### Understanding your feebased opportunities



#### **Building a better business**

- Why the addition?
  - Regulatory environment
  - Transparency
  - More possibilities for your clients

 Providing the necessary tools now to orient your business towards the future

## What are Partner and Preferred partner series?

- A fee-based offering for segregated funds
- Offered as both retail and high net worth (HNW)
- Partner Series also available with Estate Protection Segregated Funds

#### Partner and Preferred partner series fees

- Management expense ratio (MER) consists of:
  - Operating expense (OE)
  - Investment management fee (IMF)
  - Taxes
- Negotiated advisory and management service (AMS) fee not charged to fund itself, but to client directly

# Partner and Preferred partner series – Compensation

- A negotiated AMS is agreed to (as per a fee agreement) on the Partner and Preferred partner series at the time the policy sale is placed
- Compensation paid quarterly
- The AMS fee is:
  - Not disclosed in the contract, but is reported separately on the client statement
  - Charged as one AMS fee transaction (plus applicable GST/HST) per fund
  - Negotiated between client and advisor and ranges from 0.50 to 1.25% annually
    - Only changed when re-negotiated with client

# Partner and Preferred partner series – Switching / transferring

- Both series can be changed from or to Standard series and Preferred Series 1 (PS1) by processing a fund switch within the same policy
  - LIB option is removed on switching from Standard or Partner series to Preferred partner series or PS1
  - All units within a policy must be switched at the same time (i.e., cannot use 10% DSC-free amount to transition over a number of years)
- A Partner series AMS fee agreement is required when switching from Standard or PS1 into Partner series or Preferred partner series

# Preferred partner series – Minimum requirements

- Must meet eligible minimum assets of \$500,000
- Total initial premium or market value of \$100,000
- Household account aggregation available to meet minimums
- Maintaining minimums:
  - No action taken if decline is due to market fluctuation
  - Falling below minimum due to withdrawal:
    - Advisors will be notified and given 30 days to have clients top up
    - After 30 days, clients are contacted directly

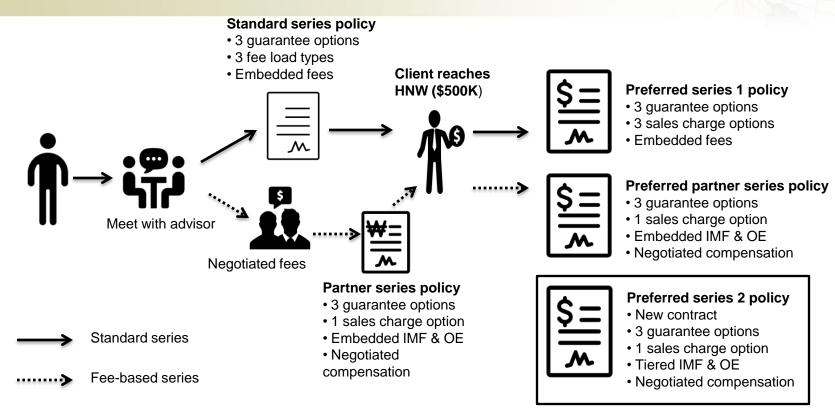
### Adding fee-based choices for seg funds

Embedded		Fee-Based		Unbundled	
Retail	HNW	Retail	HNW	Retail	HNW
Standard	PS1	Partner	Preferred partner	N/A	PS2

### **Client reporting**

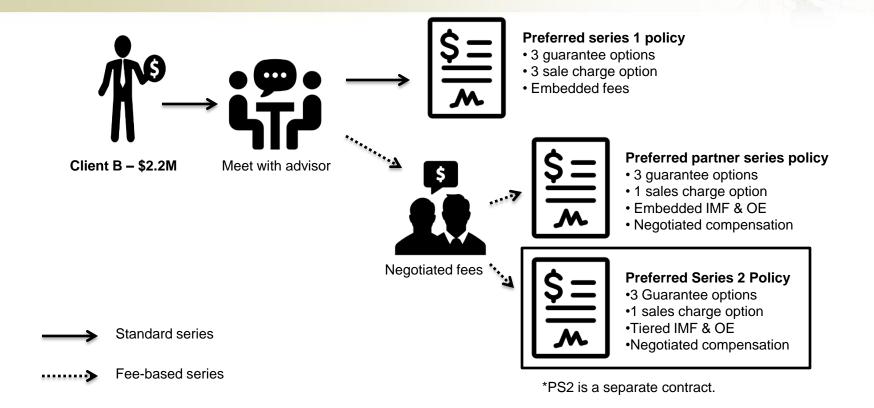
Embedded	No fee transactions		
Fee-for-service	One fee transaction per quarter		
Unbundled	Two fee transactions per quarter  Proportional fee deducted from each fund:  • 1st: IMF + OE (plus tax)  • 2nd: AMS fee (plus tax)  (i.e., servicing commission plus tax)		

#### Client journey – Retail to HNW



<sup>\*</sup>Moving to PS2 requires a new contract.

#### Client journey – New HNW client



A description of the key features of the segregated fund policy is contained in the information folder. Any amount allocated to a segregated fund is invested at the risk of the policyowner and may increase or decrease in value.

