



## CONTINENTAL AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY

Continental American Insurance Company, a wholly-owned subsidiary of  
Aflac Incorporated, is the insuring company.

Columbia, South Carolina  
800.433.3036

### **Endorsement to Policy and Certificate of Insurance**

This Endorsement alters the Policy and the Certificate to which it is attached. Unless specifically addressed by this Endorsement, all other Policy and Certificate provisions, definitions, and terms continue to apply.

Continental American Insurance Company's mailing addresses for claims and premium payments are changed as listed below.

**Notice of Claim and Proof of Loss** should be mailed to the Company at:

P.O. Box 84075, Columbus, Georgia, 31993-9103

**Premium Payments** should be mailed to the Company at:

P.O. Box 84069, Columbus, Georgia, 31908-4069

If applicable, references to 2801 Devine Street, Columbia, SC 29205 are deleted.

Signed for the Company at its Home Office,

Teresa White, President

J. Matthew Loudermilk, Secretary



# CONTINENTAL AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY

2801 Devine Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29205

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## GROUP CRITICAL ILLNESS POLICY

Based on the Application for this Group Insurance Policy (herein called the Plan) made by

**Smyth County Schools**

(herein called the Policyholder)

and based on the payment of the premium when due, the Company agrees to pay the benefits provided on the following pages.

**THIS IS A LIMITED POLICY. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY  
THIS POLICY PROVIDES BENEFITS FOR THE CRITICAL ILLNESSES LISTED.  
IT DOES NOT PROVIDE BENEFITS FOR ANY OTHER SICKNESS OR CONDITION.**

This Plan becomes effective at 12:01 a.m. Standard Time at the Policyholder's address on the Effective Date shown below. It may be continued in effect by the payment of premiums as provided in Section II. The Plan will terminate as provided in the provision titled "Termination of the Plan" in Section I.

The first anniversary of this Plan will be the Anniversary Date shown below. "You" and "your" refer to the Insured or any other Insured under Family Coverage. "We", "us", and "our" refer to the Company. The Policyholder may add new Employees or Dependents from time to time in accordance with the terms of the Plan. Subsequent anniversaries of the Plan will be the same date each year thereafter.

All matter printed or written by the Company on the following pages forms a part of this Plan as if recited over the signature below. This Plan is a legal contract between the Company and the Policyholder. This Plan is delivered in and is governed by the laws of the jurisdiction shown below.

In witness whereof the Company has caused this Plan to be executed at our Home Office in Columbia, South Carolina on the Effective Date.

### READ THIS POLICY CAREFULLY.

Teresa White, President

J. Matthew Loudermilk, Secretary

Countersigned by \_\_\_\_\_  
Licensed Resident Agent (if required by your state)

**Group Policy Number** - 21120  
**Effective Date** - January 1, 2021  
**Jurisdiction** - Virginia

**Anniversary Date**- January 1, 2022  
**Non-Participating**

## **GROUP POLICY PROVISIONS**

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## **SECTION I - ELIGIBILITY, EFFECTIVE DATE AND TERMINATION**

### **ELIGIBILITY**

Employee as used in this Plan, means a person insured under this Plan who is:

1. An Employee of the Policyholder or an eligible Spouse of the Employee;
2. Under age 70; **and**
3. Engaged in full-time work; **and**
4. Included in the class of employees eligible for coverage as shown on the application.

### **EFFECTIVE DATE**

The Effective Date of this Plan is shown on Page 1 of this form.

The Effective Date for an Employee is as follows:

1. An Employee's insurance will be effective on the date shown on the Certificate Schedule provided the Employee is then actively at work.
2. If an Employee is not actively at work on the date coverage would otherwise become effective, the Effective Date of his coverage will be the date on which such Employee is first thereafter actively at work.

The Effective Date for a Spouse or Dependent Child is the date shown on the Schedule Page subject to the following:

1. The date the Employees insurance is effective for a Spouse or Dependent Child who is eligible on that date; for whom coverage is applied for and premium paid; and who are not hospital confined.
2. At 12:00 a.m. Standard Time, on the day a Spouse or Dependent Child is no longer hospital confined if the Spouse or Dependent Child was otherwise eligible for coverage on the date the Employee's insurance became effective.
3. For a Spouse or Dependent Child eligible on or first acquired after the Employee's Effective Date, the Effective Date will be:
  - a. For newborn children, the Effective Date is the moment of birth (see Section III, Definitions, Insured).
  - b. For other than newborn children, the date we assign after approving the application for such coverage.

### **TERMINATION OF THE PLAN**

The Plan will cease if the premium is not paid before the end of the Grace Period.

After the end of the first Plan year, the Company has the right to cancel the Plan on the day prior to the date any premium is due by giving 31 days written notice. The Plan will terminate when the number of participating Employees is less than the number mutually agreed upon by the Policyholder and the Company in writing.

In these events, this Plan and all certificates issued hereunder will terminate on such date at 12:01 a.m. Standard Time at the Policyholder's address. This will be without prejudice to the rights of any Insured as respects any claim arising during the period the Plan is in force.

The Policyholder has the sole responsibility to notify Employees of such termination.

## **TERMINATION OF AN EMPLOYEE'S INSURANCE**

An Employee's insurance will terminate on the earliest of:

1. The date the Plan is terminated;
2. On the 31st day after the premium due date if the required premium has not been paid, in order to have the coverage continue beyond the 31 day period;
3. On the date he ceases to meet the definition of an Employee as defined in the Plan; **or**
4. On the date he is no longer a member of the class eligible.

Insurance for an insured Spouse or Dependent Child will terminate the earliest of:

1. The date the Plan is terminated;
2. On the 31st day after the premium due date if the required premium has not been paid, in order to have the coverage continue beyond the 31 day period;
3. The premium due date following the date the Spouse or Dependent Child ceases to be a dependent;
4. The premium due date following the date we receive your written request to terminate coverage for your Spouse and/or all Dependent Children.

Termination of the insurance on any Insured shall be without prejudice to his rights as regarding any claim arising prior thereto.

## **SECTION II - PREMIUM PROVISIONS**

### **PREMIUM CALCULATIONS**

Premiums payable on any premium due date for insurance will be calculated in accordance with the Schedule of Premiums. The rates shown in this Schedule can be changed annually. The Company will give the Policyholder written notice 31 days prior to the date any change in rates is to be effective.

### **PREMIUM PAYMENTS**

The first premiums are due on the Effective Date of this Plan. After that, premiums are due on the first day of each month that the Plan remains in effect.

Aggregate premiums for this Plan are to be paid to the Company at our Home Office in Columbia, South Carolina. Payment of any premium will not keep the Plan in force beyond the due date of the next premium, except as set forth in the Grace Period.

### **GRACE PERIOD**

This Plan has a 31-day Grace Period. This means that if a renewal premium is not paid on or before the date it is due, it may be paid during the next 31 days. During the Grace Period, the Plan will stay in force, unless the Policyholder has given the Company written notice of discontinuance of the Plan.

## **SECTION III - GENERAL DEFINITIONS / BENEFIT DEFINITIONS**

Whenever a male pronoun is used, it includes the female unless the context clearly shows otherwise.

**Actively at Work** to be considered "actively at work", an Employee must perform for a full normal workday the regular duties of his employment at the regular place of business or at a location to which he may be required to travel to perform the regular duties of his employment.

**Critical Illness** means such illness shown in the Schedule and as defined in this Plan.

**Date of Diagnosis** means for:

**Cancer and/or carcinoma in situ:** The day the tissue specimen, blood samples and/or titer(s) are taken on which the first diagnosis of cancer or carcinoma in situ is based.

**Heart attack:** The date that the death (infarction) of a portion of the heart muscle occurred based on the criteria listed under the Heart Attack definition.

**Stroke:** The date a stroke occurred based on documented neurological deficits and neuroimaging studies.

**Kidney failure:** The date that a doctor or physician recommends that an Insured begin renal dialysis.

**Major organ transplant surgery or coronary artery bypass surgery:** The date the surgery occurs for covered transplants or covered coronary artery bypass surgery.

**Dependent Children – Dependent Children –**

Means your natural Children, step-Children, legally adopted Children or Children placed for adoption, who:

1. Are unmarried;
2. Are chiefly dependent on you or your Spouse for support; **and**
3. Are younger than age 19 and unmarried, who is a full time student under age 25 and unmarried, without regard to whether such child resides in the same household as the insured. The definition of "full-time student" will be based on the criteria of the learning institution at which the student is enrolled.

"Children" also includes Dependent Children, regardless of age, who:

1. Are incapable of self-sustaining employment by reason of mental retardation or physical condition.
2. Chiefly dependent upon the insured for support and maintenance.

**Doctor or Physician** means any licensed practitioner of the healing arts acting within the scope of his license in treating a Critical Illness. It doesn't include an Insured or their family member.

**Employee** means the Insured as shown in the Certificate Schedule.

**Family Member** means an Insured's spouse, son, daughter, mother, father, sister, or brother.

**Full-time Work** means an Employee is spending at least 40 hours per week performing his occupational duties.

**Illness** means sickness or disease which begins while the Insured's coverage is in force and after any applicable Waiting Period. Any loss due to illness must begin while the Insured's coverage is in force.

**Injury** means bodily injury solely due to an accident. It includes all complications of and all injuries from the same accident.

**Insured(s) -**

1. If Employee coverage is shown in the Certificate Schedule, we insure the Employee.
2. If coverage is for the Spouse of an eligible Employee, we insure the Spouse as shown on the Certificate Schedule.
3. Coverage for Dependent Children may be included in an attached rider (if applicable).
4. If any person who would otherwise be an Insured is specifically excluded from coverage by endorsement to the Certificate or by the application, then such person shall not be an Insured.
5. Any other additions to the Insured class must be added by endorsement after applying to the Company.

**Pathologist** means a doctor, other than an Insured or a family member, who is licensed to practice medicine and who is also licensed to practice pathologic anatomy by the American Board of Pathology. A Pathologist also means an Osteopathic Pathologist who is certified by the Osteopathic Board of Pathology.

**Spouse** means an Employee's legal wife or husband.

**Successor Insured** - If an Employee dies while covered under a Certificate, then their surviving Spouse shall become the Insured if such Spouse is an Insured. If there is no surviving Spouse covered under the Certificate, then the Certificate shall terminate on the next premium due date.

**Treatment** means consultation, care or services provided by a physician including diagnostic measures and taking prescribed drugs and medicines.

**Treatment free** means a period of time without the consultation, care or services provided by a physician including diagnostic measures and taking prescribed drugs and medicines.

**Waiting Period** means the number of days after the Effective Date before we will pay benefits for loss due to a Critical Illness. We won't pay benefits for a Critical Illness that begins during the Waiting Period.

## **BENEFIT DEFINITIONS**

**Cancer (internal or invasive)** means a malignant tumor characterized by the uncontrolled growth and spread of malignant cells and the invasion of distant tissue. Cancer includes Leukemia. Excluded are Cancers that are non-invasive such as:

1. Pre-malignant tumors or polyps;
2. Carcinoma in Situ;
3. Any skin cancers except melanomas;
4. Basal cell carcinoma and squamous cell carcinoma of the skin; **and**
5. Melanoma that is diagnosed as Clark's Level I or II or Breslow less than .77mm.

Cancer is also defined as disease which meets the diagnosis criteria of malignancy established by The American Board of Pathology after a study of the histocytologic architecture or pattern of the suspect tumor, tissue or specimen.

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

Cancer and/or Carcinoma in Situ must be diagnosed in one of two ways:

1. **Pathological Diagnosis** - A Pathological Diagnosis of Cancer or Carcinoma in Situ is based on a microscopic study of fixed tissue or preparations from the hemic (blood) system. This type of diagnosis must be done by a Certified Pathologist whose diagnosis of malignancy is in keeping with the standards set up by the American Board of Pathology.
2. **Clinical Diagnosis** - A Clinical Diagnosis of Cancer or Carcinoma in Situ is based on the study of symptoms.

We will pay benefits for a Clinical Diagnosis only if:

1. A Pathological Diagnosis cannot be made because it is medically inappropriate or life-threatening; **and**
2. There is medical evidence to support the diagnosis; **and**
3. A doctor is treating an Insured for Cancer and/or Carcinoma in Situ.

**Heart Attack (Myocardial Infarction)** means the death of a portion of the heart muscle (myocardium) resulting from a blockage of one or more coronary arteries. Heart Attack does not include any other disease or injury involving the cardiovascular system. Cardiac Arrest not caused by a Myocardial Infarction is not a Heart Attack. The diagnosis must include all of the following criteria:

1. New and serial Electrocardiographic (EKG) findings consistent with Myocardial Infarction;
2. Elevation of cardiac enzymes above generally accepted laboratory levels of normal in case of creatine phosphokinase (CPK), a CPK-MB measurement must be used; **and**
3. Confirmatory imaging studies such as thallium scans, MUGA scans, or stress echocardiograms.

**Coronary Artery Bypass Surgery** means undergoing open heart surgery to correct narrowing or blockage of one or more coronary arteries with bypass grafts, but excluding procedures such as, but not limited to balloon angioplasty, laser relief, stents or other non-surgical procedures.

**Major Organ Transplant** means undergoing surgery as a recipient of a transplant of a human heart, lung, liver, kidney, or pancreas.

**Stroke** - Means Apoplexy (due to rupture or acute occlusion of a cerebral artery), or a cerebral vascular accident or incident, which begins on or after the Effective Date. Stroke does not include Transient Ischemic Attacks and attacks of Vertebrobasilar Ischemia. We will pay a benefit for Stroke which produces permanent clinical neurological sequela following an initial diagnosis made after any applicable Waiting Period. We must receive evidence of the permanent neurological damage provided from Computed Axial Tomography (CAT scan) or magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI). **Stroke does not mean head injury, transient ischemic attack or chronic cerebrovascular insufficiency.**

**Kidney Failure (Renal Failure)** means the end stage renal failure presenting as chronic, irreversible failure of both kidneys to function. The Kidney Failure must necessitate regular renal dialysis, hemo-dialysis or peritoneal dialysis (at least weekly); or which results in kidney transplantation. Renal failure is covered, provided it is not caused by a traumatic event, including surgical traumas.

## **SECTION IV - BENEFITS**

### **Critical Illness Benefit**

We will pay this benefit when an Insured is diagnosed with one of the Critical Illnesses shown on the Certificate Schedule if:

1. The date of diagnosis is after the Waiting Period;
2. The date of diagnosis is while the his coverage is in force; **and**
3. It is not excluded by name or specific description in the Certificate.

If the date of diagnosis of a Critical Illness occurs during the Waiting Period, the Certificate may be returned for a full refund of premium.

Payment of benefits is subject to the following:

1. We will pay benefits for a Critical Illness in the order the events occur.
2. No benefits are payable for each different Critical Illness after the first unless its date of diagnosis is separated from the prior different Critical Illness by at least 6 months and it is not caused by or contributed to by a Critical Illness for which benefits have been paid.
3. Once benefits have been paid for a Critical Illness, no additional benefits are payable for that same Critical Illness unless the dates of diagnosis are separated by at least 12 months or for cancer 12 months treatment free) Cancer that has spread (metastasized) even though there is a new tumor, will not be considered an additional occurrence unless you have been treatment free for 12 months.



## **Health Screening Benefit (Calendar Year Limit)**

We will pay the amount shown in the Benefit Schedule for Health Screening Tests performed after the Waiting Period and while an Insured's coverage is in force. This Benefit is payable once per calendar year up to the Maximum Benefit amount shown in the Benefit Schedule. Payment of this benefit will not reduce the Critical Illness benefit available under this Certificate.

**Health Screening Tests** include but are not limited to:

1. Stress test on a bicycle or treadmill,
2. Fasting blood glucose test,
3. Blood test for triglycerides,
4. Serum cholesterol test to determine level of HDL and LDL,
5. Bone marrow testing,
6. Breast ultrasound,
7. CA 15-3 (blood test for breast cancer),
8. CA 125 (blood test for ovarian cancer),
9. CEA (blood test for colon cancer),
10. Chest X-ray,
11. Colonoscopy,
12. Flexible sigmoidoscopy,
13. Hemocult stool analysis,
14. Mammography,
15. Pap smear,
16. PSA (blood test for prostate cancer),
17. Serum Protein Electrophoresis (blood test for myeloma),
18. Thermography.

There is no limit to the number of years an Insured can receive benefits for Health Screening Tests, as long as this Plan is in force.

We will pay this benefit regardless of the results of the test.

## **SECTION V - LIMITATIONS AND EXCLUSIONS**

This Plan contains a 30-day "Waiting Period". This means no benefits are payable for any Insured who has been diagnosed before their coverage has been in force 30 days from their Effective Date. If an Insured is first diagnosed during the "Waiting Period", benefits for treatment of that Critical Illness will apply only to loss commencing after 12 months from their Effective Date; or, at the Employee's option, they may elect to void the Certificate from the beginning and receive a full refund of premium.

### **PRE-EXISTING CONDITIONS LIMITATION**

"Pre-existing Condition" means a sickness or physical condition which, within the 12-month period prior to an Insured's Effective Date resulted in the Insured receiving medical advice or treatment.

We will not pay benefits for any Critical Illness starting within 12 months of an Insured's Effective Date which is caused by, contributed to, or resulting from a Pre-existing Condition.

A claim for benefits for loss starting after 12 months from an Insured's Effective Date will not be reduced or denied on the grounds that it is caused by a Pre-existing Condition. A Critical Illness will no longer be considered Pre-existing at the end of 12 consecutive months starting and ending after an Insured's Effective Date.

## EXCLUSIONS

We won't pay for loss due to:

1. Intentionally self-inflicted injury or action.
2. Suicide or attempted suicide while sane or insane.
3. Illegal activities or participation in an illegal occupation.
4. War -participating in war or any act of war, declared or not, or participating in the armed forces of or contracting with any country or international authority. This exclusion does not include acts of terrorism. We will return the prorated premium for any period not covered by this certificate when you are in such service.
5. Substance Abuse.

Diagnosis must be made and treatment received in the United States.

## SECTION VI - CLAIM PROVISIONS

The Company, upon request, will provide the Policyholder with a complete record of the Policyholder's claims experience incurred under the group policy. This record shall be made available to the Policyholder within 30 days prior to the date upon which the premiums or contractual terms of the Policy may be amended. In the case where coverage is being terminated due to unpaid premiums, We will send a written letter notifying the Policyholder of the date in which the termination will take effect. Notice will be sent no less than 15 days before the specified date of termination.

**Notice of Claim:** Written notice of claim must be given within sixty (60) days after a covered loss starts, or as soon as reasonably possible. The notice can be given to the Company at P.O. Box 427, Columbia, South Carolina 29202. Notice should include the name of the Insured and the Certificate number.

**Claim Forms:** When we receive a notice of claim, we will send the Claimant forms for filing proof of loss. If the forms are not given within 15 working days, proof of loss requirements can be met by giving us a written statement of the nature and extent of the loss within the time limit stated in the Proof of Loss Section.

**Proof of Loss:** Written Proof of Loss must be furnished to the Company at P.O. Box 427, Columbia, South Carolina 29202 within ninety (90) days after the date of such loss. Failure to furnish such proof within the time required shall not invalidate nor reduce any claim if it was not reasonably possible to give proof within such time. However, such proof must be furnished as soon as reasonably possible and in no event (except in the absence of legal capacity) later than one year from the time proof is otherwise required.

**Time of Payment of Claims:** Benefits payable under this Plan will be paid immediately upon receipt of acceptable Proof of Loss.

**Payment of Claims:** All benefits will be payable to the employee unless assigned by them or by operation of law. Any accrued benefit unpaid at the Insured's death may be paid to their estate.

**Conformity with State Statutes:** Any provision of this Plan which, on its Effective Date, is in conflict with the statutes of the state in which it was issued is hereby amended to conform to the minimum requirements of such statutes.

**Additional Coverage with the Company:** We will only pay benefits for covered Critical Illness under one Critical Illness Certificate if an Insured is covered by more than one of our Critical Illness Certificates. An Insured may choose which Certificate they wish to keep in force by sending us written notice of their choice. We will return the premiums paid for any of our other Critical Illness Certificates during the period there was more than one Certificate in force.

## SECTION VII - GENERAL PROVISIONS

**Questions or Comments:** If you have any questions about this Plan, its benefits, the filing of claims, a complaint or a compliment, please call us at the toll free number listed on the front of this Plan.

**Entire Contract, Representations:** This Policy together with the Group/Individual Applications, Endorsements, Benefit Agreements, Certificate and Riders, if any, is the Entire Contract of Insurance. No change in this Plan shall be valid until approved in writing by an Executive Officer of the Company. Any change must be noted on or attached hereto. No agent may change this Plan or waive any of its Provisions. Any Rider, Endorsement or Application that modifies, limits or excludes coverage under this Plan must be signed by the Employee to be valid. A copy of any application shall be attached to the policy when issued. All statements made by the policy owner or by the persons insured shall be deemed representations and not warranties. No written statement made by any person insured shall be used in any contest unless a copy of the statement is furnished to the insured or to the beneficiary or authorized representative.

**Physical Examination and Autopsy:** We, at our expense, have the right to have an Insured examined as often as reasonable necessary while a claim is pending. In the case of death, we may also have any autopsy done unless prohibited by law.

**Legal Action:** No legal action may be brought to recover on this Plan within 60 days after written Proof of Loss has been given as required by this Plan. No such action may be brought after 3 years from the time written Proof of Loss is required to be given.

**Incontestability:** The policy shall not be contested, except for nonpayment of premiums, after it has been in force for two years. No statement made by any insured under the policy relating to his insurability or the insurability of his insured dependents shall be used in contesting the validity of the insurance with respect to which statement was made:

1. After the insurance has been in force prior to the contest for a period of two years during the lifetime of the person about whom the statement was made: **and**
2. Unless the statement is contained in a written instrument signed by him

**Clerical Error:** Clerical error by the Policyholder will not end coverage or continue terminated coverage. In the event of such clerical error, a premium adjustment will be made.

**Misstatement of Age:** If an age has been misstated on the application, the benefits will be those the premium paid would have purchased at the correct age.

**Individual Certificate:** The Company will give the Policyholder a Certificate for each employee. The Certificate will set forth:

1. The coverage including any limitations, reductions, and exclusions.
2. To whom benefits will be paid.
3. Any family member or dependent coverage
4. The rights and privileges under the Plan.

**SECTION VIII - BENEFIT SCHEDULE**

Maximum Benefit:	See Certificates
Reduced Maximum Benefit Amount:	Not Applicable
Reduced Benefit Date:	Not Applicable
Waiting Period:	30 Days
Percentage for Partial Benefits:	25% of applicable Maximum Benefit

The applicable Maximum Benefit (Initial or Reduced) is payable for the following Critical Illnesses

**Cancer (internal or invasive)**

- Stroke
- Kidney Failure
- Heart Attack
- Major Organ Transplant

**PARTIAL BENEFITS**

**CANCER (internal or invasive)**

Carcinoma in situ - When this Partial Benefit is paid, it will reduce the cancer benefit by 25%.

**HEART ATTACK**

Coronary Artery Bypass Surgery - When this Partial Benefit is paid, it will reduce the Heart Attack Benefit by 25%.

**Maximum Health Screening Benefit Amount:** \$100 per insured Employee and Spouse per calendar year.

## **SECTION IX - OCCUPATIONAL CLASSIFICATIONS**

Benefit-eligible employees are classified as such in the Master Application as being **Actively at Work and working full-time, a minimum of 40 hours per week.**

GROUP CRITICAL ILLNESS



Mark III - Monthly (12pp./yr.)

**NONTOBACCO - Employee**

AGES	\$ 5,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 15,000	\$20,000	\$25,000	\$ 30,000	\$ 35,000	\$ 40,000	\$ 45,000	\$ 50,000
18-29	\$ 6.52	\$ 9.54	\$ 12.56	\$ 15.57	\$ 18.59	\$ 21.61	\$ 24.63	\$ 27.65	\$ 30.67	\$ 33.69
30-39	\$ 8.44	\$ 13.37	\$ 18.31	\$ 23.24	\$ 28.18	\$ 33.12	\$ 38.05	\$ 42.99	\$ 47.92	\$ 52.86
40-49	\$ 13.94	\$ 24.38	\$ 34.82	\$ 45.26	\$ 55.70	\$ 66.14	\$ 76.58	\$ 87.02	\$ 97.46	\$ 107.90
50-59	\$ 21.95	\$ 40.39	\$ 58.84	\$ 77.28	\$ 95.73	\$ 114.17	\$ 132.62	\$ 151.06	\$ 169.51	\$ 187.95
60-69	\$ 37.64	\$ 71.78	\$ 105.92	\$ 140.06	\$ 174.21	\$ 208.35	\$ 242.49	\$ 276.63	\$ 310.77	\$ 344.91

**NONTOBACCO - Spouse**

AGES	\$ 5,000	\$ 7,500	\$ 10,000	\$ 12,500	\$ 15,000	\$17,500	\$20,000	\$22,500	\$25,000
18-29	\$ 6.52	\$ 8.03	\$ 9.54	\$ 11.05	\$ 12.56	\$ 14.07	\$ 15.57	\$ 17.08	\$ 18.59
30-39	\$ 8.44	\$ 10.90	\$ 13.37	\$ 15.84	\$ 18.31	\$ 20.78	\$ 23.24	\$ 25.71	\$ 28.18
40-49	\$ 13.94	\$ 19.16	\$ 24.38	\$ 29.60	\$ 34.82	\$ 40.04	\$ 45.26	\$ 50.48	\$ 55.70
50-59	\$ 21.95	\$ 31.17	\$ 40.39	\$ 49.61	\$ 58.84	\$ 68.06	\$ 77.28	\$ 86.50	\$ 95.73
60-69	\$ 37.64	\$ 54.71	\$ 71.78	\$ 88.85	\$ 105.92	\$ 122.99	\$ 140.06	\$ 157.14	\$ 174.21

**TOBACCO - Employee**

AGES	\$5,000	\$10,000	\$15,000	\$20,000	\$25,000	\$30,000	\$35,000	\$40,000	\$45,000	\$50,000
18-29	\$ 8.31	\$ 13.12	\$ 17.93	\$ 22.74	\$ 27.54	\$ 32.35	\$ 37.16	\$ 41.97	\$ 46.78	\$ 51.59
30-39	\$ 11.75	\$ 20.00	\$ 28.25	\$ 36.50	\$ 44.74	\$ 52.99	\$ 61.24	\$ 69.49	\$ 77.74	\$ 85.99
40-49	\$ 25.01	\$ 46.52	\$ 68.03	\$ 89.54	\$ 111.05	\$ 132.56	\$ 154.07	\$ 175.58	\$ 197.08	\$ 218.59
50-59	\$ 39.93	\$ 76.36	\$ 112.79	\$ 149.22	\$ 185.66	\$ 222.09	\$ 258.52	\$ 294.95	\$ 331.38	\$ 367.81
60-69	\$ 70.93	\$ 138.36	\$ 205.80	\$ 273.23	\$ 340.66	\$ 408.09	\$ 475.53	\$ 542.96	\$ 610.39	\$ 677.82

**TOBACCO - Spouse**

AGES	\$5,000	\$7,500	\$10,000	\$12,500	\$15,000	\$17,500	\$20,000	\$22,500	\$25,000
18-29	\$ 8.31	\$ 10.71	\$ 13.12	\$ 15.52	\$ 17.93	\$ 20.33	\$ 22.74	\$ 25.14	\$ 27.54
30-39	\$ 11.75	\$ 15.87	\$ 20.00	\$ 24.12	\$ 28.25	\$ 32.37	\$ 36.50	\$ 40.62	\$ 44.74
40-49	\$ 25.01	\$ 35.76	\$ 46.52	\$ 57.27	\$ 68.03	\$ 78.78	\$ 89.54	\$ 100.29	\$ 111.05
50-59	\$ 39.93	\$ 58.15	\$ 76.36	\$ 94.58	\$ 112.79	\$ 131.01	\$ 149.22	\$ 167.44	\$ 185.66
60-69	\$ 70.93	\$ 104.65	\$ 138.36	\$ 172.08	\$ 205.80	\$ 239.51	\$ 273.23	\$ 306.95	\$ 340.66

Rates include cancer benefit.

Rates include: \$100 Health Screening Benefit, Additional Benefits Rider, Heart Rider, and no additional riders.

No benefit reduction at age 70.

Please Note: Premiums shown are accurate as of publication. They are subject to change.



**We've got you  
under our wing.**

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Underwritten by:  
Continental American Insurance Company  
2801 Devine Street | Columbia, South Carolina 29205



## CONTINENTAL AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY

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### AMENDMENT TO CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE FOR CRITICAL ILLNESS

This rider is a part of the certificate to which it is attached. Unless amended by this rider, Certificate Definitions, other Provisions and terms apply to this rider.

**Effective Date** - If issued at the same time as the certificate, this rider becomes effective when the certificate becomes effective. If issued after the certificate becomes effective, this rider will have a later Effective Date, which will be shown in the Rider Schedule issued with this rider.

#### SECTION III – GENERAL DEFINITIONS /BENEFIT DEFINITIONS

The definition of Date of Diagnosis for Cancer and/or carcinoma in situ and Treatment free are deleted and replaced by the following:

**Cancer and/or carcinoma in situ:** the day the tissue specimen, blood samples and /or titer(s) are taken on which the diagnosis of cancer or carcinoma in situ is based. This includes recurrence of a previously diagnosed cancer provided the Insured is free of any signs or symptoms and is treatment free for that cancer for 12 consecutive months.

**Treatment free** means a period of time without the consultation, care or services provided by a physician including diagnostic measures and taking prescribed drugs and medicines. For the purpose of this definition “treatment” does not include maintenance drug therapy or routine follow-up visits to verify if cancer or carcinoma in situ has returned.

The following definition is added:

**Maintenance drug therapy** means ongoing hormonal therapy, immunotherapy or chemo-prevention therapy that may be given following the full remission of a cancer due to primary treatment. It is meant to decrease the risk of cancer recurrence rather than the palliative or suppression of a cancer that is still present.

**Symptoms** mean the subjective evidence of disease or physical disturbance.

**Signs** mean the subjective evidence of disease or physical disturbance observed by a physician or other member of the medical profession, acting within the scope of their license.

**The Critical Illness Benefit in of SECTION IV - BENEFITS of the form is deleted and replaced by the following:**

**Critical Illness Benefit**

We will pay this benefit when an Insured is diagnosed with one of the Critical Illnesses shown on the Certificate Schedule if:

1. The date of diagnosis is after the Waiting Period;
2. The date of diagnosis is while the his coverage is in force; **and**
3. It is not excluded by name or specific description in the Certificate.

If the date of diagnosis of a Critical Illness occurs during the Waiting Period, the Certificate may be returned for a full refund of premium.

The Certificate's Initial Maximum Benefit amount is shown in the Schedule. If the Schedule shows a Maximum Benefit Reduction Date, a Certificate's Maximum Benefit will be reduced to the Reduced Maximum Benefit Amount, also shown in the Schedule, on that date. Benefits will be based on the Maximum Benefit amount in effect on the Critical Illness Date of Diagnosis. Any partial benefits paid will be deducted from the appropriate Critical Illness.

Payment of benefits is subject to the following:

1. We will pay benefits for a Critical Illness in the order the events occur.
2. No benefits are payable for each different Critical Illness after the first unless its date of diagnosis is separated from the prior different Critical Illness by at least 6 months or for cancer at least 6 months treatment free) and it is not caused by or contributed to by a Critical Illness for which benefits have been paid.
3. Once benefits have been paid for a Critical Illness, no additional benefits are payable for that same Critical Illness unless the dates of diagnosis are separated by at least 12 months or for cancer at least 12 months treatment free) Cancer that has spread (metastasized) even though there is a new tumor, will not be considered an additional occurrence unless you have been treatment free for 12 months.

**The Health Screening Benefit in SECTION IV - BENEFITS of the form is deleted and replaced by the following:**

**Health Screening Benefit (Calendar Year Limit)**

We will pay the amount shown in the Benefit Schedule for Health Screening Tests performed after the Waiting Period and while an Insured's coverage is in force. This Benefit is payable once per calendar year up to the Maximum Benefit amount shown in the Benefit Schedule. Payment of this benefit will not reduce the benefit amount payable for Critical Illness.

**Health Screening Tests** include but are not limited to:

1. Stress test on a bicycle or treadmill,
2. Fasting blood glucose test,
3. Blood test for triglycerides,
4. Serum cholesterol test to determine level of HDL and LDL,
5. Bone marrow testing,
6. Breast ultrasound,
7. CA 15-3 (blood test for breast cancer),
8. CA 125 (blood test for ovarian cancer),
9. CEA (blood test for colon cancer),
10. Chest X-ray,
11. Colonoscopy,



12. Flexible sigmoidoscopy,
13. Hemocult stool analysis,
14. Mammography,
15. Pap smear,
16. PSA (blood test for prostate cancer),
17. Serum Protein Electrophoresis (blood test for myeloma),
18. Thermography.

There is no limit to the number of years an Insured can receive benefits for Health Screening Tests, as long as this Plan is in force. 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.

We will pay this benefit regardless of the results of the test.

The Pre-existing Condition Limitation in Section V is deleted and replaced by the following:

**PRE-EXISTING CONDITIONS LIMITATION – NOT APPLICABLE TO CANCER and/or CARCINOMA IN SITU**

"Pre-existing Condition" means a sickness or physical condition which, within the 12-month period prior to an Insured's Effective Date resulted in the Insured receiving medical advice or treatment.

We will not pay benefits for any Critical Illness starting within 12 months of an Insured's Effective Date which is caused by, contributed to, or resulting from a Pre-existing Condition.

A claim for benefits for loss starting after 12 months from an Insured's Effective Date will not be reduced or denied on the grounds that it is caused by a Pre-existing Condition.

A Critical Illness will no longer be considered Pre-existing at the end of 12 consecutive months starting and ending after an Insured's Effective Date.

**GENERAL PROVISIONS**

This Rider is part of the Critical Illness Certificate and will terminate when that Certificate terminates, or when premiums are no longer paid for this Rider.

This Rider is subject to all of the terms of the Critical Illness Certificate to which it is attached unless any such items are inconsistent with the terms of this Rider.

**Signed for the Company at its Home Office.**



**Teresa White, President**



**J. Matthew Loudermilk, Secretary**



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Aflac Incorporated, is the insuring company.  
Columbia, South Carolina  
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Please call the toll-free number above with any questions about this coverage.

## Continuation of Coverage Endorsement

This Endorsement is part of the Policy and Certificate to which it is attached. This Endorsement is subject to all the definitions, terms, and other provisions of the Policy and Certificate to which it is attached, unless those terms are inconsistent with this Endorsement.

### **EFFECTIVE DATE**

If issued at the same time as the Certificate, this Endorsement becomes effective when the Certificate becomes effective. If issued after the Certificate, this Endorsement will have a later Effective Date.

*The following provisions are added after the Continuity of Coverage provision in your Certificate:*

### **CONTINUATION OF COVERAGE**

If the Group Policy is terminated by the Policyholder and is not replaced with another group policy you may apply to continue the coverage you had on the Group Policy termination date. This includes any in-force Spouse, Domestic Partner or Dependent Child coverage. The Group Policy will be continued as if the Group Policy is in force for those who have applied to continue their coverage under this provision. The members will continue to have coverage, with their Certificates remaining in force.

The Company will apply the same benefits and plan provisions as shown in your Certificate on the date you are eligible to continue coverage under this provision. Your continued coverage is subject to all of the provisions, exclusions and limitations of the Group Policy.

To keep your Certificate in force, you must:

- Apply to the Company in writing under this Continuation of Coverage provision within 31 days after the date your Certificate would terminate, **and**
- Pay the required premium no later than 31 days after the date the Certificate would terminate and on each premium due date thereafter to the Company at our Customer Service Center in Columbus, Georgia.

### **PREMIUMS**

Initial premium rates will be based on the rates in effect at the time you apply to continue your coverage. Premium rates can be changed by the Company at any time upon 31 days written notice to you. Any such change will be applied to all Certificates in your class and will not be based on your or your Spouse, Domestic Partner and Dependent Children's health or other individual factors.

You may decrease, but not increase, the amount of your coverage, and the amount of your Spouse's or Domestic Partner's coverage, if any.

**TERMINATION**

Your continued coverage, including any in-force Spouse, Domestic Partner or Dependent Child coverage will end:

- 31 days after the date you fail to pay any required premium.
- When coverage is terminated by the Company. We will provide you a 31-day advance written notice of any termination.
- On the date you die (unless your Spouse or Domestic Partner elects to become the Primary Insured under the Successor Insured provision, if applicable).

Once continued coverage is cancelled it cannot be reinstated. If your coverage terminates, we will provide benefits for valid claims that arose while your coverage was active.

**CONTRACT**

This Endorsement is part of the Certificate. It will terminate when:

- The Certificate terminates.

Signed for the Company at its Home Office,



Teresa White, President



J. Matthew Loudermilk, Secretary



## CONTINENTAL AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY

Home Office: 2801 Devine Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29205  
(herein called Continental American)

### DEPENDENT CHILDREN BENEFIT RIDER TO CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE FOR CRITICAL ILLNESS

This Rider is a part of the Certificate to which it is attached. We have issued this Rider to you because: (1) you paid the additional premium for this Rider; and (2) we relied on the application you made. Unless amended by this Rider, Certificate Definitions, other Provisions and terms apply to this Rider.

**Effective Date** - If issued at the same time as the Certificate, this Rider becomes effective when the Certificate becomes effective. If issued after the Certificate becomes effective, this Rider will have a later Effective Date, which will be shown in the Certificate Schedule. The insurance of a Dependent Child will become effective on the Rider date if such person is active on that date. Otherwise, the Effective Date will be deferred until the day following the date he becomes active.

#### DEFINITIONS

When the terms below are used in this Rider, the following definitions will apply:

**YOU, YOUR** means the person named in the Certificate Schedule.

#### **DEPENDENT CHILD(REN)**

Means your natural Children, step-Children, legally adopted Children or Children placed for adoption, who:

- are unmarried;
- are chiefly dependent on you or your Spouse for support; and
- are younger than age 19 and unmarried, who is a full time student under age 25 and unmarried, without regard to whether such child resides in the same household as the insured. The definition of "full-time student" will be based on the criteria of the learning institution at which the student is enrolled.

If your child is unable due to a medical condition to continue as a full-time student, coverage under this rider shall continue in force (i) for a period of not more than 12 months from the date the child ceases to be a full-time student or (ii) until the child attains age 25, whichever first occurs, provided the child's treating physician certifies to us at the time the child withdraws as a full-time student that the child's absence is medically necessary.

"Children" also includes Dependent Children, regardless of age, who:

- Are incapable of self-sustaining employment by reason of mental retardation or physical condition.
- Chiefly dependent upon the insured for support and maintenance.

If your Children are covered under this Rider, your Children born after the Effective Date of this Rider will also be covered from the moment of birth. No notice or additional premium is required.

**ACTIVE** means a Dependent Child who is not confined in a hospital and who is able to carry on regular activities customary of a person in good health of the same age and sex.

**TREATMENT** means consultation, care or services provided by a physician including diagnostic measures and taking prescribed drugs and medicines.

### **BENEFITS**

If a Dependent Child contracts a Specified Critical Illness after any applicable Waiting Period and while this Rider is in force, we will provide the benefits contained in the Certificate under the Benefits Section. The appropriate benefit amounts we will pay for the Dependent are shown in the Certificate Schedule.

### **LIMITATIONS AND EXCLUSIONS**

This Rider contains a 30-day "Waiting Period". This means no benefits are payable for any covered Dependent Child who has been diagnosed before coverage has been in force 30 days from his "Effective Date." If a Dependent Child is first diagnosed during the "waiting period", benefits for treatment of that Critical Illness or Specified Procedure will apply only to loss commencing after 12 months from the "Effective Date" of his coverage; or, at your option, you may elect to void his coverage from the beginning and receive a full refund of any applicable premium.

### **LIMITATIONS**

#### **PRE-EXISTING CONDITIONS**

"Pre-existing Condition" means a sickness or physical condition which, within the 12-month period prior to a Dependent Child's Effective Date resulted in him receiving medical advice or treatment.

We will not pay benefits for any condition or illness starting within 12 months of a Dependent Child's Effective Date which is caused by, contributed to, or resulting from a Pre-existing Condition.

A claim for benefits for loss starting after 12 months from a Dependent Child's Effective Date will not be reduced or denied on the grounds that it is caused by a Pre-existing Condition.

A condition will no longer be considered Pre-existing at the end of 12 consecutive months starting and ending after a Dependent Child's Effective Date.

### **EXCLUSIONS**

We won't pay for loss due to:

1. Intentionally self inflicted injury or action.
2. Suicide or attempted suicide while sane or insane.
3. Illegal activities or participation in an illegal occupation.
4. War -participating in war or any act of war, declared or not, or participating in the armed forces of or contracting with any country or international authority. This exclusion does not include acts of terrorism. We will return the prorated premium for any period not covered by this certificate when you are in such service.
5. Substance Abuse.

## GENERAL PROVISIONS

If your Dependent Child's coverage is terminated because of marriage or attainment of the limiting age, we will still pay benefits for any covered condition that was diagnosed while the Dependent was covered under this Rider.

### TIME LIMIT ON CERTAIN DEFENSES

After this Rider has been in force for a period of two years it shall become incontestable as to the statements contained in the application.

### CONTRACT

This Rider is part of the Certificate, and will terminate when the Certificate terminates, or when premiums are no longer paid for this Rider.

This Rider is subject to all of the terms of the Certificate to which it is attached unless any such terms are inconsistent with the terms of this Rider.

Signed by the Company at our Home Office.



Teresa White, President



J. Matthew Loudermilk, Secretary



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### Dependent Children Definition Rider

This rider is a part of the document to which it is attached. Unless amended by this rider Policy, Certificate and Dependent Rider Definitions, Exclusions and Limitations, other term and provisions apply to this rider.

The definition of Dependent Children is deleted and replaced by the following:

**Dependent Children** means your natural children, step-children, foster children, legally adopted children or children placed for adoption, who are under age 26.

Your natural Children born after the Effective Date of this Rider will be covered from the moment of live birth. No notice or additional premium is required.

Coverage on a Dependent Child will terminate on the child's 26<sup>th</sup> birthday. However, if any child is incapable of self-sustaining employment due to mental retardation or physical handicap and is dependent on his parent(s) for support, the above age of twenty-six (26) shall not apply. Proof of such incapacity and dependency must be furnished to the Company within thirty-one (31) days following such 26th birthday.

The second paragraph under the provisions **TERMINATION OF AN EMPLOYEE'S INSURANCE** and **TERMINATION OF YOUR INSURANCE** is deleted and replaced by the following:

Insurance for an insured Spouse or Dependent Child will terminate the earliest of:

1. the date the Plan is terminated;
2. the date the Spouse or Dependent Child ceases to be a dependent;
3. the premium due date following the date we receive your written request to terminate coverage for your Spouse and/or all Dependent Children.

This rider is subject to all of the terms of the document to which it is attached unless any such terms are inconsistent with the terms of this Rider.

Signed by the Company at its Home Office.

Handwritten signature of Teresa White in black ink.

Teresa White, President

Handwritten signature of J. Matthew Loudermilk in black ink.

J. Matthew Loudermilk, Secretary



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### **SPECIFIED CRITICAL ILLNESS RIDER TO CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE FOR CRITICAL ILLNESS**

This Rider is part of the Certificate to which it is attached. We have issued this Rider because:

- We have accepted your Application, **and**
- You paid the additional premium for this Rider.

Unless amended by this Rider, all Certificate definitions, exclusions, limitations, terms, and other provisions apply. For the purpose of this Rider, “you” (including “your” and “yours”) may refer to the primary Insured or the primary Insured’s covered Dependents.

#### **Effective Date**

If issued at the same time as the Certificate, this Rider becomes effective on the Certificate Effective Date. If issued after the Certificate, this Rider will have a later Effective Date, which is shown in the Rider Schedule following this Rider.

#### **Definitions**

When the terms below are used in this Rider, the following definitions will apply (other applicable terms and definitions are included in the **Definitions** section of your Certificate):

**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 policy, ADLs include the following:

- **Maintaining continence** – controlling urination and bowel movements, including the ability to use ostomy supplies or other devices (such as catheters).
- **Transferring** – moving between a bed and a chair or a bed and a wheelchair.
- **Dressing** – putting on and taking off all necessary items of clothing.
- **Toileting** – getting to and from a toilet, getting on and off a toilet, and performing associated personal hygiene.
- **Eating** – performing all major tasks of getting food into the body.
- **Bathing** – washing oneself by sponge bath or in either a tub or shower, including getting into or out of the tub or shower.

**Covered Accident** means an unforeseen and unexpected traumatic event resulting in bodily injury. An event meets the qualifications of Covered Accident if it:

- Occurs on or after the Plan’s Effective Date,
- Occurs while coverage is in force, **and**
- Is not specifically excluded.

A Covered Accident **must** occur while you are covered by this Rider.



**Date of Diagnosis** is defined for each Specified Critical Illness as follows:

- **Advanced Alzheimer's Disease:** The date a Doctor Diagnoses you as incapacitated due to Alzheimer's disease.
- **Advanced Parkinson's Disease:** The date a Doctor Diagnoses you 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.
- **Coma:** The first day of the period for which a Doctor confirms a Coma has lasted for 7 consecutive days.
- **Loss of Sight, Speech, or Hearing:** The date the loss is objectively determined by a Doctor to be total and irreversible.
- **Paralysis:** The date a Doctor establishes the Diagnosis of Paralysis on clinical and/or laboratory findings as supported by medical records (based on the Paralysis definition).
- **Severe Burn:** The date the burn takes place.

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

- Is made by a Doctor **and**
- Is based on clinical or laboratory investigations, as supported by the Insured's medical records.

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

Diagnosis must be made and treatment must be received in the United States.

**Specified Critical Illness** 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.

**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
  - Bradykinesia (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.

**Coma** means a state of unconsciousness for 7 consecutive days with:

- No reaction to external stimuli,
- No reaction to internal needs, **and**
- The use of life support systems.

### ***Loss of Sight, Speech, or Hearing***

- ***Loss of Sight*** means the total and irreversible loss of all sight in both eyes.
- ***Loss of Speech*** means the total and permanent loss of the ability to speak.
- ***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.

***Paralysis or Paralyzed*** means the permanent, total, and irreversible loss of muscle function to the whole of at least two limbs as a result of a Covered Accident or disease. This must be supported by neurological evidence.

***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.

***Waiting Period*** means the number of days after the Effective Date before we will pay benefits for loss due to a Specified Critical Illness. We will not pay benefits for a Specified Critical Illness that begins during the Waiting Period.

## **Benefit Provisions**

### **Specified Critical Illness Benefit**

We will pay the Specified Critical Illness Benefit if you are Diagnosed with one of the Specified Critical Illnesses shown in the Rider Schedule **if**:

- The Date of Diagnosis is after the Waiting Period,
- The Date of Diagnosis is while this Rider is in force, **and**
- The Specified Critical Illness is not excluded by name or by specific description in this Rider.

We will pay the indicated percentages of the applicable benefit amount shown in the Rider Schedule for loss occurring while this Rider is in force. We will not pay benefits under this Rider if these conditions result from another Specified Critical Illness. For benefits to be payable on multiple Specified Critical Illnesses, the date of loss for each Illness must be separated by at least 12 months.

## **Limitations and Exclusions**

This Plan contains a 30-day Waiting Period. This means that we will not pay benefits to an Insured who has been Diagnosed before his coverage has been in force 30 days from the Effective Date. If a Critical Illness is first Diagnosed during the Waiting Period, we will only pay benefits for loss beginning after coverage has been in force for 12 months. Or, the Insured may elect to void the Certificate from the beginning and receive a full premium refund.

### **Pre-Existing Conditions Limitation**

***Pre-existing Condition*** is a sickness or physical condition that existed within the 12-month period before the Insured's Effective Date. For this Pre-existing Condition, a medical professional must have advised, Diagnosed, or treated the Insured.

We will **not** pay benefits for any Critical Illness resulting from or affected by a Pre-existing Condition if the Critical Illness was Diagnosed within the 12-month period after the Insured's Effective Date.

The Company will not reduce or deny a claim for benefits for any Critical Illness that was Diagnosed more than 12

months after the Effective Date of this Rider.

## **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:**
  - Abuse of legally-obtained prescription medication
  - Illegal use of non-prescription drugs

## **General Provisions**

### **Time Limit on Certain Defenses**

After two years from the Insured's Effective Date of coverage, the Company may not void coverage or deny a claim for any loss because of misstatements made on the Insured's Application. This does not apply to fraudulent misstatements.

### **Contract**

This Rider is part of the Critical Illness Certificate. It will terminate when:

- That Certificate terminates, **or**
- Premiums are no longer paid for this Rider.

The Rider Schedule shows the premium amount. Premiums for this Rider must be paid for the number of years shown in the Rider Schedule or until the Rider terminates.

This Rider is subject to all of the terms of the Critical Illness Certificate to which it is attached unless those terms are inconsistent with this Rider.

Signed for the Company at its Home Office,



Teresa White, President



J. Matthew Loudermilk, Secretary

## **BENEFITS**

<b>Advanced Alzheimer's Disease</b>	25% of applicable Face Amount
<b>Advanced Parkinson's Disease</b>	25% of applicable Face Amount
<b>Benign Brain Tumor</b>	100% of applicable Face Amount
<b>Coma</b>	100% of applicable Face Amount
<b>Loss of Sight, Speech or Hearing</b>	
Loss of Sight	100% of applicable Face Amount
Loss of Speech	100% of applicable Face Amount
Loss of Hearing	100% of applicable Face Amount
<b>Paralysis</b>	100% of applicable Face Amount
<b>Severe Burn</b>	100% of applicable Face Amount



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### HEART EVENT RIDER TO CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE FOR SPECIFIED CRITICAL ILLNESS

This rider is a part of the certificate to which it is attached. We have issued this rider to you because (1) you paid the additional premium for this rider; and/or (2) we relied on the application you made. Unless amended by this rider, Certificate Definitions, other Provisions and terms apply to this rider.

The Benefits provided in this rider amends any benefits shown in the base plan for the same conditions. In no case will benefits be paid in excess of 100% of the face amount.

**Effective Date** - If issued at the same time as the certificate, this rider becomes effective when the certificate becomes effective. If issued after the certificate becomes effective, this rider will have a later Effective Date, which will be shown in the Rider Schedule issued with this rider.

#### DEFINITIONS

**Specified Critical Illness** means such illness shown in the Schedule and as defined in this rider.

**Waiting Period** means the number of days after the Effective Date before we will pay benefits for loss due to Specified Critical Illness. We won't pay benefits for a Specified Critical Illness which begins during the Waiting Period.

**Diagnosed/Diagnosis** means a definitive and unequivocal diagnosis made by a Physician: (1) based upon the use of clinical and/or laboratory investigations as supported by the Insured's medical records; and (2) meeting any Diagnostic Requirements set forth in the Certificate for the particular Critical Illness being diagnosed. For Benefit purposes, Date of Diagnosis means both the date the surgery or procedure occurs.

**Treatment** means consultation, care or services provided by a physician including diagnostic measures and surgical procedures.

#### Actively At Work Requirement

If an Insured is not actively at work on the last scheduled work day coincident with or preceding the date his insurance would otherwise become effective, insurance will not be effective until the date such Insured returns to and remains actively at work.

If an Eligible Dependent is unable to engage in the normal activities of a person in good health of like age and sex on the date the insurance would otherwise become effective, coverage will not be effective until the date such person is able to engage in the normal activities of a person in good health of like age and sex. This will not apply to an Eligible Dependant Child who is incapable of self-sustaining employment by reason of mental or physical incapacity, and who is primarily dependent on the Insured for support and maintenance.

## BENEFIT DEFINITIONS

### Category I - Specified Surgeries of the Heart

**Specified Surgeries of the Heart** "open heart surgery"– means undergoing open chest surgery, where the heart is *exposed* and/or *manipulated* for open cardiothoracic situations.

Benefits are paid for the following Open Heart Surgery procedures only:

1. **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 when the blockages are hard to reach or are too long or hard for angioplasty. A blood vessel, usually taken from the leg or chest, 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 this rider.

2. **Mitral valve replacement or repair:** a cardiac surgery procedure in which a patient's mitral valve is repaired or replaced by a different valve.
3. **Aortic valve replacement or repair:** a cardiac surgery procedure in which a patient's aortic valve is repaired or replaced by a different valve.
4. **Surgical Treatment of Abdominal aortic aneurysm:** To prevent aneurysm rupture. The operation consists of opening the abdomen, finding the aorta and removing (excising) the aneurysm. Abdominal aortic aneurysm is a ballooning or widening of the main artery (the aorta) as it courses down through the abdomen. At the point of the aneurysm, the aneurysm generally measures 3 cm or more in diameter.

**Category I Benefits exclude all procedures not specifically listed above, including procedures such as, but not limited to, angioplasty, laser relief, stents or other surgical and non-surgical procedures.**

### Category II - Invasive, Procedures and Techniques of the Heart

A Category II Benefit is paid for the following procedures only:

1. **AngioJet Clot Busting** used to clear 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.
2. **Balloon Angioplasty (or Balloon valvuloplasty )** used to open 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.
3. **Laser Angioplasty.** Similar to balloon angioplasty, a laser tip is used to burn/break down plaque in the clogged blood vessel.
4. **Atherectomy** used to open blocked coronary arteries or clear bypass grafts by using a device on the end of a catheter to cut or shave away atherosclerotic plaque.

5. **Stent implantation.** Where a stainless steel mesh coil is implanted in a narrowed part of an artery to keep it propped open.
6. **Cardiac catheterization** (also called heart catheterization) is a diagnostic and occasionally therapeutic procedure that allows a comprehensive examination of the heart and surrounding blood vessels.
7. **Automatic Implantable (or Internal) Cardioverter Defibrillator (AICD).** Means 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.
8. **Pacemakers.** Means the initial placement of a pacemaker. Pacemakers are implanted to send electrical signals to make the heart beat when your heart'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.

Subject to the re-occurrence benefit in the base plan, only one Category II benefit is payable. Benefits will not be paid for multiple procedures listed under the Category II benefit.

**Category II Benefits exclude all procedures not specifically listed above.**

### **BENEFITS**

We will pay the benefit if you are treated with one of the Specified Surgical Procedures or Interventional Procedures shown on the Rider Schedule if:

1. The Date of Treatment is after the Waiting Period;
2. Treatment is incurred while this Rider is in force;
3. Treatment is recommended by a physician; **and**
4. It is not excluded by name or specific description in this Rider.

This Rider pays the indicated percentages of the Initial Maximum Benefit Amount shown in the Certificate Schedule that occurs while this Rider is in force. Benefits are not payable under this Rider for Loss if these conditions result from another Specified Critical Illness.

Benefits for Category II will reduce the benefit amounts payable for Category I benefits. Benefits will be paid only at the highest benefit level. If a Category I and II are performed at the same time, benefits are only eligible at the 100% (higher) event and will not exceed the amount Initial Face Amount shown on the Rider Schedule. You are only eligible to receive one payment for each benefit category listed on the schedule page. The Dates of Loss for Covered Procedures must be separated by at least 12 months for benefits to be payable for multiple Covered Procedures.

Payment of initial, re-occurrence, or additional occurrence benefits are subject to the Benefits section of your Certificate.

### **LIMITATIONS AND EXCLUSIONS**

This Rider contains a 30-day Waiting Period. This means no benefits are payable for any Insured who has been diagnosed for a covered condition before coverage has been in force 30 days from the Insured's Effective Date shown in the Rider Schedule.

If an Insured is first diagnosed, and has a covered procedure during the Waiting Period, benefits for treatment of that Specified Critical Illness will apply only to loss commencing after twelve months from the Insured's Effective Date; or, at your option, you may elect to void this rider from the beginning and receive a full refund of premium.

## **PRE-EXISTING CONDITIONS LIMITATION**

"Pre-existing Condition" means a sickness or physical condition which, within the 12-month period prior to an Insured's Effective Date resulted in the Insured receiving medical advice or treatment.

We will not pay benefits for any surgical procedure occurring within 12 months of an Insured's Effective Date which is caused by, contributed to, or resulting from a Pre-existing Condition.

A claim for benefits for loss starting after 12 months from an Insured's Effective Date will not be reduced or denied on the grounds that it is caused by a Pre-existing Condition.

A Critical Illness will no longer be considered Pre-existing at the end of 12 consecutive months starting and ending after an Insured's Effective Date.

Any Benefits for Coronary Artery Bypass Surgery denied under this rider due to pre-existing conditions may be paid at the reduced benefit amount under the certificate, subject to the terms of the certificate.

## **EXCLUSIONS**

1. No benefits will be paid if the Specified Critical Illness is a result of:
  - a. Intentionally self-inflicted injury or action;
  - b. Suicide or attempted suicide while sane or insane;
  - c. Illegal activities or participation in an illegal occupation;
  - d. War, declared or undeclared, or military conflicts, participation in an insurrection or riot, civil commotion or state of belligerence; **or**
  - e. An injury sustained while under the influence of alcohol, narcotics or any other controlled substance or drug unless properly administered upon the advice of a physician.
2. No benefits will be paid for loss which occurred prior to the effective date of this Rider.

## **GENERAL PROVISIONS**

1. This Rider is part of the Critical Illness Certificate and will terminate when that Certificate terminates, or when premiums are no longer paid for this Rider.
2. The premium for this Rider is shown in the Rider Schedule. Premiums for this Rider are payable for the number of years shown in the Rider Schedule or until the Rider terminates.
3. This Rider is subject to all of the terms of the Critical Illness Certificate to which it is attached unless any such items are inconsistent with the terms of this Rider.

**Signed for the Company at its Home Office.**



Teresa White, President



J. Matthew Loudermilk, Secretary



## **RIDER SCHEDULE**

### **BENEFITS**

Initial Benefit Amount: **See Certificate Schedule**

#### **Category I**

**Specified Surgeries of the Heart 100% of Initial Benefit amount**

#### **Category II**

**Invasive Procedures and techniques of the heart 10% of Initial Benefit amount**

Benefits for Category II will reduce the benefit amounts payable for Category I benefits. Benefits will be paid only at the highest benefit level. If a Category I and II are performed at the same time, benefits are only eligible at the 100% (higher) event and will not exceed the amount Initial Face Amount shown on the Rider Schedule.

The Dates of Loss for Category I or Category II Covered Procedures must be separated by at least 12 months for benefits to be payable for multiple Covered Procedures.

  
**CONTINENTAL AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY**

**Columbia, South Carolina  
800.433.3036**

**NOTICE OF PROTECTION PROVIDED BY VIRGINIA LIFE, ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS INSURANCE  
GUARANTY ASSOCIATION**

This notice provides a **brief summary** of the Virginia Life, Accident and Sickness Insurance Guaranty Association (“the Association”) and the protection it provides for policyholders. This safety net was created under Virginia law, which determines who and what is covered and the amounts of coverage.

The Association was established to provide protection in the unlikely event that a life, annuity or health insurance company licensed in the Commonwealth of Virginia becomes financially unable to meet its obligations and is taken over by its Insurance Department. If this should happen, the Association will typically arrange to continue coverage and pay claims, in accordance with Virginia law, with funding from assessments paid by other life and health insurance companies licensed in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

The basic protections provided by the Association are:

- Life Insurance
  - o \$300,000 in death benefits
  - o \$100,000 in cash surrender or withdrawal values
  
- Health Insurance
  - o \$500,000 in hospital, medical and surgical insurance benefits
  - o \$300,000 in disability income insurance benefits
  - o \$300,000 in long-term care insurance benefits
  - o \$100,000 in other types of health insurance benefits
  
- Annuities
  - o \$250,000 in withdrawal and cash values

The maximum amount of protection for each individual, regardless of the number of policies or contracts, is \$350,000, except for hospital, medical and surgical insurance benefits, for which the limit is increased to \$500,000.

**Note: Certain policies and contracts may not be covered or fully covered.** For example, coverage does not extend to any portion(s) of a policy or contract that the insurer does not guarantee, such as certain investment additions to the account value of a variable life insurance policy or a variable annuity contract. There are also various residency requirements and other limitations under Virginia law.

To learn more about the above protections, please visit the Association’s website at [www.valifega.org](http://www.valifega.org) or contact:

VIRGINIA LIFE, ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS  
INSURANCE GUARANTY ASSOCIATION  
c/o APM Management Services, Inc.  
1503 Santa Rosa Road, Suite 101  
Henrico, VA 23229-5105  
804-282-2240

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

Bureau of Insurance

P. O. Box 1157

Richmond, VA 23218-1157

804-371-9741

Toll Free Virginia only: 1-800-552-7945

<http://www.scc.virginia.gov/division/boi/index.htm>

**Insurance companies and agents are not allowed by Virginia law to use the existence of the Association or its coverage to encourage you to purchase any form of insurance. When selecting an insurance company, you should not rely on Association coverage. If there is any inconsistency between this notice and Virginia law, then Virginia law will control.**

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING YOUR INSURANCE

In the event you need to contact someone about this insurance for any reason, please contact your agent. If no agent was involved in the sale of this insurance, or if you have additional questions, you may contact the insurance company issuing this insurance at the following address and telephone number: P.O. Box 84079, Columbus, GA, 31993-9101; 800.433.3036.

If you have been unable to contact or obtain satisfaction from the company or the agent, you may contact the Virginia State Corporation Commission's Bureau of Insurance at: the national toll free number 1-877-310-6560, the Virginia-only toll free number 800-552-7945, and the local number 804-371-9691.

Written correspondence is preferable so that a record of your inquiry is maintained. When contacting your agent, company or the Bureau of Insurance, have your policy number available.

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Aflac Incorporated, is the insuring company.

Columbia, South Carolina  
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### **Endorsement to Policy and Certificate of Insurance**

This Endorsement alters the Policy and the Certificate to which it is attached. Unless specifically addressed by this Endorsement, all other Policy and Certificate provisions, definitions, and terms continue to apply.

Continental American Insurance Company's mailing addresses for claims and premium payments are changed as listed below.

**Notice of Claim and Proof of Loss** should be mailed to the Company at:

P.O. Box 84075, Columbus, Georgia, 31993-9103

**Premium Payments** should be mailed to the Company at:

P.O. Box 84069, Columbus, Georgia, 31908-4069

If applicable, references to 2801 Devine Street, Columbia, SC 29205 are deleted.

Signed for the Company at its Home Office,

Teresa White, President

J. Matthew Loudermilk, Secretary



**CONTINENTAL AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY**

2801 Devine Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29205

**800.433.3036**

**GROUP CRITICAL ILLNESS POLICY**

Based on the Application for this Group Insurance Policy (herein called the Plan) made by

**Smyth County Schools**

(herein called the Policyholder)

and based on the payment of the premium when due, the Company agrees to pay the benefits provided on the following pages.

**THIS IS A LIMITED POLICY. PLEASE READ IT CAREFULLY  
THIS POLICY PROVIDES BENEFITS FOR THE CRITICAL ILLNESSES LISTED.  
IT DOES NOT PROVIDE BENEFITS FOR ANY OTHER SICKNESS OR CONDITION.**

This Plan becomes effective at 12:01 a.m. Standard Time at the Policyholder's address on the Effective Date shown below. It may be continued in effect by the payment of premiums as provided in Section II. The Plan will terminate as provided in the provision titled "Termination of the Plan" in Section I.

The first anniversary of this Plan will be the Anniversary Date shown below. "You" and "your" refer to the Insured or any other Insured under Family Coverage. "We", "us", and "our" refer to the Company. The Policyholder may add new Employees or Dependents from time to time in accordance with the terms of the Plan. Subsequent anniversaries of the Plan will be the same date each year thereafter.

All matter printed or written by the Company on the following pages forms a part of this Plan as if recited over the signature below. This Plan is a legal contract between the Company and the Policyholder. This Plan is delivered in and is governed by the laws of the jurisdiction shown below.

In witness whereof the Company has caused this Plan to be executed at our Home Office in Columbia, South Carolina on the Effective Date.

**READ THIS POLICY CAREFULLY.**

Teresa White, President

J. Matthew Loudermilk, Secretary

Countersigned by \_\_\_\_\_  
Licensed Resident Agent (if required by your state)

**Group Policy Number** - 21120  
**Effective Date** - January 1, 2021  
**Jurisdiction** - Virginia

**Anniversary Date**- January 1, 2022  
**Non-Participating**

## **GROUP POLICY PROVISIONS**

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## **SECTION I - ELIGIBILITY, EFFECTIVE DATE AND TERMINATION**

### **ELIGIBILITY**

Employee as used in this Plan, means a person insured under this Plan who is:

1. An Employee of the Policyholder or an eligible Spouse of the Employee;
2. Under age 70; **and**
3. Engaged in full-time work; **and**
4. Included in the class of employees eligible for coverage as shown on the application.

### **EFFECTIVE DATE**

The Effective Date of this Plan is shown on Page 1 of this form.

The Effective Date for an Employee is as follows:

1. An Employee's insurance will be effective on the date shown on the Certificate Schedule provided the Employee is then actively at work.
2. If an Employee is not actively at work on the date coverage would otherwise become effective, the Effective Date of his coverage will be the date on which such Employee is first thereafter actively at work.

The Effective Date for a Spouse or Dependent Child is the date shown on the Schedule Page subject to the following:

1. The date the Employees insurance is effective for a Spouse or Dependent Child who is eligible on that date; for whom coverage is applied for and premium paid; and who are not hospital confined.
2. At 12:00 a.m. Standard Time, on the day a Spouse or Dependent Child is no longer hospital confined if the Spouse or Dependent Child was otherwise eligible for coverage on the date the Employee's insurance became effective.
3. For a Spouse or Dependent Child eligible on or first acquired after the Employee's Effective Date, the Effective Date will be:
  - a. For newborn children, the Effective Date is the moment of birth (see Section III, Definitions, Insured).
  - b. For other than newborn children, the date we assign after approving the application for such coverage.

### **TERMINATION OF THE PLAN**

The Plan will cease if the premium is not paid before the end of the Grace Period.

After the end of the first Plan year, the Company has the right to cancel the Plan on the day prior to the date any premium is due by giving 31 days written notice. The Plan will terminate when the number of participating Employees is less than the number mutually agreed upon by the Policyholder and the Company in writing.

In these events, this Plan and all certificates issued hereunder will terminate on such date at 12:01 a.m. Standard Time at the Policyholder's address. This will be without prejudice to the rights of any Insured as respects any claim arising during the period the Plan is in force.

The Policyholder has the sole responsibility to notify Employees of such termination.

## **TERMINATION OF AN EMPLOYEE'S INSURANCE**

An Employee's insurance will terminate on the earliest of:

1. The date the Plan is terminated;
2. On the 31st day after the premium due date if the required premium has not been paid, in order to have the coverage continue beyond the 31 day period;
3. On the date he ceases to meet the definition of an Employee as defined in the Plan; **or**
4. On the date he is no longer a member of the class eligible.

Insurance for an insured Spouse or Dependent Child will terminate the earliest of:

1. The date the Plan is terminated;
2. On the 31st day after the premium due date if the required premium has not been paid, in order to have the coverage continue beyond the 31 day period;
3. The premium due date following the date the Spouse or Dependent Child ceases to be a dependent;
4. The premium due date following the date we receive your written request to terminate coverage for your Spouse and/or all Dependent Children.

Termination of the insurance on any Insured shall be without prejudice to his rights as regarding any claim arising prior thereto.

## **SECTION II - PREMIUM PROVISIONS**

### **PREMIUM CALCULATIONS**

Premiums payable on any premium due date for insurance will be calculated in accordance with the Schedule of Premiums. The rates shown in this Schedule can be changed annually. The Company will give the Policyholder written notice 31 days prior to the date any change in rates is to be effective.

### **PREMIUM PAYMENTS**

The first premiums are due on the Effective Date of this Plan. After that, premiums are due on the first day of each month that the Plan remains in effect.

Aggregate premiums for this Plan are to be paid to the Company at our Home Office in Columbia, South Carolina. Payment of any premium will not keep the Plan in force beyond the due date of the next premium, except as set forth in the Grace Period.

### **GRACE PERIOD**

This Plan has a 31-day Grace Period. This means that if a renewal premium is not paid on or before the date it is due, it may be paid during the next 31 days. During the Grace Period, the Plan will stay in force, unless the Policyholder has given the Company written notice of discontinuance of the Plan.

## **SECTION III - GENERAL DEFINITIONS / BENEFIT DEFINITIONS**

Whenever a male pronoun is used, it includes the female unless the context clearly shows otherwise.

**Actively at Work** to be considered "actively at work", an Employee must perform for a full normal workday the regular duties of his employment at the regular place of business or at a location to which he may be required to travel to perform the regular duties of his employment.

**Critical Illness** means such illness shown in the Schedule and as defined in this Plan.

**Date of Diagnosis** means for:

**Heart attack:** The date that the death (infarction) of a portion of the heart muscle occurred based on the criteria listed under the Heart Attack definition.

**Stroke:** The date a stroke occurred based on documented neurological deficits and neuroimaging studies.

**Kidney failure:** The date that a doctor or physician recommends that an Insured begin renal dialysis.

**Major organ transplant surgery or coronary artery bypass surgery:** The date the surgery occurs for covered transplants or covered coronary artery bypass surgery.

**Dependent Children – Dependent Children –**

Means your natural Children, step-Children, legally adopted Children or Children placed for adoption, who:

1. Are unmarried;
2. Are chiefly dependent on you or your Spouse for support; **and**
3. Are younger than age 19 and unmarried, who is a full time student under age 25 and unmarried, without regard to whether such child resides in the same household as the insured. The definition of "full-time student" will be based on the criteria of the learning institution at which the student is enrolled.

"Children" also includes Dependent Children, regardless of age, who:

1. Are incapable of self-sustaining employment by reason of mental retardation or physical condition.
2. Chiefly dependent upon the insured for support and maintenance.

**Doctor or Physician** means any licensed practitioner of the healing arts acting within the scope of his license in treating a Critical Illness. It doesn't include an Insured or their family member.

**Employee** means the Insured as shown in the Certificate Schedule.

**Family Member** means an Insured's spouse, son, daughter, mother, father, sister, or brother.

**Full-time Work** means an Employee is spending at least 40 hours per week performing his occupational duties.

**Illness** means sickness or disease which begins while the Insured's coverage is in force and after any applicable Waiting Period. Any loss due to illness must begin while the Insured's coverage is in force.

**Injury** means bodily injury solely due to an accident. It includes all complications of and all injuries from the same accident.

**Insured(s) -**

1. If Employee coverage is shown in the Certificate Schedule, we insure the Employee.
2. If coverage is for the Spouse of an eligible Employee, we insure the Spouse as shown on the Certificate Schedule.
3. Coverage for Dependent Children may be included in an attached rider (if applicable).
4. If any person who would otherwise be an Insured is specifically excluded from coverage by endorsement to the Certificate or by the application, then such person shall not be an Insured.
5. Any other additions to the Insured class must be added by endorsement after applying to the Company.

**Pathologist** means a doctor, other than an Insured or a family member, who is licensed to practice medicine and who is also licensed to practice pathologic anatomy by the American Board of Pathology. A Pathologist also means an Osteopathic Pathologist who is certified by the Osteopathic Board of Pathology.

**Spouse** means an Employee's legal wife or husband.

**Successor Insured** - If an Employee dies while covered under a Certificate, then their surviving Spouse shall become the Insured if such Spouse is an Insured. If there is no surviving Spouse covered under the Certificate, then the Certificate shall terminate on the next premium due date.

**Treatment** means consultation, care or services provided by a physician including diagnostic measures and taking prescribed drugs and medicines.

**Treatment free** means a period of time without the consultation, care or services provided by a physician including diagnostic measures and taking prescribed drugs and medicines.

**Waiting Period** means the number of days after the Effective Date before we will pay benefits for loss due to a Critical Illness. We won't pay benefits for a Critical Illness that begins during the Waiting Period.

### **BENEFIT DEFINITIONS**

**Heart Attack (Myocardial Infarction)** means the death of a portion of the heart muscle (myocardium) resulting from a blockage of one or more coronary arteries. Heart Attack does not include any other disease or injury involving the cardiovascular system. Cardiac Arrest not caused by a Myocardial Infarction is not a Heart Attack. The diagnosis must include all of the following criteria:

1. New and serial Electrocardiographic (EKG) findings consistent with Myocardial Infarction;
2. Elevation of cardiac enzymes above generally accepted laboratory levels of normal in case of creatine phosphokinase (CPK), a CPK-MB measurement must be used; **and**
3. Confirmatory imaging studies such as thallium scans, MUGA scans, or stress echocardiograms.

**Coronary Artery Bypass Surgery** means undergoing open heart surgery to correct narrowing or blockage of one or more coronary arteries with bypass grafts, but excluding procedures such as, but not limited to balloon angioplasty, laser relief, stents or other non-surgical procedures.

**Major Organ Transplant** means undergoing surgery as a recipient of a transplant of a human heart, lung, liver, kidney, or pancreas.

**Stroke** - Means Apoplexy (due to rupture or acute occlusion of a cerebral artery), or a cerebral vascular accident or incident, which begins on or after the Effective Date. Stroke does not include Transient Ischemic Attacks and attacks of Vertebralbasilar Ischemia. We will pay a benefit for Stroke which produces permanent clinical neurological sequela following an initial diagnosis made after any applicable Waiting Period. We must receive evidence of the permanent neurological damage provided from Computed Axial Tomography (CAT scan) or magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI). **Stroke does not mean head injury, transient ischemic attack or chronic cerebrovascular insufficiency.**

**Kidney Failure (Renal Failure)** means the end stage renal failure presenting as chronic, irreversible failure of both kidneys to function. The Kidney Failure must necessitate regular renal dialysis, hemo-dialysis or peritoneal dialysis (at least weekly); or which results in kidney transplantation. Renal failure is covered, provided it is not caused by a traumatic event, including surgical traumas.

## **SECTION IV - BENEFITS**

### **Critical Illness Benefit**

We will pay this benefit when an Insured is diagnosed with one of the Critical Illnesses shown on the Certificate Schedule if:

1. The date of diagnosis is after the Waiting Period;
2. The date of diagnosis is while the his coverage is in force; **and**
3. It is not excluded by name or specific description in the Certificate.

If the date of diagnosis of a Critical Illness occurs during the Waiting Period, the Certificate may be returned for a full refund of premium.

The Certificate's Initial Maximum Benefit amount is shown in the Schedule. If the Schedule shows a Maximum Benefit Reduction Date, a Certificate's Maximum Benefit will be reduced to the Reduced Maximum Benefit Amount, also shown in the Schedule, on that date. Benefits will be based on the Maximum Benefit amount in effect on the Critical Illness Date of Diagnosis. Any partial benefits paid will be deducted from the appropriate Critical Illness.

Payment of benefits is subject to the following:

1. We will pay benefits for a Critical Illness in the order the events occur.
2. No benefits are payable for each different Critical Illness after the first unless its date of diagnosis is separated from the prior different Critical Illness by at least 6 months and it is not caused by or contributed to by a Critical Illness for which benefits have been paid.
3. Once benefits have been paid for a Critical Illness, no additional benefits are payable for that same Critical Illness unless the dates of diagnosis are separated by at least 12 months.

### **Health Screening Benefit (Calendar Year Limit)**

We will pay the amount shown in the Benefit Schedule for Health Screening Tests performed after the Waiting Period and while an Insured's coverage is in force. This Benefit is payable once per calendar year up to the Maximum Benefit amount shown in the Benefit Schedule. Payment of this benefit will not reduce the Critical Illness benefit available under this Certificate.

**Health Screening Tests** include but are not limited to:

1. Stress test on a bicycle or treadmill,
2. Fasting blood glucose test,
3. Blood test for triglycerides,
4. Serum cholesterol test to determine level of HDL and LDL,
5. Bone marrow testing,
6. Breast ultrasound,
7. CA 15-3 (blood test for breast cancer),
8. CA 125 (blood test for ovarian cancer),
9. CEA (blood test for colon cancer),
10. Chest X-ray,
11. Colonoscopy,
12. Flexible sigmoidoscopy,
13. Hemocult stool analysis,
14. Mammography,

15. Pap smear,
16. PSA (blood test for prostate cancer),
17. Serum Protein Electrophoresis (blood test for myeloma),
18. Thermography.

There is no limit to the number of years an Insured can receive benefits for Health Screening Tests, as long as this Plan is in force.

We will pay this benefit regardless of the results of the test.

## **SECTION V - LIMITATIONS AND EXCLUSIONS**

This Plan contains a 30-day "Waiting Period". This means no benefits are payable for any Insured who has been diagnosed before their coverage has been in force 30 days from their Effective Date. If an Insured is first diagnosed during the "Waiting Period", benefits for treatment of that Critical Illness will apply only to loss commencing after 12 months from their Effective Date; or, at the Employee's option, they may elect to void the Certificate from the beginning and receive a full refund of premium.

### **PRE-EXISTING CONDITIONS LIMITATION**

"Pre-existing Condition" means a sickness or physical condition which, within the 12-month period prior to an Insured's Effective Date resulted in the Insured receiving medical advice or treatment.

We will not pay benefits for any Critical Illness starting within 12 months of an Insured's Effective Date which is caused by, contributed to, or resulting from a Pre-existing Condition.

A claim for benefits for loss starting after 12 months from an Insured's Effective Date will not be reduced or denied on the grounds that it is caused by a Pre-existing Condition.

A Critical Illness will no longer be considered Pre-existing at the end of 12 consecutive months starting and ending after an Insured's Effective Date.

### **EXCLUSIONS**

We won't pay for loss due to:

1. Intentionally self-inflicted injury or action.
2. Suicide or attempted suicide while sane or insane.
3. Illegal activities or participation in an illegal occupation.
4. War -participating in war or any act of war, declared or not, or participating in the armed forces of or contracting with any country or international authority. This exclusion does not include acts of terrorism. We will return the prorated premium for any period not covered by this certificate when you are in such service.
5. Substance Abuse.

Diagnosis must be made and treatment received in the United States.

## SECTION VI - CLAIM PROVISIONS

The Company, upon request, will provide the Policyholder with a complete record of the Policyholder's claims experience incurred under the group policy. This record shall be made available to the Policyholder within 30 days prior to the date upon which the premiums or contractual terms of the Policy may be amended. In the case where coverage is being terminated due to unpaid premiums, We will send a written letter notifying the Policyholder of the date in which the termination will take effect. Notice will be sent no less than 15 days before the specified date of termination.

**Notice of Claim:** Written notice of claim must be given within sixty (60) days after a covered loss starts, or as soon as reasonably possible. The notice can be given to the Company at P.O. Box 427, Columbia, South Carolina 29202. Notice should include the name of the Insured and the Certificate number.

**Claim Forms:** When we receive a notice of claim, we will send the Claimant forms for filing proof of loss. If the forms are not given within 15 working days, proof of loss requirements can be met by giving us a written statement of the nature and extent of the loss within the time limit stated in the Proof of Loss Section.

**Proof of Loss:** Written Proof of Loss must be furnished to the Company at P.O. Box 427, Columbia, South Carolina 29202 within ninety (90) days after the date of such loss. Failure to furnish such proof within the time required shall not invalidate nor reduce any claim if it was not reasonably possible to give proof within such time. However, such proof must be furnished as soon as reasonably possible and in no event (except in the absence of legal capacity) later than one year from the time proof is otherwise required.

**Time of Payment of Claims:** Benefits payable under this Plan will be paid immediately upon receipt of acceptable Proof of Loss.

**Payment of Claims:** All benefits will be payable to the employee unless assigned by them or by operation of law. Any accrued benefit unpaid at the Insured's death may be paid to their estate.

**Conformity with State Statutes:** Any provision of this Plan which, on its Effective Date, is in conflict with the statutes of the state in which it was issued is hereby amended to conform to the minimum requirements of such statutes.

**Additional Coverage with the Company:** We will only pay benefits for covered Critical Illness under one Critical Illness Certificate if an Insured is covered by more than one of our Critical Illness Certificates. An Insured may choose which Certificate they wish to keep in force by sending us written notice of their choice. We will return the premiums paid for any of our other Critical Illness Certificates during the period there was more than one Certificate in force.

## SECTION VII - GENERAL PROVISIONS

**Questions or Comments:** If you have any questions about this Plan, its benefits, the filing of claims, a complaint or a compliment, please call us at the toll free number listed on the front of this Plan.

**Entire Contract, Representations:** This Policy together with the Group/Individual Applications, Endorsements, Benefit Agreements, Certificate and Riders, if any, is the Entire Contract of Insurance. No change in this Plan shall be valid until approved in writing by an Executive Officer of the Company. Any change must be noted on or attached hereto. No agent may change this Plan or waive any of its Provisions. Any Rider, Endorsement or Application that modifies, limits or excludes coverage under this Plan must be signed by the Employee to be valid. A copy of any application shall be attached to the policy when issued. All statements made by the policy owner or by the persons insured shall be deemed representations and not warranties. No written statement made by any person insured shall be used in any contest unless a copy of the statement is furnished to the insured or to the beneficiary or authorized representative.

**Physical Examination and Autopsy:** We, at our expense, have the right to have an Insured examined as often as reasonable necessary while a claim is pending. In the case of death, we may also have any autopsy done unless prohibited by law.

**Legal Action:** No legal action may be brought to recover on this Plan within 60 days after written Proof of Loss has been given as required by this Plan. No such action may be brought after 3 years from the time written Proof of Loss is required to be given.

**Incontestability:** The policy shall not be contested, except for nonpayment of premiums, after it has been in force for two years. No statement made by any insured under the policy relating to his insurability or the insurability of his insured dependents shall be used in contesting the validity of the insurance with respect to which statement was made:

1. After the insurance has been in force prior to the contest for a period of two years during the lifetime of the person about whom the statement was made: **and**
2. Unless the statement is contained in a written instrument signed by him

**Clerical Error:** Clerical error by the Policyholder will not end coverage or continue terminated coverage. In the event of such clerical error, a premium adjustment will be made.

**Misstatement of Age:** If an age has been misstated on the application, the benefits will be those the premium paid would have purchased at the correct age.

**Individual Certificate:** The Company will give the Policyholder a Certificate for each employee. The Certificate will set forth:

1. The coverage including any limitations, reductions, and exclusions.
2. To whom benefits will be paid.
3. Any family member or dependent coverage
4. The rights and privileges under the Plan.



**SECTION VIII - BENEFIT SCHEDULE**

Initial Maximum Benefit:	See Certificates
Reduced Maximum Benefit Amount:	Not Applicable
Reduced Benefit Date:	Not Applicable
Waiting Period:	30 Days
Percentage for Partial Benefits:	25% of applicable Maximum Benefit

The applicable Maximum Benefit (Initial or Reduced) is payable for the following Critical Illnesses

- Stroke
- Kidney Failure
- Heart Attack
- Major Organ Transplant

**PARTIAL BENEFITS**

**HEART ATTACK**

Coronary Artery Bypass Surgery - When this Partial Benefit is paid, it will reduce the Heart Attack Benefit by 25%.

**Maximum Health Screening Benefit Amount:** \$100 per insured Employee and Spouse per calendar year.

## **SECTION IX - OCCUPATIONAL CLASSIFICATIONS**

Benefit-eligible employees are classified as such in the Master Application as being **Actively at Work and working full-time, a minimum of 40 hours per week.**

GROUP CRITICAL ILLNESS



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**NONTOBACCO - Employee**

AGES	\$ 5,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 15,000	\$20,000	\$25,000	\$ 30,000	\$ 35,000	\$ 40,000	\$ 45,000	\$ 50,000
18-29	\$ 5.52	\$ 7.54	\$ 9.56	\$ 11.57	\$ 13.59	\$ 15.61	\$ 17.63	\$ 19.65	\$ 21.67	\$ 23.69
30-39	\$ 6.89	\$ 10.27	\$ 13.66	\$ 17.04	\$ 20.43	\$ 23.82	\$ 27.20	\$ 30.59	\$ 33.97	\$ 37.36
40-49	\$ 10.44	\$ 17.38	\$ 24.32	\$ 31.26	\$ 38.20	\$ 45.14	\$ 52.08	\$ 59.02	\$ 65.96	\$ 72.90
50-59	\$ 15.20	\$ 26.89	\$ 38.59	\$ 50.28	\$ 61.98	\$ 73.67	\$ 85.37	\$ 97.06	\$ 108.76	\$ 120.45
60-69	\$ 25.34	\$ 47.18	\$ 69.02	\$ 90.86	\$ 112.71	\$ 134.55	\$ 156.39	\$ 178.23	\$ 200.07	\$ 221.91

**NONTOBACCO - Spouse**

AGES	\$ 5,000	\$ 7,500	\$ 10,000	\$ 12,500	\$ 15,000	\$17,500	\$20,000	\$22,500	\$25,000
18-29	\$ 5.52	\$ 6.53	\$ 7.54	\$ 8.55	\$ 9.56	\$ 10.57	\$ 11.57	\$ 12.58	\$ 13.59
30-39	\$ 6.89	\$ 8.58	\$ 10.27	\$ 11.96	\$ 13.66	\$ 15.35	\$ 17.04	\$ 18.74	\$ 20.43
40-49	\$ 10.44	\$ 13.91	\$ 17.38	\$ 20.85	\$ 24.32	\$ 27.79	\$ 31.26	\$ 34.73	\$ 38.20
50-59	\$ 15.20	\$ 21.04	\$ 26.89	\$ 32.74	\$ 38.59	\$ 44.43	\$ 50.28	\$ 56.13	\$ 61.98
60-69	\$ 25.34	\$ 36.26	\$ 47.18	\$ 58.10	\$ 69.02	\$ 79.94	\$ 90.86	\$ 101.79	\$ 112.71

**TOBACCO - Employee**

AGES	\$5,000	\$10,000	\$15,000	\$20,000	\$25,000	\$30,000	\$35,000	\$40,000	\$45,000	\$50,000
18-29	\$ 6.61	\$ 9.72	\$ 12.83	\$ 15.94	\$ 19.04	\$ 22.15	\$ 25.26	\$ 28.37	\$ 31.48	\$ 34.59
30-39	\$ 8.85	\$ 14.20	\$ 19.55	\$ 24.90	\$ 30.24	\$ 35.59	\$ 40.94	\$ 46.29	\$ 51.64	\$ 56.99
40-49	\$ 17.21	\$ 30.92	\$ 44.63	\$ 58.34	\$ 72.05	\$ 85.76	\$ 99.47	\$ 113.18	\$ 126.88	\$ 140.59
50-59	\$ 26.68	\$ 49.86	\$ 73.04	\$ 96.22	\$ 119.41	\$ 142.59	\$ 165.77	\$ 188.95	\$ 212.13	\$ 235.31
60-69	\$ 45.28	\$ 87.06	\$ 128.85	\$ 170.63	\$ 212.41	\$ 254.19	\$ 295.98	\$ 337.76	\$ 379.54	\$ 421.32

**TOBACCO - Spouse**

AGES	\$5,000	\$7,500	\$10,000	\$12,500	\$15,000	\$17,500	\$20,000	\$22,500	\$25,000
18-29	\$ 6.61	\$ 8.16	\$ 9.72	\$ 11.27	\$ 12.83	\$ 14.38	\$ 15.94	\$ 17.49	\$ 19.04
30-39	\$ 8.85	\$ 11.52	\$ 14.20	\$ 16.87	\$ 19.55	\$ 22.22	\$ 24.90	\$ 27.57	\$ 30.24
40-49	\$ 17.21	\$ 24.06	\$ 30.92	\$ 37.77	\$ 44.63	\$ 51.48	\$ 58.34	\$ 65.19	\$ 72.05
50-59	\$ 26.68	\$ 38.27	\$ 49.86	\$ 61.45	\$ 73.04	\$ 84.63	\$ 96.22	\$ 107.82	\$ 119.41
60-69	\$ 45.28	\$ 66.17	\$ 87.06	\$ 107.96	\$ 128.85	\$ 149.74	\$ 170.63	\$ 191.52	\$ 212.41

Rates do not include cancer benefit.

Rates include: \$100 Health Screening Benefit, Additional Benefits Rider, Heart Rider, and no additional riders.

No benefit reduction at age 70.

Please Note: Premiums shown are accurate as of publication. They are subject to change.



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## AMENDMENT TO CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE FOR CRITICAL ILLNESS

This rider is a part of the certificate to which it is attached. Unless amended by this rider, Certificate Definitions, other Provisions and terms apply to this rider.

**Effective Date** - If issued at the same time as the certificate, this rider becomes effective when the certificate becomes effective. If issued after the certificate becomes effective, this rider will have a later Effective Date, which will be shown in the Rider Schedule issued with this rider.

### SECTION III – GENERAL DEFINITIONS /BENEFIT DEFINITIONS

The following definition is added:

**Maintenance drug therapy** means ongoing hormonal therapy, immunotherapy or chemo-prevention therapy that may be given following the full remission of a cancer due to primary treatment. It is meant to decrease the risk of cancer recurrence rather than the palliative or suppression of a cancer that is still present.

**Symptoms** mean the subjective evidence of disease or physical disturbance.

**Signs** mean the subjective evidence of disease or physical disturbance observed by a physician or other member of the medical profession, acting within the scope of their license.

**The Critical Illness Benefit in of SECTION IV - BENEFITS of the form is deleted and replaced by the following:**

#### **Critical Illness Benefit**

We will pay this benefit when an Insured is diagnosed with one of the Critical Illnesses shown on the Certificate Schedule if:

1. The date of diagnosis is after the Waiting Period;
2. The date of diagnosis is while the his coverage is in force; **and**
3. It is not excluded by name or specific description in the Certificate.

If the date of diagnosis of a Critical Illness occurs during the Waiting Period, the Certificate may be returned for a full refund of premium.

The Certificate's Initial Maximum Benefit amount is shown in the Schedule. If the Schedule shows a Maximum Benefit Reduction Date, a Certificate's Maximum Benefit will be reduced to the Reduced Maximum Benefit Amount, also shown in the Schedule, on that date. Benefits will be based on the Maximum Benefit amount in effect on the Critical Illness Date of Diagnosis. Any partial benefits paid will be deducted from the appropriate Critical Illness.

Payment of benefits is subject to the following:

1. We will pay benefits for a Critical Illness in the order the events occur.
2. No benefits are payable for each different Critical Illness after the first unless its date of diagnosis is separated from the prior different Critical Illness by at least 6 months.
3. Once benefits have been paid for a Critical Illness, no additional benefits are payable for that same Critical Illness unless the dates of diagnosis are separated by at least 12 months.

**The Health Screening Benefit in SECTION IV - BENEFITS of the form is deleted and replaced by the following:**

**Health Screening Benefit** (Calendar Year Limit)

We will pay the amount shown in the Benefit Schedule for Health Screening Tests performed after the Waiting Period and while an Insured's coverage is in force. This Benefit is payable once per calendar year up to the Maximum Benefit amount shown in the Benefit Schedule. Payment of this benefit will not reduce the benefit amount payable for Critical Illness.

**Health Screening Tests** include but are not limited to:

1. Stress test on a bicycle or treadmill,
2. Fasting blood glucose test,
3. Blood test for triglycerides,
4. Serum cholesterol test to determine level of HDL and LDL,
5. Bone marrow testing,
6. Breast ultrasound,
7. CA 15-3 (blood test for breast cancer),
8. CA 125 (blood test for ovarian cancer),
9. CEA (blood test for colon cancer),
10. Chest X-ray,
11. Colonoscopy,
12. Flexible sigmoidoscopy,
13. Hemocult stool analysis,
14. Mammography,
15. Pap smear,
16. PSA (blood test for prostate cancer),
17. Serum Protein Electrophoresis (blood test for myeloma),
18. Thermography.

There is no limit to the number of years an Insured can receive benefits for Health Screening Tests, as long as this Plan is in force. 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.

We will pay this benefit regardless of the results of the test.

The Pre-existing Condition Limitation in Section V is deleted and replaced by the following:

**PRE-EXISTING CONDITIONS LIMITATION – NOT APPLICABLE TO CANCER and/or CARCINOMA IN SITU**

"Pre-existing Condition" means a sickness or physical condition which, within the 12-month period prior to an Insured's Effective Date resulted in the Insured receiving medical advice or treatment.

We will not pay benefits for any Critical Illness starting within 12 months of an Insured's Effective Date which is caused by, contributed to, or resulting from a Pre-existing Condition.

A claim for benefits for loss starting after 12 months from an Insured's Effective Date will not be reduced or denied on the grounds that it is caused by a Pre-existing Condition.

A Critical Illness will no longer be considered Pre-existing at the end of 12 consecutive months starting and ending after an Insured's Effective Date.

### **GENERAL PROVISIONS**

This Rider is part of the Critical Illness Certificate and will terminate when that Certificate terminates, or when premiums are no longer paid for this Rider.

This Rider is subject to all of the terms of the Critical Illness Certificate to which it is attached unless any such items are inconsistent with the terms of this Rider.

**Signed for the Company at its Home Office.**



**Teresa White, President**



**J. Matthew Loudermilk, Secretary**



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### **Continuation of Coverage Endorsement**

This Endorsement is part of the Policy and Certificate to which it is attached. This Endorsement is subject to all the definitions, terms, and other provisions of the Policy and Certificate to which it is attached, unless those terms are inconsistent with this Endorsement.

#### **EFFECTIVE DATE**

If issued at the same time as the Certificate, this Endorsement becomes effective when the Certificate becomes effective. If issued after the Certificate, this Endorsement will have a later Effective Date.

*The following provisions are added after the Continuity of Coverage provision in your Certificate:*

#### **CONTINUATION OF COVERAGE**

If the Group Policy is terminated by the Policyholder and is not replaced with another group policy you may apply to continue the coverage you had on the Group Policy termination date. This includes any in-force Spouse, Domestic Partner or Dependent Child coverage. The Group Policy will be continued as if the Group Policy is in force for those who have applied to continue their coverage under this provision. The members will continue to have coverage, with their Certificates remaining in force.

The Company will apply the same benefits and plan provisions as shown in your Certificate on the date you are eligible to continue coverage under this provision. Your continued coverage is subject to all of the provisions, exclusions and limitations of the Group Policy.

To keep your Certificate in force, you must:

- Apply to the Company in writing under this Continuation of Coverage provision within 31 days after the date your Certificate would terminate, **and**
- Pay the required premium no later than 31 days after the date the Certificate would terminate and on each premium due date thereafter to the Company at our Customer Service Center in Columbus, Georgia.

#### **PREMIUMS**

Initial premium rates will be based on the rates in effect at the time you apply to continue your coverage. Premium rates can be changed by the Company at any time upon 31 days written notice to you. Any such change will be applied to all Certificates in your class and will not be based on your or your Spouse, Domestic Partner and Dependent Children's health or other individual factors.

You may decrease, but not increase, the amount of your coverage, and the amount of your Spouse's or Domestic Partner's coverage, if any.

**TERMINATION**

Your continued coverage, including any in-force Spouse, Domestic Partner or Dependent Child coverage will end:

- 31 days after the date you fail to pay any required premium.
- When coverage is terminated by the Company. We will provide you a 31-day advance written notice of any termination.
- On the date you die (unless your Spouse or Domestic Partner elects to become the Primary Insured under the Successor Insured provision, if applicable).

Once continued coverage is cancelled it cannot be reinstated. If your coverage terminates, we will provide benefits for valid claims that arose while your coverage was active.

**CONTRACT**

This Endorsement is part of the Certificate. It will terminate when:

- The Certificate terminates.

Signed for the Company at its Home Office,



Teresa White, President



J. Matthew Loudermilk, Secretary





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## DEPENDENT CHILDREN BENEFIT RIDER TO CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE FOR CRITICAL ILLNESS

This Rider is a part of the Certificate to which it is attached. We have issued this Rider to you because: (1) you paid the additional premium for this Rider; and (2) we relied on the application you made. Unless amended by this Rider, Certificate Definitions, other Provisions and terms apply to this Rider.

**Effective Date** - If issued at the same time as the Certificate, this Rider becomes effective when the Certificate becomes effective. If issued after the Certificate becomes effective, this Rider will have a later Effective Date, which will be shown in the Certificate Schedule. The insurance of a Dependent Child will become effective on the Rider date if such person is active on that date. Otherwise, the Effective Date will be deferred until the day following the date he becomes active.

### DEFINITIONS

When the terms below are used in this Rider, the following definitions will apply:

**YOU, YOUR** means the person named in the Certificate Schedule.

#### **DEPENDENT CHILD(REN)**

Means your natural Children, step-Children, legally adopted Children or Children placed for adoption, who:

- Are unmarried;
- Are chiefly dependent on you or your Spouse for support; **and**
- Are younger than age 19 and unmarried, who is a full time student under age 25 and unmarried, without regard to whether such child resides in the same household as the insured. The definition of "full-time student" will be based on the criteria of the learning institution at which the student is enrolled.

If your child is unable due to a medical condition to continue as a full-time student, coverage under this rider shall continue in force (i) for a period of not more than 12 months from the date the child ceases to be a full-time student or (ii) until the child attains age 25, whichever first occurs, provided the child's treating physician certifies to us at the time the child withdraws as a full-time student that the child's absence is medically necessary.

"Children" also includes Dependent Children, regardless of age, who:

- Are incapable of self-sustaining employment by reason of mental retardation or physical condition.
- Chiefly dependent upon the insured for support and maintenance.

If your Children are covered under this Rider, your Children born after the Effective Date of this Rider will also be covered from the moment of birth. No notice or additional premium is required.

**ACTIVE** means a Dependent Child who is not confined in a hospital and who is able to carry on regular activities customary of a person in good health of the same age and sex.

**TREATMENT** means consultation, care or services provided by a physician including diagnostic measures and taking prescribed drugs and medicines.

### **BENEFITS**

If a Dependent Child contracts a Specified Critical Illness after any applicable Waiting Period and while this Rider is in force, we will provide the benefits contained in the Certificate under the Benefits Section. The appropriate benefit amounts we will pay for the Dependent are shown in the Certificate Schedule.

### **LIMITATIONS AND EXCLUSIONS**

This Rider contains a 30-day "Waiting Period". This means no benefits are payable for any covered Dependent Child who has been diagnosed before coverage has been in force 30 days from his "Effective Date." If a Dependent Child is first diagnosed during the "waiting period", benefits for treatment of that Critical Illness or Specified Procedure will apply only to loss commencing after 12 months from the "Effective Date" of his coverage; or, at your option, you may elect to void his coverage from the beginning and receive a full refund of any applicable premium.

### **LIMITATIONS**

#### **PRE-EXISTING CONDITIONS**

"Pre-existing Condition" means a sickness or physical condition which, within the 12-month period prior to a Dependent Child's Effective Date resulted in him receiving medical advice or treatment.

We will not pay benefits for any condition or illness starting within 12 months of a Dependent Child's Effective Date which is caused by, contributed to, or resulting from a Pre-existing Condition.

A claim for benefits for loss starting after 12 months from a Dependent Child's Effective Date will not be reduced or denied on the grounds that it is caused by a Pre-existing Condition.

A condition will no longer be considered Pre-existing at the end of 12 consecutive months starting and ending after a Dependent Child's Effective Date.

### **EXCLUSIONS**

We won't pay for loss due to:

1. Intentionally self-inflicted injury or action.
2. Suicide or attempted suicide while sane or insane.
3. Illegal activities or participation in an illegal occupation.
4. War - participating in war or any act of war, declared or not, or participating in the armed forces of or contracting with any country or international authority. This exclusion does not include acts of terrorism. We will return the prorated premium for any period not covered by this certificate when you are in such service.
5. Substance Abuse.

## GENERAL PROVISIONS

If your Dependent Child's coverage is terminated because of marriage or attainment of the limiting age, we will still pay benefits for any covered condition that was diagnosed while the Dependent was covered under this Rider.

### TIME LIMIT ON CERTAIN DEFENSES

After this Rider has been in force for a period of two years it shall become incontestable as to the statements contained in the application.

### CONTRACT

This Rider is part of the Certificate, and will terminate when the Certificate terminates, or when premiums are no longer paid for this Rider.

This Rider is subject to all of the terms of the Certificate to which it is attached unless any such terms are inconsistent with the terms of this Rider.

Signed by the Company at our Home Office.



Teresa White, President



J. Matthew Loudermilk, Secretary



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### Dependent Children Definition Rider

This rider is a part of the document to which it is attached. Unless amended by this rider Policy, Certificate and Dependent Rider Definitions, Exclusions and Limitations, other term and provisions apply to this rider.

The definition of Dependent Children is deleted and replaced by the following:

**Dependent Children** means your natural children, step-children, foster children, legally adopted children or children placed for adoption, who are under age 26.

Your natural Children born after the Effective Date of this Rider will be covered from the moment of live birth. No notice or additional premium is required.

Coverage on a Dependent Child will terminate on the child's 26<sup>th</sup> birthday. However, if any child is incapable of self-sustaining employment due to mental retardation or physical handicap and is dependent on his parent(s) for support, the above age of twenty-six (26) shall not apply. Proof of such incapacity and dependency must be furnished to the Company within thirty-one (31) days following such 26th birthday.

The second paragraph under the provisions **TERMINATION OF AN EMPLOYEE'S INSURANCE** and **TERMINATION OF YOUR INSURANCE** is deleted and replaced by the following:

Insurance for an insured Spouse or Dependent Child will terminate the earliest of:

1. the date the Plan is terminated;
2. the date the Spouse or Dependent Child ceases to be a dependent;
3. the premium due date following the date we receive your written request to terminate coverage for your Spouse and/or all Dependent Children.

This rider is subject to all of the terms of the document to which it is attached unless any such terms are inconsistent with the terms of this Rider.

Signed by the Company at its Home Office.

Teresa White, President

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### **SPECIFIED CRITICAL ILLNESS RIDER TO CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE FOR CRITICAL ILLNESS**

This Rider is part of the Certificate to which it is attached. We have issued this Rider because:

- We have accepted your Application, **and**
- You paid the additional premium for this Rider.

Unless amended by this Rider, all Certificate definitions, exclusions, limitations, terms, and other provisions apply. For the purpose of this Rider, “you” (including “your” and “yours”) may refer to the primary Insured or the primary Insured’s covered Dependents.

#### **Effective Date**

If issued at the same time as the Certificate, this Rider becomes effective on the Certificate Effective Date. If issued after the Certificate, this Rider will have a later Effective Date, which is shown in the Rider Schedule following this Rider.

#### **Definitions**

When the terms below are used in this Rider, the following definitions will apply (other applicable terms and definitions are included in the **Definitions** section of your Certificate):

**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 policy, ADLs include the following:

- **Maintaining continence** – controlling urination and bowel movements, including the ability to use ostomy supplies or other devices (such as catheters).
- **Transferring** – moving between a bed and a chair or a bed and a wheelchair.
- **Dressing** – putting on and taking off all necessary items of clothing.
- **Toileting** – getting to and from a toilet, getting on and off a toilet, and performing associated personal hygiene.
- **Eating** – performing all major tasks of getting food into the body.
- **Bathing** – washing oneself by sponge bath or in either a tub or shower, including getting into or out of the tub or shower.

**Covered Accident** means an unforeseen and unexpected traumatic event resulting in bodily injury. An event meets the qualifications of Covered Accident if it:

- Occurs on or after the Plan’s Effective Date,
- Occurs while coverage is in force, **and**
- Is not specifically excluded.

A Covered Accident **must** occur while you are covered by this Rider.

**Date of Diagnosis** is defined for each Specified Critical Illness as follows:

- **Advanced Alzheimer's Disease:** The date a Doctor Diagnoses you as incapacitated due to Alzheimer's disease.
- **Advanced Parkinson's Disease:** The date a Doctor Diagnoses you 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.
- **Coma:** The first day of the period for which a Doctor confirms a Coma has lasted for 7 consecutive days.
- **Loss of Sight, Speech, or Hearing:** The date the loss is objectively determined by a Doctor to be total and irreversible.
- **Paralysis:** The date a Doctor establishes the Diagnosis of Paralysis on clinical and/or laboratory findings as supported by medical records (based on the Paralysis definition).
- **Severe Burn:** The date the burn takes place.

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

- Is made by a Doctor **and**
- Is based on clinical or laboratory investigations, as supported by the Insured's medical records.

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

Diagnosis must be made and treatment must be received in the United States.

**Specified Critical Illness** 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.

**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
  - Bradykinesia (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.

**Coma** means a state of unconsciousness for 7 consecutive days with:

- No reaction to external stimuli,
- No reaction to internal needs, **and**
- The use of life support systems.

### ***Loss of Sight, Speech, or Hearing***

- ***Loss of Sight*** means the total and irreversible loss of all sight in both eyes.
- ***Loss of Speech*** means the total and permanent loss of the ability to speak.
- ***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.

***Paralysis or Paralyzed*** means the permanent, total, and irreversible loss of muscle function to the whole of at least two limbs as a result of a Covered Accident or disease. This must be supported by neurological evidence.

***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.

***Waiting Period*** means the number of days after the Effective Date before we will pay benefits for loss due to a Specified Critical Illness. We will not pay benefits for a Specified Critical Illness that begins during the Waiting Period.

## **Benefit Provisions**

### **Specified Critical Illness Benefit**

We will pay the Specified Critical Illness Benefit if you are Diagnosed with one of the Specified Critical Illnesses shown in the Rider Schedule **if**:

- The Date of Diagnosis is after the Waiting Period,
- The Date of Diagnosis is while this Rider is in force, **and**
- The Specified Critical Illness is not excluded by name or by specific description in this Rider.

We will pay the indicated percentages of the applicable benefit amount shown in the Rider Schedule for loss occurring while this Rider is in force. We will not pay benefits under this Rider if these conditions result from another Specified Critical Illness. For benefits to be payable on multiple Specified Critical Illnesses, the date of loss for each Illness must be separated by at least 12 months.

## **Limitations and Exclusions**

This Plan contains a 30-day Waiting Period. This means that we will not pay benefits to an Insured who has been Diagnosed before his coverage has been in force 30 days from the Effective Date. If a Critical Illness is first Diagnosed during the Waiting Period, we will only pay benefits for loss beginning after coverage has been in force for 12 months. Or, the Insured may elect to void the Certificate from the beginning and receive a full premium refund.

### **Pre-Existing Conditions Limitation**

***Pre-existing Condition*** is a sickness or physical condition that existed within the 12-month period before the Insured's Effective Date. For this Pre-existing Condition, a medical professional must have advised, Diagnosed, or treated the Insured.

We will **not** pay benefits for any Critical Illness resulting from or affected by a Pre-existing Condition if the Critical Illness was Diagnosed within the 12-month period after the Insured's Effective Date.

The Company will not reduce or deny a claim for benefits for any Critical Illness that was Diagnosed more than 12

months after the Effective Date of this Rider.

## **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:**
  - Abuse of legally-obtained prescription medication
  - Illegal use of non-prescription drugs

## **General Provisions**

### **Time Limit on Certain Defenses**

After two years from the Insured's Effective Date of coverage, the Company may not void coverage or deny a claim for any loss because of misstatements made on the Insured's Application. This does not apply to fraudulent misstatements.

### **Contract**

This Rider is part of the Critical Illness Certificate. It will terminate when:

- That Certificate terminates, **or**
- Premiums are no longer paid for this Rider.

The Rider Schedule shows the premium amount. Premiums for this Rider must be paid for the number of years shown in the Rider Schedule or until the Rider terminates.

This Rider is subject to all of the terms of the Critical Illness Certificate to which it is attached unless those terms are inconsistent with this Rider.

Signed for the Company at its Home Office,



Teresa White, President



J. Matthew Loudermilk, Secretary



## **BENEFITS**

<b>Advanced Alzheimer's Disease</b>	25% of applicable Face Amount
<b>Advanced Parkinson's Disease</b>	25% of applicable Face Amount
<b>Benign Brain Tumor</b>	100% of applicable Face Amount
<b>Coma</b>	100% of applicable Face Amount
<b>Loss of Sight, Speech or Hearing</b>	
Loss of Sight	100% of applicable Face Amount
Loss of Speech	100% of applicable Face Amount
Loss of Hearing	100% of applicable Face Amount
<b>Paralysis</b>	100% of applicable Face Amount
<b>Severe Burn</b>	100% of applicable Face Amount



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### HEART EVENT RIDER TO CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE FOR SPECIFIED CRITICAL ILLNESS

This rider is a part of the certificate to which it is attached. We have issued this rider to you because (1) you paid the additional premium for this rider; and/or (2) we relied on the application you made. Unless amended by this rider, Certificate Definitions, other Provisions and terms apply to this rider.

The Benefits provided in this rider amends any benefits shown in the base plan for the same conditions. In no case will benefits be paid in excess of 100% of the face amount.

**Effective Date** - If issued at the same time as the certificate, this rider becomes effective when the certificate becomes effective. If issued after the certificate becomes effective, this rider will have a later Effective Date, which will be shown in the Rider Schedule issued with this rider.

#### DEFINITIONS

**Specified Critical Illness** means such illness shown in the Schedule and as defined in this rider.

**Waiting Period** means the number of days after the Effective Date before we will pay benefits for loss due to Specified Critical Illness. We won't pay benefits for a Specified Critical Illness which begins during the Waiting Period.

**Diagnosed/Diagnosis** means a definitive and unequivocal diagnosis made by a Physician: (1) based upon the use of clinical and/or laboratory investigations as supported by the Insured's medical records; and (2) meeting any Diagnostic Requirements set forth in the Certificate for the particular Critical Illness being diagnosed. For Benefit purposes, Date of Diagnosis means both the date the surgery or procedure occurs.

**Treatment** means consultation, care or services provided by a physician including diagnostic measures and surgical procedures.

#### Actively At Work Requirement

If an Insured is not actively at work on the last scheduled work day coincident with or preceding the date his insurance would otherwise become effective, insurance will not be effective until the date such Insured returns to and remains actively at work.

If an Eligible Dependent is unable to engage in the normal activities of a person in good health of like age and sex on the date the insurance would otherwise become effective, coverage will not be effective until the date such person is able to engage in the normal activities of a person in good health of like age and sex. This will not apply to an Eligible Dependant Child who is incapable of self-sustaining employment by reason of mental or physical incapacity, and who is primarily dependent on the Insured for support and maintenance.

## BENEFIT DEFINITIONS

### Category I - Specified Surgeries of the Heart

**Specified Surgeries of the Heart** "open heart surgery"– means undergoing open chest surgery, where the heart is *exposed* and/or *manipulated* for open cardiothoracic situations.

Benefits are paid for the following Open Heart Surgery procedures only:

1. **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 when the blockages are hard to reach or are too long or hard for angioplasty. A blood vessel, usually taken from the leg or chest, 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 this rider.

2. **Mitral valve replacement or repair:** a cardiac surgery procedure in which a patient's mitral valve is repaired or replaced by a different valve.
3. **Aortic valve replacement or repair:** a cardiac surgery procedure in which a patient's aortic valve is repaired or replaced by a different valve.
4. **Surgical Treatment of Abdominal aortic aneurysm:** To prevent aneurysm rupture. The operation consists of opening the abdomen, finding the aorta and removing (excising) the aneurysm. Abdominal aortic aneurysm is a ballooning or widening of the main artery (the aorta) as it courses down through the abdomen. At the point of the aneurysm, the aneurysm generally measures 3 cm or more in diameter.

**Category I Benefits exclude all procedures not specifically listed above, including procedures such as, but not limited to, angioplasty, laser relief, stents or other surgical and non-surgical procedures.**

### Category II - Invasive, Procedures and Techniques of the Heart

A Category II Benefit is paid for the following procedures only:

1. **AngioJet Clot Busting** used to clear 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.
2. **Balloon Angioplasty (or Balloon valvuloplasty )** used to open 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.
3. **Laser Angioplasty.** Similar to balloon angioplasty, a laser tip is used to burn/break down plaque in the clogged blood vessel.
4. **Atherectomy** used to open blocked coronary arteries or clear bypass grafts by using a device on the end of a catheter to cut or shave away atherosclerotic plaque.

5. **Stent implantation.** Where a stainless steel mesh coil is implanted in a narrowed part of an artery to keep it propped open.
6. **Cardiac catheterization** (also called heart catheterization) is a diagnostic and occasionally therapeutic procedure that allows a comprehensive examination of the heart and surrounding blood vessels.
7. **Automatic Implantable (or Internal) Cardioverter Defibrillator (AICD).** Means 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.
8. **Pacemakers.** Means the initial placement of a pacemaker. Pacemakers are implanted to send electrical signals to make the heart beat when your heart'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.

Subject to the re-occurrence benefit in the base plan, only one Category II benefit is payable. Benefits will not be paid for multiple procedures listed under the Category II benefit.

**Category II Benefits exclude all procedures not specifically listed above.**

### **BENEFITS**

We will pay the benefit if you are treated with one of the Specified Surgical Procedures or Interventional Procedures shown on the Rider Schedule if:

1. The Date of Treatment is after the Waiting Period;
2. Treatment is incurred while this Rider is in force;
3. Treatment is recommended by a physician; **and**
4. It is not excluded by name or specific description in this Rider.

This Rider pays the indicated percentages of the Initial Maximum Benefit Amount shown in the Certificate Schedule that occurs while this Rider is in force. Benefits are not payable under this Rider for Loss if these conditions result from another Specified Critical Illness.

Benefits for Category II will reduce the benefit amounts payable for Category I benefits. Benefits will be paid only at the highest benefit level. If a Category I and II are performed at the same time, benefits are only eligible at the 100% (higher) event and will not exceed the amount Initial Face Amount shown on the Rider Schedule. You are only eligible to receive one payment for each benefit category listed on the schedule page. The Dates of Loss for Covered Procedures must be separated by at least 12 months for benefits to be payable for multiple Covered Procedures.

Payment of initial, re-occurrence, or additional occurrence benefits are subject to the Benefits section of your Certificate.

### **LIMITATIONS AND EXCLUSIONS**

This Rider contains a 30-day Waiting Period. This means no benefits are payable for any Insured who has been diagnosed for a covered condition before coverage has been in force 30 days from the Insured's Effective Date shown in the Rider Schedule.

If an Insured is first diagnosed, and has a covered procedure during the Waiting Period, benefits for treatment of that Specified Critical Illness will apply only to loss commencing after twelve months from the Insured's Effective Date; or, at your option, you may elect to void this rider from the beginning and receive a full refund of premium.

## **PRE-EXISTING CONDITIONS LIMITATION**

"Pre-existing Condition" means a sickness or physical condition which, within the 12-month period prior to an Insured's Effective Date resulted in the Insured receiving medical advice or treatment.

We will not pay benefits for any surgical procedure occurring within 12 months of an Insured's Effective Date which is caused by, contributed to, or resulting from a Pre-existing Condition.

A claim for benefits for loss starting after 12 months from an Insured's Effective Date will not be reduced or denied on the grounds that it is caused by a Pre-existing Condition.

A Critical Illness will no longer be considered Pre-existing at the end of 12 consecutive months starting and ending after an Insured's Effective Date.

Any Benefits for Coronary Artery Bypass Surgery denied under this rider due to pre-existing conditions may be paid at the reduced benefit amount under the certificate, subject to the terms of the certificate.

## **EXCLUSIONS**

1. No benefits will be paid if the Specified Critical Illness is a result of:
  - a. Intentionally self-inflicted injury or action;
  - b. Suicide or attempted suicide while sane or insane;
  - c. Illegal activities or participation in an illegal occupation;
  - d. War, declared or undeclared, or military conflicts, participation in an insurrection or riot, civil commotion or state of belligerence; **or**
  - e. An injury sustained while under the influence of alcohol, narcotics or any other controlled substance or drug unless properly administered upon the advice of a physician.
2. No benefits will be paid for loss which occurred prior to the effective date of this Rider.

## **GENERAL PROVISIONS**

1. This Rider is part of the Critical Illness Certificate and will terminate when that Certificate terminates, or when premiums are no longer paid for this Rider.
2. The premium for this Rider is shown in the Rider Schedule. Premiums for this Rider are payable for the number of years shown in the Rider Schedule or until the Rider terminates.
3. This Rider is subject to all of the terms of the Critical Illness Certificate to which it is attached unless any such items are inconsistent with the terms of this Rider.

**Signed for the Company at its Home Office.**



**Teresa White, President**



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## **RIDER SCHEDULE**

### **BENEFITS**

Initial Benefit Amount: **See Certificate Schedule**

#### **Category I**

**Specified Surgeries of the Heart 100% of Initial Benefit amount**

#### **Category II**

**Invasive Procedures and techniques of the heart 10% of Initial Benefit amount**

Benefits for Category II will reduce the benefit amounts payable for Category I benefits. Benefits will be paid only at the highest benefit level. If a Category I and II are performed at the same time, benefits are only eligible at the 100% (higher) event and will not exceed the amount Initial Face Amount shown on the Rider Schedule.

The Dates of Loss for Category I or Category II Covered Procedures must be separated by at least 12 months for benefits to be payable for multiple Covered Procedures.