



## Allstate BENEFITS

Protection when faced with  
a critical illness diagnosis  
and you need treatment

## Critical Illness Insurance

No one is ever really prepared for a life-altering critical illness diagnosis. The whirlwind of appointments, tests, treatments and medications can add to your stress levels.

The treatment to recovery is vital, but it can also be expensive. Your medical coverage may only cover some of the costs associated with treatment. You're still responsible for deductibles and coinsurance. If treatment keeps you out of work, the financial worries can grow quickly and stress levels may rise.

Critical Illness coverage helps provide financial support if you are diagnosed with a covered critical illness. With the expense of treatment often high, seeking the treatment you need could seem like a financial burden. When a diagnosis occurs, you need to be focused on getting better and taking control of your health, not stressing over financial worries.

### Here's How It Works

You choose benefits to protect yourself and any family members if diagnosed with a critical illness. Then, if diagnosed with a covered critical illness, you will receive a cash benefit based on the percentage payable for the condition.

### Meeting Your Needs

- Guaranteed Issue, meaning no medical questions to answer at initial enrollment
- Coverage available for dependents
- Covered dependents receive 50% of your Basic-Benefit Amount
- Benefits paid regardless of any other medical or disability plan coverage
- Premiums are affordable and conveniently payroll deducted
- Coverage may be continued; refer to your certificate for more details
- 25% of your Basic-Benefit Amount is paid for Advanced Alzheimer's Disease and Advanced Parkinson's Disease

With Allstate Benefits, you can make treatment decisions without putting your finances at risk. **Are you in Good Hands? You can be.**

<sup>1</sup>[https://www.cdc.gov/heartdisease/heart\\_attack.htm](https://www.cdc.gov/heartdisease/heart_attack.htm)

<sup>2</sup><https://www.cdc.gov/stroke/facts.htm>

## DID YOU KNOW ?



Every **40** seconds,  
an American will suffer  
a heart attack<sup>1</sup>



Every **40** seconds,  
someone in the U.S.  
has a stroke<sup>2</sup>

# Meet Ashley

Ashley is like any single parent who has been diagnosed with a critical illness. She's worried about her future, her children and how they will cope with her treatments. Most importantly, she worries about how she will pay for it all.

Here is what weighs heavily on her mind:

- Major medical only pays a portion of the expenses associated with my treatment
- I have copays I am responsible for until I meet my deductible
- If I am not working due to my treatments, I must cover my bills, rent/mortgage, groceries and my children's education
- If the right treatment is not available locally, I will have to travel to get the treatment I need



Ashley's story of diagnosis and treatment turned into a happy ending, because she had supplemental Critical Illness Insurance to help with expenses.



## CHOOSE

Ashley chooses Critical Illness benefits and rider benefits to help protect her and her children, if they are diagnosed with a critical illness.



## USE

During Ashley's annual wellness exam, her doctor noticed an irregular heartbeat. She underwent an electrocardiogram (EKG) test and stress test, which confirmed she had a blockage in one of her coronary arteries.

**Here's Ashley's treatment path:**

- Ashley has her annual wellness exam
- Her doctor notices an abnormality in her heartbeat; tests are performed and she is diagnosed with coronary artery disease
- After visits with doctors, surgeons and an anesthesiologist, Ashley undergoes surgery
- Surgery is performed to remove the blockage with a bypass graft. She is visited by her doctor during a 4-day hospital stay and released
- Ashley followed her doctor required treatment during a 2-month recovery period, and had regular doctor office visits

Ashley is doing well and is on the road to recovery.



## CLAIM

Ashley's Critical Illness claim paid her cash benefits for the following:

Wellness

Coronary Artery Bypass Surgery

The cash benefits were direct deposited into her bank account.

For a listing of benefits and benefit amounts, see your company's rate insert.

## Using your cash benefits

Cash benefits provide you with options, because you decide how to use them.



### Finances

Can help protect HSAs, savings, retirement plans and 401(k)s from being depleted.



### Travel

Can help pay for expenses while receiving treatment in another city.



### Home

Can help pay the mortgage, continue rental payments, or perform needed home repairs for after care.



### Expenses

Can help pay your family's living expenses such as bills, electricity, and gas.



## MyBenefits: 24/7 Access [allstatebenefits.com/mybenefits](http://allstatebenefits.com/mybenefits)

An easy-to-use website that offers 24/7 access to important information about your benefits. Plus, you can submit and check your claims (including claim history), request your cash benefit to be direct deposited, make changes to personal information, and more.

**Wellness** - Biopsy for skin cancer; Bone Marrow Testing; Blood tests for triglycerides, CA15-3 (breast cancer), CA125 (ovarian cancer), CEA (colon cancer), PSA (prostate cancer); Chest X-ray; Colonoscopy; Doppler screening for carotids or peripheral vascular disease; Echocardiogram; EKG; Flexible sigmoidoscopy; Hemocult stool analysis; HPV (Human Papillomavirus) Vaccination; Lipid panel (total cholesterol count); Mammography, including Breast Ultrasound; Pap Smear, including ThinPrep Pap Test; Serum Protein Electrophoresis (test for myeloma); Stress test on bike or treadmill; Thermography; Ultrasound screening for abdominal aortic aneurysms.

## Benefits (subject to maximums as listed on the attached rate insert)

### Benefit paid upon diagnosis of one of the following conditions

#### INITIAL CRITICAL ILLNESS BENEFITS\*

**Heart Attack** - the death of a portion of the heart muscle due to inadequate blood supply. Established (old) myocardial infarction and cardiac arrest are not covered

**Stroke** - the death of a portion of the brain producing neurological sequelae including infarction of brain tissue, hemorrhage and embolization from an extra-cranial source. Transient ischemic attacks (TIAs), head injury, chronic cerebrovascular insufficiency and reversible ischemic neurological deficits are not covered

**Major Organ Transplant** - transplant of heart, lung, liver, pancreas or kidneys. Transplanted organ must come from a human donor

**End Stage Renal Failure** - irreversible failure of both kidneys, resulting in peritoneal dialysis or hemodialysis. Renal failure caused by traumatic events, including surgical trauma, are not covered

**Coronary Artery Bypass Surgery** - to correct narrowing or blockage of one or more coronary arteries with bypass graft. Abdominal aortic bypass, balloon angioplasty, laser embolectomy, atherectomy, stent placement and non-surgical procedures are not covered

**Waiver of Premium (Employee only)** - premiums waived if disabled for 90 consecutive days due to a critical illness

#### SECOND EVENT BENEFIT\*

**Second Event Initial Critical Illness** - second diagnosis more than 12 months after the first date of diagnosis for which an Initial Critical Illness benefit was paid

#### SUPPLEMENTAL CRITICAL ILLNESS II BENEFITS\*

**Advanced Alzheimer's Disease** - must exhibit impaired memory and judgment and be certified unable to perform at least three daily activities<sup>1</sup> without adult assistance

**Advanced Parkinson's Disease** - must exhibit two or more of the following: muscle rigidity, tremor, or bradykinesia (slowness in physical and mental responses); and be certified unable to perform at least three daily activities<sup>1</sup> without adult assistance

**Benign Brain Tumor** - a non-cancerous tumor confirmed by biopsy or surgical excision, or specific neuroradiological examination, and persistent neurological deficits including but not limited to: loss of vision; loss of hearing; or balance disruption. Tumors of the skull, pituitary adenomas, and germinomas are not covered

**Coma** - unconsciousness due to sickness or traumatic brain injury, with severe neurologic dysfunction and unresponsiveness for 14 consecutive days. Requires significant medical intervention and life support. Medically induced Coma is not covered

**Complete Blindness** - irreversible reduction of sight in both eyes

**Complete Loss of Hearing** - total and irreversible loss of hearing in both ears

**Paralysis** - total and permanent loss of voluntary movement or motor function of 2 or more limbs

#### OPTIONAL/ADDITIONAL BENEFIT

**Wellness** - 23 exams. Once per person, per calendar year; see left for list of wellness services and tests

\*Benefits paid once per covered person. When all benefits have been used, the coverage terminates.

<sup>1</sup> Daily activities include: bathing, dressing, toileting, bladder and bowel continence, transferring and eating.

## CERTIFICATE SPECIFICATIONS

### Eligibility

Your employer decides who is eligible for your group (such as length of service and hours worked each week). Issue ages are 18 and over.

### Dependent Eligibility/Termination

Family members eligible for coverage are your spouse or domestic partner and children. Coverage for children ends when the child reaches age 26, unless he or she continues to meet the requirements of an eligible dependent. Spouse coverage ends upon valid decree of divorce or your death. Domestic partner coverage ends when the domestic partnership ends or your death.

### When Coverage Ends

Coverage under the policy ends on the earliest of: the date the policy is canceled; you stop paying your premium; the last day of active employment; you or your class are no longer eligible; a false claim is filed; when all benefits have been paid under the policy and riders, if applicable.

### Continuing Your Coverage

You may be eligible to continue your coverage when coverage under the policy ends. Refer to your Certificate of Insurance for details.

## BENEFIT CONDITIONS

### Conditions and Limits

A diagnosis occurring before your coverage begins is not payable; however, a diagnosis of any covered critical illness after your effective date will be payable. Benefits are subject to the Pre-Existing Condition Limitation, if applicable, as well as all other limitations and exclusions. All critical illnesses must meet the definitions and dates of diagnoses stated in the certificate and be diagnosed by a physician while coverage is in effect. The date of diagnosis for each illness must be separated by 90 days. Emergency situations outside the U.S. will be considered when you return to the U.S.

If the first diagnosis of cancer occurs before the effective date of coverage, benefits are paid for a subsequent diagnosis of cancer after the effective date, subject to the terms and conditions in the certificate.

### Pre-Existing Condition Limitation

Benefits are not paid for: a critical illness that is, caused by, contributed to by or results from, a pre-existing condition when the date of diagnosis is within 12 months after the effective date of coverage. A pre-existing condition is a condition, whether diagnosed or not, for which medical advice or treatment was recommended or received from a medical professional within 12 months prior to the effective date.

### Exclusions

Benefits are not paid for: war or participation in a riot, insurrection or rebellion; intentionally self-inflicted injury or action; illegal activities or occupations; suicide while sane, or self-destruction while insane, or any attempt at either; substance abuse, including alcohol, alcoholism, drug addiction, or dependence upon any controlled substance.

**This brochure is for use in enrollments situated in VA, and is incomplete without the accompanying rate insert.**

**This material is valid as long as information remains current, but in no event later than May 9, 2021.**

Group Critical Illness benefits are provided by policy form GVCIP2, or state variations thereof.

**Coverage is provided by Limited Benefit Supplemental Critical Illness Insurance.** The policy does not provide benefits for any other sickness or condition. The policy is not a Medicare Supplement Policy. If eligible for Medicare, review Medicare Supplement Buyer's Guide available from Allstate Benefits.

This information highlights some features of the policy but is not the insurance contract. For complete details, contact your Allstate Benefits Agent. This is a brief overview of the benefits available under the Group Voluntary Policy underwritten by American Heritage Life Insurance Company (Home Office, Jacksonville, FL). Details of the insurance, including exclusions, restrictions, and other provisions are included in the certificates issued.

**The coverage does not constitute comprehensive health insurance coverage (often referred to as "major medical coverage") and does not satisfy the requirement of minimum essential coverage under the Affordable Care Act.**



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