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**Employee-Paid**  
**CRITICAL ILLNESS INSURANCE**

**SUMMARY OF BENEFITS**

Prepared for: Dougherty County Board of Education

Critical Illness insurance provides a cash benefit when a Covered Person is diagnosed with a covered critical illness or event after coverage is in effect. See State Variations (marked by \*) below.

**Who Can Elect Coverage:**

**Eligibility for You, Your Spouse and Your Children will be considered by Your employer.**

**You:** All active, Full-time Employees of the Employer who are regularly working in the United States a minimum of 20 hours per week and regularly residing in the United States and who are United States citizens or permanent resident aliens .

You will be eligible for coverage on the first of the month after 30 days from date of hire or Active Service.

**Your Spouse:**\* Up to age 100, as long as you apply for and are approved for coverage yourself.

**Your Child(ren):** Birth to age 26; 26+ if disabled, are automatically enrolled as long as you apply for and are approved for coverage yourself.

**Available Coverage:**

The benefit amounts shown will be paid regardless of the actual expenses incurred. The benefit descriptions are a summary only. There are terms, conditions, state variations, exclusions and limitations applicable to these benefits. Please read all of the information in this Summary and your Certificate of Insurance for more information. All Covered Critical Illness Conditions must be due to disease or sickness.

	Benefit Amount	Guaranteed Issue Amount
Employee	\$5,000, \$10,000, \$15,000, \$20,000, \$30,000	Up to \$30,000
Spouse	50% of employee amount	Up to \$15,000
Children	50% of employee amount, including Childhood Conditions.	All guaranteed issue

See "Guaranteed Issue" section below for more information.

Covered Conditions	Initial Benefit Amount %	Recurrence % of Initial Benefit Amount
<b><u>Vascular Conditions</u></b>		
Heart Attack	100%	100%
Stroke	100%	100%
Coronary Artery Disease	25%	25%
<b><u>Nervous System Conditions</u></b>		
Advanced Stage Alzheimer's Disease	25%	Not Available
Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS)	25%	Not Available
Parkinson's Disease	25%	Not Available
Multiple Sclerosis	25%	Not Available
<b><u>Childhood Conditions*</u></b>		
Cerebral Palsy	100%	Not Available
Cystic Fibrosis	100%	Not Available
Muscular Dystrophy	100%	Not Available
Poliomyelitis	100%	Not Available

Covered Conditions	Initial Benefit Amount %	Recurrence % of Initial Benefit Amount
<b>Other Specified Conditions</b>		
Benign Brain Tumor	100%	100%
Blindness	100%	Not Available
Coma	25%	25%
End-Stage Renal (Kidney) Disease	100%	100%
Major Organ Failure	100%	100%
Paralysis	100%	100%

For Childhood Conditions please refer to the beginning of the Available Coverage section above for details on how much coverage is available for covered children.

Health Screening Test Benefit	Benefit Amount
Examples includes (but are not limited to) mammography, and certain blood tests. The benefit amount shown will be paid regardless of the actual expenses incurred and is paid on a per day basis. <i>Virtual Care accepted.</i>	\$75 1 per year

Benefits	
<b>Initial Critical Illness Benefit</b>	Benefit for a diagnosis made after the effective date of coverage for each Covered Condition shown above. The amount payable per Covered Condition is the Initial Benefit Amount multiplied by the applicable percentage shown. Each Covered Condition will be payable one time per Covered Person. A 180 days separation period between the dates of diagnosis is required.*
<b>Recurrence Benefit</b>	Benefit for the diagnosis of a subsequent and same Covered Condition for which an Initial Critical Illness Benefit has been paid, payable after a 12 month separation period from diagnosis of a previous Covered Condition.

**Portability Feature:** You can continue 100% of coverage for all Covered Persons at the time Your coverage ends. You must be covered under the policy and be under the age of 100 in order to continue your coverage. Rates may change and all coverage ends at age 100. Only available to United States Citizens, Permanent Resident Aliens and non-United States Citizens working in the United States lawfully (Inpats) while residing in the United States.

[See your employer for the costs to enroll in this coverage.](#)

### Important Policy Provisions and Definitions:

**Covered Person:** An eligible person who is enrolled for coverage under the Policy.

**Covered Loss:** A loss that is specified in the Policy in the Schedule of Benefits section and suffered by the Covered Person within the applicable time period described in the Policy.

**When your coverage begins:** Coverage begins on the later of the program's effective date, the date you become eligible, the first of the month following the date your completed enrollment form is received, or if evidence of insurability is required, the first of the month after we have approved you (or your dependent) for coverage in writing, unless otherwise agreed upon by Cigna. Your coverage will not begin unless you are actively at work on the effective date. Coverage for all other Covered Persons will not begin on the effective date if the covered person is confined to a hospital, facility or at home, disabled or receiving disability benefits or unable to perform activities of daily living.

**When your coverage ends:** Coverage ends on the earliest of the date you and your dependents are no longer eligible, the date the group policy is no longer in force, or the date for the last period for which required premiums are paid. For your dependent, coverage also ends when your coverage ends, when their premiums are not paid or when they are no longer eligible. (Under certain circumstances, your coverage may be continued. Be sure to read the provisions in your Certificate about when coverage may continue.)

**30 Day Right To Examine Certificate:** If a Covered Person is not satisfied with the Certificate of Insurance for any reason, it may be returned to us within 30 days after receipt. We will return any premium that has been paid and the Certificate will be void as if it had never been issued.

### Benefit Reductions, Common Exclusions and Limitations:

**Exclusions:** In addition to any benefit-specific exclusions, benefits will not be paid for any Covered Loss that is caused directly or indirectly, in whole or in part by any of the following: • intentionally self-inflicted injury, suicide or any attempt thereat while sane or insane; • commission or attempt to commit a felony or an assault; • declared or undeclared war or act of war; • a Covered Loss that results from active duty service in the military, naval or air force of any country or international organization (upon our receipt of proof of service, we will refund any premium paid for this time; Reserve or National Guard active duty training is not excluded unless it extends beyond 31 days); • voluntary ingestion of any narcotic, drug, poison, gas or fumes, unless prescribed or taken under the direction of a Physician and taken in accordance with the prescribed dosage; • operating any type of vehicle while under the influence of alcohol or any drug, narcotic or other

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intoxicant ("Under the influence of alcohol", for purposes of this exclusion, means intoxicated, as defined by the law of the state in which the Covered Loss occurred)• a diagnosis not in accordance with generally accepted medical principles prevailing in the United States at the time of the diagnosis.

### Specific Definitions, Benefit Exclusions and Limitations:

The date of diagnosis must occur while coverage is in force and the condition definition must be satisfied. Only one Initial Benefit will be paid for each Covered Condition per person and benefits will be subject to separation periods.

**Heart Attack**, includes the following that confirms permanent loss of heart muscle function: 1) EKG; 2) elevation of cardiac enzyme.

**Stroke**, cerebrovascular event—for instance, cerebral hemorrhage—confirmed by neuroimaging studies and neurological deficits lasting 96 hours or more. Excludes transient ischemic attack (TIAs), brain injury related to trauma or infection, brain injury associated with hypoxia or anoxia, vascular disease affecting eye or optic nerve or ischemic disorders of the vestibular system.

**Coronary Artery Disease**, heart disease/angina requiring coronary artery bypass surgery, as prescribed by a Physician. Excludes angioplasty (percutaneous coronary intervention) and stent implantation.

**Advanced Stage Alzheimer's Disease**, progressive degenerative disorder that attacks the brain's nerve cells resulting in cognitive deficits interfering with independence in completion of instrumental activities of daily living and the inability to perform at least 2 physical activities of daily living.

**Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS aka Lou Gehrig's Disease)**, motor neuron disease resulting in muscular weakness and atrophy.

**Parkinson's Disease**, progressive, degenerative neurologic disease with indicated signs of the disease.

**Multiple Sclerosis**, disease involving damage to brain and spinal cord cells with signs of motor or sensory deficits confirmed by MRI. Includes Neuromyelitis Optica and Transverse Myelitis.

**Cerebral Palsy**, brain injury or abnormality occurring within 24 hours of birth resulting in developmental brain disorder.

**Cystic Fibrosis**, progressive disorder that affects exocrine glands.

**Muscular Dystrophy**, progressive disorder that interferes with formation of healthy muscles.

**Poliomyelitis**, acute, infectious disease caused by the poliovirus with indicated signs of the disease. Excludes non-paralytic polio or post-polio syndrome.

**Benign Brain Tumor**, non-cancerous abnormal cells in the brain.

**Blindness**, irreversible sight reduction in both eyes; Best corrected single eye visual acuity less than 20/200 (E-Chart) or 6/60 (Metric) or with visual field reduction (both eyes) to 20 degrees or less. May require loss be due to specific illness.

**Coma**, unconscious state lasting at least 96 continuous hours. Excludes any state of unconsciousness intentionally or medically induced from unconsciousness intentionally which the Covered Person is able to be aroused.

**End-Stage Renal (Kidney) Disease**, chronic, irreversible function of both kidneys. Requires hemo or peritoneal dialysis.

**Major Organ Failure**, includes: liver, lung, pancreas, kidney, heart or bone marrow. Happens when transplant is prescribed or recommended and placed on UNOS registry. If the Covered Person has a combination transplant (i.e. heart and lung), a single benefit amount will be payable. Recurrence Benefit not payable for same organ for which a benefit was previously paid.

**Paralysis**, complete, permanent loss of use of two or more limbs due to a disease. Excludes loss due to Stroke and Multiple Sclerosis.

### Guaranteed Issue:

If you are a new hire you are not required to provide proof of good health if you enroll during your employer's eligibility waiting period and you choose an amount of coverage up to and including the Guaranteed Issue Amount. If you apply for an amount of coverage greater than the Guaranteed Issue Amount, coverage in excess of the Guaranteed Issue Amount will not be issued until the insurance company approves acceptable proof of good health. Guaranteed Issue coverage may be available at other specified periods of time. Your employer will notify you when these periods of time are available. Your Spouse must be age 18 or older to apply if evidence of insurability is required.

### \*State Variations

For purposes of this brochure, wherever the term Spouse appears, it shall also include Domestic Partner registered under any state which legally recognizes Domestic Partnerships or Civil Unions. Spouse definition includes civil union partners in New Hampshire and Vermont, but excludes civil union partners for Idaho residents. Heart Attack benefits available for residents of AK. Not all shown covered conditions may be available and the **Specific Definitions, Benefit Exclusions and Limitations** for some of the conditions may vary for residents of ID, MD, NH, OR, WA. **Portability** in TX and VT is referred to as Continuation due to loss of eligibility. Portability conditions may differ for residents of UT, TX and VT. **Exclusions** may vary for residents of ID, MN, NC, SC, SD, VT, TX and WA. **Benefits may not be available to residents of NM, OR, WA.**

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Terms and conditions of coverage for Critical Illness insurance are set forth in Group Policy No. C1110155. This is not intended as a complete description of the insurance coverage offered. This is not a contract. Please see your Plan Sponsor to obtain a copy of the Group Policy. If there are any differences between this summary and the Group Policy, the information in the Group Policy takes precedence. Product availability, benefits, riders, covered conditions, policy provisions and/or features may vary by state. Please keep this material as a reference.

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