

Life insurance

Underwriting that's fast, easy and just right

Underwriting guide





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Save time with the right programs and services

Helping clients achieve the best ratings possible and having more time to sell is easy when you take advantage of our valuable programs and services.

The following is a high-level glance at our offerings. Then for the remainder of the guide, we'll take a closer look at our programs and guidelines.



Competitive turnaround times

- We have an expanded team to help expedite your cases.
- We offer top-tier industry time service.
- A 1035 unit proactively expedites the transfer of proceeds.
- Principal Accelerated UnderwritingSM helps expedite underwriting in as little a 24 hours (for applicants who qualify).

Easy to work with

- Applications are accepted electronically or by fax (1035 paperwork needs wet signature). Toll-free fax: 866-542-1359
- Submit an informal inquiry using our Quick Quotes System.
- Dedicated home office case managers are available, plus access to your underwriter when you need it. Toll-free phone: 800-654-4278
- Clients have the option to complete the medical portion of the application via our online Part B or a TeleApp.



Competitive survivorship features

Reconsideration

- Available for rated or uninsurable risks
- Underwriting for second insured not required

Seven classes of uninsurable

- U1 (our most favorable uninsurable risk class) through U7 (life expectancy of less than one year)
- No minimum life expectancy

Opt-out underwriting

- For U7 risks with life expectancy less than one year
- Routine requirements waived



New business application forms

Principal® provides easy access to life new business application forms in Virtual Supply on the advisor website. We have also teamed with the following companies to ensure our application materials are available to customers who subscribe to their services.

iPipeline[™] • Ebix's Vital Forms

Submitting new applications

Submit new business applications electronically to help streamline the new business process. We support the following electronic submissions:

- Principal Direct FTP (file transfer protocol)
- Principal FTP website

We have also teamed with the following companies to ensure new application submission is available to customers who subscribe to their services:

- PaperClip Incorporated
 iPipeline's iGO™
- ExamOne

Traditional submissions such as U.S. mail and fax are also welcomed.

Pending case status

Receive important up-to-date information on pending life and disability insurance new business via:

- Principal Pending Business Report
- Principal Direct FTP from us in ACORD format

We have also teamed with the following companies to ensure our pending new business information is available to customers who subscribe to their services:

- Oracle/SkyWire AgencyWorks
- SmartOffice™

We have also teamed with the following companies to ensure underwriting rules are available to customers who subscribe to their services:

XRAE



Business case advantage

Flexible, partnership approach – collaborate for creative solutions

- Understand concept and key issues
- Work with Advanced Solutions when needed

Multi-life underwriting

- Available for employer-sponsored plans
- Multiple underwriting programs available
- Home office pre-approval required

Nonqualified executive benefits – aggregate funding on COLI

- Liberalized financial underwriting limits
 - > 30 times income to age 55
 - > 15 times income age 56 and over
- Streamlined underwriting requirements
 - > Physical measurements + ECG + Labs + APS
 - > No paramed or MD exams required
 - > No inspections required
 - > Employer census provides financial information
- Preliminary underwriting and selection of participants using TeleApp
- Added level of service we order all requirements and APS reports for you
- Pre-completed application forms provided for formal signatures

Accelerated Underwriting

Get cases issued faster and easier with Principal Accelerated Underwriting.



Decisions within 24 hours



The elimination of lab testing and paramed exams for 45-55 percent of applicants who apply¹

How does it work?

Step 1. Complete Part A and C of the application, including Producer Report, HIPAA, Informed Consent Form, etc. Do not schedule the paramed appointment. Indicate "Acc Und" on the Producer Report (and agency transmittal if submitted) to alert the case manager that this is an Accelerated Underwriting case.

Step 2. Determine how the client would like to complete Part B of the application — online or via a telephone interview. To complete using the online Part B, initiate the client email using the Part B Request Form. To complete using the TeleApp, call 888-TeleApp (888-835-3277), option 0. Have the client complete an interview immediately, or you can schedule a future appointment using our online scheduler tool. Make sure you tell the interviewer that this is an Accelerated Underwriting application.

TeleApp Contact Center hours:

Monday - Thursday: 7 a.m. - 10 p.m. CT

Friday: 7 a.m. – 7 p.m. CT

Step 3. Underwriting evaluates the online application or telephone interview, Motor Vehicle Report, prescription history and MIB Inc. report. If the application is approved for Accelerated Underwriting, it proceeds to issue. If not approved, a paramed appointment will be scheduled plus any additional requirements. Use the checklist below to help determine if your clients(s) are part of the 45-55 percent who qualify.

¹Based on age, product, face amount and personal history.

Eligibility requirements

Ages: 18-60

Face amount: \$50,000 - \$1 million

Products available: Term (10-, 15-, 20-, and 30-year), UL, IUL, VUL, SUL,

or Benefit VUL II (NY only)

- Build must be within the recommended weight limits. See chart on following page.
- No major medical condition(s) (see list on following page).
- If previously underwritten by Principal coverage was approved at Standard or better.²
- Applicant must reside in the U.S. and be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident with no travel to hazardous locations.
- Stated blood pressure less than 155/92 for ages < 45 and 160/92 for ages ≥ 45.
- Total cholesterol is less than 275.
- No tobacco use in last five years.
- Tobacco use includes any tobacco or nicotine product (i.e., cigar, patch, gum & marijuana)

- No history of bankruptcy in the past five years.
- No marijuana use within the past five years.
- No more than one DUI or reckless driving event within the past 10 years.
- No felony conviction in the last 10 years.
- No life, health or disability insurance has been rated, ridered or declined.
- No prior informal request to Principal within the last 24 months.
- If exam requirements or labs have been completed in the prior 12 months for life or DI coverage, we'll request the results of those requirements. See the Q&A for additional details.
- Online Part B or TeleApp has been completed by client.

²May not use any special underwriting program or reinsurance to qualify for underwriting classification.

Underwriting build chart

	Ages	18-44			Ages	45-6)	
Height	Weight	Height	Weight	Height	Weight	H	leight	Weight
4'8	75 – 162	5'9	113 – 247	4'8	75 – 167		5'9	113 – 253
4'9	78 – 168	5'10	116-254	4'9	78 – 173		5'10	116-261
4'10	80-174	5'11	120-261	4'10	80 – 179		5'11	120-268
4'11	83 – 180	6'0	123 – 269	4'11	83 – 185		6'0	123 – 276
5'0	86 – 186	6'1	127 – 276	5'0	86 – 192		6'1	127 – 284
5'1	89 – 193	6'2	130 – 284	5'1	89 – 198		6'2	130 – 292
5'2	92 – 199	6'3	134 – 292	5'2	92 – 205		6'3	134 – 300
5'3	95 – 206	6'4	137 – 300	5'3	95 – 211		6'4	137 – 308
5'4	98-212	6'5	141 – 307	5'4	98-218		6'5	141 – 316
5'5	101 – 219	6'6	144 – 315	5'5	101 – 225		6'6	144 – 324
5'6	104 – 226	6'7	148 – 323	5'6	104 – 232		6'7	148 – 332
5'7	107 – 233	6'8	152 – 332	5'7	107 – 239		6'8	152 – 341
5'8	110-240	6'9	155 – 340	5'8	110 – 246		6'9	155 – 349

Note: Traditional underwriting is required for builds that are off the chart.

NO major medical conditions, such as:

Alcohol abuse and/or treatment	Drug abuse and/or treatment	Melanoma
Atrial Fibrillation	Epilepsy/Seizure	Multiple Sclerosis (MS)
Barrett's Esophagus	Gastric Bypass/Lap Band	Parkinson's Disease
Bipolar Disorder	Heart Disease/Surgery – all forms	Peripheral Artery Disease (PAD)/ Peripheral Vascular Disease (PVD)
Cancer (exceptions: Basal Cell and Squamous Cell Carcinomas)	Hepatitis	Rheumatoid Arthritis (RA)
Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD/Emphysema)	Hypertension (diagnosed within six months)	Sleep Apnea
Crohn's Disease	Kidney Disease	Stroke/Transient Ischemic Attack (TIA)
Diabetes	SLE/Lupus	Ulcerative Colitis (UC)

Note: Advanced diagnostic testing, biopsies, cardiac testing and other medical history may require an attending physician's statement. When attending physician's statements are ordered, we will require traditional underwriting.

Automatic Standard Approval Program

How it works

Give clients a rating boost. Our Automatic Standard Approval Program (ASAP) is designed to help eliminate low substandard ratings. While some companies have eliminated their program or changed their guidelines, Principal still supports ASAP.

ASAP guidelines

- > Up to \$5 million face amount
- > Up to Table 3 or flat extra to \$7.50/\$1,000
- Permanent products only* (both lives are eligible for Survivorship UL Protector II)
- > Applicable through age 70
- Medical ratings only [no driving, hazardous sports, aviation or lifestyle cases (drug/alcohol use)]
- > Can be used with Healthy Lifestyle Credits
- > Cannot be used with a combo of Table Rating + Flat Extra

How does our program differ from other companies?

Principal does not limit or exclude cancer or coronary heart disease. Many competitors use the same criteria, but they exclude cancer or coronary. Also, our Healthy Lifestyle Credit (HLC) program can be used in conjunction with ASAP. The combination of HLC and ASAP provides an opportunity in some cases to move somebody outside a Table 3 to Standard. For example, when we rate a person a Table 5 and use HLC to get them to a Table 3, we can then use ASAP to get to a Standard rating.

What are the benefits?

Our ASAP eliminates the low, substandard ratings that can be the most challenging to present to your client. Consequently, you can present an offer to a client that has a greater chance of being placed. The greatest benefit is the competitive Standard rate received by your client without a reduction in the compensation paid to you.

ASAP in action

Proposed insured	Product type	Medical condition	Underwriting offer
Ben, age 55, 6 ft, 265 lbs	UL	 Moderate rheumatoid arthritis using Humira High blood pressure and high cholesterol, both controlled with medication Normal stress test within three years Annual exams with DRE and PSA 	Standard using Healthy Lifestyle Credits and ASAP together
Mark, age 68		 Diabetes, good control Proteinuria, mild Hypertension and cholesterol, well-controlled Table 3 risk 	
Ruth, age 70	SUL	 Mild CAD in several vessels Favorable stress tests, well-controlled CV risk factors OSA, moderate, compliant with CPAP Table 3 risk 	Standard on both lives using ASAP

For product-specific eligibility, contact your home office underwriter.

Unlike many of our competitors, Principal does not exclude cancer or coronary artery disease from our Automatic Standard Approval Program.

Healthy Lifestyle Credits

What are Healthy Lifestyle Credits?

All applicants should be given credit for doing the right things to take care of themselves.

Because of this philosophy, we use Healthy Lifestyle Credits (HLCs) as an underwriting tool to help clients get the most favorable rating possible. The underlying basis of our HLCs is an evaluation of several coronary and cancer risk factors of a client as follows.

How do HLCs help your clients?

Our underwriters review an applicant's risk profile factors and assign positive or negative points. When finished, they use the applicant's results to determine the final underwriting rating. This allows us to reduce or eliminate a table rating or even improve Standard or better risks for the proposed insured.¹ Favorable HLCs can help your clients earn up to two tables of credit that offset table ratings that have been assessed and may even improve Standard or better risks up to one class if they have enough favorable credits. Our Automatic Standard Approval Program, which is designed to help eliminate low substandard ratings, can also be used in conjunction with HLCs. Here are a few guidelines to keep in mind with HLCs:

- Ratings for asthma, anxiety, depression, colitis, sleep apnea, body build and blood pressure are examples of covered conditions. (This listing is not all inclusive of covered conditions.)
- Temporary flat extras of \$5 per \$1,000 or less can be improved with enough HLCs for qualifying medical conditions, such as some cancers.
- A few conditions are excluded, including ratings for cardiovascular disease, diabetes and permanent flat extras. Flat extras are also excluded for non-medical ratings such as driving, aviation or alcohol and drugs.
- Available for ages 20-85 on all products.

HLC risk profile factors

- > Blood pressure
- > Cholesterol
- > Pulse
- Weight
- Family history
- > Preventive cancer screening tests
- > Preventive heart screening tests
- > Routine physicals

A scoring system is used for each factor, with positive points for favorable factors and negative points for less favorable factors. If a factor is considered neutral, a score of zero is given to reflect the neutral result. These factors combine to make up an insured's Healthy Lifestyle Credit score.

Examples

Proposed insured	Original rating (based on medical history)	Improved rating with HLCs
Mark suffers from depression	Table 5	Table 3
Sue has asthma	Table 4	Table 2
Brian's build falls outside the guidelines	Table 2	Standard
Betty has high blood pressure	Preferred	Super Preferred

¹ Earn up to two tables of credit that offset table ratings that have been assessed. Ratings for cardiovascular disease, diabetes and flat extras are excluded from the HLC program. To improve cases that are Standard risk or better, they must have only one knockout for build, blood pressure or cholesterol and have enough favorable factors for improvement.

Save time with the application

When it comes time to submit the life insurance application, use our online Part B or TeleApp to help guide your clients through the application.

Whether it's online or by telephone, our reflexive questions provide the underwriters with additional insight into the base question responses that the traditional paper application process doesn't provide. That means less back and forth between your client and underwriting trying to clarify vague paper application medical questions, fewer routine requirements and reduced APS ordering.

Here's how it works

Online Part B

- 1 Meet with your client and prepare to submit the life insurance application.
- 2 To use online Part B, notify Principal via:
 - eApp Select "Yes" TeleApp scheduled, then in the confirmation line add "Online."
 - Paper app Comment "Online Part B" on the cover letter or on the Producer Report.
- 3 Initiate the client email that contains the online link using the Part B Request Form. You can also initiate the email link by calling the TeleApp Contact Center at 888-835-3277, main option 1, sub option 4.
- 4 Once we receive the notification, our system will automatically send the client an email with the online Part B link.
 - Follow-up reminder emails will be sent to clients at 5 and 10 days (field office contacts originally listed on the application/Part B Request Form will also receive copies of the reminder emails).
 - If the online Part B isn't complete within 30 days, the link will expire.
 - Once your client has completed online Part B and the rest of the application has been received, the field office contact that was provided on the application will receive an email with a copy of the completed Part B attached.

TeleApp

- 1 Complete Part A (Part I) of the application, and obtain Part C signatures. Determine if the client would prefer to submit the medical information online or by scheduling a telephone interview. Explain the interview process to your client. The TeleApp Guide (BB10268) provides step-by-step instructions to help prepare your client.
- 2 Schedule the interview using our online scheduling tool. Interviews may be scheduled from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. CT, Monday through Thursday, and 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. CT, Friday.
- 3 Submit the initial application and other required forms (supplemental applications, illustrations, blood consent and Field Office Report) to your New Business coordinator for processing.
- 4 The TeleApp interviewer calls your client at the scheduled time and completes the insurability questions (Part B/Part II). The average interview takes 20-25 minutes. A draft copy of the completed interview responses will be sent to you once the application is received in the home office.
- Deliver the policy to the client. The home office provides two copies of the completed application. Your client reviews the information and signs both copies. One copy is attached to the policy and remains with the client. Return the entire packet, along with the signed application (Part D), to the home office.

Scheduling the TeleApp interview

You can choose to have your client complete an immediate interview or you can schedule a future date and time when it is most convenient for your client using the following options:

- To immediately complete the interview, call 888-TeleApp (888-835-3277), option 0.
- To schedule an interview, use our online scheduling form at principal.com/teleapp.

When scheduling an interview, please provide this information:

- Producer's name and phone number
- Client's name, Social Security number and date of birth
- Products and total amounts applied for
- Signature state (the signing state)
- Client's telephone number and time to call

Staying informed

You may access your pending business report on the advisor website at any time to monitor the status of the TeleApp interview. Or you can call our TeleApp department any time you have questions, 888-TeleApp (888-835-3277), option 1.

Preparing your clients

By helping clients know what to expect, we can more efficiently complete the interview and build a positive customer experience. On average, interviews take 20-25 minutes and cover the following topics:

- General activities and health habits
- Annual income and net worth information
- Foreign travel history for the last five years
- Names and dosages for all medications currently being taken
- Names, addresses and phone numbers of medical providers
- Approximate dates of any injuries, surgeries, emergency room visits, hospitalizations, illnesses or conditions



Helpful TeleApp hints

- Immediate interviews are fast and easy. 888-TeleApp (888-835-3277), option 0.
- > Scheduled interviews with a specific date and time have an 80 percent first-call completion rate (35 percent when not scheduled). If you're not completing an immediate interview, it's better to schedule a specific day and time.
- When scheduling an interview, let us know the state in which the application was signed.
 We can then tailor the interview to the state-specific application questions.
- The confirmation number provided by the TeleApp counselor and the date and time of the interview should be recorded on the Field Office Report for Life applications or the Producer's Report for Disability applications.



For more information

> Go to principal.com/teleapp.

Impairments

The impairment information on the following pages has been provided to help give you a general idea of potential underwriting outcomes based on medical and non-medical life insurance underwriting.

By initially obtaining specific, detailed information, your underwriter will be able to provide the right quote quickly and easily.

Descriptions of possible underwriting outcomes represent tentative, non-binding assessments based on hypothetical parameters using our underwriting guidelines at the time of publication. Actual underwriting outcomes may possibly be more favorable than illustrated using available Healthy Lifestyle Credits and our Automatic Standard Approval Program (ASAP). We reserve the right to apply individual consideration to any case. All cases are subject to full underwriting, and assessments are subject to change based on actual file review. For more information, contact your home office underwriter.

The impairments table is set up as follows:

Impairment

The name of the impairment, including a short description. Conditions are listed alphabetically.

Risk factors	Typical requirements	Likely underwriting decision
The criteria the underwriter uses to classify the risk	Medical requirements the underwriter is likely to request in addition to the routine age and amount medical requirements For faster decision: These are the specific details to include in your application package to enable the underwriter to quickly and easily provide the right quote. This information may be used to determine appropriate APS acquisition, thereby expediting the underwriting process and limiting the need for subsequent requirement requests.	The risk classification or rating necessary for the impairment based on the factors and requirements presented. Many impairments outline a best-case scenario, typical case and worst-case rating.

Impairments / Medical

Alcohol abuse

(Includes alcoholism and problem drinking)

Risk factors Typical requirements Likely underwriting decision • Current age **Requirements:** Ratings depend primarily on applicant's age, time since last APS, medical exam, MVR, blood Amount of past and use and any co-morbid factors. present alcohol test, alcohol questionnaire, consumption declared inspection report selectively Alcoholism: • Any diagnosis of abuse or For faster decision: **Best Case:** dependence Standard (> six years since last • Provide details of medical • Past history of treatment consumption) treatment. • Results of all **Worst Case:** • Document any residential investigations, including Decline care/treatment including liver enzymes and alcohol dates and length of treatment. **Problem drinking:** • Outline any favorable aspects • How long abstinent or **Best Case:** such as continued consuming in moderation Table 2-4 (over age 30 employment, attendance in and mild) Any relapses Alcoholics Anonymous or • Member of a self-help **Worst Case:** similar body, etc. Decline group such as Alcoholics Anonymous · Treatment with medication • Any co-morbid conditions, including any history of other substance abuse, driving offenses or participation in hazardous sports • Any history of marital or job instability • Any medical complications

Alzheimer's disease

Risk factors	Typical requirements	Likely underwriting decision
 Current age Age at onset of symptoms Treatment, including any medications Activities of daily living Living independently Type of assistance, if required Judgment intact Stable course 	Requirements: APS, Inspection Report selectively For faster decision: • Any neuropsychiatric testing such as cognitive or memory testing • Activity levels • ADLs affected • IADLs affected	All cases: Decline

Anemia

Risk factors

- Type of anemia
- Severity/degree of anemia
- Cause of anemia, if known
- Treatment
- · Blood test results
- Details of testing done and referrals to specialists/ hematologists (include dates, names of tests and doctors seen)
- Medications
- Any concurrent impairment

Typical requirements

Requirements:

APS

For faster decision:

- Results of all investigations and testing to include cause and/or source of bleeding
- · Details of treatment
- Details of ongoing surveillance of the condition, including recent complete blood count (CBC)

Likely underwriting decision

Ratings depend on type of anemia and assume anemia is fully investigated and stable. Decisions can range from Preferred to Decline.

Iron deficiency anemia: Preferred possible for best-case scenario

Hemolytic anemia: Preferred possible for best-case scenario

Aneurysm

Risk factors

- Precise diagnosis
- Type or location of aneurysm
- Date of diagnosis
- Cause
- Size and stability of aneurysm
- Currently present
- Treatment
- Smoking history
- Presence of associated coronary artery disease, hypertension, cerebrovascular, other peripheral vascular or renal disease, or COPD
- Blood pressure control

Typical requirements

Requirements:

APS

For faster decision:

- All tests and details of ongoing surveillance
- Details of any lifestyle modifications
- Details of blood pressure and lipid control
- Presence of associated coronary artery disease, hypertension, cerebrovascular, other peripheral vascular or renal disease, or COPD
- Smoking history
- Presence or absence of symptoms

Likely underwriting decision

Can consider on a rated basis 6 to 12 months post-op depending on the type of aneurysm.

Abdominal:

No surgery: Best case is Table 6 provided diameter <5 cm, with no increase in size within last three years or since diagnosis

If diameter >5 cm: Decline With surgery: Individual consideration

Cerebral:

No surgery: \$7.50 per \$1,000 if small, stable and no complications

Large: Decline

With surgery: Standard after

two years

Thoracic:

No Surgery: Decline

With Surgery: Table 4 after

two years

Angina pectoris

Risk factors	Typical requirements	Likely underwriting decision
Refer to Coronary Artery Disease.		

Angioplasty

Risk factors	Typical requirements	Likely underwriting decision
Refer to Coronary Artery Disease.		

Apnea/sleep apnea

Risk factors	Typical requirements	Likely underwriting decision
 Current age Type of apnea (obstructive, central or mixed) Severity Treatment (CPAP or surgery) Compliance with treatment Date of last sleep study Current height/weight Presence of cardiovascular disease and/or risk factors including hypertension, arrhythmias Any associated overweight or obesity Smoking history 	Requirement: APS For faster decision: Type, frequency, severity, and duration of symptoms Results of sleep study including, apnea index and degree of oxygen desaturation Treatment and compliance with treatment Any associated impairments History of motor vehicle or industrial accidents attributed to sleepiness	Mild disease and no complications: Preferred or Super Preferred possible Moderate disease untreated and no complications: Table 2-3 Moderate disease treated and compliant with therapy: Preferred possible Severe disease untreated and no complications: Decline Severe disease treated and compliant with therapy. Best case: Standard after two years compliance with treatment

Arteriosclerosis

Risk factors	Typical requirements	Likely underwriting decision
Refer to Coronary Artery Disease.		

Asthma

Risk factors	Typical requirements	Likely underwriting decision
 Current age Date of diagnosis Current symptoms Frequency and severity of asthma attacks Type of medication and frequency of use Compliant with medications Hospitalizations or ER visits Limitations to activities Smoking history Occupational or environmental exposure Concurrent impairments such as COPD, psychiatric disorder, alcohol abuse, CAD 	Requirement: APS For faster decision: Results of investigations including pulmonary function tests Frequency of symptoms Duration and intensity of exacerbations Treatment and response to treatment Frequency of night-time symptoms Smoking history Time off work Level of activity	Minimal or mild asthma: Preferred or Super Preferred Moderate: Standard to Table 2 Severe: Table 6 to Decline

Atrial fibrillation

Atrial fibrillation		
Risk factors	Typical requirements	Likely underwriting decision
 Date of diagnosis and age at onset Age of applicant Frequency of attacks Associated symptoms and complications Risk factors for stroke Exercise tolerance Underlying cardiac and non-cardiac disease Full cardiac evaluation Paroxysmal vs. Chronic Treatment including use of anticoagulant medication 	Requirement: APS For faster decision: Type of atrial fibrillation Details of treatment Copies of all cardiac Investigations Current level of activity	Found on examination, no investigation: Postpone Paroxysmal Atrial Fibrillation (PAF) with infrequent attacks: Standard Chronic Atrial Fibrillation: Table 2-6 Less favorable outcome for co-morbid complications

Barrett's esophagus

Risk factors	Typical requirements	Likely underwriting decision
 Current age Ongoing risk factors Results of all investigations including biopsy Stable course Medication/treatment Response to medication treatment Compliant with medical treatment and surveillance Complications (e.g., hemorrhage, perforation) 	Requirement: APS For faster decision: Results of all investigations including biopsy Details of ongoing follow-up (e.g., endoscopy) Details of lifestyle modification (stop smoking and alcohol use)	Best case: Preferred or Super Preferred if no dysplasia and good follow-up done on a regular basis Typical case: Standard to Table 2 Worst case: Decline

Blood pressure

Risk factors	Typical requirements	Likely underwriting decision
Refer to Hypertension.		
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Bypass surgery

Risk factors	Typical requirements	Likely underwriting decision
Refer to Coronary Artery Disease.		

Cancer

Risk factors	Typical requirements	Likely underwriting decision
Refer to specific organ or type of cancer.		For all forms of cancer: Consideration for insurance begins once treatment has been completed, assuming the client is well followed.

Basal Cell Carcinoma/Squamous Cell Carcinoma

Risk factors	Typical requirements	Likely underwriting decision
 Date of diagnosis Pathology reports including confirmation of basal cell carcinoma Type of treatment Date treatment completed Confirmation that tumor has been removed completely Family history of atypical/dysplastic nevi or dysplastic nevis syndrome Details of regular full body surface skin examinations Any recurrence or spread Ongoing risk factors such as multiple dysplastic nevi and a propensity to develop other skin cancers Any serious complications from treatment 	Requirement: APS For faster decision: Pathology report including post-operative Details of ongoing follow-up Details of lifestyle modification (sun screen, stop smoking)	Complete excision: Possible Preferred or Super Preferred

Cancer:

Breast

Risk factors	Typical requirements	Likely underwriting decision
 Date of diagnosis Type and stage of cancer Size of tumor Type of treatment Date treatment completed Any recurrence or spread Any serious complications from treatment 	Requirement: APS For faster decision: Pathology report Stage and grade of tumor Details and date(s) of treatment, including any adjunct therapy (e.g., Tamoxifen) Hospital reports Details of follow-up (mammograms, bone scan, etc.)	Best case: Standard for carcinoma in situ after 2-3 years since treatment Typical case: Unable to consider until 2-3 years after completion of treatment (chemo or radiation), then possible Table rating and/or a flat extra depending on stage and grade Worst case: Decline

Colon

Risk factors	Typical requirements	Likely underwriting decision
 Date of diagnosis Stage and grade of the tumor Any hereditary syndrome that may be associated with other types of cancer Family history of colon cancer types of cancer What treatment Length of remission Ongoing follow-up including colonoscopy results Any recurrence Any complications from treatment 	Requirement: APS For faster decision: Pathology report and staging information Details and date(s) of treatment Hospital reports Details of follow-up (colonoscopy and tumor markers)	Best case: Standard after three years Typical case: Unable to consider until 2-3 years after completion of treatment (chemo or radiation), then possible Table rating and/or a flat extra depending on stage and grade Worst case: Decline

Cancer:

Leukemia

Risk factors	Typical requirements	Likely underwriting decision
 Current age Date of diagnosis Type of leukemia and stage of cancer Treatment Date treatment completed Any recurrence or secondary cancer 	Requirements: APS, blood testing if current results are not available For faster decision: Pathology reports Evidence of regular follow-up Hospital treatment reports	Acute lymphoid leukemia/ acute myeloid leukemia: Best case: Standard Typical case: Standard with a flat extra Worst case: Decline Chronic lymphoid leukemia/ hairy cell leukemia: Best case: Table 4 Typical case: Table 8 – Decline Worst case: Decline

Lung

Risk factors

- Current age
- Date of diagnosis
- Type of cell and stage of cancer
- Type of treatment
- Date treatment completed
- Any recurrence or spread
- Reduced/eliminated risk factors (e.g., smoking)
- Any concurrent impairment (e.g., emphysema or chronic bronchitis)
- Any serious complications from treatment

Typical requirements

Requirement:

APS

For faster decision:

- Pathology report and staging
- Treatment and hospital report
- Evidence of regular follow-up (CT scans etc.)

Likely underwriting decision

Carcinoma (all types) Stage 1:

Best case:

Standard after eight years

Typical case:

Standard with a flat extra

Worst case:

Decline if less than or equal to three years since primary treatment

Stage 2-3:

Best case:

Standard after nine years

Typical case:

Standard with a flat extra

Worst case:

Decline if less than or equal to five years since primary treatment

Cancer:

Prostate

Risk factors

- Current age
- Date of diagnosis
- Type of treatment
- Date treatment completed
- Stage and Gleason Grade
- Any recurrence or spread
- Serial PSA levels including current PSA
- Any serious complications from treatment

Typical requirements

Requirements:

APS, blood profile to include PSA if current results are not available

For faster decision:

- Pathology reports
- Type of treatment
- Evidence of regular follow-up and PSA testing
- Copies of PSA tests

Likely underwriting decision

If client is under age 70, rate class will depend on years since primary treatment, the stage of cancer and Gleason grade of the tumor.

Best case:

Standard

Typical case:

Standard with a flat extra

Worst case:

Decline

Malignant melanoma

Risk factors	Typical requirements	Likely underwriting decision
 Date of diagnosis Type of cancer/tumor Depth and thickness of tumor Type of treatment Date treatment completed Any recurrence or spread Details of regular full body surface skin examinations Ongoing risk factors like multiple dysplastic nevi and a propensity to develop other skin cancers Any serious complications from treatment 	Requirement: APS For faster decision: Pathology report Evidence of regular dermatology follow-up Hospital treatment reports	Best case: Standard Typical case: Standard with a flat extra Worst case: Decline

Cancer:

Thyroid

Risk factors	Typical requirements	Likely underwriting decision
 Type of thyroid cancer (papillary, follicular, anaplastic, etc.) Pathology Age of applicant Type of treatment and date(s) performed Any remission and for how long Any recurrence Any complications from treatment 	Requirements: APS For faster decision: • Pathology report • Treatment and hospital report • Evidence of regular follow-up	Best case: Standard Typical case: Standard or Standard with a flat extra Worst case: Decline

Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD)

 Current age Smoking history and current tobacco use Build, any current weight loss Severity of symptoms Degree of impaired respiratory function Speed of disease progression Alpha-1 antitrypsin deficiency or other biochemical abnormality Requirement: APS Standard Typical case:
 Any concurrent impairment (e.g., CAD, cancer, malnutrition) Any hospitalization Any treatment with oxygen is a decline

Risk factors	Typical requirements	Likely underwriting decision
 Current age Date of diagnosis and age at onset Severity of the disease (how many vessels and which ones) Current symptoms Treatment Medications Smoking history Any concurrent serious impairment Any history of congestive heart failure or arrhythmia Active lifestyle Blood pressure and cholesterol readings Family history 	Requirements: APS, EKG (or TST) if current test is not available For faster decision: Cardiac test results (e.g., angiogram, recent stress tests, perfusion) Detailed list of medications Copies of lipid testing Details of any lifestyle change. Best ratings possible with testing including perfusion and stress echocardiograms within the past 12 months	Unable to consider until six months post-surgery Best case: Standard Typical case: Table 2-8 Worst case: Decline

Crohn's disease

Risk factors	Typical requirements	Likely underwriting decision
 Current age Severity of the disease Frequency of flare ups Severity of symptoms Medication – ongoing oral steroid therapy Hospitalization Surgery Weight stable or loss Testing and follow-up Complications or concurrent impairments such as rheumatoid arthritis or other inflammatory disease 	Requirement: APS For faster decision: Pathology reports Evidence of regular GI surveillance (colonoscopy) Details of hospitalization and hospital reports Stable weight Active lifestyle	Best case: Standard Typical case: Standard – Table 5 Worst case: Table 6 – Decline

Diabetes

Diabetes			
Risk factors	Typical requirements	Likely underwriting decision	
 Current age Date of diagnosis and age at onset Type of diabetes Treatment Medication Degree of control – blood sugar readings Complications – nephropathy or kidney disease, neuropathy, retinopathy, cardiovascular disease Current height and weight Blood pressure 	Requirements: APS, blood (if not already required or current results not available) For faster decision: Type of diabetes including age at onset Copies of specialist reports (neurologist, nephrologist, endocrinologist) History of blood sugar control – copies of blood tests (incl. Hemoglobin A1c where possible) Details of risk factor modification Active lifestyle	Type 1 Also known as Insulin Dependent Diabetes Mellitus (IDDM) Best case: Table 3-4 Typical case: Table 5-8 Worst case: Decline (complications, poor or uncontrolled) Type 2 Also known as Non-Insulin Dependent Mellitus (NIDDM) or Adult Onset Diabetes Best case: Standard Typical case: Table 2-4 Worst case: Decline (complications, poor or uncontrolled)	

Emphysema

Risk factors	Typical requirements	Likely underwriting decision
Refer to COPD.		

Epilepsy/seizure disorder

Risk factors	Typical requirements	Likely underwriting decision
 Age onset Compliance with medication Control of seizures Reason for the seizure activity Any alcohol use Any other significant medical conditions 	 For faster decision: Type of epilepsy Age diagnosed Duration of history Date of last seizure and number of seizures per year 	Best case: Standard Typical case: Table 2-6 Worst case: Decline

Gastric surgery for obesity

Risk factors	Typical requirements	Likely underwriting decision
 Pre-operative weight Current weight Any co-morbid conditions (such as diabetes, hypertension, coronary disease) Date of surgery Type of surgery Any surgical complications Outcome of surgery (weight loss, improvement of risk factors) 	Requirements: APS For faster decision: • Supply all medical reports relating to the surgical procedure and follow-up • Current weight	Unable to consider until 6 months after surgery Restrictive surgery (gastric banding or gastroplasty): 6 months to 3 years: Table 3 >3 years: Standard to Table 2 Malabsorptive surgery/bypass: <1 year: Postpone 1-5 years: Table 4 >5 years: Standard to Table 2

Heart attack

Risk factors	Typical requirements	Likely underwriting decision
Refer to Coronary Artery Disease.		

Hepatitis B

Risk factors	Typical requirements	Likely underwriting decision
 Date of diagnosis Is this acute or chronic infection Laboratory results (liver function) If chronic, was a biopsy done Any alcohol usage or other medical conditions 	Requirement: APS For faster decision: • Laboratory results • Sonograms, CTs, biopsy results	Best case: Standard Typical case: Table 2-6 Worst case: Decline

Hepatitis C

Risk factors	Typical requirements	Likely underwriting decision
 Duration of the disease Laboratory results, including liver function tests Has a biopsy been done Does the client use alcohol, and if so, amount per day 	Requirement: APS For faster decision: • Laboratory results, including liver function tests • Biopsy results • Sonogram and/or CT scan results	If treated with sustained viral response Best case: Standard Typical case: Standard to Table 3 Worst case: Decline - with complications including continued elevated liver enzymes or moderate liver disease on biopsy Untreated Best case: Table 3-4 Typical case: Table 5-8 Worst case: Decline

Hypertension

Risk factors	Typical requirements	Likely underwriting decision
 Current age Date of diagnosis Type of hypertension (essential or secondary to another impairment) Medication/treatment Response to medication treatment Current BP readings and history of readings for past 2 years (demonstrate stable course) Compliant with medical treatment and follow-up Any concurrent impairment (e.g., CAD, stroke, kidney disease, build) 	Requirements: APS, para or medical exam, selectively For faster decision: Record of blood pressure readings Copies of any cardiac investigation Details of risk factor modification Active lifestyle	Rating depends on severity of hypertension. May qualify for Preferred or Super Preferred if well-controlled and compliant with medication.

Liver function test

Risk factors

- How many liver functions are outside the normal lab range?
- Is client taking any medications or using alcohol?
- Is there a medical condition that is causing the elevation in liver function?
- How long has this finding been monitored by the attending physician?
- Is this a new finding which has not been fully evaluated with additional testing?

Typical requirements

Requirements:

APS, Hepatitis screens, all markers, selectively

For faster decision:

- All laboratory tests
- Any sonograms
- Details of medications being taken
- · Amount of alcohol used
- Results of any investigations for elevated liver functions

Likely underwriting decision

Decision will depend on how many liver function results are outside the normal range, the degree of elevation, any other medical conditions, and any diagnosis for the elevated liver function finding.

Best case:

Preferred or Super Preferred

Typical case:

Standard to Table 4

Worst case:

Decline

Myocardial infarction

Risk factors	Typical requirements	Likely underwriting decision
Refer to Coronary Artery Disease.		

Parkinson's disease

Risk factors

- Current age
- Date of diagnosis
- Medication/treatment
- Response to medication treatment
- Severity of the disease
- History of falling or indications of dementia
- Compliant with medical treatment and follow-up
- Any concurrent impairment (e.g., depression)

Requirement:

APS

For faster decision:

Typical requirements

- Details of type of Parkinson's
- Type of treatment
- Compliance and response to medication
- Severity of the disease
- Active and independent lifestyle (outline Activities of Daily Living)

Likely underwriting decision

Best case:

Standard

Typical case:

Table 2-4

Worst case:

Table 5 – Decline

Peripheral artery disease (PAD)/peripheral vascular disease (PVD)

Risk factors	Typical requirements	Likely underwriting decision
 Current age Date of diagnosis Medication/treatment Response to medication treatment Smoking status – if currently smoking this will have a greater impact on disease progression Compliant with medical treatment and follow-up Any concurrent impairment (e.g., CAD, CVD, diabetes, hypertension, build) 	Requirements: APS, medical exam, insurance blood profile, EKG – selectively For faster decision: Copies of any vascular and cardiac investigation Details of any ongoing symptoms Ankle-brachial index (ABI) score Details of risk factor modification Active lifestyle	Best case: Standard Typical case: Table 2-4 Worst case: Table 5 – Decline

Pulmonary nodule

Risk factors	Typical requirements	Likely underwriting decision
 Current age Date of diagnosis Size and number of nodules Any treatment Date treatment completed Benign pathology Reduced/eliminated risk factors (e.g., smoking) Any concurrent impairment (e.g., emphysema or chronic bronchitis) 	Requirement: APS For faster decision: Copies of tests Details of follow-up Demonstrated stability of nodule(s)	Best case: Preferred possible Typical case: Standard Worst case: Decline

Rheumatoid arthritis

Risk factors	Typical requirements	Likely underwriting decision
 Severity of symptoms What medications are being taken Any limitations of daily activities No other significant medical condition(s) 	Requirement: APS For faster decision: Laboratory results	Best case: Preferred possible Typical case: Standard - Table 2 Worst case: Decline

Stroke

Risk factors	Typical requirements	Likely underwriting decision
 Current age Date of diagnosis and age at onset Current symptoms/extent of neurological deficit Cause of stroke Treatment Medications Number of strokes Smoking history Active lifestyle Blood pressure and cholesterol readings Any concurrent serious impairment 	Requirement: APS For faster decision: • Neurology workup (carotid duplex, MRI) • Current function (how active) • Lifestyle modifications	Best case: Table 4 Typical case: Table 4 with a flat extra Worst case: Decline

Transient ischemic attack (TIA)

Risk factors	Typical requirements	Likely underwriting decision
 Current age Date of diagnosis and age at onset Any neurological deficit Number of episodes Treatment Medications Smoking history Test results Active lifestyle Blood pressure and cholesterol readings Any concurrent serious impairment 	Requirement: APS For faster decision: Neurology workup (carotid duplex, MRI) Current function (how active) Lifestyle modifications	Best case: Standard Typical case: Table 2-3 for single TIA, Table 4 with a flat extra for multiple TIAs Worst case: Decline

Ulcerative colitis

Date of last episode Surveill	Standard Typical case: Standard to Table 5 reports of regular Gl re (colonoscopy) nospitalization and eports ght

Impairments / non-medical

Aviation

Risk factors	Typical requirements	Likely underwriting decision
 Current age Pilot experience Flight ratings and type of license held Medical history Lifestyle Where they fly Type of aircraft flown Type of flying Purpose of flights and number of flying hours per year Medical history Lifestyle 	Requirement: Aviation Statement For faster decision: Overall experience Hours flown per year Pilot experience Flight ratings Aircraft Details of specialized flying	Best case: Preferred or Super Preferred possible* Typical case: Standard* Worst case: Aviation Exclusion Rider if available or Decline *Flat extra may apply to base rating

Climbing and mountaineering

Risk factors	Typical requirements	Likely underwriting decision
 Current age Frequency Type of terrain: established trails Altitude/heights Location: North America/ Europe or elsewhere Medical history Lifestyle 	Requirement: Sport Statement, Foreign Travel questionnaire, if applicable For faster decision: Overall experience Frequency Type of terrain Difficulty of climbs	Best case: Preferred or Super Preferred possible* Typical case: Standard* Worst case: Hazardous Sports Exclusion Rider if available or Decline *Flat extra may apply to base rating

Driving

Risk factors	Typical requirements	Likely underwriting decision
 Current age Types of infractions Frequency of infractions DWI (Multiple) Other suspensions and number of suspensions Accident (at fault) Risk-taking avocations 	Requirement: MVR For faster decision: Number and types of violations Date of last violation Date of last suspension, length of, and reason for suspension	Best case/typical case: Preferred or Super Preferred for infrequent, minor violations Worst case: Decline NOTE: A single DUI can be considered with a flat extra 0-1 year since violation. Standard is available after 2-3 years.

Motor vehicle racing

Risk factors	Typical requirements	Likely underwriting decision
 Current age Type of vehicle/size of engine Type of fuel Frequency Speeds attained (average, highest) Type of course Location (outside U.S. or Canada) Concurrent avocations 	Requirements: Sport Statement, Foreign Travel Questionnaire (if applicable) For faster decision: Type of racing and frequency Speeds attained	Best case: Preferred or Super Preferred Typical case: Standard to Standard with a flat extra Worst case: Decline

Scuba diving

Risk factors	Typical requirements	Likely underwriting decision
 Current age Experience including certification Depths and frequency of dives Medical history Lifestyle Dive location (e.g., lake, open ocean, beaches) Dive sites (e.g., wreck, salvage) Diving activities (e.g., search and rescue, caves, ice) Commercial diving 	Requirement: Avocation Questionnaire, Foreign Travel Questionnaire (if applicable) For faster decision: • Type of diving (location, site, activities) • Experience • Frequency	Best case/typical case: Preferred or Super Preferred Worst case: Decline

Height/weight charts

	Super Preferred, Preferred, Super Standard, Standard build height																									
	Age 20-44 male and female																									
Height	Height 4'8" 4'9 4'10 4'11 5'0 5'1 5'2 5'3 5'4 5'5 5'6 5'7 5'8 5'9 5'10 5'11 6'0 6'1 6'2 6'3 6'4 6'5 6'6 6'7 6'8															6'8	6'9									
Super Preferred	129	134	139	144	149	154	159	164	169	174	180	185	191	197	202	208	214	220	226	232	239	245	251	258	264	271
Preferred	138	143	148	153	159	164	170	175	181	186	192	198	204	210	216	222	229	235	242	248	255	262	269	276	283	290
Super Standard	147	152	158	163	169	175	180	186	192	198	205	211	217	224	230	237	244	250	257	264	271	279	286	293	301	308
Standard	162	168	174	180	186	193	199	206	212	219	226	233	240	247	254	261	269	276	284	292	299	307	315	323	332	340

				Sı	ıper	Pre	ferre	ed, F	refe	erre	d, Su	ıper	Sta	ndaı	d, S	tan	dard	l bui	ld h	eigh	it					
	Age 45-64 male and female																									
Height	eight 4'8" 4'9 4'10 4'11 5'0 5'1 5'2 5'3 5'4 5'5 5'6 5'7 5'8 5'9 5'10 5'11 6'0 6'1 6'2 6'3 6'4 6'5 6'6 6'7 6'8															6'9										
Super Preferred	132	136	141	146	151	156	161	167	172	177	183	188	194	200	206	212	218	224	230	236	243	249	256	262	269	276
Preferred	140	146	151	156	161	167	172	178	184	189	195	201	207	213	220	226	232	239	246	252	259	266	273	280	287	294
Super Standard	152	157	163	168	174	180	186	192	198	204	211	217	224	230	237	244	251	258	265	272	280	287	295	302	310	318
Standard	167	173	179	185	192	198	205	211	218	225	232	239	246	253	261	268	276	284	292	300	308	316	324	332	341	349

				Sı	ıper	Pre	ferre	ed, F	refe	errec	d, Su	ıper	Sta	ndaı	rd, S	tand	dard	bui	ld h	eigh	it					
	Age 65 & up male and female																									
Height	4'8"	4'9	4'10	4'11	5'0	5'1	5'2	5'3	5'4	5'5	5'6	5'7	5'8	5'9	5'10	5'11	6'0	6'1	6'2	6'3	6'4	6'5	6'6	6'7	6'8	6'9
Super Preferred	134	139	144	149	154	159	164	169	175	180	186	192	197	203	209	215	221	228	234	240	247	253	260	267	273	280
Preferred	143	148	153	158	164	169	175	181	187	192	198	204	211	217	223	230	236	243	250	256	263	270	277	284	292	299
Super Standard	156	162	167	173	179	185	191	198	204	210	217	224	230	237	244	251	258	266	273	280	288	295	303	311	319	327
Standard	167	173	179	185	192	198	205	211	218	225	232	239	246	253	261	268	276	284	292	300	308	316	324	332	341	349

Super Standard/Preferred/Super Preferred

Give clients credit for managing their health.

Super Standard/Preferred/Super Preferred classes are designed for individuals whom we expect to have lower or better mortality than individuals rated Standard.

How does our program differ from other programs?

- Our Healthy Lifestyle Credits allow us to offset one negative risk factor/knockout if the individual has enough favorable credits.
- We allow individuals taking medication for high blood pressure and cholesterol to qualify for a Preferred rating.
- Preferred ratings are available with aviation/sports exclusions.
- Individuals with an imperfect family history may still qualify for a Preferred rating if they have routine preventative screening tests.

Basic guidelines The following describes our criteria for rating a case Preferred or Super Preferred:

- Preferred ages = 20 to 85;
 Super Preferred ages = 20 to 80
- Principal uses a knockout system. Knockouts are provided on pages 26 and 27.

Healthy Lifestyle Credits can improve the rating up to one class if they have enough favorable credits and only one knockout for build, blood pressure or cholesterol.

- Tobacco use:
 - Super Preferred class requires no tobacco use for prior 60 months.
 - Preferred Non-Tobacco class requires no tobacco use for prior 24 months (prior 36 months for ages 71 to 85).
 - Preferred Tobacco class includes all forms of tobacco.

Examples

Male, age 68

Scenario

- Blood Pressure = 130/87
- 6'0" and 210 pounds
- Pulse = 74 and regular
- Cholesterol/HDL = 6.2
- EKG = normal
- Family history: father suffered a heart attack at age 62
- Last complete physical was 18 months ago, including a colonoscopy and PSA. All results were normal.

Our rating

Client is Super Standard due to a Preferred knockout for cholesterol/HDL ratio. We can improve the rating to Preferred using Healthy Lifestyle Credits (HLCs) based on his other favorable factors and routine physicals.

Final rating:Preferred

Competitor rating

Client is not allowed the Preferred class due to high cholesterol/HDL.

Female, age 52

Scenario

- Blood Pressure = 128/76
- 5'5" and 135 pounds
- Pulse = 72 and regular
- Cholesterol/HDL = 3.2
- EKG = normal
- Family history: mother died of breast cancer at age 65
- Last complete physical was 9 months ago including mammogram, which was within normal limits
- Mammograms last 10 years have been within normal limits

Our rating

Client meets criteria to remain Super Preferred/Preferred. When looking at the overall risk profile, we are able to offset family history due to favorable HLCs and regular mammograms.

Final rating:Super Preferred

Competitor rating

Client is not allowed the Super Preferred class due to family history (mother died of breast cancer at age 65).

Female, age 74

Scenario

- Blood pressure = 145/80
- 5'1" and 181 pounds
- Pulse = 72 and regular
- Cholesterol/HDL = 5.8
- EKG = normal
- Family history: both parents died in their 90s
- No heart disease or cancer noted in family history
- Last exam was 12 months ago, including a colonoscopy and mammogram within normal limits

Our rating

Client is Super Standard due to a Preferred knockout for build. We can improve the rating to Preferred using HLCs based on her other favorable factors and routine physicals.

• Final rating: **Preferred**

Competitor rating

Client is not allowed the Preferred class due to her build and cholesterol/HDL ratio.

Guidelines Super Standard/Preferred/Super Preferred

Family history

- Includes: parents & siblings
- Cardiovascular defined as: Coronary Artery Disease, Peripheral Vascular Disease, Stroke, and Transient Ischemic Attack

Super Standard	Preferred	Super Preferred
 Up to one death prior to age 60 of: Cardiovascular Disease, Breast Cancer, Colon Cancer, Ovarian Cancer, Prostate Cancer, Diabetes Disregard cancer of opposite sex except for colon cancer Family history not considered for applicants aged 71+ 	 No death prior to age 60 of: Cardiovascular Disease Breast Cancer Colon Cancer Ovarian Cancer Prostate Cancer Diabetes Disregard cancer of opposite sex except for colon cancer Family history not considered for applicants aged 71+ 	 No death prior to age 65 of: Cardiovascular Disease Breast Cancer Colon Cancer Ovarian Cancer Prostate Cancer Diabetes Disregard cancer of opposite sex except for colon cancer Family history not considered for applicants aged 71+

Blood pressure

- Use exam average if no hypertension treatment
- Use 12 month average if hypertension history

Super Standard	Preferred	Super Preferred
Cannot exceed: • 145/90 at ages 20-64 • 150/90 at ages 65-85	Cannot exceed: 140/85 at ages 20-44 140/90 at ages 45-64 145/90 at ages 65-85	Cannot exceed: • 135/85 at ages 20-44 • 140/85 at ages 45-64 • 140/90 at ages 65-85

Cholesterol

- Medication may be disregarded
- We assess the ratio within the context of the entire lipid profile

Super Standard	Preferred	Super Preferred
Cannot exceed: • Total cholesterol 300, cholesterol/HDL of 6.5 at ages 20-64 • Total cholesterol 300, cholesterol/HDL of 7.0 at ages 65-85	Cannot exceed: • Total cholesterol 270, cholesterol/HDL of 5.5 at ages 20-64 • Total cholesterol 280, cholesterol/HDL of 6.0 at ages 65-85	Cannot exceed: • Total cholesterol 240, cholesterol/HDL of 4.5 at ages 20-64 • Total cholesterol 260, cholesterol/HDL of 5.0 at ages 65-85

History of

• Alcohol abuse • Drug abuse • Cancer • Diabetes

Super Standard	Preferred	Super Preferred
No rating	 No personal history of alcohol or drug abuse within 10 years 	 No personal history of alcohol or drug abuse, diabetes or cancer ever
	 No personal history of diabetes or cancer ever 	 Exception - Basal and Squamous Cell
	 Exception – Basal and Squamous Cell 	
	 Personal history of certain cancers will be allowed. Consult your home office underwriter for criteria. 	

Foreign residency/travel

Super Standard Preferred Super Preferred

- Applicant must be a U.S. citizen or permanent U.S. resident
- Travel to hazardous area may disqualify for Super Standard, Preferred and Super Preferred
- · Consult with your home office underwriter for applicants who are not U.S. citizens or permanent residents

Tobacco¹

• Tobacco use includes any tobacco or nicotine product (i.e., cigar, patch, gum & marijuana)

Super Standard	Preferred	Super Preferred
 No tobacco use for: one year, ages 20-70 three years, ages 71-85 	 No tobacco use for: two years, ages 20-70 three years, ages 71-85 	 No tobacco use for: five years, ages 20-80 Exception - 12 or fewer
 Exception – 24 or fewer cigars per year with a negative urine 	 Exception – 24 or fewer cigars per year with a negative urine 	cigars per year with a negative urine
	 For Tobacco/Preferred rates all preferred criteria must be met except tobacco use 	

Driving²

Super Standard	Preferred	Super Preferred
No rating		ring violations in the past three years fluence or reckless driving in five years

Occupation/military/aviation/hazardous sports

Super Standard	Preferred	Super Preferred
Not ratable for occupation	on and military	

- For aviation and hazardous sports risk, refer to your home office underwriter

- Tobacco: Current or past use in the prior 12 months of any tobacco including cigarettes, cigars, pipe, chew, snuff or nicotine aids. (For ages 71-85, a client will be classified as tobacco if they have used any types of tobacco in the last 3 years.)
- Non-tobacco: No tobacco use in any form currently or in the prior 12 months.
- Exception to non-tobacco: Twenty-four or fewer cigars in the prior 12 months with admitted use on the application (or TeleApp) and a negative urine specimen for nicotine qualify for non-tobacco.
- Marijuana: A recreational user of marijuana with a maximum use of 1-2 times per month, may qualify for non-tobacco rates. For increased frequency and for other types of use (medicinal, non-smoked forms, etc.), please contact your home office underwriter for details.
- In New Jersey, marijuana only users (no tobacco use) are considered non-tobacco.

¹ Tobacco definitions:

² Subject to review of specific infractions.

Financial underwriting

We are committed to maintaining market-leading underwriting and service, and we want you to be familiar with our financial underwriting requirements and guidelines when submitting cases to us.

Financial requirements

Face amount	Confidential financial statement	Financial underwriting supplement for life insurance	Electronic inspection report	Third party financial verification
\$2,000,000 to \$4,999,999	X	X (for ages 70+)	X (for ages 70+ at \$2,500,001 & up)	
\$5,000,000	X	X	X (for ages 70+)	
\$5,000,001 to \$10,000,000	X	X	X	X (for ages 70+)
\$10,000,001 and up	X	X	X	X
Any face amount, age 70+, trust less than two years	X	X	X	X

Premium to income ratio

If net worth is less than or equal to \$5 million,

acceptable ratio of premium to income is up to 25 percent.

If net worth is greater than \$5 million,

acceptable ratio of premium to income is up to 40 percent.

If net worth is greater than \$10 million,

acceptable ratio of premium to income is up to 60 percent.

Personal financial underwriting guidelines

Purpose of insurance	Formulas a	nd guidelines	Information needed
Income replacement	Maximum o	coverage	Gross annual income
	Ages:	Multiply income by:	 How amount of insurance was determined
	18-35	30	 Other coverage in force or
	36-45	25	pending with all carriers
	46-55	20	
	56-60	15	
	61-65	10	
	66-70	5	
	71+	1	
Estate planning	Estate grov	th pariod	• Estate analysis
Listate planning	Estate grov	Growth	Net worth
	Ages:	assumption:	How insurance amount
	Up to age 70	75% of life expectancy not to exceed up to 20 years	was determined • Risk amounts
	71-80	75% of life expectancy not to exceed up to 10 years	
	81+	Use current estate value	
	future esta to estate ta • Insurance a	% of estimated te value will be lost	

 $Note: If you have questions \ regarding \ juvenile, charitable \ insurance \ or \ creditor \ insurance, please \ contact \ your \ home \ office \ underwriter.$

Business financial underwriting guidelines

Purpose of insurance	Formulas and guidelines	Information needed
Key executive	 Up to 10 times annual income Higher amounts may be considered based on case details Business owner and beneficiary 	 Verification of income List of other key executives and their coverage Explanation of lay role to employer
Buy-sell and stock redemption plans	 Percent of ownership = X value of company Cross purchase – partners are owners and beneficiaries Entity purchase – business is owner and beneficiary Value of business and how the value was determined 	Business financials: Balance sheet Income statement List of owners/ownership percent Confirmation all partners are similarly insured
Executive Bonus/ S Owner	Insurance amount = a multiple of the executive's income	Verification of income
Deferred compensation	Insurance amount = a multiple of the executive's income	 Deferred compensation plan formula and description of insurance benefit Verification of compensation

Note: If you have questions regarding creditor insurance, please contact your home office underwriter.

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