



We know how challenging disability claims can be for any organization. We can help plan members on disability leave get back to health and work. Our personalized case management approach means we deliver the right early-stage resources for plan members who need them most. This can make a lasting impact on health and recovery.

## Mental health: expanding resources for early interventions

Mental disorder claims continue to be the leading cause of long-term disability for most employers. We want to ensure you have access to best in health mental health supports, to help meet your evolving needs.

### What we're seeing



Mental disorders represent almost 40% of all long-term disability claims.1



Claims have increased in complexity.



The right early interventions may promote a faster recovery.

How we're helping



Full-time, in-house mental health registered clinicians consult on complex claims.



complex claims through a comprehensive program that incorporates the latest evidence-based research and best-practice advances.

We train our team to support



We're working with external partners and the broader community to create better partnerships, education, and collaboration for inclusive treatments.



## Digging deeper into influencing factors that impact a plan member's recovery

information that helps guide questions to ask during functional telephone interviews. Results help us identify case complexity and triage disability claims. Ensuring plan members get the

In 2022, we started using a psychosocial questionnaire for select disability claims. It provides additional

timely, additional support they need. Early results show we are getting information not already on file in a timely manner.



## the right resources at work Our personalized case management approach ensures that every plan member on disability receives the

Inclusive, value-driven disability solutions -

level of support they need. We take action to add value and make a difference. Our value-driven health solutions are the result of innovation and testing. These solutions work to help get plan members back to work – and optimum health – sooner.

How we're helping



### Medical Confidence saves plan members

days for specialist appointments.2

an average of 216 wait



faster

### Pharmacogenomic testing can

potentially eliminate

or reduce the trialand-error process of finding the right medication.



### **Expanding** access to online assessments and treatments

This includes

specialists for both

musculoskeletal issues and mental disorders.

What we're seeing



survey said they would recommend the service to others.2

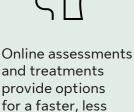
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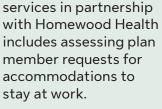
service valuable. Over half (56%) had a change to their medications after the test.3



can help keep them healthy and may prevent them from taking a disability leave.



stressful approach. Helping plan members overcome barriers like availability, cost, and stigma.



Partnering to

right workplace

Accommodation

accommodations4

provide the

### member requests for accommodations to



## We're focused on finding new opportunities to promote early intervention and recovery. We're continuously

Looking ahead



# Questions?

For more information, please contact your Sun Life Group Benefits representative.

<sup>4</sup> Accommodation services are available with benefits plans that include our Salary Continuance services.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Cumulative average for the 2021 and 2022 calendar years, as measured and reported by Medical Confidence. <sup>3</sup> Results based on those who completed the survey in 2022.