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Guaranteed underwriting approval for long-term care (LTC) coverage, capital preservation and the advantages of Bridge over self-funding for LTC expenses

Please use this agent-only case study for support and direction regarding the use of Bridge in cases where the client may be declined for LTC coverage and/or is currently planning to self-insure. This flyer is not approved for use with clients.

PATRICIA

Age: 70

Retirement assets:

- \$300,000 in an IRA
- \$400,000 in a Non-Qualified annuity that is out of surrender (\$200,000 in cost basis, \$200,000 in gain)



Concerns:

- Previously declined by underwriting for long-term care coverage due to health issues
- Current plan is to self-insure by drawing down the funds in the NQ annuity — taxation on the gain will consume a portion of the funds

Scenario 1: Patricia's current plan to self-insure

- After six years, Patricia experiences a stroke and needs \$9,028 per month to pay for long-term care services.
- Her annuity value has grown to \$536,038.
- She takes the following withdrawals.

Withdrawals year	Beginning AV	Gross withdrawals	Taxes paid	Net withdrawals	Interest	Ending AV
1	\$536,038	\$157,009	\$48,673	\$108,336	\$22,582	\$401,611
2	\$401,611	\$157,009	\$48,673	\$108,336	\$15,860	\$260,462
3	\$260,462	\$128,237	\$19,901	\$108,336	\$9,281	\$141,506
4	\$141,506	\$108,336	\$0	\$108,336	\$4,163	\$37,333
5	\$37,333	\$37,576	\$0	\$37,576	\$243	\$0
Total			\$117,247	\$470,920		

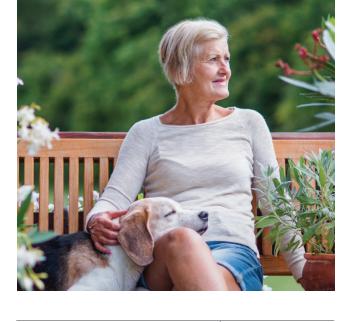
Hypothetical example assumes a non-guaranteed credited rate of 5.00% and 31% tax bracket.



Scenario 2: Patricia purchases a Bridge contract

Bridge premium: \$400,000 From 1035 exchange of the NQ annuity

Underwriting class	Secure	
Coverage Ratio election	120%	
Initial Benefit Base	\$480,000	



Six years later — claim submitted

After six years of active participation in NeverStop Wellness, which helped support a healthy, independent lifestyle, Patricia experiences a stroke and is no longer able to perform two of six activities of daily living.

Benefit Base	\$540,558	
NeverStop Wellness Credits	\$1,131	
Total Benefit Base at claim	\$541,689	
Monthly benefit	\$9,028	

She needs long-term care services, so she files a claim and a plan of care provided by her doctor. Because her benefit payments pay for qualified expenses, they are not subject to taxation.

Compare total funds available to pay for long-term care expenses:

Scenario 1: \$470,920 over 4 years and 5 months and \$117,247 income taxes paid on gain



Scenario 2: \$541,689 over 5 years with no income taxes paid

Balance your benefits and premium preservation

Your agent can help you find the right balance between anticipated long-term care benefits and the value of your annuity account.



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