will be notified by email when the direct debit has been activated.

#### **Direct Debit**

Note: Premiums must be paid by electronic debit from your bank account. We do not accept premium payments by any other method. Deductions will be on a monthly basis from your bank account.

To set up direct debit please fill out the information below. You will need to know your Routing Number (ABA) and your Account Number. See image below for clarification.



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State:	 
Zip:	
Account Number:	

Important! Please verify your bank information (above) and make necessary corrections. Incorrect information will result in delays in processing your direct deposit request with AFSPA.

Account Type	
Checking:	
Savings:	
Account Holder SSN:	
Joint Acct Holder SSN:	

NOTE: We cannot activate your direct debit and disability insurance until we receive all required forms.





## **Voluntary Group Disability Insurance Enrollment Form**

Member Information				
Name				
First: Middle:	Last:			
Address:				
Street:	City:			
State/Province:	Country:			
Zip/Postal Code:				
Date of Birth:	Social Security No:			
Phone Number:	Cell Phone:			
E-mail:	Sex: $\square$ Male $\square$ Female			
Employment				
Agency Name:				
Occupation:				
Annual Salary:				
Current Work Location:				
Major Duties:				
Coverage Requested				
□ Option 1 [ 2 year Benefit,30 Day Elimination Period] Monthly Benefit Request:				
	(60% of salary, up to \$5,000 USD)			
□ <b>Option 2</b> [ 5 year Benefit, 30 Day Elimination Period] Monthly Benefit Request:				
	(60% of salary, up to \$5,000 USD)			
Signature:	Date:			

**Disclaimer:** This is not the insurance contract. This overview is intended to provide only a general description of certain type of insurance and other services and is not intended to describe the full terms and conditions applicable to any particular insurance policy or service program. It is recommended that a potential purchaser examine, in detail, any insurance policies or other applicable agreements to be certain of the precise terms, conditions and coverage provided under the programs described in the overview. Policy provisions will prevail if there is a conflict between the policy and this brochure.

Send completed forms to: AFSPA

1620 L St., NW, Suite 800 Washington, DC 20036-5629

Fax: 1-202-775-9082

Email: Use secure form on our website www.afspa.org/disability





To provide unparalleled service that our unique, worldwide membership requires, AFSPA manages a comprehensive set of health insurance benefits and related programs promoting the welfare of our members who support U.S. foreign affairs and related missions. For more information on these programs, visit <a href="https://www.afspa.org">www.afspa.org</a> or call us at 202-833-4910.

#### **GROUP DENTAL INSURANCE:**

**AFSPA** offers four dental plans to meet our member's needs. One Dental Health Maintenance Organization (DHMO) plan, one Dental Preferred Provider Organization (DPPO) plan, and one **e**PPO dental plan that combines the benefit design of both an DHMO and DPPO are available for our stateside members. Our international dental plan provides worldwide coverage and overseas dental services are not subject to a plan allowance or out of network penalties.

#### **DISCOUNT CARE PROGRAMS:**

Three-in-one package discount plan that offers savings on dental, vision and LASIK services by using a network provider. Pay only one monthly or annual premium. Separate discount plan for hearing aids. Save 30-60% on wide range of latest digital aids.

#### **CRITICAL ILLNESS INSURANCE:**

Offers up to \$100,000 lump sum payment when medically diagnosed with 7 defined critical illness conditions including, cancer, heart attack and stroke. Benefit payment can be used however needed. Coverage for family members.

#### MEMBERS OF HOUSEHOLD INSURANCE:

**AFSPA** offers several medical plans for Members of Household, which include domestic partners, parents and dependent children over age 26 who do not qualify for coverage under the Federal Employees Health Benefits Program. These policies offer a choice of deductibles and medical coverages.

#### **GROUP TERM LIFE INSURANCE:**

Coverage is available up to \$600,000. Guarantee Issue for up to \$200,000 under **New Hire** and **Life Event Benefits**. This policy can be purchased as your main source of protection or to supplement any existing coverage. A portion of your coverage can be used for care giving services. There are no exclusions. Covers loss due to acts of war and terrorism. Members can keep this policy in the event they leave government service. Family coverage is available also.

# GROUP ACCIDENTAL DEATH & DISMEMBERMENT INSURANCE:

This plan provides protection up to \$600,000 against accidental injuries or loss of life anywhere in the world. Coverage for loss due to coma, paralysis. sight, speech, hearing and acts of terrorism. Family coverage is available.

#### LONG TERM CARE PLANNING:

**AFSPA** believes strongly that long term care coverage can be a very important part of an individual's portfolio. One plan does not fit all, so as long term care products have evolved, we enhanced our long term care offerings. Our consultants Long Term Care Consultants, Inc., & Signature Financial Partners, LLC assists members with finding a long term care plan that best suits their needs.

#### TAX CONSULTATION SERVICES:

Beers, Hamerman, Cohen & Burger, P.C., offers services from a group of five CPA tax accountants with at least 10 years of accounting experience. A complimentary consultation and 10% discount are available to AFSPA members.

#### FINANCIAL PLANNING:

**AFSPA** recognizes the importance of financial planning for the future. We offer access to an interactive online Financial Wellness digital tool through Prudential, which allows you to customize your profile to fit your financial needs.

#### TRAVEL INSURANCE:

AFSPA offers a variety of plans to cover emergency medical evacuation, on-the-spot emergency medical payments, worldwide medical referrals, medical monitoring, prescriptions replacement assistance and repatriation of remains benefits. Annual and per trip coverage is available. A wide range of deductibles and coverage amounts to choose from.

#### **LEGAL SERVICES:**

To help our stateside and overseas members find the appropriate representation and advice, **AFSPA** has arranged for several Washington, D.C. metropolitan area law firms to provide advice on wills, power of attorney, family law, real estate transactions, taxes, personal injury and business planning at a discounted rate.

#### **IMMEDIATE BENEFIT PLAN:**

AFSPA offers a term life insurance plan that is available to employees of selected agencies to cover immediate expenses, such as mortgage payments, funeral expenses and final medical costs upon the death of a loved one. Benefit paid generally within <a href="two business days">two business days</a> upon AFSPA's receipt of notification of employee's death.

