Attending Physician's Statement

The Attending Physician's Statement (APS) is a vital source of information on which to base underwriting decisions. You have the option to order APS's for your clients, we just ask that you notify us the APS has been ordered when you submit the application. If an APS has not been ordered, an underwriter will order the APS for you. If you do not notify us with the application that you have ordered the APS and we order a duplicate order, we will not reimburse you the cost. In addition, if Mutual of Omaha has ordered the APS, please do not send a duplicate request to the doctor or hospital as it will delay the process.

If you choose to order the APS on your client instead of Mutual of Omaha, we will reimburse you the usual and customary cost of the APS provided we have received the application to correspond with the APS order. If you order the APS and have submitted the application to multiple carriers, we ask that you only send in for reimbursement if you place the case with Mutual of Omaha.

APS Guidelines

- 1. An APS should be ordered for cause in all cases with significant medical history such as Cancer, CAD, Diabetes, other potentially rateable or uninsurable impairments or major medical testing as outlined below. The APS Age and Amount criteria is shown in our Underwriting Requirements chart.
- 2. The following exceptions can generally be made to the age and amount criteria if an exam was done as part of a:
 - (a) Work Physical
 - (b) Routine GYN Exam
 - (c) Aviation Exam
 - (d) DOT Exam, etc.
 - (e) Eye Exam
- 3. If an APS is not available on someone over age 65, the application file will be reviewed on a case by case basis and coverage may be limited or unavailable.
- 4. An APS may not be needed for a health history of treated hypertension or treated cholesterol if the insured:
 - Qualifies for a Preferred Plus through Standard risk class
 - Is age 65 and under
 - Has a face amount \$2,000,000 or less
 - The amount in force and applied for does not exceed \$2,000,000

Some of the more common impairments that always require an APS are listed below:

Abnormal heart rhythm

Alcohol or Drug treatment history

Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS, Lou Gehrig's Disease)

Bipolar, schizophrenia, major depression

Cardiomyopathy

Cerebral Palsy

Congestive heart failure (CHF)

Crohn's disease/Ulcerative Colitis

Coronary disease including heart attack or heart surgery

COPD including Chronic Bronchitis or Emphysema

Cystic Fibrosis

Cancer

Collagen Vascular disease including Lupus

Diabetes

Heart valve disease or surgery

Hepatitis B or C

Hodgkin's or Non Hodgkin's Lymphoma

Liver disease including Cirrhosis

Mental Incapacity

Neurological disorders including Muscular Dystrophy, Multiple Sclerosis and

Parkinson's disease

Paralysis

Organ transplants

Peripheral vascular disease (PVD or PAD)

Polycystic kidney disease

Renal Insufficiency/failure

Rheumatoid disorders including rheumatoid arthritis

Seizure disorders

Sleep Apnea

Stroke or mini stroke (TIA)

Suicide attempt

Note: This is a guide and not an all-inclusive list. The specifics of an individual case may warrant an APS to determine the appropriate risk classification.

Inspection Reports

Inspection reports are required for face amounts of \$5,000,001 and above for ages 18 and above.

Motor Vehicle Records

Motor vehicle records are required as shown below:

Ages	Face Amounts
18-45	\$100,000 and over
46-70	\$1,000,001 and over
71 and Over	\$500,000 and over