Why you need protection

Becoming a victim of identity fraud is a frightening, frustrating experience. It can happen to anyone at any time in a variety of ways, ranging from a stolen wallet or home burglary to online theft of your personal information.

Recovering from identity fraud means more than just canceling credit cards. Not only can it be a complicated and stressful experience, but it can cost your employee or member of your organization hours of time and out-of-pocket expenses to re-establish their credit and clear their name. The hard reality is that victims must painstakingly prove, often to disbelieving creditors, that the debts are not their own. Purchasing identity fraud expense reimbursement coverage for your employees or members can be an affordable and compelling addition to your benefits suite.

Coverage highlights

Travelers Identity Fraud Expense Reimbursement coverage pays for expenses associated with resolving an identity fraud event and perhaps most importantly, gives people tools and information to reduce their risk of future additional fraud.

Each year, the number of identity fraud cases rises; most recently $12.6 million adults in the United States were victims. On average, it takes an individual more than 37 hours and $535 in out-of-pocket expenses* to clean up the mess caused by an identity thief.

In addition to expense reimbursement, Travelers also offers Identity Fraud Resolution Service through Identity Theft 911, which includes:

- Exclusive online education resources providing tips and information to help avoid becoming a victim
- 24/7 personal access to an expert fraud specialist
- Document replacement help (i.e., Social Security card, birth certificate, passport, etc.)

In the event of an actual identity fraud, services include:

- Step-by-step guidance through the resolution process, including unlimited assistance to restore a victim’s identity
- 3-in-1 credit reporting
- One year of free credit, cyber and fraud monitoring

* Javelin Strategy & Research, February 2013 Report
Claim scenarios

Bogus charge accounts while on business travel
An executive was on business in Brazil when his identity was stolen and significant charges were made to his corporate card. In order to file an affidavit of loss with the local Brazilian authorities, he was required to provide a sworn statement in person. Total expenses for time off work, travel expenses, phone charges and the cost to replace the executive’s passport were $4,500.

Medical identity fraud
A woman from Illinois discovered a number of questionable billings on her medical insurance annual summary of benefits. Someone had stolen her and her children’s identities to secure medical services in their names.

After struggling with the health care institution to release the personal medical information, she hired an attorney to help. The attorney was able to contest the services and clean up her medical history. It took more than six months to resolve the identity fraud and cost nearly $6,000 in attorney’s fees, lost wages and fees for copies of X-rays and other medical records.

Why Travelers?
- We’ve provided effective insurance solutions for more than 150 years and address the needs of a wide range of industries.
- We consistently receive high marks from independent ratings agencies for our financial strength and claims-paying ability.
- With offices in every U.S. state, we possess national strength and local presence.
- Our dedicated underwriters, risk control specialists and claim professionals offer extensive industry and product knowledge.

Travelers knows ID Fraud.
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