

When you're sick or injured, your main focus should be on your health – not untangling medical bills, scheduling appointments and coordinating your care with specialists and other providers.

## Help is Only a Phone Call Away

Fortunately, you don't have to take on the healthcare system by yourself. While you're out on a short term disability claim, you can connect with a Personal Health Advocate who'll help you navigate the complexities of the healthcare system. Simply take advantage of Health Advocacy Select, a service that's included with your group Short Term Disability insurance coverage through Standard Insurance Company (The Standard).

## An Expert by Your Side

At no additional cost, you can contact Health *Advocate<sup>TM 1</sup>* and be assigned a Personal Health Advocate, typically a registered nurse, who will remain on your case until it's fully resolved. From start to finish, you'll work with one person sparing you the headache of explaining your concerns to someone who might be unfamiliar with your situation.

Your Personal Health Advocate can assist you in quickly and efficiently working through healthcare management issues.

## Some ways they can help you are:

- Understand and take maximum advantage of your medical benefits.
- Make sense of your diagnosis and research treatment options.
- Find and schedule appointments with the right doctors and specialists, particularly for complex medical conditions where a second opinion is appropriate.
- Locate specialists for high-risk pregnancies and find pediatricians.
- Manage your out-of-pocket expenses by finding alternative services and cost information.
- Locate necessary post pregnancy support in the event of a difficult delivery or when complications arise.
- **Resolve** medical claims and billing issues.
- Find resources for services that may not be covered through your employer's health benefits program.

All cases are managed in compliance with state and federal privacy laws. Your personal medical information is kept strictly confidential.



Personal Health Advocates available Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. - 11 p.m., Eastern at:

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