# BRIDGE

Fixed index-linked annuity with longterm care coverage and science-based wellness program



## PROSPECTING AND FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

When it comes to planning for retirement, it's no secret the costs of long-term care (LTC) are a big concern for most clients. That's where Bridge from EquiTrust Life Insurance Company comes in.

Helping retirees meet their needs means focusing on the best prospects for this product.

### What's important to a typical Bridge client?

Start by considering the common denominators among potential clients, many of whom:

- Need LTC, but may not be in a position to purchase traditional coverage due to cost or underwriting limitations
- Are looking for simple underwriting, claims and indemnity-based benefits
- Could benefit from a 1035 Exchange of a current policy (see "Funding opportunities" on the next page)
- Value the advantages of the annuity, including tax-deferred growth and principal protection
- Want to reduce the need for LTC, making the structured wellness program especially pertinent





What is Bridge?

Bridge combines a fixed index annuity (FIA) with a Long-Term Care Rider and a personalized NeverStop<sup>™</sup> Wellness Program to help your clients proactively manage their health.



#### **Funding opportunities**

Where can you find clients with the financial means to purchase Bridge?

Move to Bridge	Considerations
1035 Exchange from a current annuity	<ul> <li>Clients with Non-Qualified annuities they no longer need for retirement accumulation/income</li> <li>Would be taxable to cash in the annuity, but a 1035 Exchange would be tax-free</li> <li>May not desire to move the annuity to a life insurance policy because it wouldn't qualify as a 1035 Exchange and would have tax implications</li> </ul>
1035 Exchange from cash value of a current life insurance policy	<ul> <li>Clients with life insurance policies they no longer want or need</li> <li>Older policies may not include long-term care or chronic illness riders</li> <li>Could be in an underperforming Universal Life policy or a Whole Life policy with continuing premiums</li> </ul>
Liquid assets, including cash, mutual funds or CDs	<ul> <li>Move a portion into Bridge and keep a portion liquid for emergency expenses</li> <li>Amount of liquid assets in portfolio depends on retirement time horizon, volatility of the market and other factors</li> <li>Client gains tax deferral, growth opportunities and tax-free LTC benefits</li> </ul>



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