



## Life Insurance Basics

### 1. Term Life

Term insurance is the simplest form of life insurance. It pays only if death occurs during the term of the policy, which is usually from one to 30 years. Most term policies have no other benefit provisions. There are two basic types of term life insurance policies—level term and decreasing term. Level term means that the death benefit stays the same throughout the duration of the policy. Decreasing term means that the death benefit drops, usually in one-year increments, over the course of the policy's term.

### 2. Whole Life/Permanent Life

Whole life or permanent insurance pays a death benefit whenever the policyholder dies. There are three major types of whole life or permanent life insurance—traditional whole life, universal life, and variable universal life, and there are variations within each type.

In the case of traditional whole life, both the death benefit and the premium are designed to stay the same (level) throughout the life of the policy. The cost per \$1,000 of benefit increases as the insured person ages, and it obviously gets very high when the insured lives to 80 and beyond.

The insurance company keeps the premium level by charging a premium that, in the early years, is higher than what is needed to pay claims, investing that money, and then using it to supplement the level premium to help pay the cost of life insurance for older people. By law, when these “overpayments” reach a certain amount, they must be available to the policyholder as a cash value if he or she decides not to continue with the original plan. The cash value is an alternative, not an additional, benefit under the policy.



### 3. Universal Life

Universal life, also known as adjustable life, allows more flexibility than traditional whole life policies. The savings vehicle (called a cash value account) generally earns a money market rate of interest. After money has accumulated in the account, the policyholder will also have the option of altering premium payments—providing there is enough money in the account to cover the cost.

### 4. Variable Life

Variable life policies combine death protection with a savings account that can be invested in stocks, bonds and money market mutual funds. The value of the policy may grow more quickly, but involves more risk. If investments do not perform well, the cash value and death benefit may decrease. Some policies, however, guarantee that the death benefit will not fall below a minimum level. Another variant, universal variable life, combines the features of variable and universal life policies. It has the investment risks and rewards characteristic of variable life insurance, coupled with the ability to adjust premiums and death benefits that is characteristic of universal life insurance.



- Term

- Term
- Guaranteed UL
- Pacific PremierCare  
*(Asset Based Long-Term Care)*

- Term
- Indexed UL
- Survivorship UL



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## Guaranteed Universal Life (GUL)

**GOAL:** *Affordable Guaranteed Coverage with Financial Flexibility for the Future*

### SCENARIO:

Sam (age 45) and Elaine (age 40) have a 10-year old special-needs daughter, Alyssa. Alyssa will need a lifetime of care, especially after Sam and Elaine are gone. For certainty of guaranteed death benefit protection with the flexibility of policy benefits, their advisor suggests they purchase Guaranteed Universal Life (GUL) Insurance with a return of premium feature. Sam buys a policy for \$1 million and Elaine buys a policy for \$500,000, both with lifetime no-lapse guarantee<sup>2</sup> coverage. They both qualify for Preferred No Nicotine rate class.



### APPROACH:

- Sam and Elaine choose **PL Promise GUL**. They like the *Added Consumer Protection*—ability to pay premiums up to 30 days early or late without impacting their guarantee—as they cannot afford to risk a lapse in life insurance coverage for Alyssa's future care
- They especially like the competitive level lifetime premiums versus other carrier options
- And, they appreciate the financial flexibility the *Return of Premium*<sup>3</sup> benefit provides to surrender their policies for a full or partial return of premiums, at no cost, if needed:

Sample Return of Premium* Benefit by Policy Year			
	Year 15	Year 20	Year 25
Sam	\$55,432	\$110,865	\$184,775
Elaine	\$20,250	\$40,500	\$67,500

### RESULT:

**PL Promise GUL provides lifetime death benefit protection and the flexibility of a return of premium feature at no additional cost.**

The many life carriers we represent are handpicked for access to every situation—term, universal life, indexed UL, survivorship, whole life.

**INDIVIDUAL TERM, UNIVERSAL LIFE, AND WHOLE LIFE**

American General	Nationwide
American National	National Western
Assurity	Pacific Life
Cincinnati Life	Principal
Equitable (formerly AXA)	Protective
Global Atlantic	Prudential
John Hancock	Securian
Legal & General America (Banner)	SBLI
	Symetra
Lincoln Financial	Transamerica
Mass Mutual	United of Omaha
New York Life	Zurich
North American	

**DISABILITY INCOME**

Ameritas  
 Assurity  
 Illinois Mutual  
 Mutual of Omaha  
 Petersen International Underwriters  
 Principal  
 The Standard

**SPDA, SPIA, MULTI-YEAR GUARANTEED AND INDEXED ANNUITIES**

American Equity	Minnesota Life
American General	National Western
American National	North American
Athene	Oxford
Cincinnati Life	Oceanview Life and Annuity
Delaware Life	Principal
Equitrust	Protective
F&G Life	Reliance Standard
Global Atlantic	Sagicor
Great American	Symetra
Guggenheim	The Standard
Integrity	United of Omaha

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Global Atlantic  
 Lincoln Financial  
 Nationwide  
 National Western  
 OneAmerica  
 Pacific Life  
 Securian

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