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Nationwide® Guaranteed Level Term I Client guide

Making it easier to protect what matters most in life
Life’s complicated. Protecting it shouldn’t be.

With so many things competing for your time and resources, purchasing life insurance might seem like something that can wait.

But life is full of uncertainties. While you can’t stop them from happening, Nationwide® Guaranteed Level Term can help protect your family if they do. It helps make the process of getting affordable, temporary protection quicker and easier, so you can get back to what’s really important in your life.
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Be sure to choose a product that meets long-term life insurance needs, especially if personal situations change — for example, marriage, birth of a child or job promotion. Weigh the costs of the policy, and understand that life insurance has fees and charges that vary with sex, health, age and tobacco use. Riders that customize a policy to fit individual needs usually carry an additional charge.

All guarantees and benefits of the insurance policy are backed by the claims-paying ability of the issuing insurance company.
48% of Americans have no life insurance coverage.¹

The facts of life

Life insurance is a simple way to make sure your family members and the plans you have for the future are protected, even after you’re gone. It provides your beneficiaries with a death benefit, which they can use to help cover expenses and maintain their current standard of living.

Unfortunately, many people don’t have — or don’t have enough — life insurance to help replace the income they would earn before retirement.

38% of Americans indicate that if a family member who provides income should unexpectedly pass away, their household would struggle financially within 6 months. 30% indicate they would face financial hardship within a month.¹

¹ “2023 Life Insurance Fact Sheet,” LIMRA.
Who should own life insurance?

Anyone with people who are financially dependent on them can be a good candidate for life insurance, including:

- Married couples and couples who live together or are in long-term relationships
- People with children
- Someone who was recently promoted or changed jobs
- Single people who support siblings or aging parents, or those who have debt they wouldn’t like passed on to relatives
- Business owners thinking about business succession, retirement planning or keeping key employees

10 times your gross annual salary

The rule of thumb often used when explaining life insurance is to purchase a policy for 10 times your gross annual salary. You may need more or less coverage, based on your specific situation, so talk to your insurance professional about completing a personal needs assessment.
Which type is right for you?

Term and permanent life insurance are two coverage options available to you. Both offer tax advantages and death benefit protection for your loved ones, but they also have many differences.

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If you and your insurance professional decide that term life insurance is right for your needs, goals and budget, then consider Nationwide Guaranteed Level Term.
Why Nationwide® Guaranteed Level Term?

Whether you’re concerned about your family being able to make the house payment or ensuring that your plans for the future become a reality, Nationwide Guaranteed Level Term can provide an affordable solution to your needs. It offers:

**Level premiums**

Your rates are guaranteed not to increase for the entire length of the term you select: 10, 15, 20 or 30 years. Once the policy term is over, your premiums will increase annually.

**Protection that’s quick and easy**

The simple underwriting process and noninvasive medical requirements (available for certain ages and policy amounts) offered by Nationwide Guaranteed Level Term enable you to get the protection you need without the hassle normally associated with purchasing life insurance.

**Tax advantages**

Your family receives an income tax-free death benefit that they can use to meet their immediate and future expenses. The death benefit may also be estate tax-free, if properly structured.

**Options to help customize your policy**

Select the right combination of benefits and features to help address your specific needs.

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Accelerated Death Benefit Rider | It provides access to your death benefit in the case of a terminal illness. It’s available based on issue-state approval.
Waiver of Premium Disability Rider | It protects your policy from lapsing if you become disabled.
Owner-directed settlement options | They enable you to choose how and when the death benefit is paid from your policy.
Wellness credits | They award points toward your underwriting rating based on your healthful lifestyle.

#### Convenient services
- We designed special customer service features to make buying and owning life insurance easier for you, including:
  - Automated payments (electronic funds transfers) on all billing frequencies
  - Express claims service
  - Automated late payment alerts to help keep your policy current

#### Conversion privileges
If your needs change, Nationwide Guaranteed Level Term offers you the flexibility to convert to permanent coverage of equal or lesser value without additional medical requirements if your needs change later on. If the permanent policy will be larger than the original policy, additional requirements will be needed. Conversion is allowed before attained age 65.

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What can it be used for?

Nationwide Guaranteed Level Term is a simple and affordable way to make sure your family has the resources they need. They can use the death benefit proceeds to help:

• Cover immediate expenses, such as excess medical bills, funeral costs or estate settlement and probate fees

• Pay off the mortgage, a car loan or other debt

• Replace your lost income to cover food, housing, transportation or utility needs into the future

• Fund a college education for your child(ren) or retirement for your spouse

Nationwide Guaranteed Level Term can be a good option for small-business owners, too. Whether your business is just getting started or you’re thinking of retiring soon, term insurance can be an economical solution to your business planning needs.
Why Nationwide?

We’re glad you asked.

As a Fortune 100 company with nearly 100 years of evolution and sustained momentum, we work to protect what people value most: their families, businesses and futures. We provide a full range of financial services — including life insurance, annuities, mutual funds and retirement plans — and we do it with extraordinary care.

Through our businesses and services, we deliver:

**A better experience** — Nationwide products, services and processes are transparent and flexible.

**Simplicity** — Our resources are clear and user-friendly so you can more easily understand your financial planning options.

**A demonstrated approach** — We’ve committed to keeping our promises for nearly 100 years by being a forward-thinking investment manager while offering the stability of risk management practices.
Your next steps

If you’ve made the decision that Nationwide Guaranteed Level Term is right for you, the underwriting process can begin. This simply means we begin the paperwork on the policy.

Your insurance professional will have some forms for you to sign, and they may need to ask a few medical questions.

Depending on the amount of insurance applied for, a medical professional may schedule a quick exam, which will include checking your height, weight and other basic medical information. In many cases, the checkup can be done in your home.

After the application is approved, you will receive the policy. You might want to file this with your other important documents and notify your beneficiaries.

Then, by paying the regularly scheduled guaranteed premium on time, you can be sure you’ve protected what matters most in life.