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Assurant Employee Benefits Earns Recognition for Online Claims Management

Kansas City, Mo. (March 5, 2009) – Assurant Employee Benefits has been selected as a 2009 Model Carrier for the establishment of an online claims management system that enables the company to better serve its disability insurance claimants.

Celent, a research firm that advises financial institutions on best practices in technology, honored a total of 19 companies throughout the world across several categories, including product definition, distribution, underwriting, policy administration, service, billing, claims and reinsurance. Winners of the awards answer the question “What does it take to use technology effectively?”

AssurAbility, the online disability claims case management system successfully implemented by Assurant Employee Benefits, earned the business recognition for best practices in online claims management. The tool has enabled Assurant Employee Benefits to significantly enhance disability case management since its launch.

“To get the maximum return on our investment in technology, we needed to make extensive changes to our claims processes,” said Sheryle Ohme, senior vice president of claim management at Assurant Employee Benefits. “Our process redesign team successfully met the challenge of modifying our processes to get the most out of the technology that AssurAbility provides. We’re very pleased to receive recognition for the system and the way it has made our claims operations more efficient and effective.”

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About Assurant Employee Benefits

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