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# For Employees: What is the Employee Assistance Program?



The Employee Assistance Program is provided by ComPsych<sup>®</sup> GuidanceResources<sup>®</sup> and offers counseling, legal and financial consultation, work-life assistance and crisis intervention services to you and your household family members.

#### Why is your employer providing access to an EAP?

Because your employer cares about you and your dependents. The EAP can be used free of charge as needed when you or your dependents are facing emotional, financial, legal or other concerns.

#### Are the services confidential?

Yes, the EAP is strictly confidential. No information about your participation in the program is provided to your employer.

#### Why might my family or I use the services?

There are many reasons to use these services. You may wish to contact the EAP if you:

- Are feeling overwhelmed by the demands of balancing work and family
- Are experiencing stress, anxiety or depression
- Are dealing with grief and loss
- Need assistance with child or elder care concerns
- Have legal or financial questions
- Have concerns about substance abuse for yourself or a dependent

#### What happens when I call?

When you call, you will speak with a GuidanceConsultant<sup>SM</sup>, a master's- or PhD-level counselor who will collect some general information about you and will talk with you about your needs. The GuidanceConsultant<sup>SM</sup> will provide the name of a counselor who can assist you. You can then set up an appointment to speak with the counselor over the phone or schedule a face-to-face visit.

#### What counseling services does the EAP provide? 3 face-to-face or virtual sessions per person, per issue, per year

The EAP provides free short-term counseling with counselors in your area who can help you with your emotional concerns.

If the counselor determines that your issues can be resolved with short-term counseling, you will receive counseling through the EAP. However, if it is determined that the problem cannot be resolved in short-term counseling in the EAP and you will need longer-term treatment, you will be referred to a specialist early on and your insurance coverage will be activated.

#### Can my children use the EAP?

Yes. The EAP is a confidential benefit for employees and their household family members.



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# Your Life. Your Work. Your Best.®



#### Dear Employee:

We are pleased to announce ComPsych<sup>®</sup> GuidanceResources<sup>®</sup> as the new provider of our Employee Assistance Program services. The GuidanceResources<sup>®</sup> program provides confidential counseling, expert guidance and valuable resources to help you and your household members handle any of life's challenges, big or small. These services are provided at no charge and include:

### Confidential Emotional Support

### 3 face-to-face or virtual sessions per person, per issue, per year

Life can be stressful. Your EAP provides short-term counseling services for you and your dependents to help you handle concerns constructively, before they become serious issues. Call anytime about topics such as marital, relationship and family problems; stress, anxiety and depression; grief and loss, job pressures and substance misuse disorders.

#### Work and Lifestyle Support

Too much to do, and too little time to get it all done? Work-life specialists can do the research for you and provide qualified referrals and customized resources for topics such as child and elder care, moving, pet care, college planning, home repair, buying a car, planning an event, selling a house and more.

#### Legal Guidance

With your GuidanceResources<sup>®</sup> program, you have an attorney "on call" whenever you have questions. They can help with legal concerns such as divorce, custody, adoption, real estate, debt and bankruptcy, landlord or tenant issues, civil and criminal actions and more. If you require representation, you can be referred to a qualified attorney for a complimentary 30-minute consultation and a 25 percent reduction in customary legal fees.

#### **Financial Information**

Everyone has financial questions. Get answers about budgeting, debt management, tax issues and other money concerns from on-staff accountants, financial professionals and other specialists, simply by calling the toll-free number.

#### **Digital Support**

Go to GuidanceResources<sup>®</sup> Online to connect to counseling, work and lifestyle support and other services, such as child care and legal services search tools. Tap into an array of articles podcasts, videos and slideshows on thousands of topics or improve your skills with On-Demand trainings, self-assessments and more.

#### **Online Will Preparation**

Drafting a will and a living will can be a complicated and expensive process. With EstateGuidance<sup>®</sup> from your GuidanceResources<sup>®</sup> benefit, we eliminate the hassle and high costs with a complimentary, simple and secure online tool. Log on to GuidanceResources<sup>®</sup> Online to get started.

#### Wellness Support Flexible 3-5 coaching session model

Your well-being is precious. We can help you maintain it. Take advantage of online self-guided programs or work one-on-one with a well-being coach to make improvements. Programs include tobacco and nicotine cessation, weight management, sleep improvement, self-motivation, back care, diabetes prevention and more.

### Assistance is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

To access GuidanceResources® services:

- Call your toll-free number. You'll speak with a highly trained, caring professional who can listen to your concerns and guide you to the appropriate services.
- Visit GuidanceResources<sup>®</sup> Online at <u>www.guidanceresources.com</u> and enter your company ID.

Remember, assistance from the GuidanceResources® program is strictly confidential. To view the ComPsych® HIPAA privacy notice, please go to <u>www.guidanceresources.com/privacy</u>.

We hope you will take some time to explore all the benefits the GuidanceResources<sup>®</sup> program has to offer.







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# Guide to Using GuidanceResources<sup>®</sup> Online

## First-time users, follow these simple instructions and start exploring the resources offered to you on GuidanceResources<sup>®</sup> Online.

- Go to guidanceresources.com to reach the website.
- Once on the guidanceresources.com home page, click the **Register** tab.
- Enter your Organization Web ID (web ID: Guardian) and click the Register button.
- You will then be asked to enter a User Name and Password. Both can be anything you would like them to be but should be something you will remember. The User Name (often your name) must be at least six characters long and should have no spaces (for example: joesmith). The Security Questions are meant to prompt you if you forget your password. You must select the button verifying that you are at least 13 years of age, as required by federal law. Be sure to read the Terms of Use and click inside the check box to indicate your agreement to those terms. Make sure that you complete all fields that have red asterisks, as these are required fields. When you've finished, click the Submit button at the bottom of the page. You should now be on the website.

#### For Future Logins

You will only need to remember your **User Name** and **Password**. When you get to step 2 above, instead of clicking on the **Register** tab, use the **Login** section and enter your **User Name** and **Password** and click the **Login** button. This will take you directly to GuidanceResources<sup>®</sup> Online.

If you have any problems registering or logging into GuidanceResources<sup>®</sup> Online, email Member Services at **memberservices@compsych.com**.









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