

Long-Term Disability Benefits

Kansas Public Employees Retirement System

How to Apply for Monthly Benefits

If you are an active member and become disabled, you may qualify for disability benefits under the terms and conditions of the KPERS long-term disability plan. To begin the process of filing a claim for disability benefits, you first should contact your designated agent or personnel office. Your designated agent will then report your disability to KPERS at:

Kansas Public Employees Retirement System

611 S. Kansas Ave., Suite 100
Topeka, KS 66603-3803
Toll-free: 1-888-275-5737
In Topeka: 785-296-6166
E-mail: kpers@kpers.org
Fax: 785-296-6638

Once KPERS verifies your eligibility to apply for benefits, we will forward your information to Davies Life & Health, Inc., KPERS' third-party administrator for disability benefits.

Under the KPERS long-term disability plan, benefits for approved claims begin the **later** of the date you complete 180 continuous days of total disability or the date you stop drawing compensation from your employer. This period is called the "waiting period" (or elimination period). If you have not returned to work, you will receive a claim packet in the mail from Davies Life & Health, Inc toward the end of your waiting period.

The claim packet includes everything you need to apply for benefits, along with complete instructions on how to complete and submit the required forms. You will need to complete some sections of the forms, and your employer and physician(s) will need to complete other sections. The claim packet also includes an authorization form that enables Davies Life & Health, Inc to gather additional information as it becomes necessary.

You should return the completed claim forms along with all required authorizations and statements to Davies Life & Health, Inc at:

Davies Life & Health, Inc.

1500 Main Street
Springfield, MA 01115
Toll-free: 1-844-762-6447
Fax (855) 569-1341

It is important to submit your claim forms as quickly as possible to ensure Davies Life & Health, Inc has time to review your claim and obtain any additional information before the date your benefits are scheduled to begin. **Complete all portions of the claim forms to avoid delays in processing your request for benefits.**

If you have questions about filing a claim, please contact Davies Life & Health, Inc toll-free at 1-844-762-6447, or KPERS toll-free at 1-888-275-5737.