# **Group Critical Illness** Limited Benefit Insurance Plan

## Insurance

#### PLAN INCLUDES BENEFITS FOR CANCER AND HEALTH SCREENING

You can count on Aflac to help ease the financial impact of surviving a critical illness.





#### COVERED CRITICAL ILLNESSES:

CANCER* (Internal or Invasive)	100%	BONE MARROW TRANSPLANT (Stem Cell Transplant)	100%
HEART ATTACK (Myocardial Infarction)	100%	SUDDEN CARDIAC ARREST	100%
STROKE (Ischemic or Hemorrhagic)	100%	NON-INVASIVE CANCER*	25%
MAJOR ORGAN TRANSPLANT+	100%	CORONARY ARTERY BYPASS SURGERY	25%
KIDNEY FAILURE (End-Stage Renal Failure)	100%		

\*25% of this benefit is payable for insureds placed on a transplant list for a major organ transplant \*Subject to the cancer diagnosis limitation

#### ADDITIONAL COVERED CRITICAL ILLNESSES

SEVERE BURN**	100%
COMA***	100%
PARALYSIS***	100%
LOSS OF SIGHT***	100%
LOSS OF HEARING***	100%
LOSS OF SPEECH***	100%

\*\*This benefit is only payable for burns due to, caused by, and attributed to, a covered accident. \*\*\*These benefits are payable for loss due to a covered underlying disease or a covered accident.

INITIAL DIAGNOSIS	Pays a lump sum benefit upon initial diagnosis when such diagnosis is caused by or solely attributed to an underlying disease.
ADDITIONAL DIAGNOSIS	Pays benefits for each different critical illness after the first when the two dates of diagnoses are separated by at least 6 consecutive months.
REOCCURRENCE	Pays benefits for the same critical illness after the first when the two dates of diagnoses are separated by at least 6 consecutive months.
CHILD COVERAGE	Each dependent child is covered at 50 percent of the primary insured's benefit amount at no additional charge.
SKIN CANCER BENEFIT (ONCE PER Calendar year)	Pays \$250 for the diagnosis of skin cancer.
SUCCESSOR INSURED BENEFIT	If spouse coverage is in force at the time of the primary insured's death, the surviving spouse may elect to continue their coverage at the existing spouse face amount and any dependent child coverage in force at the time.
HEALTH SCREENING BENEFIT	Pays \$50 once per calendar year for health screening tests performed as the result of preventive care, including tests and diagnostic procedures ordered in connection with routine examinations. This benefit is not paid for dependent children.

#### How It Works:

Aflac Group Critical Illness coverage is selected.

You experience chest pains and numbness in the left arm.

You visit the emergency room.

A physician determines that you have suffered a heart attack.

Amount payable based on \$10,000 Initial Diagnosis Benefit.

#### **OPTIONAL BENEFITS RIDER**

BENIGN BRAIN TUMOR	100%
ADVANCED ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE	25%
ADVANCED PARKINSON'S DISEASE	25%

Benefit percentages will be paid based on the face amount in effect on the critical illness date of diagnosis. Riders become effective when the rider is issued. If it is issued after the certificate, the rider will have a later effective date. All limitations and exclusions that apply to the critical illness plan also apply to the riders unless amended by the riders.

Aflac Group Critical Illness Advantage pays an Initial Diagnosis Benefit of:

### \$10,000

#### LIMITATIONS AND EXCLUSIONS

#### ALL LIMITATIONS AND EXCLUSIONS THAT APPLY TO THE CRITICAL ILLNESS PLAN ALSO APPLY TO ALL RIDERS, IF APPLICABLE, UNLESS AMENDED BY THE RIDERS.

#### **Cancer Diagnosis Limitation**

Benefits are payable for cancer and/or non-invasive cancer as long as the insured:

• Is treatment-free from cancer for at least 12 months before the diagnosis date; and

• Is in complete remission prior to the date of a subsequent diagnosis, as evidenced by the absence of all clinical, radiological, biological, and biochemical proof of the presence of the cancer.

#### **EXCLUSIONS**

#### We will not pay for loss due to:

• **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:

- War (declared or undeclared) or military conflicts;
- Insurrection or riot
- Civil commotion or civil state of belligerence

#### • Illegal Substance Abuse:

- Abuse of legally-obtained prescription medication
- Illegal use of non-prescription drugs

Diagnosis, treatment, testing, and confinement must be in the United States or its territories. All benefits under the plan, including benefits for diagnoses, treatment, confinement and covered tests, are payable only while coverage is in force.

#### **TERMS YOU NEED TO KNOW**

The Bone Marrow Transplant (Stem Cell Transplant) benefit is not payable if the transplant results from a covered critical illness for which a benefit has been paid under this plan.

The following are not considered internal or invasive cancers:

- Pre-malignant tumors or polyps
- · Carcinomas in Situ

• Any superficial, non-invasive skin cancers including basal cell and squamous cell carcinoma of the skin

- Melanoma in Situ
- Melanoma that is diagnosed as
  - Clark's Level I or II,
- Breslow depth less than 0.77mm, or
- Stage 1A melanomas under TNM Staging

Skin cancers are not payable under the Cancer (internal or invasive) Benefit or the Non-Invasive Cancer Benefit. The following are considered skin cancers:

- · Basal cell carcinoma
- · Squamous cell carcinoma of the skin
- Melanoma in Situ
- Melanoma that is diagnosed as

- Clark's Level I or II,
- Breslow depth less than 0.77mm, or

- Stage 1A melanomas under TNM Staging

Critical Illness is a disease or a sickness as defined in the plan that first manifests while your coverage is in force.

Date of Diagnosis is defined as follows:

- Cancer: The day tissue specimens, blood samples, or titer(s) are taken (diagnosis of cancer and/or carcinoma in situ is based on such specimens).
- Non-Invasive Cancer: The day tissue specimens, blood samples, or titer(s) are taken (diagnosis of cancer and/or carcinoma in situ is based on such specimens)
- Skin Cancer: The date the skin biopsy samples are taken for microscopic examination.

• Bone Marrow Transplant (Stem Cell Transplant): The date the surgery occurs.

- Coronary Artery Bypass Surgery: The date the surgery occurs.
- Heart Attack (Myocardial Infarction): The date the infarction (death) of a portion of the heart muscle occurs. This is based on the criteria listed under the heart attack (myocardial Infarction) definition.
- Kidney Failure (End-Stage Renal Failure): The date a doctor recommends that an insured begin renal dialysis.
- Major Organ Transplant: The date the surgery occurs.
- Stroke: The date the stroke occurs (based on documented neurological deficits and neuroimaging studies).

• Sudden Cardiac Arrest: The date the pumping action of the heart fails (based on the sudden cardiac arrest definition).

• Coma: The first day of the period for which a doctor confirms a coma that is due to one of the underlying diseases and that has lasted for at least seven consecutive days. Coma does not include a medically-induced coma.

• Loss of Sight, Speech, or Hearing: The date the loss due to one of the underlying diseases is objectively determined by a doctor to be total and irreversible.

• Loss of hearing does not include hearing loss that can be corrected by the use of a hearing aid or device.

• Paralysis: The date a doctor diagnoses an insured with paralysis due to one of the underlying diseases as specified in this plan, where such diagnosis is based on clinical and/or laboratory findings as supported by the insured's medical records.

• Severe Burn: The date the burn takes place.

Dependent means your spouse or your dependent child. Spouse is your legal wife, husband, or partner in a legally recognized union. Dependent children are your or your spouse's natural children, step-children, foster children, children subject to legal guardianship, legally adopted children, or children placed for adoption, who are younger than age 26. Newborn children are automatically covered from the moment of birth. Refer to your certificate for details.

A doctor does not include you or any of your family members. For the purposes of this definition, family member includes your spouse as well as the following members of your immediate family:

- Son
- Daughter

- Mother
- Father
- Sister
- Brother

This includes step-family members and family-members-in-law.

Employee is a person who meets eligibility requirements and who is covered under the plan. The employee is the primary insured under the plan.

Diagnosis of a Heart Attack (Myocardial Infarction) must include the following:

• New and serial electrocardiographic (ECG) findings consistent with heart attack (myocardial infarction), and

• Elevation of cardiac enzymes above generally accepted laboratory levels of normal. (In the case of creatine physphokinase (CPK) a CPK-MB measurement must be used.)

Confirmatory imaging studies, such as thallium scans, MUGA scans, or stress echocardiograms may also be used.

Kidney Failure (End-Stage Renal Failure) is covered only under the following conditions:

• A doctor advises that regular renal dialysis, hemo-dialysis, or peritoneal dialysis (at least weekly) is necessary to treat the kidney failure (end-stage renal failure); or

• The kidney failure (end-stage renal failure) results in kidney transplantation.

Maintenance Drug Therapy is meant to decrease the risk of cancer recurrence; it is not meant to treat a cancer that is still present.

A Major Organ Transplant benefit is not payable if the major organ transplant results from a covered critical illness for which a benefit has been paid.

Stroke does not include:

- Transient Ischemic Attacks (TIAs)
- Head injury
- Chronic cerebrovascular insufficiency
- Reversible ischemic neurological deficits unless brain tissue damage is confirmed by neurological imaging

Sudden Cardiac Arrest is not a heart attack (myocardial infarction). A sudden cardiac arrest benefit is not payable if the sudden cardiac arrest is caused by or contributed to by a heart attack (myocardial infarction).

Treatment does not include maintenance drug therapy or routine follow-up visits to verify whether cancer or carcinoma in situ has returned.

#### **OPTIONAL BENEFITS RIDER**

Date of diagnosis is defined as follows:

- Advanced Alzheimer's Disease: The date a doctor diagnoses the insured as incapacitated due to Alzheimer's disease.
- Advanced Parkinson's Disease: The date a doctor diagnoses the insured 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.

#### YOU MAY CONTINUE YOUR COVERAGE

Your coverage may be continued with certain stipulations. See certificate for details.

#### **TERMINATION OF COVERAGE**

Your insurance may terminate when the plan is terminated; the 31st day after the premium due date if the premium has not been paid; or the date you no longer belong to an eligible class. If your coverage terminates, we will provide benefits for valid claims that arose while your coverage was in force. See certificate for details.

#### **ATTAINED AGE PREMIUMS**

The plan is age-banded. That means your rates may increase on the policy anniversary date.

#### NOTICES

If this coverage will replace any existing individual policy, please be aware that it may be in your best interest to maintain your individual guaranteedrenewable policy.

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