

Life insurance review marketing guide

# Help clients and prospects keep up with changing needs



#### Here's the life insurance review approach in a nutshell:



- Get in front of more clients.
- Provide a valuable, annual life insurance check-up.
- Strengthen your relationships and earn the opportunity, when the time is right, to upgrade coverage to keep up with life's changing needs.

Conducting regular reviews is widely considered a best practice for providing good customer service. Not only can the review process help uncover new financial needs, it can help cement those relationships over time.

And this approach can also extend beyond your existing client base. Have you considered prospecting with local divorce attorneys, certified public accountants, or bank trust departments? Every day, professionals like these work with people dealing with changing circumstances in their lives, and that makes them great candidates for a life insurance review.

### Top 10 review triggers

Many factors influence the effectiveness of life insurance

Marriage (or divorce)	O Job change or promotion
O Purchase of a home	Retirement or preparing for retirement
Birth or adoption of a child	O Death in the family
Charitable interests	O Disability of a family member
Inheritance or other financial windfall	<ul> <li>Completion of financial obligation (debt, child support payments, etc.)</li> </ul>

### What to look for

Any client or prospect who hasn't met with a financial professional for a face-to-face review for three years or more is a good candidate for a life insurance review. Here are some tips on what to look for in your current client base.

- Rated policies, where health improvements or changes in underwriting guidelines may offer a new opportunity
- Cash-value policies that have been underfunded or heavily borrowed against
- Term insurance (particularly with larger face amounts) for possible conversion
- Term insurance that has been in force several years for conversion or potential replacement if it meets the clients' needs
- Clients whose financial or business situation has seemingly improved, or who have experienced a major life change
- Large cases in general that have been in force for some time
- Trust-owned life insurance policies
- Clients with sizeable annuity and/or qualified plan assets who are over age 60 and prosperous
- Business clients who haven't had a recent review



## The life insurance review sales process

### **Approach**

Identify prospects such as those listed on page 2.

Introduce yourself and offer a life insurance review.

- Approach letter (BB11428)
- Approach email (LF496)

Review and evaluate

Meet with the client to explain how a life insurance review works.

Then, gather information with these tools:

- Conversation starters and review checklist (BB11467)
- Life insurance worksheet (BB9138)
- Life insurance needs calculator principal.com/lifecalc
- ILIT trustee checklist (BB9730)

### Take action

Present solutions to the client to make sure their coverage meets their current needs and objectives.

Optional leave-behind items:

- Consumer guide to life insurance (BB9135)
- Document your plans (BB6808)
- Life insurance beneficiary guide (BB12065)



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