

The Changing Landscape of Long-Term Care Planning



LTCi Remains Firmly Rooted as a Viable Option

Even though the long-term care planning landscape is changing, there's one thing that's stayed the same. A traditional LTCi policy remains a viable way for your clients to protect themselves from the risk of needing LTC services.

Consumers today have more choices than ever before when it comes to funding potential long-term care services. While other funding vehicles may be good options for some people, a traditional LTCi policy continues to be the best option for many of your clients.

70% The percentage of people turning age 65 who can expect to use some form of long-term care during their lifetime.

(Source: ltc.gov)

ADVANTAGES OF OWNING A TRADITIONAL LTCI POLICY

- > The least expensive way to fund long-term care services, providing strong value for the consumer
- > Benefits are more comprehensive and generous than those provided by combined products
- Flexible policies provide coverage during the progression of care
- > Provides known coverage amounts on day one
- > Prevents having to liquidate assets to pay for care
- > Includes additional benefits such as care coordination
- > Benefits can grow over time with inflation protection options
- > Premiums are tax deductible
- > Policies may be partnership qualified

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A traditional LTCi policy is significantly less expensive than any other alternative on the market today.

TARGETING THE RIGHT PEOPLE

Based on a snapshot of our own policyholders, we know LTCi buyers share these similarities:

- > Female, age 50 to 65
- > Household income of \$50,000 to \$250,000
- > Married with adult children
- > Working in a white-collar profession; not yet retired
- > College educated
- > Living in a metropolitan area with a population of at least 250,000
- > A homeowner with 11 or more years in the current residence
- > A "planner" who is interested in financial issues; owns life insurance and other conservative investment products
- > Family oriented
- Exposed to LTC issues; knows someone (a family member or friend) who has needed LTC services
- > Research oriented; an online user; self-educated about LTCi



THREE REASONS PEOPLE BUY LTCI

- **Family** They don't want their kids to have to take care of them. The last thing most people want is to become a burden to their family.
- Home They want to avoid going to a nursing home. Most people prefer to get the care they need in the comfort of their own home.
- **Nest Egg** They don't want to risk spending the assets they've worked a lifetime to accumulate to pay for LTC services.

A traditional LTCi policy remains an important element in a sound financial plan.