

To: LEIDOS California Employees

From: Karen Kanjian, Director of Corporate Benefits

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Re: California Voluntary Plan Benefits - Year 2020

## State SDI

The State announced that effective January 1, 2020, the State Disability Insurance Plan tax rate will remain 1.0% and the taxable wage base will increase to \$122,909 of an employee's annual earnings. The maximum annual deduction will increase to \$1,229.09. The State Disability Insurance Plan maximum weekly benefit will increase to \$1,300.

As you are aware, all of our California employees are covered by our Self-Insured California Voluntary Disability Plan, which is a State-approved replacement for your participation in the State Plan. Effective January 1, 2020 the following provisions will take effect for our improved Self-Insured California Voluntary Disability Plan:

## **Contributions:**

## **LEIDOS**

The **LEIDOS** Voluntary CASDI Plan employee contribution rate mirrors the State employee contribution rate and **will remain 1.0% of the taxable wage base of the first \$122,909.** This means LEIDOS Private California Voluntary Short Term Disability Plan employee's **2020** maximum annual contribution **will increase to \$1,229.09.** 

## **Maximum Benefit:**

The LEIDOS Voluntary Disability Plan will provide:

- 1. Benefit Class 1 The amount of weekly benefit a Benefit Class 1 Employee will receive (subject to Limitations and Exclusions) is 60% of the Employee's Current Weekly Wage subject to a maximum weekly benefit of \$1,300.00 and a minimum weekly benefit of \$50.
- 2. Benefit Class 2 The amount of weekly benefit a Benefit Class 2 Employee will receive (subject to Limitations and Exclusions) is 70% of the Employee's Current Weekly Wage subject to a maximum weekly benefit of \$1,300.00 and a minimum weekly benefit of \$50.

Paid Family Leave Benefits will be paid the same amount as the maximum and minimum weekly Disability benefit under the LEIDOS CASDI Voluntary Plan.

Paid Family Leave - Legislative Changes Effective July 1, 2020 – More to come.....

#### REGULATORY/LEGISLATIVE CHANGES IMPACTING VOLUNTARY PLANS - 2020 / 2021

# SB-83 <u>Employment</u>

The Governor signed this bill into law on June 27, 2019 and it becomes effective July 1, 2020.

Existing law establishes, within the state disability insurance program, a family temporary disability insurance program, also known as the paid family leave program, for the provision of wage replacement benefits for up to 6 weeks to workers who take time off work to care for a seriously ill family member or to bond with a minor child within one year of birth or placement, as specified.

This bill, beginning July 1, 2020, would instead provide for wage replacement benefits for up to 8 weeks to workers who take time off work to care for a seriously ill family member or to bond with a minor child within one year of birth or placement, as specified. By authorizing an increase in disbursements from the Disability Fund, this bill would make an appropriation.

## SB-1123 Disability compensation: paid family leave

(An act to amend, repeal, and add Sections 3301, 3302.1, 3303, and 3303.1 of, to add Sections 3302.2 and 3307 to, the Unemployment Insurance Code, and making an appropriation therefor, relating to paid family leave.)

This bill would, on and after January 1, 2021, expand the scope of the family temporary disability insurance program to include time off to participate in a qualifying exigency related to the covered active duty, as defined, or call to covered active duty of the individual's spouse, domestic partner, child, or parent in the armed forces of the United States, as specified. The bill would, when an employee for the first time requests leave because of a qualifying exigency arising out of the covered active duty or call to covered active duty, or notification of an impending call or order to covered active duty, of the employee's spouse, domestic partner, child, or parent in the armed forces of the United States, authorize the Employment Development Department to require the employee to provide a copy of the covered active duty orders or other documentation issued by the military that indicates that the employee's spouse, domestic partner, child, or parent is in the armed forces of the United States, is on covered active duty or call to covered active duty, and the dates of the covered active duty service.

In accordance with the California Unemployment Insurance Code, employees who are participating in the Company's California Voluntary Disability Plan have the right to discontinue their coverage under this Plan by notifying the Company, in writing, of their decision within ten (10) days following the effective date of any amendment to the Plan.

**QUESTIONS?** If you have any questions about this new Voluntary Plan benefit or your disability benefits in general, please contact Employee Services at 1-855-553-4367, option 3.

Additionally, if you wish to enroll in or withdraw from the Voluntary Plan, please contact Employee Services no later than **January 10, 2020.**