Aflac

Group Critical Illness

INSURANCE – PLAN INCLUDES BENEFITS FOR CANCER AND HEALTH SCREENING

We help take care of your expenses while you take care of yourself.
Aflac can help ease the financial stress of surviving a critical illness.

Chances are you may know someone who’s been diagnosed with a critical illness. You can’t help notice the difference in the person’s life—both physically and emotionally. What’s not so obvious is the impact a critical illness may have on someone’s personal finances.

That’s because while a major medical plan may pay for a good portion of the costs associated with a critical illness, there are a lot of expenses that may not be covered. And, during recovery, having to worry about out-of-pocket expenses is the last thing anyone needs.

That’s the benefit of an Aflac Group Critical Illness plan.

It can help with the treatment costs of covered critical illnesses, such as a heart attack or stroke.

More importantly, the plan helps you focus on recuperation instead of the distraction of out-of-pocket costs. With the Critical Illness plan, you receive cash benefits directly (unless otherwise assigned)—giving you the flexibility to help pay bills related to treatment or to help with everyday living expenses.

What you need, when you need it.

Group critical illness insurance pays cash benefits that you can use any way you see fit.
But it doesn’t stop there. Having group critical illness insurance from Aflac means that you may have added financial resources to help with medical costs or ongoing living expenses.

The Aflac Group Critical Illness plan benefits include:

- Critical Illness Benefit payable for:
  - Cancer
  - Heart Attack (Myocardial Infarction)
  - Stroke
  - Kidney Failure (End-Stage Renal Failure)
  - Major Organ Transplant
  - Bone Marrow Transplant (Stem Cell Transplant)
  - Sudden Cardiac Arrest
  - Coronary Artery Bypass Surgery
  - Non-Invasive Cancer
  - Skin Cancer
  - Coma
  - Severe Burn
  - Paralysis

- Health Screening Benefit

Features:

- Benefits are paid directly to you, unless otherwise assigned.
- Coverage is available for you, your spouse, and dependent children.
- Coverage may be continued (with certain stipulations). That means you can take it with you if you change jobs or retire.

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.
Aflac Group Critical Illness pays an Initial Diagnosis Benefit of $10,000

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

For more information, ask your insurance agent/producer, call 1.800.433.3036, or visit aflacgroupinsurance.com.
### Benefits Overview

**Covered Critical Illnesses:**

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**Initial Diagnosis**
We will pay a lump sum benefit upon initial diagnosis of a covered critical illness when such diagnoses is caused by or solely attributed to an underlying disease. Cancer diagnoses are subject to the cancer diagnosis limitation. Benefits will be based on the face amount in effect on the critical illness date of diagnosis.

**Additional Diagnosis**
We will pay benefits for each different critical illness after the first when the two dates of diagnoses are separated by at least 1 month and the new critical illness is not caused or contributed to by a critical illness for which benefits have been paid. Cancer diagnoses are subject to the cancer diagnosis limitation.

**Reoccurrence**
We will pay benefits for the same critical illness after the first when the two dates of diagnoses are separated by at least 6 consecutive months and the critical illness is not caused or contributed by a critical illness for which benefits have been paid. Cancer diagnoses are subject to the cancer diagnosis limitation.

**Child Coverage at No Additional Cost**
Each dependent child is covered at 50 percent of the primary insured’s benefit amount at no additional charge. Children-only coverage is not available.

**Skin Cancer Benefit**
We will pay $250 for the diagnosis of skin cancer. We will pay this benefit once per calendar year.

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*This benefit is only payable for a burn 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.
**WAIVER OF PREMIUM**
If you become totally disabled due to a covered critical illness prior to age 65, after 90 continuous days of total disability, we will waive premiums for you and any of your covered dependents. As long as you remain totally disabled, premiums will be waived up to 24 months, subject to the terms of the plan.

**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 coverage. Coverage would continue at the existing spouse face amount and would also include any dependent child coverage in force at the time.

**HEALTH SCREENING BENEFIT** (Employee and Spouse only)
We will pay $50 for health screening tests performed while an insured’s coverage is in force. We will pay this benefit once per calendar year.
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. This benefit is payable for the covered employee and spouse. **This benefit is not paid for dependent children.**

**OPTIONAL BENEFITS RIDER**

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These benefits will be paid based on the face amount in effect on the critical illness date of diagnosis. We will pay the optional benefit if the insured is diagnosed with one of the conditions listed in the rider schedule if the date of diagnosis is while the rider is in force.

**OCCUPATIONAL HIV RIDER**

This benefit pays the applicable maximum benefit amount for the initial positive diagnosis of occupational human immunodeficiency virus (HIV), as a result of a covered injury. This benefit is payable once, and once the benefit is paid, coverage for that individual will terminate.
This benefit is paid based on your selected Critical Illness Benefit amount.

**PROGRESSIVE DISEASES RIDER**

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This benefit is paid based on your selected Progressive Disease Benefit amount. We will pay the benefit shown upon diagnosis of one of the covered diseases if the date of diagnosis is while the rider is in force.
**LIMITATIONS AND EXCLUSIONS**

The plan is age-banded. That means your rates may increase on the policy anniversary date. 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 insurance is:
- 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 occupation;
- **Participation in Aggressive Conflict**:
  - War (declared or undeclared) or military conflicts. War does not include acts of terrorism
  - 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 day 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.
- **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, legally adopted children, or children placed for adoption, who are younger than age 20. 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.)

Confirmed 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.

**Stoke** 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.

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.
- Be caused solely by or be solely attributed to a covered accident.

Coma means a state of continuous, profound unconsciousness, lasting at least seven consecutive days, and characterized by the absence of:
- **Spontaneous Coma** means a state of continuous, profound unconsciousness, lasting at least seven consecutive days, and characterized by the absence of:
  - Spontaneous eye movements,
  - Respons to painful stimuli, and
  - Vocalization.

Coma does not include a medically-induced coma.

To be payable as an Accident benefit, the coma must be caused solely by or be solely attributed to a covered accident.

To be considered a critical illness, the coma must be caused solely by or be solely attributed to one of the following diseases:
- **Brain Aneurysm**
- **Diabetes**
- **Encephalitis**
- **Epilepsy**
- **Hyperlglycemia**
- **Hypoglycemia**
- **Meningitis**

Paralysis or Paralyzed means the permanent, total, and irreversible loss of muscle function to the whole of at least two limbs. To be payable as an Accident benefit, the paralysis must be caused solely by or be solely attributed to a covered accident. To be considered a critical illness, paralysis must be caused solely by or be solely attributed to one of the following diseases:
- **Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis**
- **Cerebral palsy**
- **Parkinson’s disease,**
- **Poliomyelitis**

The diagnosis of paralysis must be supported by neurological evidence.
OPTIONAL BENEFITS RIDER

Date of Diagnosis is defined as follows:

- 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.

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.

Benign Brain Tumor must be caused by Multiple Endocrine Neoplasia, Neurofibromatosis, or Von Hippel-Lindau Syndrome.

- Multiple Endocrine Neoplasia is a genetic disease in which one or more of the endocrine glands are overactive or form a tumor.
- Neurofibromatosis is a genetic disease in which the nerve tissue grows tumors that may be benign and may cause serious damage by compressing nerves and other tissue.
- Von Hippel-Lindau Syndrome is a genetic disease that predisposes a person to have benign or malignant tumors.

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.

OCCUPATIONAL HIV RIDER

HIV means Human Immunodeficiency Virus.

HIV Positive means the presence of HIV antibodies in the blood. This must be evidenced by:
- A positive screening test enzyme-linked immunosorbert assay (ELISA) or
- A positive supplement test, such as the Western Blot.

All such tests must be approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), and the interpretation of positive results must be in keeping with the manufacturer’s specifications.

Occupational HIV refers to your testing positive for HIV as a direct result of an HIV-specific covered injury, subject to the following provisions:

- The HIV-specific covered injury must occur during the normal course of duties for the occupation in which the insured is regularly engaged. The HIV infection must result from accidental exposure to HIV-contaminated body fluids during the normal course of performing an occupation for which remuneration is earned.
- The insured must file an incident report (notice of exposure) with his employer within 48 hours of the positive test result. This report must:
  - Be on a form acceptable to the company,
  - Describe the nature of the exposure to HIV, and
  - Be sent to the company as soon as reasonably possible after the HIV-specific covered injury.
- An insured must not have previously tested positive for HIV. If he had previously tested positive for HIV, he must have subsequently tested negative for HIV before the date of the HIV-specific covered injury.
- An insured must have a preliminary HIV screening test—such as an ELISA or other appropriate Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approved test (other than saliva or urine testing)—within 14 days of the covered injury at an authorized laboratory other than the laboratory of the insured’s employer. We must receive notification of the negative results as soon as reasonably possible.

Thereafter, the insured must test HIV positive within 26 weeks of the date of that HIV-specific covered injury.

Date of Diagnosis is defined as follows:

- The date a Doctor determines you are HIV Positive as supported by the ELISA test, Western Blot test, or another test approved by the FDA.
- The date of diagnosis must occur while you are covered by the rider.

HIV-Specific Covered Injury means an accidental:
- Cutaneous exposure through abraded skin,
- Percutaneous exposure,
- Mucocutaneous exposure, or
- Transfusion of an HIV-contaminated blood product.

An HIV-Specific covered injury must occur while you are covered by the rider.

TERMINATION OF COVERAGE

Your coverage 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.

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 guaranteed-renewable policy.

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