Benefits Asssociate

Prepares, audits, and reconciles group insurance records for life, medical, disability, vision, workers' compensation and similar employee benefit programs. Communicates and explains to employees information related to a variety of benefits programs (e.g., insurance plans, pensions, 401K, sick leave). Assists employees in completion of forms and provides general response to benefit inquiries. Prepares reports and statistical information regarding programs. Prepares communication to physicians, hospitals, and employees regarding claims.

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4
	Benefits Associate I	Benefits Associate II	Benefits Associate III	Sr. Benefits Associate
Knowledge	Little or no knowledge of the job. Moderate understanding of general job aspects and some understanding of the detailed aspects of the job.	Full knowledge of the job. Substantial acquaintance with and understanding of general aspects of the job with a broad understanding of the detailed aspects of the job.	Considerable knowledge of the job. Complete acquaintance with and understanding of the general and detailed aspects of the job, and their practical applications to problems and situations ordinarily encountered.	Extensive knowledge of the job with deep experience in a specialized function. A wide and comprehensive acquaintance with, and understanding of, both general and specific aspects of the job and their practical application to complex problems and situations ordinarily encountered.
Supervision Received	Close supervision involving detailed instructions and constant checking on work performance.	General supervision and instructions given for routine work and detailed instructions given for new activities or special assignments.	Limited supervision. No instructions needed on routine work, and general instructions given on new lines of work or special assignments.	Minimal supervision. Work may be done without established procedures.
Consequence for Errors	Errors can be easily and quickly detected within the immediate work unit and would result only in minor disruption or expense to correct.	Errors may be detected and corrected but may cause moderate loss of time or customer/user dissatisfaction.	Errors may be difficult to detect and would normally result in loss of time or customer/user dissatisfaction.	Errors are very difficult to detect and would normally require significant expenditures to resolve.
Contacts	Contacts are primarily within immediate work area. Contacts involve obtaining or providing information requiring little explanation or interpretation.	Contacts are typically with individuals within own department and occasionally with contacts outside own organization. Contacts involve obtaining or providing information or data requiring some explanation or interpretation.	Contacts are frequent with individuals representing other departments, and/or representing outside organizations. Contacts involve obtaining or providing information or data on matters of moderate importance to the function of the department or which may be of sensitive nature.	Contacts are frequent with individuals representing outside organizations, and/or individuals of significant importance within the company. Contacts involve planning and preparation of the communications, require skill, tact, persuasion and/or negotiation to accomplish the objectives of the communication.
Work Products (Examples may include but are not limited to)	Maintains employee benefit files.	Ensures that benefits materials are up to date and readily available to employees.	Ensures readiness for benefit enrollment periods.	Benefits orientations.
Minimum Education and Experience	0+ years directly related experience with Bachelor's Degree in Human Resources, Business Administration or related field. Basic MS Word and Excel skills.	2+ years directly related experience with Bachelor's Degree in Human Resources, Business Administration or related field. Intermediate MS Word and Excel skills.	4+ years directly related experience with Bachelor's Degree in Human Resources, Business Administration or related field. Advanced MS Word and Excel skills.	6+ years directly related experience with Bachelor's Degree in Human Resources, Business Administration or related field. Advanced MS Word and Excel skills.

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