

# Independence Critical Illness Insurance

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When facing a serious illness, the last thing you want to worry about is your finances.

Independence Critical Illness Insurance provides lump-sum payments when a covered critical illness is diagnosed, giving you cash to use however you want – medical bills, mortgages, daily living expenses and more.

### What are the key features of Independence Critical Illness Insurance?

- Pays up to a $100k lump-sum benefit per category on a first occurrence of a qualified critical illness
- Benefits are paid directly to you, to use as you see fit
- Coverage is available for the entire family – you, your spouse and your dependent children
- Use any doctor or hospital - receive the same, set benefit, no matter which healthcare provider you choose
- No deductible, coinsurance, or preauthorization required
- Covered benefits are paid in addition to benefits you receive from any other plan
- Receive multiple benefit payouts if you are diagnosed with more than one covered critical illness

### Why consider an Independence Critical Illness Insurance policy?

**Supplement high-deductible health plans** – even the best health insurance may leave you with deductible and out-of-pocket costs to meet. Independence Critical Illness Insurance can provide additional support to help cover those expenses.

**Protect your way of life** – being diagnosed with a critical illness may cause you to be temporarily unable to work. Lump-sum benefits are available to use how you wish – to pay your mortgage, rent, daycare costs, groceries or other life expenses.

**Peace of mind** – Nobody can truly plan for a critical illness but they are more common than we would like to think. Prepare for the unexpected with an Independence Critical Illness Insurance policy.

## What conditions does the policy cover?

Independence Critical Illness Insurance provides coverage for the following critical illnesses and procedures, subject to plan exclusions and limitations:

- Invasive Cancer
- Cancer In Situ
- Heart Attack
- Stroke
- Major Organ Failure
- Coronary Artery Bypass Surgery
- Coronary Angioplasty
- End-Stage Renal Disease
- Severe Burn
- Coma
- Paralysis

## Who is eligible?

Coverage is available to the primary applicant age 18 through 64, their spouse ages 18 to 64, and dependent children under the age of 26. Coverage is guaranteed renewable until age 75*, as long as premiums are paid on time.

* Guaranteed renewable for life in TX

## Coverage Options

All benefits listed apply per covered person. The premiums will vary with the amount of the benefit selected. The maximum lifetime benefit is three times the benefit amount shown in the table below.

| | CI 20 | CI 40 | CI 60 | CI 80 | CI 100** |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Primary Insured/Spouse** | $20,000 | $40,000 | $60,000 | $80,000 | $100,000 |
| **Child** | $10,000 | $10,000 | $10,000 | $10,000 | $10,000 |

** CI 100 not available in GA

The policy pays a lump-sum benefit upon first occurrence of a covered diagnosis or procedure, after the covered person's effective date of insurance, subject to a 30-day benefit-waiting period and pre-existing condition limitation.





## How Benefits are Paid

1. Benefits are payable for a first ever occurrence, diagnosis or procedure. This is defined as the first time in a covered person's lifetime that they have experienced, been diagnosed with or undergone a specific procedure for a covered critical illness. *Definition may vary by state.*

2. A covered person may receive benefit payments up to the benefit amount selected from each of the three categories listed on page 5. The benefit payment under each category cannot exceed 100 percent of the benefit amount per category. Once 100 percent of the maximum benefit amount has been paid in all three categories for a covered person, coverage for that person terminates and no further benefits are payable to them.

3. A covered person cannot receive the same benefit twice.

4. A 180-day waiting period is required before benefits will be paid between categories of covered critical illnesses; the policy pays only one benefit payment from each of the three categories for any covered critical illnesses diagnosed in the same 180-day period.

   *Note that the 180-day limitation does not apply to benefit payments within the same category.*

5. If more than one critical illness is diagnosed at the same time and within the same category, the benefit payment is based on the larger benefit amount of the conditions diagnosed.

| If you're diagnosed with: | The policy pays this: |
|---|---|
| **CATEGORY I** | |
| **Invasive Cancer*** | 100% of your selected benefit amount if diagnosed more than 90 days after the effective date<br><br>10% of your selected benefit amount if diagnosed 31-90 days after the effective date |
| **Cancer In Situ*** | 25% of your selected benefit amount if diagnosed more than 90 days after the effective date<br><br>2.5% of your selected benefit amount if diagnosed 31-90 days after the effective date |
| **CATEGORY II** | |
| **Heart Attack** (Myocardial Infarction) | 100% of your selected benefit amount |
| **Stroke** | 100% of your selected benefit amount |
| **Major Organ Failure (Heart)**<br>Heart or combination failure including heart | 100% of your selected benefit amount |
| **Coronary Artery Bypass Surgery** | 25% of your selected benefit amount |
| **Coronary Angioplasty** | 10% of your selected benefit amount |
| **CATEGORY III** | |
| **Major Organ Failure**<br>Not covered in Category II | 100% of your selected benefit amount |
| **End-Stage Renal Disease** | 100% of your selected benefit amount |
| **Severe Burn**** | 100% of your selected benefit amount |
| **Coma** | 100% of your selected benefit amount |
| **Paralysis** | 100% of your selected benefit amount |

* 31-90 day benefit reduction does not apply in DE, MO, NC, NH, OH, SC, UT

** Not available in NH or WA

## Pre-Existing Condition Limitation Definition

The policy contains a pre-existing condition limitation. We will not pay benefits for loss resulting from a pre-existing condition, unless such loss occurs 12* months or more after the effective date. A pre-existing condition is a condition for which medical advice, diagnosis, care, or treatment was recommended by or received from a physician within 12* months prior to the effective date or which manifested itself within 12* months prior to the effective date in a manner that would have caused a reasonably prudent person to seek diagnosis, care or treatment by a physician.

* Six-month look back in WY, ND, NH, ME, OH, UT; six-month pre-existing exclusionary period in ME, NH, UT.

## Waiting Period**

Eligibility for benefits begins 30 days after the effective date of coverage.

** No waiting period in MD, MO, TN

## Critical Illness Definitions

Below is an abbreviated summary of each covered critical illness definition. Definitions may vary by state. Please review the policy for the full definition and policy details.

### Category I

**Invasive Cancer**

A malignant neoplasm characterized by the uncontrolled growth and spread of malignant cells and the invasion of tissue, including but not limited to leukemias and lymphomas.

**Cancer in Situ**

A cancer in which the tumor cells still lie within the tissue of origin without having invaded neighboring tissue, which includes early prostate cancer, diagnosed as Stage 1 or equivalent staging, and melanoma not invading the dermis.

### Category II

**Heart Attack**

An acute myocardial infarction resulting in the death of a portion of the heart muscle due to blockage of one or more coronary arteries and results in the loss of normal function to the heart.

**Stroke**

Brain tissue infarction due to acute cerebrovascular incident, embolism, thrombosis or hemorrhage. The basis of the diagnosis must include imaging documentation of new brain tissue infarction in association with acute onset of symptoms consistent with central nervous system neurological damage.

**Major Organ Failure - involving or including the heart**

Clinical evidence of major organ(s) failure, which includes the heart, that requires the malfunctioning organ(s) or tissue of the covered person to be replaced with an organ(s) or tissue from a suitable human donor (excluding another covered person) under generally accepted medical procedures. The organ(s) and tissues covered under this definition include the entire heart or a combination failure including the heart. In order for the major organ failure to be covered under this policy, the covered person must be registered by the United Network of Organ Sharing or the National Marrow Donor Program.

**Coronary Artery Bypass Surgery**

Heart surgery using a non-coronary blood vessel(s) (either artery or vein) to surgically bypass obstructions in a native coronary artery(ies).

**Coronary Angioplasty**

The actual undergoing of a percutaneous (through the skin) coronary intervention deemed medically necessary to correct a narrowing or blockage of one or more coronary arteries.

## Critical Illness Definitions (continued)

### Category III

**Major Organ Failure—not involving the heart**

Clinical evidence of major organ(s) failure which requires the malfunctioning organ(s) or tissue of the covered person to be replaced with an organ(s) or tissue from a suitable human donor under generally accepted medical procedures. The organs and tissues covered under this definition are: liver, kidney, small intestine, pancreas, pancreas-kidney, bone marrow, or lung. In order for the major organ failure to be covered under this policy, the covered person must be registered by the United Network of Organ Sharing or the National Marrow Donor Program.

**End-Stage Renal Disease**

The chronic and irreversible failure of both kidneys which requires periodic and ongoing dialysis.

**Severe Burn**

A cosmetic disfigurement on the surface of a body area that is a full-thickness or third-degree burn covering 20 percent or more of the body. A full-thickness or third-degree burn is the destruction of the skin through the entire thickness or depth of the dermis and possibly into underlying tissues, with loss of fluid and sometimes shock, by means of exposure to things such as, but not limited to: fire, heat, caustics, electricity or radiation.

**Coma**

A profound state of unconsciousness from which the covered person cannot be aroused to consciousness, even by external stimulation, lasting for a continuous period of at least 96 hours.

**Paralysis**

The complete and permanent loss of use of two or more limbs, through injury or illness, for a continuous period of at least 180 days.



## Exclusions

The following is a list of services or charges not covered. Exclusions vary by state; check the policy for a full listing.

The policy will not pay any benefits for a critical illness caused in whole or in part from:

- A pre-existing condition
- The commission of or attempt to commit a felony
- Intentional self-inflicted injury or illness, including attempting or committing suicide
- Alcoholism or substance abuse, including being intoxicated or under the influence of an illegal substance or a narcotic (unless prescribed by a physician to the covered person). Intoxication is determined by the laws of the state where the incident occurred
- Service in the armed forces or auxiliary units
- Participating in a riot or insurrection
- Engaging in illegal occupation
- A covered person being under the influence of any controlled substance (except for narcotics given on the advice of a physician)
- A diagnosis of a critical illness outside the United States
- A heart attack due to an (old) myocardial infarction
- Any act of war, whether declared or not
- A diagnosis while coverage is not inforce
- A diagnosis by a member of the covered person's immediate family
- A critical illness not specifically set forth in and covered under this policy, as shown in the schedule of benefits

## Important Information

This brochure provides a very brief description of the important features of Individual Critical Illness Insurance Policy. This brochure is not the insurance Policy, and only the actual Policy provisions will control. The Policy itself sets forth, in detail, the rights and obligations of both the policyholder and the insurance company. It is, therefore, important that you READ THE POLICY CAREFULLY. For complete details, refer to the Individual Critical Illness Insurance Policy Form Series (IAIC CI POL 0120). The premiums will vary with the amount of the benefit selected. Independence Critical Illness Insurance is not available in all states. Availability in a state is subject to change.

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