# SUPPORTING MENTAL HEALTH WITH VOLUNTARY BENEFITS



In today's environment, employees are more stressed than ever. That stress can affect their well-being, it can affect their productivity and can lead to more serious mental and physical conditions. Fortunately, employers can offer support through Trustmark Hospital StayPay, Paycheck Protect and Critical HealthEvents.

# Three solutions to support mental health

#### **Trustmark Hospital StayPay® Insurance** Trustmark Hospital StayPay provides balance to the out-of-pocket costs of a hospital stay, including admission for mental health:

- Admission to a hospital for mental wellness or addiction recovery are treated as normal triggers for the base confinement and admission benefits.
  - Brokers can choose from a variety of benefit levels to make sure employees have the mental health protection that complements their medical plan.
- It's not just about admission and a hospital stay, we provide benefits for rehabilitation, too.\*
  - Choose a benefit amount and coverage for inpatient/outpatient treatment to complement your health plan.

\*Rehabilitation benefits are not HSA-compatible. \*\*Group product only

#### **Trustmark Paycheck Protect® Insurance** Paycheck Protect is livability assurance. It helps employees keep their lives on track by protecting their paycheck.

- Employees can receive benefits if they're unable to work due to treatment for a mental health condition or substance use disorder.
  - Benefits are paid at the full amount with no lifetime maximum; the same as any other condition.
  - Mental health benefits and substance abuse benefits are optional and can be included at an employer's discretion.

### Trustmark Critical HealthEvents® Insurance\*\* Trustmark Critical HealthEvents offers employees a lifetime of benefits for the full scope of illness.

- Protection can be expanded to cover mental health conditions including Severe Depressive Disorder, Bipolar 1 Disorder, OCD, Schizophrenia, PTSD and Dementia.
- To help curb employee anxiety in today's environment, protection is available for infectious and rare diseases, including COVID-19.



# Voluntary Benefits

## The importance of addressing mental health

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of people say that worry and stress related to the pandemic has negatively impacted their mental health. $^{1}$ 



Mental health challenges affect employee well-being and increase the likelihood of developing a substance use disorder. On top of that, the cost for treatment can be expensive; mental illness is the third most costly medical condition in terms of overall health expenditures.<sup>3</sup>

# More than just benefits

Offering voluntary benefits is about more than just financial protection, it's about creating a culture of support within an employer's workplace. Employers can:

- Demonstrate forward-thinking leadership
- Create a culture of tolerance and acceptance
- Show support for employees experiencing these challenges
- Reduce the stigma around seeking treatment

<sup>1</sup> Kaiser Family Foundation. The Impact of Coronavirus on Life in America. 2020. <sup>2</sup> Healthline. Stress Costs U.S. \$300 Billion Every Year. 2018. <sup>3</sup> National Alliance on Mental Health. Mental Health Research and Innovation. 2017.

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