

## **CONTINENTAL AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY**

Columbia, South Carolina 800.433.3036

#### Endorsement to Policy and Certificate of Insurance

This Endorsement alters the Policy and the Certificate to which it is attached. Unless specifically addressed by this Endorsement, all other Policy and Certificate provisions, definitions, and terms continue to apply.

Continental American Insurance Company's mailing addresses for claims and premium payments are changed as listed below.

Notice of Claim and Proof of Loss should be mailed to the Company at:

P.O. Box 84075, Columbus, Georgia, 31993-9103

Premium Payments should be mailed to the Company at:

P.O. Box 84069, Columbus, Georgia, 31908-4069

If applicable, references to 2801 Devine Street, Columbia, SC 29205 are deleted.

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Home Office: 2801 Devine Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29205

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#### CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE FOR GROUP CRITICAL ILLNESS POLICY

#### THIS CERTIFICATE PROVIDES BENEFITS FOR THE CRITICAL ILLNESSES LISTED. IT DOES NOT PROVIDE BENEFITS FOR ANY OTHER SICKNESS OR CONDITION.

#### PLEASE READ YOUR CERTIFICATE CAREFULLY

#### THIS IS NOT A MEDICARE SUPPLEMENT POLICY.

If you are eligible for Medicare, review the Guide to Health Insurance for People with Medicare.

THE INSURANCE POLICY UNDER WHICH THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED IS NOT A POLICY OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE. YOU SHOULD CONSULT YOUR EMPLOYER TO DETERMINE WHETHER YOUR EMPLOYER IS A SUBSCRIBER TO THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION SYSTEM.

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We certify that you are insured under the Critical Illnesses Policy (herein called the Plan) issued to the Policyholder, subject to the definitions, exclusions and other provisions of the Plan against loss resulting from Critical Illness. Certain provisions of the Plan are summarized in this Certificate. All provisions of the Plan, whether contained in your Certificate or not, apply to the insurance referred to by the Certificate.

The Effective Date of your Certificate is as shown in the Certificate Schedule if you are on that date actively at work. If not, this Certificate will become effective on the next date you are actively at work as an eligible Employee. This Certificate will remain in effect for the period for which the premium has been paid. This Certificate may be continued for further periods as stated in the Plan.

This Certificate is issued in consideration of the payment of the required premium and of your statements and representations in the application. This Certificate, on its Effective Date, automatically replaces any Certificate or Certificates previously issued to you under the Plan. "You" and "your" refer to the Employee or any other Insured under Family Coverage. "We", "us", and "our" refer to the Company.

#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT COVERAGE UNDER THE TEXAS LIFE AND HEALTH INSURANCE GUARANTY ASSOCIATION

(For insurers declared insolvent or impaired on or after September 1, 2011)

Texas law establishes a system to protect Texas Policyholders if their life or health insurance company fails. The Texas Life and Health Insurance Guaranty Association (the "Association") administers this protection system. Only the policyholders of insurance companies that are members of the Association are eligible for this protection which is subject to the terms, limitations and conditions of the Association law. (The law is found in the *Texas Insurance Code*, Chapter 463.)

#### It is possible that the Association may not protect all or part of your policy because of statutory limitations.

#### Eligibility for Protection by the Association

When a member insurance company is found to be insolvent and placed under an order of liquidation by a court or designated as impaired by the Texas Commissioner of Insurance, the Association provides coverage to policyholders who are:

- Residents of Texas (regardless of where the policyholder lived when the policy was issued)
- Residents of other states, ONLY if the following conditions are met:
  - 1. The policyholder has a policy with a company domiciled in Texas;
  - 2. The policyholder's state of residence has a similar guaranty association; and
  - 3. The policyholder is *not eligible* for coverage by the guaranty association of the policyholder's state of residence.

#### Limits of Protection by the Association

#### Accident, Accident and Health, or Health Insurance:

• For each individual covered under one or more policies: up to a total of \$500,000 for basic hospital, medical-surgical, and major medical insurance, \$300,000 for disability or long term care insurance, and \$200,000 for other types of health insurance.

#### Life Insurance:

- Net cash surrender value or net cash withdrawal value up to a total of \$100,000 under one or more policies on a single life; or
- Death benefits up to a total of \$300,000 under one or more policies on a single life; or
- Total benefits up to a total of \$5,000,000 to any owner of multiple non-group life policies.

#### **Individual Annuities:**

• Present value of benefits up to a total of \$250,000 under one or more contracts on any one life.

#### Group Annuities:

- Present value of allocated benefits up to a total of \$250,000 on any one life; or
- Present value of unallocated benefits up to a total of \$5,000,000 for one contract holder regardless of the number of contracts.

#### **Aggregate Limit:**

• \$300,000 on any one life with the exception of the \$500,000 health insurance limit, the \$5,000,000 multiple owner life insurance limits, and the \$5,000,000 unallocated group annuity limit.

#### These limits are applied for each insolvent insurance company.

Insurance companies and agents are prohibited by law from using the existence of the Association for the purpose of sales, solicitation, or inducement to purchase any form of insurance. When you are selecting an insurance company, you should not rely on Association coverage. For additional questions on Association protection or general information about an insurance company, please use the following contact information.

Texas Life, Accident, Health and Hospital Service Insurance Guaranty Association 6505 Bridge Point Parkway, Suite 450 Austin, Texas 78730 (800)-982-6362 or www.txlifega.org Texas Department of Insurance Post Office Box 149104 Austin, Texas 78714-9104 (800)-252-3439 or www.tdi.texas.gov

#### **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

To obtain information or make a complaint:

You may call Continental American Insurance Company's toll-free telephone number for information or to make a complaint at:

#### 1-800-433-3036

You may also write to Continental American Insurance Company at:

Post Office Box 427 Columbia, South Carolina 29202

You may contact the Texas Department of Insurance to obtain information on companies, coverages, rights, or complaints at:

#### 1-800-252-3439

You may write the Texas Department of Insurance:

P.O. Box 149104 Austin, TX 78714-9104 Fax: (512) 490-1007 Web: www.tdi.texas.gov E-mail: ConsumerProtection@tdi.texas.gov

#### **PREMIUM OR CLAIM DISPUTES:**

Should you have a dispute concerning your premium or about a claim, you should contact the company first. If the dispute is not resolved, you may contact the Texas Department of Insurance.

#### **ATTACH THIS NOTICE TO YOUR POLICY:**

This notice is for information only and does not become a part or condition of the attached document.

#### **AVISO IMPORANTE**

Para obtener información o para presentar una queja:

Usted puede llamar al número de teléfono gratuito de Continental American Insurance Company's para obtener información o para presentar una queja al:

#### 1-800-433-3036

Usted también puede escribir a Continental American Insuance Company:

Post Office Box 427 Columbia, South Carolina 29202

Usted puede comunicarse con el Departamento de Seguros de Texas para obtener información sobre compañías, coberturas, derechos, o quejas al:

#### 1-800-252-3439

Usted puede escribir al Departamento de Seguros de Texas a:

P.O. Box 149104 Austin, TX 78714-9104 Fax: (512) 490-1007 Sitio web: www.tdi.texas.gov E-mail: ConsumerProtection@tdi.texas.gov

## DISPUTAS POR PRIMAS DE SEGUROS O RECLAMACIONES:

Si tiene una disputa relacionada con su prima de seguro o con una reclamación, usted debe comunicarse con la compañía primero. Si la disputa no es resuelta, usted puede comunicarse con el Departamento de Seguros de Texas.

#### ADJUNTE ESTE AVISO A SU PÓLIZA:

Este aviso es solamente para propósito informativos y no se convierte en parte o en condición del documento adjunto.

#### SECTION I - ELIGIBILITY, EFFECTIVE DATE AND TERMINATION

#### ELIGIBILITY

You as used in this Certificate, means a person insured under this Certificate who is:

- 1. An Employee of the Policyholder, or an eligible Spouse of the Employee;
- 2. Under age 70;
- 3. Engaged in full-time work; and
- 4. Included in the class of Employees eligible for coverage as shown on the application.

#### **EFFECTIVE DATE**

The Effective Date of the Plan is shown on Page 1 of the Master Policy.

The Effective Date for you is as follows:

- 1. Your insurance will be effective on the date shown on the Certificate Schedule provided you are actively at work.
- 2. If you are not actively at work on the date coverage would otherwise become effective, the Effective Date of your coverage will be the date on which you are first thereafter actively at work.

The Effective Date for a Spouse or Dependent Child is the date shown on the Certificate Schedule Page subject to the following:

- 1. The date your insurance is effective for a Spouse or Dependent Child who is eligible on that date; for whom coverage is applied for and premium paid; and who are not hospital confined.
- 2. At 12:00 a.m. Standard Time, on the day a Spouse or Dependent Child is no longer hospital confined if the Spouse or Dependent Child was otherwise eligible for coverage on the date your insurance became effective.
- 3. For a Dependent eligible on or first acquired after the Employee's Effective Date, the Effective Date will be:
  - a. For newborn children, the effective date is the moment of birth, but we must be given notice of the birth within 31 days after the birth for coverage to continue beyond 31 days,( see section III, Definitions, Insured Person). Foster children shall be eligible for coverage on the same basis upon placement in the foster home.
  - b. For other than Newborn Children and adopted children, the date we assign after approving the Application for such coverage.
  - c. For adopted children either the date on which the suit for adoption is filed or the date the adoption is final provided we receive notification within 31 days (see Section III, Definitions, Insured Person).

#### **TERMINATION OF YOUR INSURANCE**

Your insurance will terminate on the earliest of:

- 1. The date the Plan is terminated;
- 2. On the 31st day after the premium due date if the required premium has not been paid;
- 3. On the date he ceases to meet the definition of an Employee as defined in the Plan; or
- 4. On the date he is no longer a member of the class eligible.

Insurance for an insured Spouse or Dependent Child will terminate the earliest of:

- 1. The date the Plan is terminated;
- 2. On the 31st day after the premium due date if the required premium has not been paid;
- 3. The premium due date following the date the Spouse or Dependent Child ceases to be a dependent;
- 4. The premium due date following the date we receive your written request to terminate coverage for your Spouse and/or all Dependent Children.

Termination of the insurance on any Insured shall be without prejudice to his rights as regarding any claim arising prior thereto.

#### SECTION II - PREMIUM PROVISIONS

#### PREMIUM PAYMENTS

Aggregate premiums for the Plan are to be paid to the Company our Home Office in Columbia, South Carolina. Payment of any premium will not keep the Plan in force beyond the due date of the next premium, except as set forth in the Grace Period.

#### **GRACE PERIOD**

The Plan has a 31-day Grace Period. This means that if a renewal premium is not paid on or before the date it is due, it may be paid during the next 31 days. During the Grace Period, this Certificate will stay in force, unless the Policyholder has given the Company written notice of discontinuance of the Plan.

#### SECTION III - GENERAL DEFINITIONS / BENEFIT DEFINITIONS

Whenever a male pronoun is used, it includes the female unless the context clearly shows otherwise.

Actively at Work to be considered "actively at work", an Employee must perform for a full normal workday the regular duties of his employment at the regular place of business or at a location to which he may be required to travel to perform the regular duties of his employment.

Critical Illness means such illness shown in the Schedule and as defined in this Plan.

Date of Diagnosis means for:

**Cancer and/or carcinoma in situ:** The day the tissue specimen, blood samples and/or titer(s) are taken on which the first diagnosis of cancer or carcinoma in situ is based.

**Heart attack:** The date that the death (infarction) of a portion of the heart muscle occurred based on the criteria listed under the Heart Attack definition.

Stroke: The date a stroke occurred based on documented neurological deficits and neuroimaging studies.

Kidney failure: The date that a doctor or physician recommends that an Insured begin renal dialysis.

Major organ transplant surgery or coronary artery bypass surgery: The date the surgery occurs for covered transplants or covered coronary artery bypass surgery.

**Dependent Child(ren)** means your natural children, step-children, legally adopted children or children placed for adoption, who are unmarried, chiefly dependent on you or your Spouse for support; and younger than age 25.

However, if any child is incapable of self-sustaining employment due to mental retardation or physical handicap and is dependent on a parent(s) for support, the above age of twenty-five (25) shall not apply. Proof of such incapacity and dependency must be furnished to the Company within thirty-one (31) days following such 25th birthday.

**Doctor or Physician** means any licensed practitioner of the healing arts acting within the scope of his license in treating a Critical Illness. It doesn't include an Insured or their family member.

**Employee** means the Insured as shown in the Certificate Schedule.

Family Member means an Insured's spouse, son, daughter, mother, father, sister, or brother.

**Illness** means sickness or disease which first manifests while the Insured's coverage is in force. Any loss due to illness must begin while the Insured's coverage is in force.

**Injury** means bodily injury solely due to an accident. It includes all complications of and all injuries from the same accident.

#### Insured(s) -

- 1. If Employee coverage is shown in the Certificate Schedule, we insure the Employee.
- 2. If coverage is for the Spouse of an eligible Employee, we insure the Insured as shown on the Certificate Schedule.
- 3. Coverage for Dependent Children may be included in an attached rider (if applicable).
- 4. If any person who would otherwise be an Insured is specifically excluded from coverage by endorsement to the Certificate or by the application, then such person shall not be an Insured.
- 5. Any other additions to the Insured class must be added by endorsement after applying to the Company.

**Pathologist** means a doctor, other than an Insured or a family member, who is licensed to practice medicine and who is also licensed to practice pathologic anatomy by the American Board of Pathology. A Pathologist also means an Osteopathic Pathologist who is certified by the Osteopathic Board of Pathology.

Spouse means an Employee's legal wife or husband.

**Treatment** means consultation, care or services provided by a physician including diagnostic measures and taking prescribed drugs and medicines.

**Treatment free** means a period of time without the consultation, care or services provided by a physician including diagnostic measures and taking prescribed drugs and medicines.

#### **BENEFIT DEFINITIONS**

**Cancer (internal or invasive)** means a malignant tumor characterized by the uncontrolled growth and spread of malignant cells and the invasion of distant tissue. Cancer includes Leukemia. Excluded are Cancers that are non-invasive such as:

- 1. Pre-malignant tumors or polyps;
- 2. Carcinoma in Situ;
- 3. Any skin cancers except melanomas;
- 4. Basal cell carcinoma and squamous cell carcinoma of the skin; and
- 5. Melanoma that is diagnosed as Clark's Level I or II or Breslow less than .77mm.

Cancer is also defined as a disease which meets the diagnosis criteria of malignancy established by The American Board of Pathology after a study of the histocytologic architecture or pattern of the suspect tumor, tissue or specimen.

**Carcinoma in Situ** means Cancer that is in the natural or normal place, confined to the site of origin without having invaded neighboring tissue.

Cancer and/or Carcinoma in Situ must be diagnosed in one of two ways:

- 1. **Pathological Diagnosis** A Pathological Diagnosis of Cancer or Carcinoma in Situ is based on a microscopic study of fixed tissue or preparations from the hemic (blood) system. This type of diagnosis must be done by a Certified Pathologist whose diagnosis of malignancy is in keeping with the standards set up by the American Board of Pathology.
- 2. Clinical Diagnosis A Clinical Diagnosis of Cancer or Carcinoma in Situ is based on the study of symptoms.

We will pay benefits for a Clinical Diagnosis only if:

- 1. A Pathological Diagnosis cannot be made because it is medically inappropriate or life-threatening; and
- 2. there is medical evidence to support the diagnosis; and
- 3. a doctor is treating an Insured for Cancer and/or Carcinoma in Situ.

**Heart Attack (Myocardial Infarction)** means the death of a portion of the heart muscle (myocardium) resulting from a blockage of one or more coronary arteries. Heart Attack does not include any other disease or injury involving the cardiovascular system. Cardiac Arrest not caused by a Myocardial Infarction is not a Heart Attack. The diagnosis must include all of the following criteria:

- 1. New and serial Electrocardiographic (EKG) findings consistent with Myocardial Infarction;
- 2. Elevation of cardiac enzymes above generally accepted laboratory levels of normal in case of creatine physphokinase (CPK), a CPK-MB measurement must be used; and
- 3. Confirmatory imaging studies such as thallium scans, MUGA scans, or stress echocardiograms.

**Coronary Artery Bypass Surgery** means undergoing open heart surgery to correct narrowing or blockage of one or more coronary arteries with bypass grafts, but excluding procedures such as, but not limited to balloon angioplasty, laser relief, stints or other non-surgical procedures.

**Major Organ Transplant** means undergoing surgery as a recipient of a transplant of a human heart, lung, liver, kidney, or pancreas.

**Stroke** means apoplexy (due to rupture or acute occlusion of a cerebral artery), or a cerebral vascular accident or incident, which is first manifested on or after an Insured's Effective Date. Stroke does not include Transient Ischemic Attacks and attacks of Verterbrobasilar Ischemia. We will pay a benefit for Stroke which produces permanent clinical neurological sequela following an initial diagnosis. We must receive evidence of the permanent neurological damage provided from Computed Axial Tomography (CAT scan) or magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI). **Stroke does not mean head injury, transient ischemic attack or chronic cerebrovascular insufficiency.** 

**Kidney Failure (Renal Failure)** means the end stage renal failure presenting as chronic, irreversible failure of both kidneys to function. The Kidney Failure must necessitate regular renal dialysis, hemo-dialysis or peritoneal dialysis (at least weekly); or which results in kidney transplantation. Renal failure is covered, provided it is not caused by a traumatic event, including surgical traumas.

#### **SECTION IV - BENEFITS**

#### **Critical Illness Benefit**

We will pay this benefit when an Insured is diagnosed with one of the Critical Illnesses shown on the Certificate Schedule if:

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- 1. The date of diagnosis is while the his coverage is in force; and
- 2. It is not excluded by name or specific description in the Certificate.

The Certificate's Initial Maximum Benefit amount is shown in the Schedule. If the Schedule shows a Maximum Benefit Reduction Date, a Certificate's Maximum Benefit will be reduced to the Reduced Maximum Benefit Amount, also shown in the Schedule, on that date. Benefits will be based on the Maximum Benefit amount in effect on the Critical Illness Date of Diagnosis. Any partial benefits paid will be deducted from the appropriate Critical Illness.

Payment of benefits is subject to the following:

- 1. We will pay benefits for a Critical Illness in the order the events occur.
- 2. No benefits are payable for each different Critical Illness after the first unless its date of diagnosis is separated from the prior different Critical Illness by at least 6 months and it is not caused by or contributed to by a Critical Illness for which benefits have been paid.
- 3. Once benefits have been paid for a Critical Illness, no additional benefits are payable for that same Critical Illness unless the dates of diagnosis are separated by at least 12 months (or for cancer 12 months treatment free). Cancer that has spread (metastasized) even though there is a new tumor, will not be considered an additional occurrence unless you have been treatment free for 12 months.

#### Health Screening Benefit (Calendar Year Limit)

We will pay the amount shown in the Benefit Schedule for Health Screening Tests performed while an Insured's coverage is in force. This Benefit is payable once per calendar year up to the Maximum Benefit amount shown in the Benefit Schedule. Payment of this benefit will not reduce the Critical Illness benefit available under this Certificate.

Health Screening Tests include but are not limited to:

- 1. Stress test on a bicycle or treadmill,
- 2. Fasting blood glucose test,
- 3. Blood test for triglycerides,
- 4. Serum cholesterol test to determine level of HDL and LDL,
- 5. Bone marrow testing,
- 6. Breast ultrasound,
- 7. CA 15-3 (blood test for breast cancer),
- 8. CA 125 (blood test for ovarian cancer),
- 9. CEA (blood test for colon cancer),
- 10. Chest X-ray,
- 11. Colonoscopy,
- 12. Flexible sigmoidoscopy,
- 13. Hemocult stool analysis,
- 14. Mammography,
- 15. Pap smear,
- 16. PSA (blood test for prostate cancer),
- 17. Serum Protein Electrophoresis (blood test for myeloma),
- 18. Thermography.

There is no limit to the number of years an Insured can receive benefits for Health Screening Tests, as long as this Plan is in force.

We will pay this benefit regardless of the results of the test.

#### SECTION V – EXCLUSIONS

We won't pay for loss due to:

- 1. Intentionally self-inflicted injury or action.
- 2. Suicide or attempted suicide while sane or insane.
- 3. Illegal activities or participation in an illegal occupation.
- 4. War declared or undeclared or military conflicts, participation in an insurrection or riot, civil commotion or state of belligerence.
- 5. Substance Abuse.

Diagnosis must be made and treatment received in the United States.

#### SECTION VI - CLAIM PROVISIONS

**Notice of Claim**: Written notice of claim must be given within sixty (60) days after a covered loss starts, or as soon as reasonably possible. The notice can be given to the Company at P.O. Box 427, Columbia, South Carolina 29202. Notice should include the name of the Insured and the Certificate number.

**Claim Forms:** When we receive a notice of claim, we will send the claimant forms for filing proof of loss. If the forms are not given within 15 working days, proof of loss requirements can be met by giving us a written statement of the nature and extent of the loss within the time limit stated in the Proof of Loss Section.

**Proof of Loss:** Written Proof of Loss must be furnished to the Company at P.O. Box 427, Columbia, South Carolina 29202 within ninety (90) days after the date of such loss. Failure to furnish such proof within the time required shall not invalidate nor reduce any claim if it was not reasonably possible to give proof within such time. However, such proof must be furnished as soon as reasonably possible and in no event (except in the absence of legal capacity) later than one year from the time proof is otherwise required.

**Time of Payment of Claims:** Benefits payable under this Plan will be paid immediately upon receipt of acceptable Proof of Loss.

**Payment of Claims:** All benefits will be payable to you unless assigned by them or by operation of law. Any accrued benefit unpaid at the Insured's death may be paid to their estate.

**Conformity with State Statutes:** Any provision of the Plan which, on its Effective Date, is in conflict with the statutes of the state in which it was issued is hereby amended to conform to the minimum requirements of such statutes.

Additional Coverage with the Company: We will only pay benefits for covered Critical Illness under one Critical Illness Certificate if an Insured is covered by more than one of our Critical Illness Certificates. You may choose which Certificate you wish to keep in force by sending us written notice of your choice. We will return the premiums paid for any of our other Critical Illness Certificates during the period there was more than one Certificate in force.

#### SECTION VII - GENERAL PROVISIONS

**Questions or Comments:** If you have any questions about this Plan, its benefits, the filing of claims, a complaint or a compliment, please call us at the toll free number listed on the front of this Plan.

**Entire Contract, Changes:** The Policy together with the application, endorsements, benefit agreements, certificates and riders, if any, is the Entire Contract of Insurance. No change in the Plan shall be valid until approved in writing by an Executive Officer of the Company. Any change must be noted on or attached hereto. No agent may change the Plan or waive any of its Provisions. Any Rider, Endorsement or Application that modifies, limits or excludes coverage under the Plan must be signed by the Employee to be valid.

**Physical Examination and Autopsy:** We, at our expense, have the right to have an Insured examined as often as reasonable necessary while a claim is pending. In the case of death, we may also have any autopsy done unless prohibited by law.

**Legal Action:** No legal action may be brought to recover on this Plan within 60 days after written Proof of Loss has been given as required by the Plan. No such action may be brought after 3 years from the time written Proof of Loss is required to be given.

**Time Limit on Certain Defenses:** (1) After two years from an Insured's effective date of coverage, no misstatements, except fraudulent misstatements, made by the applicant in the application shall be used to void the coverage or to deny a claim for loss incurred commencing after the expiration of such two-year period (2) No claim for loss incurred commencing after two years from an Insured's Effective Date of coverage shall be reduced or denied on the grounds that a disease or physical condition, not excluded from coverage by name or specific description, had existed prior to such Effective Date.

**Misstatement of Age:** If an age has been misstated on the application, the benefits will be those the premium paid would have purchased at the correct age.



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#### WAIVER OF PREMIUM BENEFIT RIDER TO CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE FOR CRITICAL ILLNESS

This Rider is part of the Certificate to which it is attached. We have issued this Rider because:

- We have accepted your Application, and
- You paid the additional premium for this Rider.

Unless amended by this Rider, all Certificate definitions, exclusions, limitations, terms, and other provisions apply. For the purpose of this Rider, "you" refers to the primary Insured.

#### **Effective Date**

If issued at the same time as the Certificate, this Rider becomes effective on the Certificate Effective Date. If issued after the Certificate, this Rider will have a later Effective Date, which is shown in the Rider Schedule following this Rider.

#### DEFINITIONS

#### Total Disability or Totally Disabled means you are:

- Unable to Work (defined later in this section),
- Not working at any job for pay or benefits, and
- Under the care of a Doctor for the treatment of a covered Critical Illness.

Unable to Work means either:

- During the first 365 days of Total Disability, you are unable to work at the occupation you were performing when your Total Disability began; or
- After the first 365 days of Total Disability, you are unable to work at any gainful occupation for which you are suited by education, training, or experience.

#### **BENEFIT PROVISIONS**

#### Waiver of Premium Benefit

A Critical Illness may result in more than 90 days of Total Disability for an Insured. If a covered Critical Illness causes an Insured to be Totally Disabled for 90 days, the Company will waive the premium payments for this coverage for the first 90 days of Total Disability and for each following day until the earliest of the following:

- The Insured is no longer Totally Disabled,
- The Company has waived premiums for a total of 24 months of Total Disability,
- The Insured reaches age 65 or is 2 years from the date of Total Disability, whichever occurs last, or
- Coverage ends according to the Termination of Coverage provision.

At the end of the waiver period, the Insured must resume paying premiums to keep this coverage in force. Premiums waived include those for the Employee and those for currently covered Dependents or Riders that are in force.

For premiums to be waived, the Insured must provide satisfactory proof of Total Disability at least once every 12 months.

#### **GENERAL PROVISIONS**

#### **Time Limit on Certain Defenses**

After two years from the Insured's Effective Date of coverage, the Company may not void coverage or deny a claim for any loss because of misstatements made on the Insured's Application. This does not apply to fraudulent misstatements.

#### Contract

This Rider is:

- Part of the Critical Illness Certificate to which it is attached and
- Subject to all of the terms of the Certificate unless those terms are inconsistent with this Rider.

This Rider will terminate when:

- The Critical Illness Certificate to which it is attached terminates, or
- Premiums are no longer paid for this Rider.

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#### DEPENDENT CHILDREN BENEFIT RIDER TO CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE FOR CRITICAL ILLNESS

This Rider is a part of the Certificate to which it is attached. We have issued this Rider to you because: (1) you paid the additional premium for this Rider; and (2) we relied on the application you made. Unless amended by this Rider, Certificate Definitions, other Provisions and terms apply to this Rider.

**Effective Date** - If issued at the same time as the Certificate, this Rider becomes effective when the Certificate becomes effective. If issued after the Certificate becomes effective, this Rider will have a later Effective Date, which will be shown in the Certificate Schedule. The insurance of a Dependent Child will become effective on the Rider date if such person is active on that date. Otherwise, the Effective Date will be deferred until the day following the date he becomes active.

#### DEFINITIONS

When the terms below are used in this Rider, the following definitions will apply:

YOU, YOUR means the person named in the Certificate Schedule.

Means your:

- 1. Natural and newborn children,
- 2. Foster children,
- 3. Step children,
- 4. Legally adopted children,
- 5. Children for whom suit for adoption has been filed, and
- 6. Grandchildren if they are your dependents for federal income tax purposes, or if you must provide medical support under an order issued under Section 14.061, Family Code, or enforceable order by a Texas court.

These children must be unmarried and younger than age 19, or younger than age 25 if they are full-time students. The definition of "full-time" will be based on the criteria of the learning institution at which the student is enrolled.

"Children" also includes Dependent Children, regardless of age, who:

- Are mentally or physically handicapped;
- Became or become handicapped prior to age 19; and
- cannot support themselves because of their handicap.

Children born after the Effective Date of this Rider will also be covered from the moment of live birth. No notice or additional premium is required.

**ACTIVE** means a Dependent Child who is not confined in a hospital and who is able to carry on regular activities customary of a person in good health of the same age and sex.

**TREATMENT** means consultation, care or services provided by a physician including diagnostic measures and taking prescribed drugs and medicines.

#### **BENEFITS**

If a Dependent Child contracts a Specified Critical Illness while this Rider is in force, we will provide the benefits contained in the Certificate under the Benefits Section. The appropriate benefit amounts we will pay for the Dependent are shown in the Certificate Schedule.

#### EXCLUSIONS

We won't pay for loss due to:

- 1. Intentionally self-inflicted injury or action.
- 2. Suicide or attempted suicide while sane or insane.
- 3. Illegal activities or participation in an illegal occupation.
- 4. War declared or undeclared or military conflicts, participation in an insurrection or riot, civil commotion or state of belligerence.
- 5. Substance Abuse.

#### **GENERAL PROVISIONS**

If your Dependent Child's coverage is terminated because of marriage or attainment of the limiting age, we will still pay benefits for any covered condition that was diagnosed while the Dependent was covered under this Rider.

#### TIME LIMIT ON CERTAIN DEFENSES

After this Rider has been in force for a period of two years it shall become incontestable as to the statements contained in the application.

#### CONTRACT

This Rider is part of the Certificate, and will terminate when the Certificate terminates, or when premiums are no longer paid for this Rider.

This Rider is subject to all of the terms of the Certificate to which it is attached unless any such terms are inconsistent with the terms of this Rider.

Signed by the Company at our Home Office.

Teresa White, President

J. Matthew Loudermilk, Secretary



## **CONTINENTAL AMERICAN INSURANCE COMPANY**

Home Office: 2801 Devine Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29205 (herein called Continental American)

#### **Dependent Children Definition Rider**

This rider is a part of the document to which it is attached. Unless amended by this rider Policy, Certificate and Dependent Rider Definitions, Exclusions and Limitations, other term and provisions apply to this rider.

The definition of Dependent Child(ren) is deleted and replaced by the following:

**Dependent Child(ren)** means your natural children, step-children, foster children, adopted children or children placed for adoption, who are under age 26.

Dependent Child(ren) also include grandchildren, who are (1) unmarried; (2) under age 26; and (3) if they are the employee's dependents for federal income tax purposes, or (4) if the employee must provide medical support under an order issued under Chapter 154, Family Code, or enforceable by a court in this state.

Your natural Children born after the Effective Date of this Rider will be covered from the moment of birth. An adopted child of an insured may be enrolled, the date the insured becomes a party to a suit in which the insured seeks to adopt the child or the date the adoption becomes final, at the insured's option. If Employee or Employee/Spouse coverage is in force and an employee desires uninterrupted coverage for a newborn or adopted child, he must notify us within 31 days of the child's birth or the date the insured becomes a party to a suit in which the insured seeks to adopt the child or the date the adoption becomes final. Coverage for newborn or adopted children will be in effect through the 31st day following the date of such event. Upon notification, we will advise him of the additional premium due.

If your children are covered under this Rider, it is not necessary for an employee to notify us of the birth of a child or the date the insured becomes a party to a suit in which the insured seeks to adopt the child or the date the adoption becomes final, and an additional premium payment will not be required.

Coverage on a Dependent Child(ren) will terminate on the child's 26<sup>th</sup> birthday. However, if any child is incapable of self-sustaining employment due to mental retardation or physical handicap and is dependent on his parent(s) for support, the above age of twenty-six (26) shall not apply. Proof of such incapacity and dependency must be furnished to the Company within thirty-one (31) days following such 26th birthday.

The second paragraph under the provisions **TERMINATION OF AN EMPLOYEE'S INSURANCE** and **TERMINATION OF YOUR INSURANCE** is deleted and replaced by the following:

Insurance for an insured Spouse or Dependent Child will terminate the earliest of:

- 1. the date the Plan is terminated;
- 2. the date the Spouse or Dependent Child ceases to be a dependent;
- 3. the premium due date following the date we receive your written request to terminate coverage for your Spouse and/or all Dependent Children.

This rider is subject to all of the terms of the document to which it is attached unless any such terms are inconsistent with the terms of this Rider.

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#### Dependent Children Age 26 Amendment

This Amendment is a part of the document to which it is attached. Unless hereby amended, Policy, Certificate, and Rider Definitions, Exclusions and Limitations, and other terms and conditions apply to this Amendment.

The definition of Dependent Child(ren) is expanded to include your natural children, step-children, foster children, adopted children, or children placed for adoption, *who are under age 26*.

Dependent Child(ren) also include grandchildren, if:

- they are the employee's dependents for federal income tax purposes, or
- the employee must provide medical support under an order issued under Chapter 154, Family Code, or under any such order enforceable by a court in this state.

To meet the definition of Dependent Child(ren) grandchildren must be unmarried and under age 26.

Coverage on a Dependent Child(ren) will terminate on the child's 26<sup>th</sup> birthday. However, if any child is incapable of selfsustaining employment due to mental retardation or physical handicap and is dependent on his parent(s) for support, the above termination at age twenty-six (26) shall not apply. Proof of such incapacity and dependency must be furnished to the Company within thirty-one (31) days following the child's 26th birthday.

The second paragraph under the provisions **TERMINATION OF AN EMPLOYEE'S INSURANCE** and **TERMINATION OF YOUR INSURANCE** is deleted and replaced by the following:

Insurance for an insured Spouse or Dependent Child will terminate the earliest of:

- 1. the date the Plan is terminated;
- 2. the date the Spouse or Dependent Child ceases to be a dependent;
- 3. the premium due date following the date we receive your written request to terminate coverage for your Spouse and/or all Dependent Children.

This Amendment is subject to all of the terms of the document to which it is attached unless any such terms are inconsistent with the terms of this Amendment.

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#### SPECIFIED DISEASE RIDER TO CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE FOR GROUP CRITICAL ILLNESS

This Rider is part of the Certificate to which it is attached. We have issued this Rider because:

- You paid the additional premium for this Rider, and
- We have accepted your Application.

This Rider is subject to all the definitions, exclusions, limitations, terms, and other provisions of the Certificate to which it is attached, unless those terms are inconsistent with this Rider.

The benefits are available to those Insureds designated in the Certificate Schedule. Diagnosis must occur while this Rider is in force.

**Effective Date** - If issued at the same time as the Certificate, this Rider becomes effective when the Certificate becomes effective. If issued after the Certificate, this Rider will have a later Effective Date.

#### DEFINITIONS

When the terms below are used in this Rider, the following definitions apply (other applicable terms and definitions are included in the **Definitions** section of your Certificate):

*Date of Diagnosis* is defined for each Specified Disease as follows:

- *Adrenal Hypofunction (Addison's Disease):* The date a Doctor Diagnoses an Insured as having Adrenal Hypofunction and where such Diagnosis is supported by medical records.
- *Cerebrospinal Meningitis:* The date a Doctor Diagnoses an Insured as having Cerebrospinal Meningitis and where such Diagnosis is supported by medical records.
- *Cystic Fibrosis:* The date a doctor diagnoses an insured as having cystic fibrosis and where such diagnosis is supported by medical records.
- *Cerebral Palsy:* The date a doctor diagnoses an insured as having cerebral palsy and where such diagnosis is supported by medical records.
- *Diphtheria*: The date a Doctor Diagnoses an Insured as having Diphtheria based on clinical and/or laboratory findings as supported by medical records.
- *Encephalitis:* The date a doctor diagnoses an insured as having encephalitis and where such diagnosis is supported by medical records.
- *Huntington's Chorea:* The date a Doctor Diagnoses an Insured as having Huntington's Chorea based on clinical findings as supported by medical records.
- *Legionnaire's Disease:* The date a Doctor Diagnoses an Insured as having Legionnaire's Disease by finding *Legionella* bacteria in a clinical specimen taken from the Insured.
- *Malaria*: The date a Doctor Diagnoses an Insured as having Malaria and where such Diagnosis is supported by medical records.
- *Muscular Dystrophy:* The date a Doctor Diagnoses an Insured as having Muscular Dystrophy and where such Diagnosis is supported by medical records.

- *Myasthenia Gravis:* The date a Doctor Diagnoses an Insured as having Myasthenia Gravis and where such Diagnosis is supported by medical records.
- *Necrotizing Fasciitis:* The date a Doctor Diagnoses an Insured as having Necrotizing Fasciitis and where such Diagnosis is supported by medical records.
- *Osteomyelitis*: The date a Doctor Diagnoses an Insured as having Osteomyelitis and where such Diagnosis is supported by medical records.
- **Poliomyelitis:** The date a Doctor Diagnoses an Insured as having Poliomyelitis and where such Diagnosis is supported by medical records.
- *Rabies*: The date a Doctor Diagnoses an Insured as having Rabies and where such Diagnosis is supported by medical records.
- *Sickle Cell Anemia:* The date a Doctor Diagnoses an Insured as having Sickle Cell Anemia and where such Diagnosis is supported by medical records.
- *Systemic Lupus:* The date a Doctor Diagnoses an Insured as having Systemic Lupus and where such Diagnosis is supported by medical records.
- *Systemic Sclerosis (Scleroderma):* The date a Doctor Diagnoses an Insured as having Systemic Sclerosis and where such Diagnosis is supported by medical records.
- *Tetanus:* The date a Doctor Diagnoses an Insured as having Tetanus by finding Clostridium tetani bacteria in a clinical specimen taken from the Insured.
- *Tuberculosis:* The date a Doctor Diagnoses an Insured as having Tuberculosis by finding Mycobacterium tuberculosis bacteria in a clinical specimen taken from the Insured.

Adrenal Hypofunction (Addison's Disease) means a disease occurring when the body's adrenal glands do not produce sufficient steroid hormones.

Adrenal Hypofunction does not include secondary and tertiary adrenal insufficiency.

*Cerebrospinal Meningitis* means a disease resulting in the inflammation of the meninges of both the brain and spinal cord caused by infection from viruses, bacteria, or other microorganisms or from Cancer.

*Cystic Fibrosis* is a hereditary chronic disease of the exocrine glands. This disease is characterized by the production of viscid mucus that obstructs the pancreatic ducts and bronchi, leading to infection and fibrosis.

*Cerebral Palsy* is a disorder of movement, muscle tone, or posture that is caused by injury or abnormal development in the immature brain. Cerebral Palsy can be characterized by stiffness and movement difficulties, involuntary and uncontrolled movements, or disturbed sensation.

- Spastic Cerebral Palsy is characterized by stiffness and movement difficulties.
- Athetoid Cerebral Palsy is characterized by involuntary and uncontrolled movements.
- Ataxic Cerebral Palsy is characterized by a disturbed sense of balance and depth perception.

*Diphtheria* means an infectious disease caused by the bacterium *Corynebacterium diphtheriae* and characterized by the production of a systemic toxin and the formation of a false membrane lining of the mucous membrane of the throat and other respiratory passages, causing difficulty in breathing, high fever, and/or weakness.

Diphtheria can be Diagnosed either through laboratory tests that confirm Diphtheria through a culture obtained from the infected area or through clinical observation of visible symptoms.

*Encephalitis* means a disease characterized by inflammation of the brain, usually caused by a direct viral infection or a hypersensitive reaction to a virus or foreign protein.

*Huntington's Chorea* means a hereditary disease characterized by gradual loss of brain function and voluntary movement due to degenerative changes in the cerebral cortex and basal ganglia.

*Legionnaire's Disease* means an infectious lung disease caused by species of the aerobic bacteria belonging to the genus *Legionella*.

*Malaria* means an infectious disease characterized by cycles of chills, fever, and sweating, caused by the bite of an anopheles mosquito infected with a protozoan of the genus *Plasmodium*.

*Muscular Dystrophy* means a genetic disease that causes progressive weakness and degeneration in the musculoskeletal system and where such muscles are replaced by scar tissue and fat. Muscular Dystrophy is characterized by progressive skeletal muscle weakness, defects in muscle proteins, and the death of muscle cells and tissues.

*Myasthenia Gravis* means a disease characterized by progressive weakness and exhaustibility of voluntary muscles without atrophy or sensory disturbance and caused by an autoimmune attack on acetylcholine receptors at the neuromuscular junction.

*Necrotizing Fasciitis* means a severe soft tissue infection by bacteria that is marked by edema and necrosis of subcutaneous tissues with involvement of adjacent fascia and by painful red swollen skin over the affected areas.

*Osteomyelitis* means an infectious inflammatory disease of the bone that typically results from a bacterial infection and may result in the death of bone tissue.

*Poliomyelitis (Polio)* means an acute infectious disease caused by the poliovirus and characterized by fever, motor paralysis, and atrophy of skeletal muscles. It often results in permanent disability and deformity, and marked by inflammation of nerve cells in the anterior gray matter in each lateral half of the spinal cord.

*Rabies* means an acute viral disease of the nervous system caused by a rhabdovirus, which is usually transmitted through the bite of a rabid animal. It is typically characterized by increased salivation, abnormal behavior, and eventual paralysis.

*Sickle Cell Anemia* means a hereditary disease caused by a genetic blood disorder. It is characterized by red blood cells that assume an abnormal, rigid, sickle shape due to a mutation on the hemoglobin gene.

*Systemic Lupus* means an autoimmune disease where the body's immune system attacks healthy tissue, leading to long-term inflammation. This disease is primarily characterized by joint pain and swelling.

*Systemic Sclerosis* (*Scleroderma*) means a progressive autoimmune disease characterized by the hardening and tightening of the skin and connective tissues.

*Tetanus* means a disease marked by rigidity and spasms of the voluntary muscles, caused by the bacterium Clostridium tetani.

*Tuberculosis* means an infectious disease caused by Mycobacterium tuberculosis bacteria. It is characterized by the growth of nodules in the bodily tissues, as well as by fever, cough, difficulty breathing, caseation, pleural effusions, and fibrosis.

#### **BENEFIT PROVISIONS**

We will pay the Benefit shown if an Insured is Diagnosed with one of the diseases listed in the Rider Schedule, and if the Date of Diagnosis is while this Rider is in force.

**Payment of benefits contained in this Rider is subject to the Critical Illness Benefit provisions in your Certificate.** The benefits contained in this Rider are considered to be Critical Illnesses as defined in your Certificate.

#### **GENERAL PROVISIONS**

#### **Time Limit on Certain Defenses**

After two years from the Insured's Effective Date of coverage, the Company may not void coverage or deny a claim for any loss because of misstatements made on the Application. This does not apply to fraudulent misstatements.

#### Contract

This Rider is part of the Critical Illness Certificate. It will terminate when:

- That Certificate terminates, or
- Premiums are no longer paid for this Rider.

This Rider is subject to all of the terms of the Critical Illness Certificate to which it is attached unless those terms are inconsistent with this Rider.

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#### OPTIONAL BENEFITS RIDER TO CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE FOR GROUP CRITICAL ILLNESS

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- You paid the additional premium for this Rider, and
- We have accepted your Application.

This Rider is subject to all the definitions, exclusions, limitations, terms, and other provisions of the Certificate to which it is attached, unless those terms are inconsistent with this Rider.

The benefits are available to those Insureds designated in the Certificate Schedule. Diagnosis must occur while this Rider is in force.

**Effective Date -**If issued at the same time as the Certificate, this Rider becomes effective when the Certificate becomes effective. If issued after the Certificate, this Rider will have a later Effective Date.

#### DEFINITIONS

When the terms below are used in this Rider, the following definitions will apply (other applicable terms and definitions are included in the **Definitions** section of your Certificate):

*Activities of Daily Living (ADLs)* are activities used in measuring levels of personal functioning capacity. These activities are normally performed without assistance, allowing personal independence in everyday living. For the purposes of this Plan, ADLs include the following:

- **Bathing** the ability to wash oneself in a tub, shower, or by sponge bath. This includes the ability to get into and out of the tub or shower with or without the assistance of equipment;
- **Dressing** the ability to put on, take off, and secure all necessary and appropriate items of clothing and any necessary braces or artificial limbs;
- **Toileting** the ability to get to and from the toilet, get on and off the toilet, and perform associated personal hygiene with or without the assistance of equipment;
- **Transferring** the ability to move in and out of a bed, chair, or wheelchair with or without the assistance of equipment;
- **Mobility** the ability to walk or wheel on a level surface from one room to another with or without the assistance of equipment;
- **Eating** the ability to get nourishment into the body by any means once it has been prepared and made available with or without the assistance of equipment; and
- **Continence** the ability to voluntarily maintain control of bowel and/or bladder function. In the event of incontinence, the ability to maintain a reasonable level of personal hygiene.

*Date of Diagnosis* is defined as follows:

- Advanced Alzheimer's Disease: The date a Doctor Diagnoses the Insured as incapacitated due to Alzheimer's disease.
- Advanced Parkinson's Disease: The date a Doctor Diagnoses the Insured as incapacitated due to Parkinson's disease.
- **Benign Brain Tumor:** The date a Doctor determines a Benign Brain Tumor is present based on examination of tissue (biopsy or surgical excision) or specific neuroradiological examination.

Advanced Alzheimer's Disease means Alzheimer's Disease that causes the Insured to be incapacitated. Alzheimer's Disease is a progressive degenerative disease of the brain that is Diagnosed by a psychiatrist or neurologist as Alzheimer's Disease. To be incapacitated due to Alzheimer's Disease, the Insured must:

- Exhibit the loss of intellectual capacity involving impairment of memory and judgment, resulting in a significant reduction in mental and social functioning; and
- Require substantial physical assistance from another adult to perform at least three ADLs.

Advanced Parkinson's Disease means Parkinson's Disease that causes the Insured to be incapacitated. Parkinson's Disease is a brain disorder that is Diagnosed by a psychiatrist or neurologist as Parkinson's Disease. To be incapacitated due to Parkinson's Disease, the Insured must:

- Exhibit at least two of the following clinical manifestations:
  - Muscle rigidity
  - o Tremor
  - o Bradykinesis (abnormal slowness of movement, sluggishness of physical and mental responses); and
- Require substantial physical assistance from another adult to perform at least three ADLs.

*Benign Brain Tumor* is a mass or growth of abnormal, noncancerous cells in the brain. The tumor is composed of similar cells that do not follow normal cell division and growth patterns and develop into a mass of cells that microscopically do not have the characteristic appearance of a Cancer. Benign Brain Tumor must be caused by Multiple Endocrine Neoplasia, Neurofibromatosis, or Von Hippel-Lindau Syndrome.

*Multiple Endocrine Neoplasia* is a genetic disease in which one or more of the endocrine glands are overactive or form a tumor.

*Neurofibromatosis* is a genetic disease in which the nerve tissue grows tumors that may be benign and may cause serious damage by compressing nerves and other tissue.

*Von Hippel-Lindau Syndrome* is a genetic disease that predisposes a person to have benign or malignant tumors.

#### **BENEFIT PROVISIONS**

We will pay the benefit shown if an Insured is Diagnosed with one of the conditions listed in the Rider Schedule if the Date of Diagnosis is while this Rider is in force.

**Payment of benefits contained in this Rider is subject to the Critical Illness Benefit provisions in your Certificate.** The benefits contained in this Rider are considered to be Critical Illnesses as defined in your Certificate.

#### **GENERAL PROVISIONS**

#### **Time Limit on Certain Defenses**

After two years from the Insured's Effective Date of coverage, the Company may not void coverage or deny a claim for any loss because of misstatements made on the Application. This does not apply to fraudulent misstatements.

#### Contract

This Rider is part of the Critical Illness Certificate. It will terminate when:

- That Certificate terminates, or
- Premiums are no longer paid for this Rider.

This Rider is subject to all of the terms of the Certificate to which it is attached unless any such terms are inconsistent with the terms of this Rider.

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#### PROGRESSIVE DISEASES RIDER TO CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE FOR GROUP CRITICAL ILLNESS

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- You paid the additional premium for this Rider, and
- We have accepted your Application.

This Rider is subject to all the definitions, exclusions, limitations, terms, and other provisions of the Certificate to which it is attached, unless those terms are inconsistent with this Rider.

The benefits are available to those Insureds designated in the Certificate Schedule. Diagnosis must occur while this Rider is in force.

**Effective Date -** If issued at the same time as the Certificate, this Rider becomes effective when the Certificate becomes effective. If issued after the Certificate, this Rider will have a later Effective Date.

#### DEFINITIONS

When the terms below are used in this Rider, the following definitions apply (other applicable terms and definitions are included in the **Definitions** section of your Certificate):

Date of Diagnosis is defined as follows:

- Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS or Lou Gehrig's Disease): The date a Doctor Diagnoses an Insured as having ALS and where such Diagnosis is supported by medical records.
- **Sustained Multiple Sclerosis:** The date a Doctor Diagnoses an Insured as having Multiple Sclerosis and where such Diagnosis is supported by medical records.

*Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS or Lou Gehrig's Disease)* means a chronic, progressive motor neuron disease occurring when nerve cells in the brain and spinal cord that control voluntary movement degenerate, causing muscle weakness and atrophy, eventually leading to paralysis.

*Sustained Multiple Sclerosis* means a chronic degenerative disease of the central nervous system in which gradual destruction of myelin occurs in the brain or spinal cord or both, interfering with the nerve pathways. Sustained Multiple Sclerosis results in one of the following symptoms for at least 90 consecutive days:

- Muscular weakness,
- Loss of coordination,
- Speech disturbances, or
- Visual disturbances.

#### **BENEFIT PROVISIONS**

We will pay the benefit shown if an Insured is Diagnosed with one of the diseases that is listed in the Rider Schedule if the Date of Diagnosis is while this Rider is in force.

#### Payment of benefits contained in this Rider is subject to the Critical Illness Benefit provisions in your Certificate. The benefits contained in this Rider are considered to be Critical Illnesses as defined in your Certificate.

#### GENERAL PROVISIONS

#### **Time Limit on Certain Defenses**

After two years from the Insured's Effective Date of coverage, the Company may not void coverage or deny a claim for any loss because of misstatements made on the Application. This does not apply to fraudulent misstatements.

#### Contract

This Rider is part of the Critical Illness Certificate. It will terminate when:

- That Certificate terminates, or •
- Premiums are no longer paid for this Rider. •

This Rider is subject to all of the terms of the Critical Illness Certificate to which it is attached unless those terms are inconsistent with this Rider.

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#### ENHANCED GROUP CONTINUATION RIDER

This Rider is part of the Certificate to which it is attached. We have issued this Rider because:

- You paid the additional premium for this Rider, and
- We have accepted your Application.

The Continuation Privilege—as well as any other references to continuation—in the Certificate and previously attached Rider(s), if applicable, are deleted and replaced by this Rider.

Unless amended by this Rider, all Certificate definitions, exclusions, limitations, terms, and other provisions apply.

#### **Effective Date**

If issued at the same time as the Certificate, this Rider becomes effective when the Certificate becomes effective. If issued after the Certificate, this Rider will have a later Effective Date provided that you are actively at work on that date.

#### **Continuation Privilege**

When an Employee ends employment with the Employer and his coverage would terminate, that Employee may elect to continue the coverage he had on the date his employment ended, including any in-force Spouse or Dependent Child coverage.

- To keep his Certificate in force, the Employee must:
  - Apply to the Company in writing within 31 days after the date his Certificate would terminate, and
  - Pay the required premium to the Company no later than 31 days after the date the Certificate would terminate and on each premium due date thereafter.
- Continued coverage will end:
  - o 31 days after the date the Employee fails to pay any required premium, or
  - When the coverage is terminated by the Company.

When the Group Policy is terminated by the Policyholder and a current Employee's coverage would terminate, that Employee may apply to continue the coverage he had on the date the Group Policy was terminated, including any in-force Spouse or Dependent Child coverage. If an Employee qualifies for this Continuation Privilege, then the Company will apply the same Benefits, Plan Provisions, and Premium Rate as shown in his previously issued Certificate.

- To keep his Certificate in force, the Employee must:
  - o Apply to the Company in writing within 31 days after the date his Certificate would terminate, and
  - Pay the required premium to the Company no later than 31 days after the date the Certificate would terminate and on each premium due date thereafter.
- Continued coverage will end:
  - o 31 days after the date the Employee fails to pay any required premium, or
  - When coverage is terminated by the Company.

### **General Provisions**

#### **Time Limit on Certain Defenses**

After two years from the Insured's Effective Date of coverage, the Company may not void coverage or deny a claim for any loss because of misstatements made on the Insured's Application. This does not apply to fraudulent misstatements.

- This Rider is part of the Certificate to which it is attached and will terminate when that Certificate terminates, or when premiums are no longer paid for this Rider.
- This Rider is subject to all the terms of the Certificate to which it is attached unless any such items are inconsistent with the terms of this Rider.

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