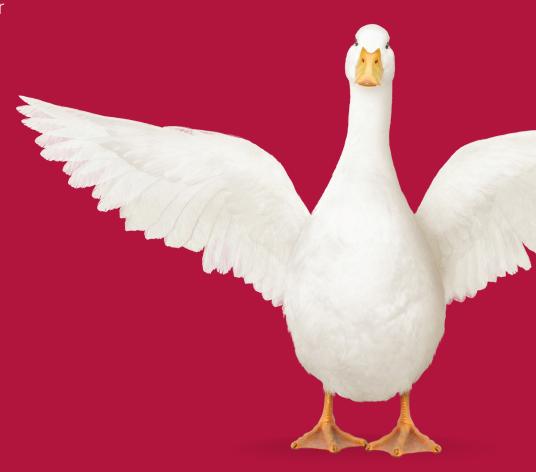
Aflac Group Critical Illness Advantage

INSURANCE – PLAN INCLUDES BENEFITS FOR CANCER AND HEALTH SCREENING

We help take care of your expenses while you take care of yourself.



The plan does not contain comprehensive adult wellness benefits as defined by law.



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AFLAC GROUP CRITICAL ILLNESS ADVANTAGE



Aflac can help ease the financial stress of surviving a critical illness.

Chances are you may know someone who's been diagnosed with a critical illness. You can't help notice the difference in the person's life—both physically and emotionally. What's not so obvious is the impact a critical illness may have on someone's personal finances.

That's because while a major medical plan may pay for a good portion of the costs associated with a critical illness, there are a lot of expenses that may not be covered. And, during recovery, having to worry about out-of-pocket expenses is the last thing anyone needs.

That's the benefit of an Aflac Group Critical Illness plan.

It can help with the treatment costs of covered critical illnesses, such as a heart attack or stroke.

More importantly, the plan helps you focus on recuperation instead of the distraction of out-of-pocket costs. With the Critical Illness plan, you receive cash benefits directly (unless otherwise assigned)—giving you the flexibility to help pay bills related to treatment or to help with everyday living expenses.



Understanding the facts can help you decide if the Aflac Group Critical Illness plan makes sense for you.

FACT NO. 1

ESTIMATED 83.6 MILLION

AMERICAN ADULTS-GREATER THAN 1 IN 3-HAVE ONE OR MORE TYPES OF CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE (CVD). 1

FACT NO. 2

CORONARY
HEART DISEASE
COST THE
UNITED STATES

\$108.9

THIS TOTAL INCLUDES THE COST OF HEALTH CARE SERVICES, MEDICATIONS AND LOST PRODUCTIVITY. ²

¹ American Heart Association/American Stroke Association 2013 Statistical Fact Sheet

² Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Heart Disease Fact Sheet 2015

Here's why the Aflac Group Critical Illness plan may be right for you. For over 60 years, Aflac has been dedicated to helping provide individuals and families peace of mind and financial security when they've needed it most. The Aflac Group Critical Illness plan is just another innovative way to help make sure you're well protected under our wing.

But it doesn't stop there. Having group critical illness insurance from Aflac means that you may have added financial resources to help with medical costs or ongoing living expenses.

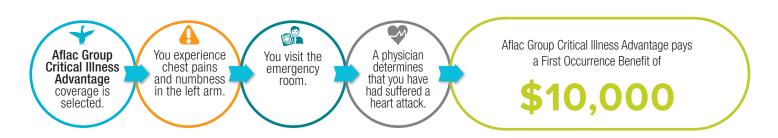
The Aflac Group Critical Illness plan benefits include:

- Critical Illness Benefit payable for:
 - Cancer
 - Heart Attack (Myocardial Infarction)
 - Stroke
 - Kidney Failure (End-Stage Renal Failure)
 - Major Organ Transplant
 - Bone Marrow Transplant (Stem Cell Transplant)
 - Sudden Cardiac Arrest
 - Coronary Artery Bypass Surgery
 - Non-Invasive Cancer
 - Skin Cancer
- · Health Screening Benefit

Features:

- Benefits are paid directly to you, unless you choose otherwise.
- Coverage is available for you, your spouse, and dependent children.
- Coverage may be continued (with certain stipulations). That means you can take it with you if you change jobs or retire.
- Fast claims payment. Most claims are processed in about four days.

How it works



Amount payable based on \$10,000 First Occurrence Benefit.

Benefits Overview

COVERED CRITICAL ILLNESSES:

CANCER (Internal or Invasive)	100%
HEART ATTACK (Myocardial Infarction)	100%
STROKE (Ischemic or Hemorrhagic)	100%
MAJOR ORGAN TRANSPLANT	100%
KIDNEY FAILURE (End-Stage Renal Failure)	100%
BONE MARROW TRANSPLANT (Stem Cell Transplant)	100%
SUDDEN CARDIAC ARREST	100%
NON-INVASIVE CANCER	25%
CORONARY ARTERY BYPASS SURGERY	25%

INITIAL DIAGNOSIS

We will pay a lump sum benefit upon initial diagnosis of a covered critical illness when such diagnoses is caused by or solely attributed to an underlying disease. Cancer diagnoses are subject to the cancer diagnosis limitation. Benefits will be based on the face amount in effect on the critical illness date of diagnosis.

ADDITIONAL DIAGNOSIS

We will pay benefits for each different critical illness after the first when the two dates of diagnoses are separated by at least 6 consecutive months, and the new critical illness is not contributed to or caused by a critical illness for which benefits have been paid. Cancer diagnoses are subject to the cancer diagnosis limitation.

REOCCURRENCE

We will pay benefits for the same critical illness after the first when the two dates of diagnoses are separated by at least 6 consecutive months, and the new critical illness is not contributed to or caused by a critical illness for which benefits have been paid. Cancer diagnoses are subject to the cancer diagnosis limitation.

CHILD COVERAGE AT NO ADDITIONAL COST

Each dependent child is covered at 50 percent of the primary insured's benefit amount at no additional charge. Children-only coverage is not available.

SKIN CANCER BENEFIT

We will pay \$250 for the diagnosis of skin cancer. We will pay this benefit once per calendar year.

WAIVER OF PREMIUM

If you become totally disabled due to a covered critical illness prior to age 65, after 90 continuous days of total disability, we will waive premiums for you and any of your covered dependents. As long as you remain totally disabled, premiums will be waived up to 24 months, subject to the terms of the plan.

SUCCESSOR INSURED BENEFIT

If spouse coverage is in force at the time of the primary insured's death, the surviving spouse may elect to continue coverage. Coverage would continue at the existing spouse face amount and would also include any dependent child coverage in force at the time.

HEALTH SCREENING BENEFIT (Employee and Spouse only)

We will pay \$50 for health screening tests performed while an insured's coverage is in force. We will pay this benefit once per calendar year.

This benefit is only payable for health screening tests performed as the result of preventive care, including tests and diagnostic procedures ordered in connection with routine examinations. This benefit is payable for the covered employee and spouse. **This benefit is not paid for dependent children.**

COVERED HEALTH SCREENING TESTS INCLUDE:

- Blood test for triglycerides
- · Bone marrow testing
- Breast ultrasound
- CA 15-3 (blood test for breast cancer)
- CA 125 (blood test for ovarian cancer)
- CEA (blood test for colon cancer)
- Chest X-ray
- Colonoscopy
- DNA stool analysis
- Fasting blood glucose test
- Flexible sigmoidoscopy

- Hemocult stool analysis
- Mammography
- Pap smear
- PSA (blood test for prostate cancer)
- Serum cholesterol test to determine level of of HDL and LDL
- Serum protein electrophoresis (blood test for myeloma)
- Spiral CT screening for lung cancer
- · Stress test on a bicycle or treadmill
- Thermography

GROUP CRITICAL ILLNESS ADVANTAGE INSURANCE

ADDITIONAL CRITICAL ILLNESSES SUMMARY PAGE



WHAT WE WILL PAY

COVERED CRITICAL ILLNESSES

Illnesses Covered Under Plan	Percentage of Maximum Benefit
Severe Burn*	100%
Coma**	100%
Paralysis**	100%
Loss of Sight**	100%
Loss of Hearing**	100%
Loss of Speech**	100%

^{*}This benefit is only payable for burns due to, caused by, and attributed to, a covered accident

These benefits will be paid based on the face amount in effect on the critical illness date of diagnosis.

We will pay the critical illness benefit if the insured is diagnosed with one of the critical illnesses shown if the date of diagnosis occurs while the plan is in force and the critical illness is not excluded by name or specific description in the plan.

Initial Diagnosis

An insured may receive up to 100% of his face amount upon the diagnosis of a covered critical illness.

Additional Diagnosis

Once benefits have been paid for a covered critical illness, we will pay benefits for each different critical

illness when the date of diagnosis is separated by at least 6 consecutive months and the new critical illness is not caused or contributed to by a critical illness for which benefits have been paid.

Reoccurrence

Once benefits have been paid for a covered critical illness, benefits are payable for that same critical illness when the date of diagnosis is separated by at least 6 consecutive months and the critical illness is not caused or contributed to by a critical illness for which benefits have been paid.

WHAT IS NOT COVERED, LIMITATIONS AND EXCLUSIONS, AND TERMS YOU NEED TO KNOW

All limitations and exclusions that apply to the critical illness plan also apply to these benefits.

No benefits will be paid for loss which occurred prior to the effective date of the plan.

Date of Diagnosis is defined as follows:

- Coma: The first day of the period for which a doctor confirms a coma that is due to one of the underlying diseases and that has lasted for at least seven consecutive days.
- Loss of Sight, Speech, or Hearing: The date the loss due to one of the underlying diseases is objectively determined by a doctor to be total and irreversible.
- Paralysis: The date a doctor diagnoses an insured with paralysis due to one of the underlying diseases as specified in this plan, where such diagnosis is based on clinical and/or laboratory findings as supported by the insured's medical records.
- Severe Burn: The date the burn takes place.

Critical Illness is one of the illnesses defined below:

Severe Burn or Severely Burned means a burn resulting from fire, heat, caustics, electricity, or radiation. The burn must:

- Be a full-thickness or third-degree burn, as determined by a doctor. A Full-Thickness Burn or Third-Degree Burn is the destruction of the skin through the entire thickness or depth of the dermis (or possibly into underlying tissues). This results in loss of fluid and sometimes shock.
- Cause cosmetic disfigurement to the body's surface area of at least 35 square inches.
- Be caused solely by or be solely attributed to a covered accident.

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^{**}These benefits are payable for loss due to a covered underlying disease or a covered accident.

Coma means a state of continuous, profound unconsciousness, lasting at least seven consecutive days, and characterized by the absence of:

· Spontaneous eye movements,

Vocalization.

· Response to painful stimuli, and

Coma does not include a medically-induced coma.

To be payable as an Accident benefit, the coma must be caused solely by or be solely attributed to a covered accident.

To be considered a critical illness, the coma must be caused solely by or be solely attributed to one of the following diseases:

- Brain Aneurysm
- Diabetes
- · Encephalitis
- Epilepsy

- Hyperglycemia
- Hypoglycemia
- Meningitis

Paralysis or **Paralyzed** means the permanent, total, and irreversible loss of muscle function to the whole of at least two limbs. To be payable as an Accident benefit, the paralysis must be caused solely by or be solely attributed to a covered accident. To be considered a critical illness, paralysis must be caused solely by or be solely attributed to one or more of the following diseases:

- · Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis
- Cerebral palsy

- Parkinson's disease,
- Poliomyelitis

The diagnosis of paralysis must be supported by neurological evidence.

Loss of Sight means the total and irreversible loss of all sight in both eyes. To be payable as an Accident benefit, loss of sight must be caused solely by or be solely attributed to a covered accident. To be considered a critical illness, loss of sight must be caused solely by or be solely attributed to one of the following diseases:

· Retinal disease

Hypoxia

· Optic nerve disease

Loss of Speech means the total and permanent loss of the ability to speak. To be payable as an Accident benefit, loss of speech must be caused solely by or be solely attributed to a covered accident. To be considered a critical illness, loss of speech must be caused solely by or be solely attributable to one of the following diseases:

- · Alzheimer's disease
- · Arteriovenous malformation

Loss of Hearing means the total and irreversible loss of hearing in both ears. Loss of hearing does not include hearing loss that can be corrected by the use of a hearing aid or device. To be payable as an Accident benefit, loss of hearing must be caused solely by or be solely attributed to a covered accident.

To be considered a critical illness, loss of hearing must be caused solely by or be solely attributed to one of the following diseases:

- Alport syndrome
- Autoimmune inner ear disease
- Chicken pox, which is an acute contagious disease that is cause
- Diabetes

- Goldenhar syndrome
- · Meniere's disease
- Meningitis
- Mumps

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GROUP CRITICAL ILLNESS ADVANTAGE INSURANCE HEART EVENT RIDER SUMMARY PAGE



WHAT WE WILL PAY

Surgeries and Procedures Covered Under Plan	Percentage of Maximum Benefit
Category 1- Specified Surgeries of the Heart	
Mitral Valve Replacement or Repair	100%
Aortic Valve Replacement or Repair	100%
Surgical Treatment of Abdominal aortic aneurysm	100%
Coronary Artery Bypass Surgery	75%*

Category 2- Invasive Procedures and Techniques of the Heart	
AngioJet Clot Busting	10%
Balloon Angioplasty (or Balloon valvuloplasty)	10%
Laser Angioplasty	10%
Atherectomy	10%
Stent Implantation	10%
Cardiac Catheterization	10%
Automatic Implantable (or Internal) Cardioverter Defibrillator (AICD)	10%
Pacemakers	10%

These benefits will be paid based on the face amount in effect on the critical illness date of diagnosis.

Benefits are payable for the specified surgeries and procedures listed above when caused by a defined underlying disease, treatment is recommended by a doctor, and is not excluded by name or specific description. Benefits from each category are payable once per calendar year, per insured. If multiple procedures are performed at the same time, benefits will be payable only at the highest benefit level and will not exceed the percentage shown above.

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^{*}The 75% benefit available in the rider, combined with the partial benefit available in the certificate, equals a 100% benefit for coronary artery bypass surgery.

WHAT IS NOT COVERED, LIMITATIONS AND EXCLUSIONS, AND TERMS YOU NEED TO KNOW

All limitations and exclusions that apply to the critical illness plan also apply to this rider unless amended by the rider.

COVERED HEART PROCEDURE is one of the Category I or Category II procedures defined below:

CATEGORY I - SPECIFIED SURGERIES OF THE HEART

Specified Surgeries of the Heart (Open Heart Surgery) refers to open chest surgery, where the heart is exposed and/or manipulated for open cardiothoracic situations. We will pay benefits for the following open heart surgery procedures when they are performed as a direct result of one of the following: acute coronary syndrome, atherosclerosis, coronary artery disease, cardiomyopathy, or valvular heart disease.

- Coronary Artery Bypass Surgery (also Coronary Artery Bypass Graft Surgery or Bypass Surgery) is a surgical procedure performed to relieve angina and reduce the risk of death from coronary artery disease.
 - **Off-Pump Coronary Artery Bypass (OPCAB)** is a form of bypass surgery that does not stop the heart or use the heart lung machine.
 - **Coronary Artery Bypass Grafting (CABG)** is used to treat a narrowing of the coronary arteries. A blood vessel is grafted onto the blocked artery, creating a bypass around the blockage. If more than one artery is blocked, a bypass can be done on each, but only
- one benefit is payable under the rider.
- Mitral Valve Replacement or Repair is a surgical procedure in which a patient's mitral valve is repaired or replaced by a different valve.
- Aortic Valve Replacement or Repair is a surgical procedure in which a patient's aortic valve is repaired or replaced by a different valve.
- Surgical Treatment of Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm involves opening the abdomen and repairing or removing an abdominal aortic aneurysm.

CATEGORY II - INVASIVE PROCEDURES AND TECHNIQUES OF THE HEART

We will pay Category II benefits for the following invasive procedures and techniques of the heart when they are performed as a result of one of the following: acute coronary syndrome, atherosclerosis, coronary artery disease, cardiomyopathy, or valvular heart disease.

- AngioJet Clot Busting clears blood clots from coronary arteries before angioplasty and stenting. The device delivers a high-pressure saline solution through the artery to the clot, breaking it up and simultaneously drawing it out.
- Balloon Angioplasty (or Balloon Valvuloplasty) opens a clogged blood vessel. A thin tube is threaded through an artery to the narrowed heart vessel, where a small balloon at its tip is inflated. A balloon opens the narrowing by compressing atherosclerotic plaque against the vessel wall. The balloon is then deflated and removed.
- Laser Angioplasty uses a laser tip to burn/break down plaque in the clogged blood vessel.
- Atherectomy opens blocked coronary arteries or clears bypass grafts by using a device on the end of a catheter to cut or shave away atherosclerotic plaque.
- **Stent Implantation** is the implantation of a stainless steel mesh coil in a narrowed part of an artery to keep

it propped open.

- Cardiac Catheterization (also Heart Catheterization) is a diagnostic and occasionally therapeutic procedure that allows a comprehensive examination of the heart and surrounding blood vessels.
- Automatic Implantable (or Internal) Cardioverter Defibrillator (AICD) refers to the initial placement of the AICD. AICDs are used for treating irregular heartbeats. The defibrillator is surgically placed inside the patient's chest where it monitors the heart's rhythm. When it identifies a serious arrhythmia, it produces an electrical shock to disrupt the arrhythmia.
- Pacemaker Placement refers to the initial placement/ implantation of a pacemaker, which sends electrical signals to make the heart beat when a person's natural pacemaker is not working properly. This electrical device is placed under the skin. A lead extends from the device to the right side of the heart. Most pacemakers are used to correct a slow heart rate.

Valvular Heart Disease is a disease characterized by damage to or a defect in one of the four heart valves.

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GROUP CRITICAL ILLNESS ADVANTAGE INSURANCE

OPTIONAL BENEFITS RIDER SUMMARY PAGE



WHAT WE WILL PAY

COVERED OPTIONAL BENEFITS

Illnesses Covered Under Plan	Percentage of Maximum Benefit
Benign Brain Tumor	100%
Advanced Alzheimer's Disease	25%
Advanced Parkinson's Disease	25%

These benefits will be paid based on the face amount in effect on the critical illness date of diagnosis.

We will pay the optional benefit if the insured is diagnosed with one of the conditions listed in the rider schedule if the date of diagnosis is while the rider is in force.

WHAT IS NOT COVERED, LIMITATIONS AND EXCLUSIONS, AND TERMS YOU NEED TO KNOW

All limitations and exclusions that apply to the critical illness plan also apply to the rider unless amended by the rider.

Date of Diagnosis is defined as follows:

- Advanced Alzheimer's Disease: The date a doctor diagnoses the insured as incapacitated due to Alzheimer's disease.
- Advanced Parkinson's Disease: The date a doctor diagnoses the insured as incapacitated due to Parkinson's disease.
- **Benign Brain Tumor:** The date a doctor determines a benign brain tumor is present based on examination of tissue (biopsy or surgical excision) or specific neuroradiological examination.

Optional Benefit is one of the illnesses defined below and shown in the rider schedule:

Advanced Alzheimer's Disease means Alzheimer's Disease that causes the insured to be incapacitated. Alzheimer's Disease is a progressive degenerative disease of the brain that is diagnosed by a psychiatrist or neurologist as Alzheimer's Disease.

To be incapacitated due to Alzheimer's Disease, the insured must:

• Exhibit the loss of intellectual capacity involving impairment of memory and judgment, resulting in a significant reduction in mental and social functioning,

and

 Require substantial physical assistance from another adult to perform at least three ADLs.

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Advanced Parkinson's Disease means Parkinson's Disease that causes the insured to be incapacitated. Parkinson's Disease is a brain disorder that is diagnosed by a psychiatrist or neurologist as Parkinson's Disease. To be incapacitated due to Parkinson's Disease, the insured must:

- Exhibit **at least two** of the following clinical manifestations:
 - Muscle rigidity
 - Tremor
 - Bradykinesis (abnormal slowness of movement, sluggishness of physical and mental responses),

and

 Require substantial physical assistance from another adult to perform at least three ADLs.

Benign Brain Tumor is a mass or growth of abnormal, noncancerous cells in the brain. The tumor is composed of similar cells that do not follow normal cell division and growth patterns and develop into a mass of cells that microscopically do not have the characteristic appearance of a Cancer. Benign Brain Tumor must be caused by Multiple Endocrine Neoplasia, Neurofibromatosis, or Von Hippel-Lindau Syndrome.

- Multiple Endocrine Neoplasia is a genetic disease in which one or more of the endocrine glands are overactive or form a tumor.
- Neurofibromatosis is a genetic disease in which the nerve tissue grows tumors that may be benign and
- may cause serious damage by compressing nerves and other tissue.
- Von Hippel-Lindau Syndrome is a genetic disease that predisposes a person to have benign or malignant tumors.

Activities of Daily Living (ADLs) are activities used in measuring levels of personal functioning capacity. These activities are normally performed without assistance, allowing personal independence in everyday living. For the purposes of this plan, ADLs include the following:

- Bathing the ability to wash oneself in a tub, shower, or by sponge bath. This includes the ability to get into and out of the tub or shower with or without the assistance of equipment;
- Dressing the ability to put on, take off, and secure all necessary and appropriate items of clothing and any necessary braces or artificial limbs;
- Toileting the ability to get to and from the toilet, get on and off the toilet, and perform associated personal hygiene with or without the assistance of equipment;
- Transferring the ability to move in and out of a bed, chair, or wheelchair with or without the assistance of

equipment;

- Mobility the ability to walk or wheel on a level surface from one room to another with or without the assistance of equipment;
- Eating the ability to get nourishment into the body by any means once it has been prepared and made available with or without the assistance of equipment; and
- Continence the ability to voluntarily maintain control of bowel and/or bladder function. In the event of incontinence, the ability to maintain a reasonable level of personal hygiene.

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CRITICAL ILLNESS ADVANTAGE INSURANCE

LIMITATIONS AND EXCLUSIONS, TERMS YOU NEED TO KNOW, AND NOTICES

LIMITATIONS AND EXCLUSIONS

Cancer Diagnosis Limitation Benefits are payable for cancer and/or non-invasive cancer as long as the insured:

- Is treatment-free from cancer for at least 12 months before the diagnosis date; and
- Is in complete remission prior to the date of a subsequent diagnosis, as evidenced by the absence of all clinical, radiological, biological, and biochemical proof of the presence of the cancer.

EXCLUSIONS

We will not pay for loss due to:

- Self-Inflicted Injuries injuring or attempting to injure oneself intentionally or taking action that causes oneself to become injured;
 - In Alaska: injuring or attempting to injure oneself intentionally
- Suicide committing or attempting to commit suicide, while sane or insane;
 - In Missouri: committing or attempting to commit suicide, while sane
 - In Illinois and Minnesota: this exclusion does not apply
- Illegal Acts participating or attempting to participate in an illegal activity, or working at an illegal job:
 - In Arizona: participating in or attempting to commit a felony, or being engaged in an illegal occupation;
 - In Florida: participating or attempting to participate in an illegal activity, or working at an illegal occupation;
 - In Illinois and Pennsylvania: Illegal Occupation committing or attempting to commit a felony or being engaged in an illegal occupation;

- In Michigan: Illegal Occupation the commission of or attempt to commit a felony, or being engaged in an illegal occupation;
- In Nebraska: being engaged in an illegal occupation, or commission of or attempting to commit a felony;
- In Ohio: committing or attempting to commit a felony, or working at an illegal job

Participation in Aggressive Conflict:

- War (declared or undeclared) or military conflicts;
 - -In Florida: War does not include acts of terrorism
 - -In Oklahoma: War, or act of war, declared or undeclared when serving in the military service or an auxiliary unit thereto
- Insurrection or riot
- Civil commotion or civil state of belligerence

Illegal Substance Abuse:

- Abuse of legally-obtained prescription medication
- Illegal use of non-prescription drugs
- In Arizona: Being intoxicated or under the influence of any narcotic unless administered on the advice of a physician
- In Michigan, Nevada, and South Dakota: this exclusion does not apply

Diagnosis, treatment, testing, and confinement must be in the United States or its territories.

All benefits under the plan, including benefits for diagnoses, treatment, confinement and covered tests, are payable only while coverage is in force.

TERMS YOU NEED TO KNOW

Bone Marrow Transplant (Stem Cell Transplant) means a procedure to replace damaged or destroyed bone marrow with healthy bone marrow stem cells. For a benefit to be payable, a Bone Marrow Transplant (Stem Cell Transplant) must be caused by at least one of the following diseases:

- · Aplastic anemia
- Congenital neutropenia
- Severe immunodeficiency syndromes
- · Sickle cell anemia
- Thalassemia
- Fanconi anemia
- Leukemia
- Lymphoma
- · Multiple myeloma

The Bone Marrow Transplant (Stem Cell Transplant) benefit is not payable if the transplant results from a covered critical illness for which a benefit has been paid under this plan.

Cancer (internal or invasive) is a disease that meets either of the following definitions:

A malignant tumor characterized by:

- The uncontrolled growth and spread of malignant cells, and
- The invasion of distant tissue.

A disease meeting the diagnostic criteria of malignancy, as established by the American Board of Pathology. A pathologist must have examined and provided a report on the histocytologic architecture or pattern of the tumor, tissue, or specimen.

Cancer (internal or invasive) also includes:

- Melanoma that is Clark's Level III or higher or Breslow depth equal to or greater than 0.77mm,
- Myelodysplastic syndrome RCMD (refractory cytopenia with multilineage dysplasia),
- Myelodysplastic syndrome –
 RAEB (refractory anemia with

- excess blasts),
- Myelodysplastic syndrome RAEB-T (refractory anemia with excess blasts in transformation), or
- Myelodysplastic syndrome CMML (chronic myelomonocytic leukemia).

The following are not considered internal or invasive cancers:

- Pre-malignant tumors or polyps
- · Carcinomas in Situ
- Any superficial, non-invasive skin cancers including basal cell and
- squamous cell carcinoma of the skin
- Melanoma in Situ
- · Melanoma that is diagnosed as

- Clark's Level I or II,
- Breslow depth less than 0.77mm, or
- Stage 1A melanomas under TNM Staging

Non-Invasive Cancer is a cancer that is in the natural or normal place, confined to the site of origin without having invaded neighboring tissue.

For the purposes of the plan, a Non-Invasive Cancer is:

- Internal Carcinoma in Situ
- Myelodysplastic Syndrome RA (refractory anemia)
- Myelodysplastic Syndrome RARS (refractory anemia with ring sideroblasts)

Skin Cancer, as defined in this plan, is not payable under the Non-Invasive Cancer Benefit.

Skin Cancer is a cancer that forms in the tissues of the skin. The following are considered skin cancers:

- Basal cell carcinoma
- Squamous cell carcinoma of the skin
- Melanoma in Situ
- Melanoma that is diagnosed as
 - Clark's Level I or II,
 - Breslow depth less than 0.77mm, or
 - Stage 1A melanomas under TNM Staging

These conditions are not payable under the Cancer (internal or invasive) Benefit.

Cancer, non-invasive cancer, or skin cancer must be diagnosed in one of two ways:

- Pathological Diagnosis is a diagnosis based on a microscopic study
 of fixed tissue or preparations from the hemic (blood) system. This
 diagnosis must be made by a certified pathologist and conform to the
 American Board of Pathology standards.
- 2. Clinical Diagnosis is based only on the study of symptoms. A clinical diagnosis will be accepted only if:
 - A doctor cannot make a pathological diagnosis because it is medically inappropriate or life-threatening,
- Medical evidence exists to support the diagnosis, and
- A doctor is treating you for cancer or carcinoma in situ

Complete Remission is defined as having no symptoms and no signs that can be identified to indicate the presence of cancer.

Civil Union: In Washington DC, Civil Union is defined as a relationship similar to marriage that is recognized by law. In Illinois, a Civil Union is defined as a legal relationship between two persons, of either the same or opposite sex, established pursuant to the Illinois Religious Freedom Protection and Civil Union Act.

Coronary Artery Bypass Surgery means open heart surgery to correct the narrowing or blockage of one or more coronary arteries with bypass grafts and where such narrowing or blockage is attributed to coronary artery disease or acute coronary syndrome. This excludes any non-surgical procedure, such as, but not limited to, balloon angioplasty, laser relief, or stents.

Critical Illness is a disease or a sickness as defined in the plan that first manifests while your coverage is in force. In Illinois, critical illness is a sickness or disease that began while the insured's coverage is in force. In South Dakota, critical illness is a disease or a sickness that manifests while your coverage is in force.

Date of Diagnosis is defined as follows:

- Bone Marrow Transplant (Stem Cell Transplant): The date the surgery occurs.
- Cancer: The day tissue specimens, blood samples, or titer(s) are taken (diagnosis of cancer and/or carcinoma in situ is based on such specimens).
- Coronary Artery Bypass Surgery:
 The date the surgery occurs.
- Heart Attack (Myocardial Infarction): The date the infarction (death) of a portion of the heart muscle occurs. This is based on the criteria listed under the heart attack (myocardial Infarction)
 definition.
- Kidney Failure (End-Stage Renal Failure): The date a doctor recommends that an insured

begin renal dialysis.

- Major Organ Transplant: The date the surgery occurs.
- Non-Invasive Cancer: The day tissue specimens, blood samples, or titer(s) are taken (diagnosis of cancer and/or carcinoma in situ is based on such specimens).
- Skin Cancer: The date the skin biopsy samples are taken for microscopic examination.
- Stroke: The date the stroke occurs (based on documented neurological deficits and neuroimaging studies).
- Sudden Cardiac Arrest: The date the pumping action of the heart fails (based on the sudden cardiac arrest definition).

Dependent means your spouse or your dependent child. Spouse is your legal wife or husband, (In Delaware, Illinois, Nevada, Oregon, or Washington DC - or a person who is in a legally recognized domestic partnership, civil union, or similar relationship with you), who is listed on your application. Dependent children are your or your spouse's natural children, stepchildren, legally adopted children, or children placed for adoption, who are younger than age 26 (in Indiana, this includes children subject to legal guardianship). Newborn children are automatically covered from the moment of birth.

There is an exception to the age-26 limit listed above. This limit will not apply to any dependent child who is incapable of self-sustaining employment due to mental or physical handicap and is dependent (in Arkansas, chiefly dependent) on a parent for support. The employee or the employee's spouse must furnish proof of this incapacity and dependency to the company within 31 days (in Indiana, 120 days) following the dependent child's 26th birthday.

- In South Dakota, this limit will not apply to any child who is incapable of self-sustaining employment and is chiefly dependent upon the insured for support and maintenance.
- In Texas, this limit will not apply to any dependent child who is
 incapable of self-sustaining employment due to mental or physical
 handicap and is dependent on a parent for support and maintenance.
 Dependent Children may also include grandchildren, who are
 unmarried, under age 26, and if they are your dependents for federal

income tax purposes, or if you must provide medical support under an order issued under Chapter 154, Family Code, or enforceable by a court in this state.

- In New Mexico, coverage may be provided for the children of custodial and non-custodial parents.
- In Illinois, coverage of an unmarried dependent child who is under age 30 and who served in the military will not terminate if he/she is an Illinois resident, served as a member of the active or reserve components of any United States Armed Forces branch, and has received a release or discharge (other than a dishonorable discharge).
 To be eligible for coverage, the eligible dependent must submit to us a form approved by the Illinois Department of Veterans' Affairs stating the date on which the dependent was released from service.
- In Louisiana, dependent children must be unmarried and may also include grandchildren who are in the legal custody of and residing with a grandparent. Regarding the Age 26 limit exception - we will not require proof of incapacity and dependency more frequently than annually after the two-year period following the child's attainment of the limiting age.

Diagnosis (Diagnosed) refers to the definitive and certain identification of an illness or disease that:

· Is made by a doctor and

Doctor is a person who is:

- Legally qualified to practice medicine,
- Licensed as a doctor by the state where treatment is received, and
- Licensed to treat the type of condition for which a claim is made.
- In Montana, for purposes of treatment, you have full freedom of choice in the selection of any licensed

 Is based on clinical or laboratory investigations, as supported by your medical records.

physician, physician assistant, dentist, osteopath, chiropractor, optometrist, podiatrist, licensed social worker, psychologist, licensed professional counselor, acupuncturist, naturopathic physician, physical therapist, or advanced practice registered nurse.

 In New Mexico, a doctor is also a practitioner of the healing arts.

A doctor does not include you or any of your family members.

 In South Dakota, a doctor who is your family member may treat you if that doctor is the only doctor in the area and acts within the scope of his or her practice.

For the purposes of this definition, family member includes your spouse as well as the following members of your immediate family:

Son

Father

Daughter

Sister

Mother

Brother

This includes step-family members and family-members-in-law.

Domestic Partner:

- In Washington DC, Domestic Partner is an unmarried same or opposite sex adult who resides with you and has registered in a state or local domestic partner registry with you.
- In Nevada, Domestic Partner is defined as a person who is party to a valid domestic partnership, has not terminated that domestic

partnership, and meets the requisites for a valid domestic partnership. In order to enter into a valid domestic partnership, it is necessary that the two persons register with the state of Nevada when it is established, by having previously furnished proof to the state of Nevada, that both persons have a common residence, neither person is married or a member of another domestic partnership, the two persons are not related by blood in a way that would prevent them from being married to each other in the state of Nevada, both persons are at least 18 years of age, and both persons are competent to consent to the domestic partnership.

Employee is a person who meets eligibility requirements and who is covered under the plan. The employee is the primary insured under the plan.

Heart Attack (Myocardial Infarction) is the death of a portion of the heart muscle (myocardium) caused by a blockage of one or more coronary arteries due to coronary artery disease or acute coronary syndrome.

Heart Attack (Myocardial Infarction) does not include:

- Any other disease or injury involving the cardiovascular system.
- Cardiac arrest not caused by a heart attack (myocardial infarction).

Diagnosis of a Heart Attack (Myocardial Infarction) must include the following:

- New and serial electrocardiographic (ECG) findings consistent with heart attack (myocardial infarction), and
- Elevation of cardiac enzymes above generally accepted laboratory levels of normal. (In the case of creatine physphokinase (CPK) a CPK-MB measurement must be used.)

Confirmatory imaging studies, such as thallium scans, MUGA scans, or stress echocardiograms may also be used.

Kidney Failure (End-Stage Renal Failure) means end-stage renal failure caused by end-stage renal disease, which results in the chronic, irreversible failure of both kidneys to function.

Kidney Failure (End-Stage Renal Failure) is covered only under the following conditions:

 A doctor advises that regular renal dialysis, hemo-dialysis, or peritoneal dialysis (at least weekly) is necessary to treat the kidney failure (end-stage renal failure); or

• The kidney failure (end-stage renal failure) results in kidney transplantation.

Maintenance Drug Therapy is a course of systemic medication given to a patient after a cancer goes into complete remission because of primary treatment. Maintenance Drug Therapy includes ongoing hormonal therapy, immunotherapy, or chemo-prevention therapy. Maintenance Drug Therapy is meant to decrease the risk of cancer recurrence; it is not meant to treat a cancer that is still present.

Major Organ Transplant means undergoing surgery as a recipient of a covered transplant of a human heart, lung, liver, kidney, or pancreas. A transplant must be caused by one or more of the following diseases:

Bronchiectasis

Cardiomyopathy

- Cirrhosis
- Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease
- Congenital Heart Disease
- Coronary Artery Disease
- Cystic fibrosis
- Hepatitis

- Interstitial lung disease
- Lymphangioleiomyomatosis.
- Polycystic liver disease
- · Pulmonary fibrosis
- Pulmonary hypertension
- Sarcoidosis
- · Valvular heart disease

A Major Organ Transplant benefit is not payable if the major organ transplant results from a covered critical illness for which a benefit has been paid.

Party to a Civil Union: In Illinois, a person who has established a civil union pursuant to the Illinois Religious Freedom Protection and Civil Union Act.

Pathologist is a doctor who is licensed:

- To practice medicine, and
- · By the American Board of Pathology to practice pathologic anatomy.

A Pathologist also includes an Osteopathic Pathologist who is certified by the Osteopathic Board of Pathology.

Signs and/or symptoms are the evidence of disease or physical disturbance observed by a doctor or other medical professional. The doctor (or other medical professional) must observe these signs while acting within the scope of his license.

Stroke means apoplexy due to rupture or acute occlusion of a cerebral artery. The apoplexy must cause complete or partial loss of function involving the motion or sensation of a part of the body and must last more than 24 hours. Stroke must be either:

- · Ischemic: Due to advanced arteriosclerosis or arteriosclerosis of the arteries of the neck or brain, or vascular embolism, or
- · Hemorrhagic: Due to uncontrolled hypertension, malignant hypertension, brain aneurysm, or arteriovenous malformation.

The stroke must be positively diagnosed by a doctor based upon documented neurological deficits and confirmatory neuroimaging studies.

Stroke does not include:

- Head injury
- Chronic cerebrovascular insufficiency
- Transient Ischemic Attacks (TIAs)
 Reversible ischemic neurological deficits unless brain tissue damage is confirmed by neurological imaging

Stroke will be covered only if the Insured submits evidence of the neurological damage by providing:

- Computed Axial Tomography (CAT
 Magnetic Resonance Imaging scan) images, or
 - (MRI).

Sudden Cardiac Arrest is the sudden, unexpected loss of heart function in which the heart, abruptly and without warning, stops working as a result of an internal electrical system heart malfunction due to coronary artery disease, cardiomyopathy, or hypertension.

Sudden Cardiac Arrest is not a heart attack (myocardial infarction). A sudden cardiac arrest benefit is not payable if the sudden cardiac arrest is caused by or contributed to by a heart attack (myocardial infarction).

Total Disability or Totally Disabled means you are:

- Not working at any job for pay or benefits,
- Under the care of a doctor for the treatment of a covered critical illness,
- Unable to Work, which means either:
 - During the first 365 days of total disability, you are unable to work at the occupation you were performing when your total disability
 - After the first 365 days of total disability, you are unable to work at any gainful occupation for which you are suited by education, training, or experience.
 - In Ohio, Unable to Work is defined as the inability to perform duties of any gainful occupation for which you are reasonably fitted by training, experience, and accomplishment.

Treatment or Medical Treatment is the consultation, care, or services provided by a doctor. This includes receiving any diagnostic measures and taking prescribed drugs and medicines.

Treatment-Free From Cancer refers to the period of time without the consultation, care, or services provided by a doctor. This includes receiving diagnostic measures and taking prescribed drugs and medicines. Treatment does not include maintenance drug therapy or routine follow-up visits to verify whether cancer or carcinoma in situ has returned.

In Montana, Consultation is not considered treatment or medical treatment.

YOU MAY CONTINUE YOUR COVERAGE

When coverage would otherwise terminate because employment ends with the employer, coverage may be continued. You may continue the coverage that is in force on the date employment ends, including dependent coverage in effect. Coverage may not be continued if you fail to pay any required premium or the group master policy terminates. If you qualify, the same benefits, plan provisions, and premium rate will be applied. In New Mexico, in the case of divorce, annulment, or dissolution of marriage or legal separation from the employee, a covered spouse has the right to continue coverage under this plan. Where this Portability Privilege is used for a covered spouse of the employee, such coverage may, at the option of the spouse, include coverage for dependent children for whom the spouse has the responsibility for care and support.

TERMINATION OF COVERAGE

Coverage will terminate on the earliest of: (1) the date the plan is terminated; (2) the 31st day after the premium due date if the required premium has not been paid; or (3) the date you are no longer a member of an eligible class.

Coverage for an insured spouse or dependent child will terminate the premium due date following the earliest of: (1) the date the spouse or dependent child no longer qualifies as a dependent; (2) the date your written request to terminate spouse/dependent child coverage is received. If your coverage terminates, we will provide benefits for valid claims that arose while your coverage was active.

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