



# Accident and Illness Benefits Program

**SUMMARY** 

For building and construction workers in Victoria



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### We are your safety net.

We look after your entitlements and partner with an insurer to offer an industry-leading benefits program.

#### **OUR BENEFITS PROGRAM INCLUDES:**

- Cover if you get injured or sick when you're not at work
- Discretionary covers: Emergency transport, accidental dental and funeral
- WorkCover and transport accident scheme top-ups
- Lump sum payments for workplace accidents
- Portable sick leave
- Covering your bills while off work, with bill payer assistance
- Childcare assistance
- Workplace Injury Management Service

Find out more at incolink.org.au/workers.



#### Important information about this brochure

This brochure is a summary only. It is not an insurance policy and is not used in the assessment of insurance claims. Any insurance claim will be assessed against the individual policy terms and conditions and applicable law.

The purpose of this brochure is to provide a summary ONLY of the terms and conditions applicable to the various insurance policies outlined in the brochure. For information about the insurance and discretionary covers please contact Total Claims Solutions on (03) 9320 8588.

Insurance policies are underwritten by QBE Insurance (Australia) Ltd ABN 78 003191035 AFSL No. 239545. Discretionary Covers are provided by Incolink.

The insurance policies are arranged by Windsor Management Insurance Brokers Pty Ltd ACN 083 775 795 AFSL No. 230747.

New weekly benefit increases, effective 1 October 2022, will only apply to any new injuries/illnesses occurring on or after the date of the increase provided your employer pays the new weekly IPT premium.

Your cover depends on the type of contributions your employer pays to Incolink on your behalf. Please check with your employer to see if they are registered with Incolink and paying contributions. If you need assistance, call Incolink on (03) 9639 3000.

# Accidents happen. If you get injured outside work, it's our job to help.

Here's a summary of what's covered if your employer is paying **redundancy contributions** or recording **apprentice days** on your behalf.

#### PERSONAL ACCIDENT LEISURE TIME INSURANCE

## **Cover if you get injured outside working hours**

#### **WEEKLY BENEFITS**

If you get injured and become totally or partially unable to work as a result, you may be eligible to receive weekly benefits. The weekly amount payable is the lesser of your pre-disability weekly earnings and the amounts set out in the following table:

Your work status	If your employer is not paying IPT*	If your employer is paying IPT*
Worker with dependants	\$950	\$1,550
Worker without dependants	\$730	\$1,400
Apprentice with dependants	\$650	\$1,150
Apprentice without dependants	\$595	\$1,050

<sup>\*</sup> Some employers pay 'income protection and trauma' (IPT) contributions in addition to redundancy contributions. Check your Incolink app or ask your employer whether you receive IPT contributions. See page 5 for more information about the cover that comes with IPT contributions.

Waiting period: 14 days.

**Maximum benefit period:** 156 weeks (104 weeks if aged over 65 at the time of injury. No benefit is payable if aged over 70 at the time of injury).

#### **CAPITAL BENEFITS (LUMP SUM)**

If your injury results in death or another condition that is payable under the policy, you may be eligible for a lump-sum payment.

**Maximum benefit: \$40,000** for a worker with dependants. **\$20,000** for a worker with no dependants.

If you break a bone or suffer a hairline fracture, you may be able to receive a lump sum benefit of up to **\$8,000**.

See the amounts payable for different conditions on our website.

## Cover if you get injured travelling to or from work

#### **WEEKLY BENEFITS**

If you get injured while in direct travel to or from work, resulting in total or partial disablement, then you may be eligible for weekly benefits.

Eligible payments commence from the first day you seek medical treatment.

Maximum weekly benefit: The lesser of \$2,000 (gross) per week or your pre-disability earnings.

**Maximum benefit period:** 156 weeks (104 weeks if aged over 65 at the time of injury. No benefit is payable if aged over 70 at the time of injury).



Does not cover accidents where there is an entitlement to compensation under any statutory transport accident or workers' compensation schemes.

#### **CAPITAL BENEFITS (LUMP SUM)**

If you get injured while in direct travel to or from work, and the injury results in death or another condition that is payable under the policy, you may be eligible for a lump-sum payment.

**Maximum benefit: \$100,000** for a worker with dependants. **\$50,000** for a worker without dependants.

See the amounts payable for different conditions on our website.

## Childcare expenses may be reimbursed when a death capital benefit is payable

Reimbursement of childcare expenses incurred during the 12 months after the accidental death of a worker (for which a death capital benefit is payable) or accidental death of a worker's spouse. The maximum amount payable is \$30,000 in total for all childcare expenses incurred in relation to all dependent children.

## A bill payer benefit may be payable when you receive weekly benefits

If your employer is paying **bill payer premiums**, you may be eligible to be reimbursed bills issued to you while you're off work, up to **\$250 per bill** to a maximum of **\$5,000 for all bills** for any one period of disablement related to the same injury. You can claim for electricity, water, gas, telephone (including mobile) and dependent children's tuition fees only.

**Note:** The bill payer benefit is only payable when you receive weekly benefits under the **leisure time injury** or **journey** or **leisure time illness** insurance covers.

#### **DISCRETIONARY COVERS**

#### **Emergency transport**

May provide cover to you and your dependants for ambulance usage anywhere in Australia. The maximum amount payable is \$12,000 for road transport and \$15,000 for air travel.



If the ambulance usage is because of a workplace or motor vehicle injury, you must lodge your ambulance bill with the appropriate statutory insurer. If you have private health insurance which includes ambulance cover, you must lodge the ambulance bill with your private health fund.

#### **Accidental dental**

May provide cover to you and your dependants for accidental damage to sound and healthy teeth, occurring outside working hours.

The maximum amount payable for any one accident is:

- Worker without dependants: Maximum \$2,000 (2 claims per year).
- Worker with dependants: Maximum \$2,250 (4 claims per year).



If you have private health insurance that includes dental, all accounts must be submitted with the private health insurer first and we will only consider the gap if the claim is approved.

#### **Funeral**

May provide a benefit of **\$9,000**, payable to your estate/ beneficiary or funeral parlour. The claim must be submitted within 12 months from the date of death.



For more information about emergency transport and accidental dental cover, contact Total Claims Solutions on **(03) 9320 8588.** 

For information on funeral cover, contact Incolink on (03) 9639 3000.

## We've got your back if something goes wrong.

Here's a summary of what's covered if your employer is paying income protection and trauma (IPT) contributions on your behalf.

#### LEISURE TIME ILLNESS INSURANCE

#### Cover if you get sick and can't work

If you suffer an illness outside working hours, you may be eligible to receive weekly benefits. The weekly amount payable is the lesser of your pre-disability weekly earnings and the amounts set out in the following table:

#### **WEEKLY BENEFITS**

Your work status	Weekly benefit
Worker with dependants	\$1,550
Worker without dependants	\$1,400
Apprentice with dependants	\$1,150
Apprentice without dependants	\$1,050

**Maximum benefit period:** 156 weeks (104 weeks if aged over 65 when the illness occurs. No benefit is payable if aged over 70 when the illness occurs).

Waiting period: 14 days from the date you seek medical treatment. You must also first exhaust all available sick leave from your current employer. If you have Portable Sick Leave insurance (PSLi) with Incolink, you also need to use up the days you have accumulated under the PSLi program.

#### **TAC Top-Ups**

If you get injured while travelling directly to or from work in a registered motor vehicle or while on a tram, bus or train, and you receive benefits from a transport accident scheme (TAC), we may be able to top up your benefits.

**Maximum weekly top-up: \$2,000 gross** (when combined with your TAC payments).

**Maximum benefit period:** 104 weeks (while you continue to receive TAC payments).

#### **WorkCover Top-Ups**

If you are in a workplace accident, during work hours, that gives rise to a successful WorkCover claim, we may be able to top up your WorkCover benefits.

**Maximum weekly top-up: \$2,000 gross** (when combined with your WorkCover benefits).

**Maximum benefit period:** 78 weeks (while you continue to receive WorkCover benefits).

Waiting period: 52 weeks.



For workers who are gainfully employed by a registered Incolink employer who has continued to pay their redundancy contributions and Incolink IPT contributions to age 70, cover may extend up until their 75th birthday.

## Capital benefits for workplace injuries and death

If you get injured at work resulting in death or another condition payable under our policy, and it is covered by a statutory workers' compensation scheme, you may be eligible for a lumpsum payment.

**Maximum benefit: \$400,000** for a worker with dependants. **\$200,000** for a worker with no dependants.

See the amounts payable for different conditions on our website.



For workers who are gainfully employed by a registered Incolink employer who has continued to pay their redundancy contributions and Incolink IPT contributions to age 70, cover may extend up until their 75th birthday. Maximum benefit: \$200,000 for a worker with dependants or \$100,000 for a worker with no dependants.

#### Need a hand with your WorkCover claim?

Eligible\* members with Incolink IPT cover have automatic access to Incolink's Work Injury Management Service (Incolink WIMS) provided by Total Claims Solutions. Incolink WIMS's Injury Management Coordinators will assist you and your employer through the claim process and help set up a rehabilitation and return-to-work program.

#### How do I access Incolink WIMS?

Phone: (03) 9320 8503 Hotline: 1800 238 026

Email: WIMS@totalclaims.com.au

\*Refer eligibility criteria in the full Incolink Accident & Illness Benefits Program brochure. Members who utilise Incolink WIMS will enter into a separate Services Agreement with the provider Total Claims Solutions.

## Leaving a job? We'll save your sick leave for you.

When you leave a job, you usually leave your unused sick days behind. Our **Portable Sick Leave insurance (PSLi) program** has been set up to take over the sick days you would normally lose when you finish up with an employer.

If your employer is paying **PSLi premium contributions** on your behalf, you may be eligible for:

#### Portable sick leave

If you suffer an illness or injury outside work hours and you've already taken all the leave available with your current employer, you may be able to claim the extra days you've accumulated in your PSLi account (up to a maximum of 100 days).

#### Carer's leave

If any of your immediate family or another person who normally resides with you requires care due to a personal illness, injury or unexpected emergency, you may be able to claim carer's leave under the PSLi program (up to a maximum of 5 days per year).

[Information icon] Before you make a claim under the PSLi program, you need to have already taken all available leave entitlements with your current employer. The maximum number of portable sick days that can be accumulated is 100 days. The PSLi Program does not apply if your injury or illness gives you an entitlement under a statutory workers' compensation scheme.

#### How benefits are calculated

To understand how benefits are calculated, visit our **website** or contact us.

### **Questions?**

Head to our online **Help Centre** for answers to frequently asked questions, wellbeing and support services and information about our many industry-leading benefits.

#### Need to make a claim?

Find all the information you need on the **Total Claims Solutions** website **www.totalclaims.com.au** or call **(03) 9320 8588**.

#### Prefer to speak to someone?

#### About your Incolink membership:

Phone: (03) 9639 3000

Email: support@incolink.org.au

#### About making an insurance or discretionary claim:

#### The case managers at Total Claims Solutions

Phone: (03) 9320 8588

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#### About program benefits:

#### Windsor Management Insurance Brokers

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