



## Disability Insurance

### Is your paycheck protected?

It's important to be financially prepared for the future. That's why you have insurance for your house, your car and your health. But if you're like many Americans, you don't have insurance for the one thing you use to pay for these expenses — your paycheck.

If an accident or illness prevented you from earning an income, how would you pay for your everyday expenses? You never know how long a disability could last, so it's important to have a backup plan.

Colonial Life's disability insurance can help protect your way of life by providing a monthly benefit for a covered disability.



Just over 1 in 4 of today's  
20-year-olds will become  
disabled before reaching age 67.

Social Security Administration, *Social Security Basic Facts*,  
<https://www.ssa.gov/news/press/factsheets/basicfact-alt.pdf>  
(accessed July 5, 2017)

# No matter where you are in life, a disability could prevent you from earning an income



Recent college  
graduate with  
first full-time job

## ASHLEY

*While jogging after work one evening, Ashley injured her leg. Her doctor advised her to stay off of her leg for three weeks. After using paid time off for a week, Ashley stopped receiving a paycheck.*

**How her disability policy helped:**  
*Ashley used her disability benefits to help with her rent and monthly student loan payment.*



New parents  
living paycheck  
to paycheck

## EMILY & BRIAN

*After having a baby, Emily went out on maternity leave. Without her income, the couple was worried about how they'd pay for everyday expenses. Fortunately, Emily purchased a disability policy from her company two years ago.*

**How her disability policy helped:**  
*Emily's benefits helped the couple pay for their growing family's ongoing expenses, and they didn't have to use any of the money they'd been saving for a bigger house.*



50-year-old  
father of the bride

## LEWIS

*Lewis suffered a heart attack and had to have surgery. He needed to take an unpaid leave of absence from work to recover. During this time, he received his usual monthly bills.*

**How his disability policy helped:**  
*Lewis' disability benefits helped provide him with the comfort of knowing that his bills wouldn't get in the way of giving his daughter the wedding of her dreams.*

Approximately 90%  
of all disabilities  
are caused by illnesses  
rather than accidents.

Integrated Benefits Institute, *IBI Health and Productivity Benchmarking: Long-Term Disability Program* (2017).



## Your bills continue, even if your paycheck doesn't

Think about your ongoing monthly expenses — everything from your mortgage or rent to your groceries and utilities. If a disability left you without a paycheck, you might rely on savings as a backup plan, but would you have enough?

Disability insurance can help you pay for your expenses and keep you focused on what really matters — recovery.

### Coverage advantages

- Benefits are payable directly to you (unless you specify otherwise), and you can use them however you'd like.
- At enrollment, you can choose the disability benefit amount to best meet your needs (subject to income).
- Benefits are payable regardless of any insurance you may have with other companies.
- Disability benefits may also be available if you return to work part time.



### Meet with a benefits counselor

By attending a 1-to-1 counseling session with a Colonial Life benefits counselor, you can learn more about disability insurance and how it can help protect your paycheck and your family's way of life. Your benefits counselor can also review the rest of your insurance coverage and help you determine where you may need additional financial protection.



## How much should you have in savings?

A single person with few recurring expenses and no dependents

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SAVINGS = 3 MONTHS OF LIVING EXPENSES

A dual-income couple with children and recurring expenses

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SAVINGS = 6 MONTHS OF LIVING EXPENSES



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Talk with your Colonial Life benefits counselor to learn more about disability insurance.

The policy or its provisions may vary or be unavailable in some states. The policy has exclusions and limitations which may affect any benefits payable. See the actual policy or your Colonial Life benefits counselor for specific provisions and details of availability.

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