life and health insurance

Advisors – Simplified Life Insurance

Quick life insurance selection tool

A table to quickly identify the most suitable insurance product based on your client's medical condition and lifestyle.



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These days, insurance products are being offered all over the place. This makes your work as an advisor all the more important for your clients. They will rely on you to show them the product that best suits their needs.

In addition to all the information produced by your financial needs analysis, your client's health and lifestyle could have a significant impact on the products you can suggest to them to meet their insurance needs.

The following table will guide you to an optimal insurance solution based on the most common medical and non-medical conditions.

Medical Conditions	Simplified Life Insurance	Traditional Life Insurance	Guaranteed Issue Life Insurance
Alzheimer's disease	×	X	✓
Anemia	Iron deficiency anemia	Other types of anemia	Severe anemia
			 Hospitalization
Asthma, sleep apnea	Asthma and sleep	No treatment	Pending investigation
	apnea treated	More severe cases	
		Hospitalizations	
CVA (Stroke) or TIA	Only 1 episode	Age 60 or under	Recent episode (<1 year ago)
	• After age 60	• From 1 to 8 years ago	
	• More than 8 years ago		
Cancer	×	Cancer stage 1 or 2	Advanced stage, metastases
	Apart from thyroid cancer > 10 years ago, no chemotherapy, no metastases		
Ulcerative colitis or Crohn's disease	• Diagnosis over 1 year ago	• Recent diagnosis	Surgery in the last 6 months
	 Minor and not frequent symptoms 	More frequent and more severe symptoms	
Heart attack, angina, arrythmia	×	Stable arrythmia	Heart attack at age 35 or under, recent episode (< 6 months)
		 Angina/heart attack at age 35 or under, over 6 months ago, stable 	
Depression, anxiety, panic disorder	No absence from work	Mild to moderate	• Severe
	in the past year	symptoms, well treated	Hospitalization in the
	No Rx increase in the past year	Back to work for at least 6 months	past year, recent time off work (< 6 months ago)
Diabetes – Type 1	×	Good control	 Combined with another medical condition (obesity, hypertension, cardiac disorder)
		 No complications, no comorbidity 	
		• High rating (+150 or more)	With complications
Diabetes – Type 2	Over age 40	No regular follow-ups	Poor control
	• Diagnosis < 15 years	Good to fair control	Severe complications
	Good medical follow-up (min. twice/year)	• Younger or remote diagnosis	(such as cardiac disorder, kidney failure)
	• Same Rx for at least 6 months		
	No complications		
Hepatitis B or C	×	Mild to moderate cases	Severe cases
			• Liver fibrosis
			High alcohol usage
Parkinson's disease	×	Over age 35	• Age 35 or under
			• Total disability

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Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), emphysema, chronic bronchitis	×	Non-Smoker Mild to moderate condition	Smoker Severe condition
Schizophrenia, bipolar disorder, psychosis	×	 Age 25 or over Diagnosis at least 2 to 5 years ago Mild to moderate symptoms No hospitalization in the past 5 years 	< Age 25Recent diagnosisRecent hospitalization
Multiple sclerosis	×	Mild to moderate cases	Severe cases (confined to a wheelchair, help required for ADLs)
HIV	×	×	✓

Non-Medical Conditions	Simplified Life Insurance	Traditional Life Insurance	Guaranteed Issue Life Insurance
Private or recreational aviation	No flights in the past 2 years	All flights (with exclusions)	✓
Driving record	 Licence not currently suspended DUI: Max. 1 conviction Max. 3 tickets in the last 2 years 	DUI: License not currently suspended, max. 2 convictions with latest being 5 years ago A few tickets in the past 3 years	~
High-risk occupation	Eligible apart from: international journalist, asbestos worker, professional athlete, military personnel currently deployed or awaiting to be deployed, commercial pilot (other than for a major airline), worker in a bar/nightclub	Okay apart from some occupations: diplomats, deployed military, striptease club	
Dangerous sports	 Nothing in the past 2 years Okay for scuba diving 100 feet, parachute 1 jump in tandem 	All sports (with exclusions) apart from high-altitude mountain climbing	~
Foreign travel or residence	Max. 6 months Caribbean/Antilles as part of an all-inclusive vacation, United States, Mexico, European Union countries, United Kingdom, Hong Kong, China, Japan, Australia, New Zealand, India	Variable depending on country and duration	
Alcohol usage	Mild to moderate use No treatment in the past	 Higher consumption without associated medical condition, no criticism No treatment in the past 	~

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Marijuana usage	Occasional use (recreational or medical)No treatment in the past	Recreational use, more regular use (max. 7 times/week) Regular use for medical purpose No treatment in the past	✓
Other drug usage	No current useNo treatment in the past	No current useNo treatment in the past	~

The list of medical and non-medical conditions presented is not exhaustive. You didn't find the medical or non-medical condition you were looking for? For simplified life insurance or guaranteed issue life insurance, please refer to the product guide in *Product description* and underwriting guidelines (BIND0309A). If you are looking for more traditional life insurance, please refer to the *Underwriting* guidelines (MIND0077A).

