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## Assurant Employee Benefits Introduces Product Suite for Educators *Diverse employer- and employee-paid benefits provide customized solutions*

**Kansas City, Mo.,** (July 19, 2011) – Schools play an important role in our nation’s future and a highly skilled, experienced staff is vital to their success. Excellent benefits are essential to help attract new educators and keep existing ones; however, employee benefit needs are changing as school districts look for ways to better manage their budgets. Assurant Employee Benefits understands these evolving needs and is introducing a suite of benefits designed for educators.

“Education professionals have extraordinary jobs, and typical benefits don’t always work in unique school settings,” said Brad Peak, vice president, product marketing. “Assurant Employee Benefits has years of experience in the education industry and provides benefit solutions that can be customized to meet the needs of administrators, teachers and support staff. Our goal is to allow educators to focus on their top priority – their students.”

With a diverse suite of employer- and employee-paid benefits, Assurant Employee Benefits can provide an ideal mix of coverage and funding options based on what educators need. Products for educators include:

- **Dental Insurance**, including our Brite Solutions® program that keeps smiles white.
- **Vision Insurance**, which offers a premier doctor network and covers a wide selection of eyewear and lenses that meet the needs for all patients.
- **Disability Insurance**, including [Educator Benefits Solutions®](#), which provides three different coverage options, including short-term disability, long-term disability, and combined short- and long-term disability coverage.
- **Cancer Insurance**, which provides fixed benefits for early detection, incidence and treatment of certain types of cancer, as well as related expenses.
- **Gap Insurance** to supplement existing major medical or comprehensive health insurance plans and help cover out-of-pocket expenses related to coinsurance, copays and deductibles for inpatient and outpatient services.
- **Life Insurance** to help provide their families with a sense of safety and comfort.

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“Many school districts have a unique need for different payment options, like 9- or 10-month schedules, which we can accommodate,” Peak said. “Additionally, we can provide dedicated billing and claims contacts to make plan administration easier.”

Also, because increased class sizes and longer hours may impact the stress level and overall health of educators, Assurant Employee Benefits provides an Employee Assistance Program as a resource to help educators deal with stress and find balance in their lives.

To learn more about Assurant Employee Benefits’ offerings for educators, contact your Assurant sales representative or employee benefits broker, or visit [www.assurantemployeebenefits.com](http://www.assurantemployeebenefits.com).

### **About Assurant Employee Benefits**

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