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Whole Life Insurance

Provides a cash benefit directly to your beneficiary



Think About This



Reasons for purchasing life coverage include: replace income, final expenses, wealth transfer and mortgage payoff[†]



42% of families would face financial hardship within six months, and 25% would suffer financially within a month[†]



Over half of U.S. households rely on dual incomes (54%),^{††} and, for many, losing one income could be devastating to household finances

With an unexpected death — you don't want to leave behind financial obligations. Whole Life Insurance can help your family realize the goals and dreams you shared together, and builds cash value you can draw on while still alive.

Here's How It Works

- Select the coverage that's right for you and your family*
- Then if you pass away, your beneficiary files a claim
- A lump-sum cash benefit payable by direct deposit or check can be used however they wish

Protecting Your Finances

With planning, the death benefit can pass to your beneficiaries free from state or federal estate taxes. Consult with your tax advisor for specifics.



Protecting insureds for over 60 years

Meeting Your Needs

- Fully-guaranteed death benefit (premiums payable to age 95)
- If you live to age 121, a lump-sum maturity benefit is paid
- Premiums are affordable and can be conveniently payroll deducted

Coverage offered to the employees of:

**Stepping Stones
Health Care
Services**

[†]2021 Insurance Barometer Report, LIMRA. ^{††}U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Consumer Expenditure Survey, *ibid.* *You may be required to answer health questions at enrollment. Coverage may be available with reduced underwriting through your employer during your initial enrollment period. If you enroll after your initial enrollment period, answers to health questions are required.

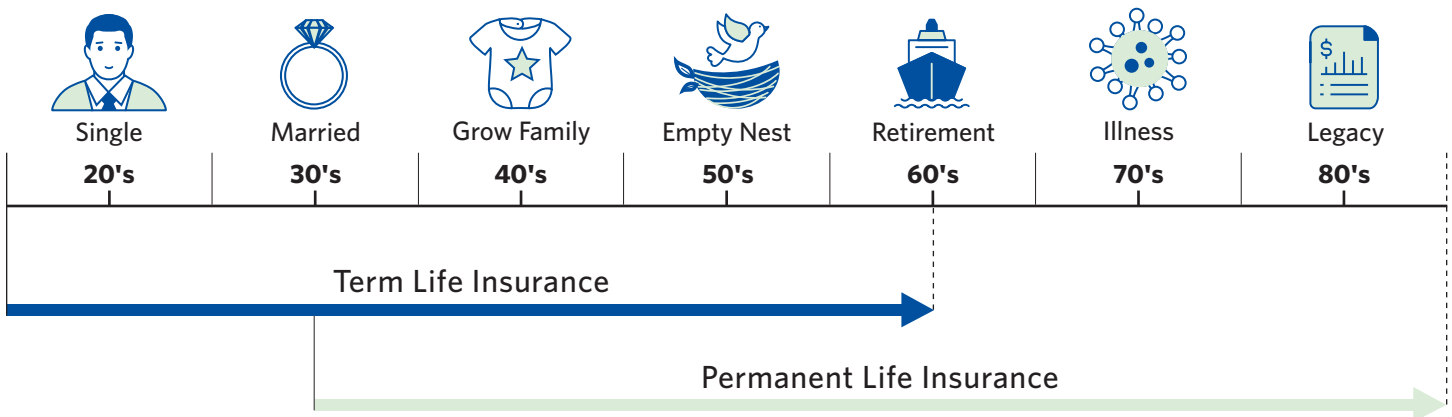
Coverage for all stages of life



There are moments in life that cause us to think about how our loved ones would make ends meet, if we died unexpectedly and their financial support was reduced.

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As people move through the stages of life, certain factors dictate the type of life insurance they need. During working years, an employer may provide Term Life insurance, but the wraparound coverage of our Group Whole Life product can help give peace of mind because the money you spent builds cash value that you can use later in life or add to the term benefit payout. The graph below illustrates the need for term and permanent whole life insurance throughout the various stages of life.



Here are some of the ways the cash benefits can be used



Finances

Can help protect savings, retirement plans and 401(k)s from being depleted



Home

Your beneficiary can use the cash benefits to help pay the mortgage, continue rental payments, or perform needed home repairs



Expenses

Can help pay your family's living expenses such as bills, electricity, and gas

The examples above detail fictional thought processes and needs; your individual needs and reasons for coverage may vary.

Prepare for the future today

Review and check some or all that apply.

- ☐ You're the primary wage earner and your family would have trouble living comfortably without your income
- ☐ You have regular debts, like mortgage, car payment or credit cards
- ☐ You have children under 18
- ☐ You want permanent, fully guaranteed coverage
- ☐ You'd like to offer a tax-free death benefit to your beneficiary^

Here's how Group Whole Life works

Premiums are payable to age 95 and are conveniently payroll deducted. The longer the policy coverage continues and premiums are paid, the more the cash value builds.

Cash values and payments

As premiums are paid, the policy is building cash value over time. Premiums are guaranteed at issue and the coverage becomes fully paid-up at age 95 if all premiums have been paid.

If the decision is made to stop paying premiums after the coverage is effective and has developed cash value, various non-forfeiture options are available. Extended Term Insurance (ETI) is the default non-forfeiture option when premium payments stop and there is no active selection made to continue coverage. ETI reduces the duration of coverage (now a shorter term instead of whole life), but provides the same amount of death benefit.

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Benefits

Group Whole Life Insurance Provides Either:

Death Benefit - pays a lump-sum cash benefit when the insured before age 121 dies

Maturity Benefit - pays a lump-sum cash benefit if the insured is still living at age 121

Optional/Additional Rider Benefits

Accelerated Death Benefit for Terminal Illness or Condition - a lump-sum advance of 75% of the death benefit (not to exceed \$100,000) when certified terminally ill by a physician. The benefit payable is discounted using the current discount rate. Premiums are waived after payment of the benefit. Premiums are waived after payment of benefit.

Accelerated Death Benefit for Long Term Care - a monthly advance of 4% of the death benefit for up to 25 months while receiving qualified long-term care services after a 90-day elimination period when certified chronically ill by a licensed health care practitioner. Premiums are waived for the months when the benefit is payable.

The riders have exclusions and limitations, may vary in availability by issue or termination age, and may not be available to all covered dependents or in all states. Additional premiums may be required for riders added to coverage.



Protecting individuals & families for over 60 years

Beneficial insurance coverage to **help you and your family enjoy greater financial peace of mind** when the unexpected happens.

When you choose our **Group Voluntary Insurance Coverage**, we can help give you financial peace of mind.

We have been in the business of protecting America's families for over 60 years. Our valuable coverage options help empower people to make the best decisions for their finances and their futures. Once you've elected coverage, register with our convenient customer service portal, MyBenefits, for anytime access to your coverage details and important documents. MyBenefits also allows you to file claims quickly and easily - and get benefits deposited directly into your bank account (authorization required).

Certificate Specifications

Pre-Existing Condition Limitation

Accelerated Death Benefit for Long Term Care Rider - Benefits are not paid for a period of chronic illness care resulting from a pre-existing condition that begins within the first 6 months after the effective date of coverage. This does not apply to a period of care beginning 6 months after the effective date. A pre-existing condition is a condition, whether diagnosed or not, for which medical advice or treatment was recommended or received from a medical professional within 6 months before the effective date.

Exclusions

Accelerated Death Benefit for Long Term Care Rider - Benefits are not paid for long-term care services that are: a result of mental or emotional disorder (except for Alzheimer's Disease, senility or senile dementia that are of organic origin); a result of alcoholism or drug addiction; a result of illness, treatment or medical conditions due to: war, act of war, participation in a riot or insurrection or attempt or commission of a felony, serving in the armed forces or auxiliary units, suicide or attempt at suicide, or intentionally self-inflicted injury; provided in a government facility (unless otherwise required by law); services for which benefits are available under Medicare (or benefits would be available under Medicare except for deductibles or coinsurance requirements) or other governmental program (except Medicaid), any state or federal workers' compensation, employer's liability or occupational disease law, or motor vehicle no-fault law, provided by a family member, and for which no charge is normally made in the absence of insurance; received outside the United States or its territories.

Suicide Exclusion for Group Whole Life - If the insured or rider insured commits suicide within 1 year of the effective date of coverage, the death benefit will be limited to the premiums paid.

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Group Whole Life Insurance benefits are provided under form GWLP, or state variations thereof. Rider benefits are provided under the following forms, or state variations thereof: Accelerated Death Benefit for Terminal Illness or Condition (GWPTI); Accelerated Death Benefit for Long Term Care (GWPLTC1).

This is a brief overview of the benefits available under the group policy underwritten by American Heritage Life Insurance Company (Home Office, Jacksonville, FL). Details of the insurance, including exclusions, restrictions, and other provisions are included in the certificates issued. For additional information, you may contact your Representative at The Standard.



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