

# Life Services Toolkit

## Resources and Tools to Help You and Your Beneficiary Meet Life's Challenges



Group Life insurance through your employer gives you assurance that your family will receive some financial assistance in the event of a death. But coverage under a group Life policy from The Standard<sup>‡</sup> does more than help protect your family from financial hardship after a loss. We have partnered with Bensinger, DuPont & Associates (BDA) to offer a lineup of additional services that can make a difference now and in the future.

Online tools and services can help you create a will, make advance funeral plans and put your finances in order. After a loss, beneficiaries can consult experts by phone or in person, and obtain other helpful information online.

The Life Services Toolkit is automatically available to those insured under a group Life insurance policy from The Standard. Recipients of an Accelerated Benefit can access services for 12 months after the date of payment. Life insurance beneficiaries<sup>1</sup> can access services for 12 months after the date of death.

### Services to Help You Now

Visit the Life Services Toolkit website at [www.standard.com/mytoolkit](http://www.standard.com/mytoolkit) (enter username "assurance") for information and tools to help you make important life decisions.

- **Estate Planning Assistance:** Online tools, found in the Legal Forms section, walk you through the steps to prepare a will and create other documents, such as living wills, powers of attorney and health care agent forms.
- **Financial Planning:** Consult online services to help you manage debt, calculate mortgage and loan payments, and take care of other financial matters with confidence.
- **Health and Wellness:** Timely articles about nutrition, stress management and wellness help employees and their families lead healthy lives.
- **Identity Theft Prevention:** Check the website for ways to thwart identity thieves and resolve issues if identity theft occurs.
- **Funeral Arrangements:** Use the website to calculate funeral costs, find funeral-related services and make decisions about funeral arrangements in advance.

If you are a recipient of an Accelerated Benefit, you may access the services for beneficiaries outlined on the next page.



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<sup>1</sup> The Life Services Toolkit is not available to Life insurance beneficiaries who are minors or to non-individual entities such as trusts, estates or charities.

## Services for Your Beneficiary

These supportive services can help your beneficiary cope after a loss:

- **Grief Support:** Clinicians with master's degrees are on call to provide confidential grief sessions by phone or in person. Beneficiaries are eligible for up to six face-to-face sessions and unlimited phone contact.
- **Legal Services:** Beneficiaries can obtain legal assistance from experienced attorneys. They can:
  - Schedule an initial 30-minute office and a telephone consultation with a network attorney. Beneficiaries who wish to retain a participating attorney after the initial consultation receive a 25 percent rate reduction from the attorney's normal hourly or fixed fee rates.
  - Obtain an estate-planning package that consists of a simple will, a living will, a health care agent form and a durable power of attorney.
- **Financial Assistance:** Beneficiaries have unlimited phone access to financial counselors who can help with issues such as budgeting strategies, and credit and debt management, including hour-long sessions on topics requiring more in-depth discussion.
- **Support Services:** During an emotional time, beneficiaries can receive help planning a funeral or memorial service. Work-life advisors can guide them to resources to help manage household repairs and chores; find child care and elder care providers; or organize a move or relocation.
- **Online Resources:** Beneficiaries can easily access additional services and features on the Life Services Toolkit website for beneficiaries, including online resources to calculate funeral costs, find funeral-related services and make decisions about funeral arrangements.

**For beneficiary services, visit [www.standard.com/mytoolkit](http://www.standard.com/mytoolkit) (User name = support) or call the phone assistance line at 800.378.5742.**



Beneficiaries can participate in phone consultations or in-person meetings with trained grief counselors.

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