

## Lifestyle Spending Accounts (LSAs) 101

LSAs have grown in popularity because they streamline benefits administration while offering employees maximum choice and flexibility.

# Key reasons to consider LSAs for your organization:



### 7. Diverse employee populations with different needs

Distinct employee populations (corporate, retail, field, manufacturing, distribution) require benefits tailored to different workplace environments and wellness needs.

- >>> LSAs offer an efficient way to meet the various health and wellness needs of the workforce
- @ Geographically dispersed workforce

Hybrid and remote work and dispersed teams can make it challenging to offer the same benefits to employees in all geographies.

- LSAs make it easy for employees to use funds toward wellness options most convenient to their location and lifestyle.
- Multi-generational Workforce

From Gen X employees focused on family benefits to Gen Z employees paying off student loans, a multi-generational workforce has different priorities and wellness needs.

LSAs provide a flexible and equitable way to ensure all employees' needs are met and address gaps from core benefit offerings.

#### Do LSAs require a minimum budget?

• No, LSAs work for every budget. Whether it's \$20/month or a one-time \$200/year allocation, you can determine the right amount of funding within your budget.

#### What can LSA funds be spent on?

• LSA funds are tailor made for your organization's needs. You determine the expense categories that qualify to ensure LSA dollars complement the overall benefits strategy.

#### What if we already sponsor other benefits?

 Many companies have corporate sponsored benefits like EAPs or gym discounts and supplement these with a more flexible option for employees' personal lifestyle needs like caretaking, meal stipends, gym memberships and more.

#### What are the benefits of LSAs?

• LSAs offer many benefits including the ability to meet a wide range of employee needs, disposable income, and geographies without having to contract with multiple vendor solutions. See Mercer's LSAs FAQs for more information.

#### Can employees contribute to their LSA funds?

 Yes, employees can contribute to LSA funds to top up employer dollars, which allows them to maximize employer funding.