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Group Critical Illness Insurance

Protection when
faced with a
critical illness
diagnosis



Think About This



Every 40 seconds,
an American will suffer
a heart attack[†]



Every 40 seconds,
someone in the U.S. has
a stroke[†]



By 2035, 45.1% of the U.S.
population is projected to
have some form of CVD^{††}

If you're diagnosed with a critical illness and it keeps you out of work, the impact to your finances can grow quickly. Critical Illness Insurance can help ease your mind so you can focus on getting better.

Here's How It Works

- Select a benefit and premium amount to meet your needs
- Premiums will be deducted each pay period
- If you're diagnosed with a critical illness, file a claim and you may receive a lump-sum cash benefit*

Protecting Your Finances

You've worked hard for your savings – don't let a critical illness wipe them out.

- Protect your checking and savings
- Don't dip into your 401(k)



**Protecting insureds
for over 60 years**

Meeting Your Needs

- Guaranteed Issue coverage with a Pre-Existing Condition Limitation*
- Coverage can include your dependents
- Benefits paid regardless of any other medical or disability plan coverage
- Coverage may be continued; refer to your certificate for details

[†]Heart Disease and Stroke Statistics—2023 Update: A Report From the American Heart Association.

^{††}CVD = Cardiovascular Disease. <https://www.heart.org/en/news/2019/01/31/cardiovascular-diseases-affect-nearly-half-of-american-adults-statistics-show> *Please refer to the Exclusions and Limitations section of this brochure.

Meet Carlos



Choose

Carlos signs up for Critical Illness Insurance during his employer's Open Enrollment.

Use

A few months later, Carlos learns he has a coronary artery disease. Here's his story:



Wellness Exam

Carlos' doctor detects heart issues during his annual wellness exam



Diagnosis

After more tests and a visit to a cardiologist, Carlos is diagnosed with coronary artery disease



Decision

His doctor recommends surgery to remove a blockage and tells Carlos his recovery will take six to eight weeks



Surgery

Carlos has bypass surgery and is in the hospital for 4 days



Recovery

Carlos goes home to begin his recovery and has regular doctor visits

Claim

Carlos files a claim on his Critical Illness coverage through the convenient web portal, **MyBenefits**. He receives a lump-sum cash benefit for:

- Wellness Benefit
- Coronary Artery Bypass Surgery

MyBenefits Claim Filing Portal

standard.com/ahl/mybenefits

Offers 24/7 access to important information about your benefits. eSign, submit and check your claims (including claim history), request cash benefits to be direct deposited, make changes to personal information, and more.

Here are some of the ways Carlos can use his cash benefits



Finances

Can help protect savings, retirement plans and 401(k)s from being depleted



Travel

Can help pay for expenses while receiving treatment in another city



Home

Can help pay the mortgage, continue rental payments, or home repairs for after care



Expenses

Can help pay for his family's living expenses, such as bills, electricity, and gas

The example above details a fictional situation; your individual experience may vary. For a listing of benefits and benefit amounts, see pages 3 and 4.

Benefit Amounts

Covered dependents receive 50% of your benefit amount for Categories 1 and 2

Critical Illness Category 1 Benefits [†]	Plan 1	Plan 2
Heart Attack (100%)	\$10,000	\$20,000
Stroke (100%)	\$10,000	\$20,000
Heart Transplant (100%)	\$10,000	\$20,000
Coronary Artery Bypass Surgery (25%)	\$2,500	\$5,000
Critical Illness Category 2 Benefits [†]	Plan 1	Plan 2
Major Organ Transplant (100%)	\$10,000	\$20,000
Paralysis (100%)	\$10,000	\$20,000
End Stage Renal Failure (100%)	\$10,000	\$20,000
Alzheimer's Disease (25%)	\$2,500	\$5,000
Additional Benefits	Plan 1	Plan 2
Recurrence (25% of previously paid Category 1 & 2)	Yes	Yes
Wellness (per year)	\$100	\$100

[†]After 100% of the Basic Benefit Amount (\$10,000 for Plan 1 and \$20,000 for Plan 2) has been paid within a category (Category 1 or Category 2), no more benefits for any illness associated with that category are payable. Once a covered person has received 100% of the Basic Benefit Amount in Categories 1 and 2, and the Recurrence Benefit, coverage ends for that person.

Premiums

Plan 1 Weekly

Age	EE	EE+SP	EE+CH	F
Non-Tobacco				
18-35	\$1.43	\$2.25	\$1.48	\$2.32
36-49	\$2.59	\$3.98	\$2.66	\$4.02
50-59	\$4.80	\$7.23	\$4.85	\$7.30
60-64	\$7.34	\$11.02	\$7.41	\$11.06
65-69	\$9.30	\$13.92	\$9.37	\$13.99
70+	\$11.13	\$16.58	\$11.17	\$16.65
Tobacco				
18-35	\$1.92	\$2.96	\$1.97	\$3.03
36-49	\$4.13	\$6.26	\$4.18	\$6.31
50-59	\$8.57	\$12.82	\$8.63	\$12.86
60-64	\$12.05	\$17.96	\$12.10	\$18.01
65-69	\$13.94	\$20.75	\$13.99	\$20.80
70+	\$15.67	\$23.34	\$15.74	\$23.41

Plan 1 Monthly

Age	EE	EE+SP	EE+CH	F
Non-Tobacco				
18-35	\$6.20	\$9.72	\$6.40	\$10.02
36-49	\$11.20	\$17.22	\$11.50	\$17.42
50-59	\$20.80	\$31.32	\$21.00	\$31.62
60-64	\$31.80	\$47.72	\$32.10	\$47.92
65-69	\$40.30	\$60.32	\$40.60	\$60.62
70+	\$48.20	\$71.82	\$48.40	\$72.12
Tobacco				
18-35	\$8.30	\$12.82	\$8.50	\$13.12
36-49	\$17.90	\$27.12	\$18.10	\$27.32
50-59	\$37.10	\$55.52	\$37.40	\$55.72
60-64	\$52.20	\$77.82	\$52.40	\$78.02
65-69	\$60.40	\$89.92	\$60.60	\$90.12
70+	\$67.90	\$101.12	\$68.20	\$101.42

Plan 2 Weekly

Age	EE	EE+SP	EE+CH	F
Non-Tobacco				
18-35	\$1.94	\$2.99	\$2.03	\$3.12
36-49	\$4.25	\$6.45	\$4.39	\$6.54
50-59	\$8.68	\$12.95	\$8.77	\$13.09
60-64	\$13.76	\$20.52	\$13.90	\$20.62
65-69	\$17.68	\$26.34	\$17.82	\$26.48
70+	\$21.33	\$31.65	\$21.42	\$31.79
Tobacco				
18-35	\$2.91	\$4.42	\$3.00	\$4.55
36-49	\$7.34	\$11.02	\$7.43	\$11.11
50-59	\$16.20	\$24.12	\$16.34	\$24.22
60-64	\$23.17	\$34.42	\$23.27	\$34.51
65-69	\$26.96	\$40.00	\$27.05	\$40.09
70+	\$30.42	\$45.17	\$30.56	\$45.31

Plan 2 Monthly

Age	EE	EE+SP	EE+CH	F
Non-Tobacco				
18-35	\$8.40	\$12.92	\$8.80	\$13.52
36-49	\$18.40	\$27.92	\$19.00	\$28.32
50-59	\$37.60	\$56.12	\$38.00	\$56.72
60-64	\$59.60	\$88.92	\$60.20	\$89.32
65-69	\$76.60	\$114.12	\$77.20	\$114.72
70+	\$92.40	\$137.12	\$92.80	\$137.72
Tobacco				
18-35	\$12.60	\$19.12	\$13.00	\$19.72
36-49	\$31.80	\$47.72	\$32.20	\$48.12
50-59	\$70.20	\$104.52	\$70.80	\$104.92
60-64	\$100.40	\$149.12	\$100.80	\$149.52
65-69	\$116.80	\$173.32	\$117.20	\$173.72
70+	\$131.80	\$195.72	\$132.40	\$196.32

EE = Employee; EE+SP = Employee + Spouse; EE+CH = Employee + Child(ren); F = Family

Benefits - Benefits paid upon diagnosis of the following conditions (subject to maximums as listed on page 3)

*Benefits paid once per covered person. When all benefits in this category are paid, the coverage terminates.

Critical Illness Category 1 Benefits*

Heart Attack - the death of a portion of the heart muscle due to inadequate blood supply. Established (old) myocardial infarction is not covered

Stroke - the death of a portion of the brain producing neurological sequelae including infarction of brain tissue, hemorrhage and embolization from an extra-cranial source. Transient ischemic attacks (TIAs), head injury, chronic cerebrovascular insufficiency and reversible ischemic neurological deficits are not covered

Heart Transplant - a transplant of a heart from a donor whose heart was intact and capable of functioning in the recipient. Must come from a human donor

Coronary Artery Bypass Surgery - to correct narrowing or blockage of one or more coronary arteries with bypass graft. Balloon angioplasty, laser embolectomy, atherectomy, stent placement and non-surgical procedures are not covered

Critical Illness Category 2 Benefits*

Major Organ Transplant - transplant of lungs, liver, pancreas or kidneys. Transplanted organ must come from a human donor

Paralysis - complete and permanent loss of use of 2 or more limbs. Paralysis resulting from a stroke is not covered

End Stage Renal Failure - failure of both kidneys to perform their essential functions, resulting in you undergoing peritoneal dialysis, hemodialysis, or renal transplant

Alzheimer's Disease - a clinically established diagnosis by a psychiatrist or neurologist, resulting in the inability to independently perform at least 3 activities of daily living. Activities of daily living are: bathing, dressing, toileting, eating or taking medication

Additional Benefits

Recurrence - diagnosis with the same specified critical illness from Category 1 or 2, for which a benefit was already paid. There must be at least 18 months between each diagnosis, and no treatment must have been received during that 18-month period

Wellness Benefit - 19 exams. Once per person, per calendar year. Tests include: Bone Marrow Testing; Blood tests for triglycerides, CA15-3 (breast cancer), CA125 (ovarian cancer), CEA (colon cancer), PSA (prostate cancer); Chest X-ray; Colonoscopy; Flexible sigmoidoscopy; Hemoccult stool analysis; Mammography, including Breast Ultrasound; Pap Smear, including ThinPrep Pap Test; Serum Protein Electrophoresis (test for myeloma); Biopsy for skin cancer; Stress test on bike or treadmill; Electrocardiogram (EKG); Doppler screening for carotids; Echocardiogram; Lipid panel (total cholesterol count)



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Certificate Specifications

Eligibility - Your employer decides who is eligible for your group (such as length of service and hours worked each week). Issue ages are 18 and over.

Dependent Eligibility/Termination - Family members eligible for coverage are your spouse or domestic partner and children. Coverage for children ends when the child reaches age 26, unless he or she continues to meet the requirements of an eligible dependent. Spouse coverage ends upon valid decree of divorce or your death. Domestic partner coverage ends when the domestic partnership ends or your death.

When Coverage Ends - Coverage under the policy ends on the earliest of: the date the certificate is canceled; the date the policy is canceled; you stop paying your premium; the last day of active employment; you or your class are no longer eligible; when the maximum percentage of the basic benefit amount for each critical illness category is paid, including the Additional Recurrence benefit.

Continuing Your Coverage - You may be eligible to continue coverage when coverage under the policy ends. Refer to your Certificate of Insurance for details.

Exclusions and Limitations

Conditions and Limits - A diagnosis occurring before your coverage begins is not payable; however, a diagnosis of any covered critical illness or optional benefit after your effective date will be payable. Benefits are subject to the Pre-Existing Condition Limitation as well as all other limitations and exclusions. All critical illnesses must meet the definitions and dates of diagnoses stated in the policy and be diagnosed by a physician while coverage is in effect. Emergency situations outside the U.S. will be considered when you return to the U.S.

Pre-Existing Condition Limitation - Benefits are not paid for a critical illness that is caused by a pre-existing condition when the date of diagnosis is within 12 months after the effective date of coverage. A pre-existing condition is a disease or physical condition for which symptoms existed within the 12-month period prior to the effective date, or medical advice or treatment was recommended or received from a medical professional within 12 months prior to the effective date. A pre-existing condition can exist even though a diagnosis has not yet been made.

Exclusions - Benefits are not paid for: any act of war or participation in a riot, insurrection, or rebellion; intentionally self-inflicted injury; engaging in an illegal occupation or committing or attempting to commit a felony; attempted suicide while sane or insane; injury sustained while being under the influence of alcohol, narcotics, or any other controlled substance or drug unless administered on the advice of a physician; participation in aeronautics unless a fare-paying passenger on a licensed common-carrier aircraft operating between established airports; substance abuse, including alcohol, alcoholism, drug addiction, or dependence on a controlled substance.

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Group Critical Illness benefits are provided under policy form GVCIP1, or state variations thereof.

The coverage provided is limited benefit supplemental critical illness insurance. The policy is not a Medicare Supplement Policy. If eligible for Medicare, review the Medicare Supplement Buyer's Guide available from American Heritage Life Insurance Company.

This is a brief overview of the benefits available under the group policy underwritten by American Heritage Life Insurance Company (Home Office, Jacksonville, FL). Details of the coverage, including exclusions and other limitations are included in the certificates issued. For additional information, you may contact your Representative at The Standard.

The coverage does not constitute comprehensive health insurance coverage (often referred to as "major medical coverage") and does not satisfy the requirement of minimum essential coverage under the Affordable Care Act.



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