

Aflac Group Critical Illness

**INSURANCE – PLAN INCLUDES BENEFITS
FOR CANCER AND HEALTH SCREENING**

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



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.

What you need, when you need it.

Group critical illness insurance pays cash benefits that you can use any way you see fit.



Here's why the Aflac Group Critical Illness plan may be right for you.

For more than 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.

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.

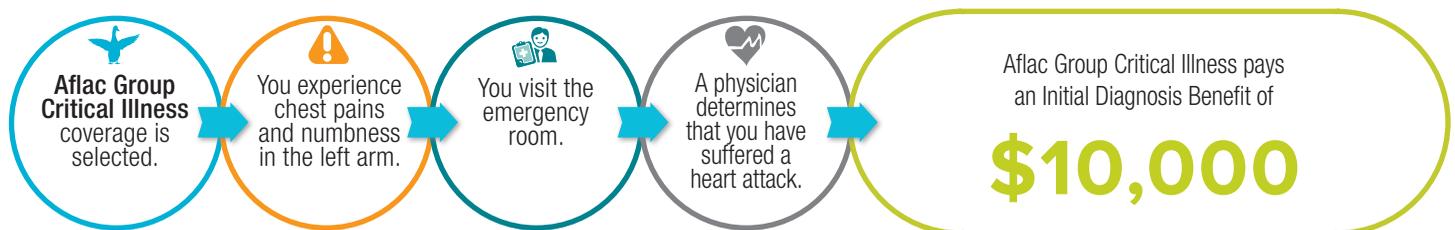
The Aflac Group Critical Illness plan benefits include:

- 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 otherwise assigned.
- 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.

How it works



Amount payable based on \$10,000 Initial Diagnosis Benefit.

For more information, ask your insurance agent/producer, call 1.800.433.3036, or visit aflacgroupinsurance.com.

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 diagnosis 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. 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. 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.

LIMITATIONS AND EXCLUSIONS

All limitations and exclusions that apply to the critical illness plan also apply to all riders, if applicable, unless amended by the riders.

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;
- **Suicide** – committing or attempting to commit suicide, while sane or insane;
- **Illegal Acts** – participating or attempting to participate in an illegal activity, or working at an illegal job
- **Participation in Aggressive Conflict:**
 - War (declared or undeclared) or military conflicts
 - 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

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

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.

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

Skin cancers are not payable under the Cancer (internal or invasive) Benefit or the Non-Invasive Cancer Benefit. 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

Critical Illness is a disease or a sickness as defined in the plan that first manifests while your coverage is in force.

Date of Diagnosis is defined as follows:

- **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).
- **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.
- **Bone Marrow Transplant (Stem Cell Transplant):** The date the surgery occurs.
- **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.
- **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, husband, or partner in a legally recognized union. Dependent children are your or your spouse's natural children, step-children, legally adopted children, or children placed for adoption, who are younger than age 26. Newborn children are automatically covered from the moment of birth. Refer to your certificate for details.

A doctor does not include you or any of your family members. For the purposes of this definition, family member includes your spouse as well as the following members of your immediate family:

- Son
- Daughter
- Mother
- Father
- Sister
- Brother

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

Employee is a person who meets eligibility requirements and who is

covered under the plan. The employee is the primary insured under the plan.

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 phosphokinase (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) 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 meant to decrease the risk of cancer recurrence; it is not meant to treat a cancer that is still present.

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.

Stroke does not include:

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

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).

Treatment does not include maintenance drug therapy or routine follow-up visits to verify whether cancer or carcinoma in situ has returned.

YOU MAY CONTINUE YOUR COVERAGE

Your coverage may be continued with certain stipulations. See certificate for details.

TERMINATION OF COVERAGE

Your insurance may terminate when the plan is terminated; the 31st day after the premium due date if the premium has not been paid; or the date you no longer belong to an eligible class. If your coverage terminates, we will provide benefits for valid claims that arose while your coverage was in force. See certificate for details.

NOTICES

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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
Coma*	100%
Paralysis*	100%
Loss of Sight*	100%
Loss of Hearing*	100%
Loss of Speech*	100%

*These benefits are payable for loss due to a covered underlying disease or 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.

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.

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.

Critical Illness is one of the illnesses defined below:

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

- Spontaneous eye movements,
- Response to painful stimuli, and
- Vocalization.

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:

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- 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
- Optic nerve disease
- Hypoxia

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

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AFLAC GROUP SPECIFIED DISEASE RIDER



COVERED SPECIFIED DISEASES	Percentage of Face Amount		Percentage of Face Amount
ADRENAL HYPOFUNCTION (ADDISON'S DISEASE)	25%	OSTEOMYELITIS	25%
CEREBROSPINAL MENINGITIS	25%	POLIOMYELITIS (POLIO)	25%
DIPHThERIA	25%	RABIES	25%
HUNTINGTON'S CHOREA	25%	SICKLE CELL ANEMIA	25%
LEGIONNAIRE'S DISEASE	25%	SYSTEMIC LUPUS	25%
MALARIA	25%	SYSTEMIC SCLEROSIS (SCLERODERMA)	25%
MUSCULAR DYSTROPHY	25%	TETANUS	25%
MYASTHENIA GRAVIS	25%	TUBERCULOSIS	25%
NECROTIZING FASCIITIS	25%		

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

These benefits will be paid based on the face amount in effect on the specified disease date of diagnosis. All limitations and exclusions that apply to the critical illness plan also apply to the rider unless amended by the rider.

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

Date of diagnosis is defined for each specified disease as follows:

- Adrenal Hypofunction (Addison's Disease): The date a doctor diagnoses an insured as having Adrenal Hypofunction and where such diagnosis is supported by medical records.
- Cerebrospinal Meningitis: The date a doctor diagnoses an insured as having Cerebrospinal Meningitis and where such diagnosis is supported by medical records.
- Diphtheria: The date a doctor diagnoses an insured as having Diphtheria based on clinical and/or laboratory findings as supported by medical records.
- Huntington's Chorea: The date a doctor diagnoses an insured as having Huntington's Chorea based on clinical findings as supported by medical records.
- Legionnaire's Disease: The date a doctor diagnoses an insured as having Legionnaire's Disease by finding Legionella bacteria in a clinical specimen taken from the insured.
- Malaria: The date a doctor diagnoses an insured as having Malaria and where such diagnosis is supported by medical records.
- Muscular Dystrophy: The date a doctor diagnoses an insured as having Muscular Dystrophy and where such diagnosis is supported by medical records.

- Myasthenia Gravis: The date a doctor diagnoses an insured as having Myasthenia Gravis and where such diagnosis is supported by medical records.
 - Necrotizing Fasciitis: The date a doctor diagnoses an insured as having Necrotizing Fasciitis and where such diagnosis is supported by medical records.
 - Osteomyelitis: The date a doctor diagnoses an insured as having Osteomyelitis and where such diagnosis is supported by medical records.
 - Poliomyelitis: The date a doctor diagnoses an insured as having Poliomyelitis and where such diagnosis is supported by medical records.
 - Rabies: The date a doctor diagnoses an insured as having Rabies and where such diagnosis is supported by medical records.
 - Sickle Cell Anemia: The date a doctor diagnoses an insured as having Sickle Cell Anemia and where such diagnosis is supported by medical records.
 - Systemic Lupus: The date a doctor diagnoses an insured as having Systemic Lupus and where such diagnosis is supported by medical records.
 - Systemic Sclerosis (Scleroderma): The date a doctor diagnoses an insured as having Systemic Sclerosis and where such diagnosis is supported by medical records.
 - Tetanus: The date a doctor diagnoses an insured as having Tetanus by finding Clostridium tetani bacteria in a clinical specimen taken from the insured.
 - Tuberculosis: The date a doctor diagnoses an insured as having Tuberculosis by finding Mycobacterium tuberculosis bacteria in a clinical specimen taken from the insured.
- Adrenal Hypofunction does not include secondary and tertiary adrenal insufficiency.

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PROGRESSIVE DISEASES RIDER SUMMARY PAGE



WHAT WE WILL PAY

COVERED PROGRESSIVE DISEASES

Illnesses Covered Under Plan	Percentage of Face Amount
Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS or Lou Gehrig's Disease)	100%
Sustained Multiple Sclerosis	100%

These benefits will be paid based on the face amount in effect on the critical illness date of diagnosis. We will pay the benefit shown upon diagnosis of one of the covered diseases 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 for each specified critical illness as follows:

- **Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS or Lou Gehrig's Disease):** The date a Doctor Diagnoses an Insured as having ALS and where such Diagnosis is supported by medical records.
- **Sustained Multiple Sclerosis:** The date a Doctor Diagnoses an Insured as having Multiple Sclerosis and where such Diagnosis is supported by medical records.

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AFLAC GROUP CHILDHOOD CONDITIONS RIDER



CHILDHOOD CONDITIONS RIDER BENEFIT

CHILDHOOD CONDITIONS RIDER	Percentage of Employee Face Amount
CYSTIC FIBROSIS	50%
CEREBRAL PALSY	50%
CLEFT LIP OR CLEFT PALATE	50%
DOWN SYNDROME	50%
PHENYLALANINE HYDROXYLASE DEFICIENCY DISEASE (PKU)	50%
SPINA BIFIDA	50%
TYPE 1 DIABETES	50%

Benefits are payable if a dependent child is diagnosed with one of the conditions listed and the date of diagnosis is while the rider is in force.

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

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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:

- Cystic Fibrosis: The date a doctor diagnoses a dependent child as having Cystic Fibrosis and where such diagnosis is supported by medical records.
- Cerebral Palsy: The date a doctor diagnoses a dependent child as having Cerebral Palsy and where such diagnosis is supported by medical records.
- Cleft Lip or Cleft Palate: The date a doctor diagnoses a dependent child as having Cleft Lip or Cleft Palate and where such diagnosis is supported by medical records.
- Down Syndrome: The date a doctor diagnoses a dependent child as having Down Syndrome and where such diagnosis is supported by medical records.
- Phenylalanine Hydroxylase Deficiency Disease (PKU): The date

a doctor diagnoses a dependent child as having PKU and where such diagnosis is supported by medical records.

- Spina Bifida: The date a doctor diagnoses a dependent child as having Spina Bifida and where such diagnosis is supported by medical records.
- Type I Diabetes: The date a doctor diagnoses a dependent child as having Type I Diabetes and where such diagnosis is supported by medical records.

If a dependent child has both a Cleft Lip and Cleft Palate or has one on each side of the face, we will pay this benefit only once.

A doctor must diagnose Phenylalanine Hydroxylase Deficiency Disease (PKU) based on a PKU test.

A doctor must diagnose Type I Diabetes based on one of the following diagnostic tests:

- Glycated hemoglobin (A1C) test
- Random blood sugar test
- Fasting blood sugar test

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OCCUPATIONAL HIV RIDER SUMMARY PAGE



WHAT WE WILL PAY

100% FOR OCCUPATIONAL HIV

The benefit is payable for the initial positive diagnosis of occupational HIV if the diagnosis results from an HIV-specific covered injury. We will pay the indicated percentages of the applicable face amount.

This benefit is payable once, and after the benefit is paid, the rider coverage will terminate.

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

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

If the coverage outlined in this summary will replace any existing coverage, please be aware that it may be in your best interest to maintain your individual guaranteed-renewable policy.

HIV means Human Immunodeficiency Virus.

HIV Positive means the presence of HIV antibodies in the blood. This must be evidenced by:

- A positive screening test enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA) or
- A positive supplement test, such as the Western Blot

All such tests must be approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), and the interpretation of positive results must be in keeping with the manufacturer's specifications.

Occupational HIV refers to your testing positive for HIV as a direct result of an HIV-specific covered injury, subject to the following provisions:

- The HIV-specific covered injury must occur during the normal course of duties for the occupation in which the insured is regularly engaged. The HIV infection must result from accidental exposure to HIV-contaminated body fluids during the normal course of performing an occupation for which remuneration is earned.
- The insured must file an incident report (notice of exposure) with his employer within 48 hours of the positive test result. This report must:
 - Be on a form acceptable to the company,
 - Describe the nature of the exposure to HIV, and
 - Be sent to the company as soon as reasonably possible after the HIV-specific covered injury.
- An insured must not have previously tested positive for HIV. If he had previously tested positive for HIV, he must have subsequently tested negative for HIV before the date of the HIV-specific covered injury.
- An insured must have a preliminary HIV screening test—such as an ELISA or other appropriate Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approved test (other than saliva or urine testing)— within 14 days of the covered injury at an authorized laboratory other than the laboratory of the insured's employer. We must receive notification of the negative results as soon as reasonably possible.

Thereafter, the insured must test HIV positive within 26 weeks of the date of that HIV-specific covered injury.

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Date of Diagnosis is defined as follows:

- The date a Doctor determines you are HIV Positive as supported by the ELISA test, Western Blot test, or another test approved by the FDA.
- The date of diagnosis must occur while you are covered by the rider.

HIV-Specific Covered Injury means an accidental:

- Cutaneous exposure through abraded skin,
- Percutaneous exposure,
- Mucocutaneous exposure, or
- Transfusion of an HIV-contaminated blood product.

An HIV-Specific covered injury **must** occur while you are covered by the rider.

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This coverage is not comprehensive health care insurance and will not cover the cost of most hospital and other medical services.

This disclosure provides a very brief description of the important features of the coverage being considered. It is not an insurance contract and only the actual policy provisions will control. The policy itself will include in detail the rights and obligations of both the master policyholder and Continental American Insurance Company.

This coverage is designed to pay you a fixed dollar amount regardless of the amount that the provider charges. Payments are not based on a percentage of the provider's charge and are paid in addition to any other health plan coverage you may have.

Caution: If you are also covered under a High Deductible Health Plan (HDHP) and are contributing to a Health Savings Account (HSA), before you purchase this policy you should check with your tax advisor to be sure that you will continue to be eligible to contribute to the HSA if you purchase this coverage.

The benefits under this policy are summarized below.

GROUP CRITICAL ILLNESS COVERAGE

BENEFIT DEFINITIONS

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

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

Cancer, Non-Invasive Cancer, or Skin Cancer must be Diagnosed in one of two ways:

1. **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. The Company will accept a Clinical Diagnosis 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 the Insured for Cancer or Carcinoma in Situ.

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. Any loss due to Critical Illness must begin while your coverage is in force. Critical Illness includes only the following, provided such Critical Illness meets all applicable definitions contained in the Plan and, where indicated, is caused by an underlying condition:

- Bone Marrow Transplant (Stem Cell Transplant)
- Cancer
- Coma
- Coronary Artery Bypass Surgery
- Heart Attack (Myocardial Infarction)
- Kidney Failure (End-Stage Renal Failure)
- Loss of Sight, Speech, or Hearing
- Major Organ Transplant
- Non-Invasive Cancer
- Paralysis
- Stroke
- Sudden Cardiac Arrest

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

- Is made by a Doctor and
- Is based on clinical or laboratory investigations, as supported by your medical records.

The illness must meet the requirements outlined in this Plan for the particular Critical Illness being Diagnosed.

Diagnosis must be made and Treatment must be received in the United States or its territories.

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 phosphokinase (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.

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, which is a lung disease state defined by localized, irreversible dilation of the bronchial tree caused by destruction of the muscle and elastic tissue.
- Cardiomyopathy, which is a heart disease characterized by the measurable deterioration of the function of the heart muscle, where the heart muscle becomes enlarged, thick, or rigid.
- Cirrhosis, which is a liver disease characterized by replacement of liver tissue by fibrosis, scar tissue, and regenerative nodules, leading to loss of liver function.
- Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, which is a lung disease characterized by persistently poor airflow as a result of breakdown of lung tissue and dysfunction of the small airways.
- Congenital Heart Disease, which is heart disease characterized by abnormalities in cardiovascular structures that occur before birth.
- Coronary Artery Disease
- Cystic fibrosis, which is a hereditary disease of the exocrine glands affecting the pancreas, respiratory system, and sweat glands. It is characterized by the production of abnormally viscous mucus by the affected glands.
- Hepatitis, which is a disease caused by the hepatitis A, B, or C virus and is characterized by the inflammation of the liver.
- Interstitial lung disease, which is a lung disease that affects the interstitium of the lungs.
- Lymphangiomyomatosis, which is a lung disease characterized by an indolent, progressive growth of smooth muscles cells throughout the lungs, pulmonary blood vessels, lymphatics, and pleurae.

- Polycystic liver disease, which is characterized by multiple variable-sized cysts lined by cuboidal epithelium.
- Pulmonary fibrosis, which is a lung disease where the lung tissue becomes thickened, stiff, and scarred due to chronic inflammation.
- Pulmonary hypertension, which is a disease characterized by increased pressure in the pulmonary artery and results in the thickening of the pulmonary arteries and the narrowing of these blood vessels, which causes the right side of the heart to become enlarged.
- Sarcoidosis, which is a disease characterized by the growth of granulomatous lesions that appear in the body.
- Valvular heart disease, which is a disease of the heart valves.

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.

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:

- Transient Ischemic Attacks (TIAs)
- Head injury
- Chronic cerebrovascular insufficiency
- 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 scan) images, or
- Magnetic Resonance Imaging (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).

BENEFIT PROVISIONS

Initial Diagnosis

We will pay the Critical Illness benefit when an Insured is Diagnosed with one of the Critical Illnesses shown in the Certificate Schedule, and when such Diagnosis is caused by or solely attributed to an underlying disease as identified herein. We will pay this benefit if:

- The Date of Diagnosis is while his coverage is in force, and
- The Certificate does not exclude the illness or condition by name or by specific description.

If an Initial Diagnosis claim is for a Diagnosis of Cancer, the Insured:

- Must be Treatment-Free From Cancer for at least 12 months before the Diagnosis Date; and
- Must be 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.

Benefits will be based on the Face Amount in effect on the Critical Illness Date of Diagnosis.

Additional Diagnosis

Once benefits have been paid for a Critical Illness, the Company will pay benefits for each different Critical Illness when the Date of Diagnosis for the new Critical Illness is separated from the prior, different Critical Illness by at least six consecutive months.

If an Additional Diagnosis claim is for a Diagnosis of Cancer, the Insured:

- Must be Treatment-Free From Cancer for at least 12 months before the Diagnosis Date; and
- Must be 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.

Reoccurrence

Once benefits have been paid for a Critical Illness, benefits are payable for that same Critical Illness when the Date of Diagnosis for the Reoccurrence of that Critical Illness is separated from the prior occurrence of that Critical Illness by at least 6 consecutive months.

If a Reoccurrence claim is for a Diagnosis of Cancer, the Insured:

- Must be Treatment-Free From Cancer for at least 12 months before the Diagnosis Date; and
- Must be 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.

Partial Benefits

Partial Benefits are payable if the Date of Diagnosis is while the Insured's coverage is in force, and the Certificate does not exclude the illness or condition by name or by specific description.

- **Non-Invasive Cancer**
- **Coronary Artery Bypass Surgery**

Additional Benefits

Additional Benefits are payable if the Date of Diagnosis is while the Insured's coverage is in force, and the Certificate does not exclude the illness or condition by name or by specific description.

- **Skin Cancer Benefit**
- **Health Screening Benefit**
- **Accident Benefit**
- **Waiver of Premium Benefit**

Portability Privilege

When an Employee ends employment with the Employer and his coverage would otherwise terminate, that Employee may elect to continue his coverage under this Plan. The Employee may continue the coverage that he had on the date his employment ended, including any in-force Spouse or Dependent Child coverage.

To keep his Certificate in force, the Employee must:

- Apply to the Company in writing within 31 days after the date his insurance would otherwise terminate, **and**
- Pay the required premium to the Company no later than 31 days after the date the Certificate would otherwise terminate and on each premium due date thereafter.

Coverage will end:

- 31 days after the date the Employee fails to pay any required premium **or**
- The date this Group Plan is terminated, whichever occurs first.

If an Employee qualifies for this Portability Privilege, then the Company will apply the same Benefits, Plan Provisions, and Premium Rate as shown in his previously issued Certificate.

Policy provisions that exclude, eliminate, restrict, reduce, limit, delay, or in any other manner operate to qualify payment of the benefits described above include the following:

Exclusions

We will not pay for loss due to **any** of the following:

- **Self-Inflicted Injuries** – injuring or attempting to injure oneself intentionally or taking action that causes oneself to become injured
- **Suicide** – committing or attempting to commit suicide, while sane or insane
- **Illegal Acts** – participating or attempting to participate in an illegal activity, or working at an illegal job
- **Participation in Aggressive Conflict** of any kind, including:
 - War (declared or undeclared) or military conflicts
 - Insurrection or riot
 - Civil commotion or civil state of belligerence
- **Illegal substance abuse, which includes the following:**
 - Abuse of legally-obtained prescription medication
 - Illegal use of non-prescription drugs