# Independent Marketing Group

# Underwriting Guidelines

A Guide to Basic Information & Requirements

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# **Underwriting Classes**

Preferred Plus Non-Nicotine User Standard Plus Non-Nicotine User Preferred Nicotine User Preferred Non-Nicotine User Standard Non-Nicotine User Standard Nicotine User

Amount Being		Issue Ages					
	Applied For		18-40	41-50	51-60	61-70	71 & up*
\$	0 -	24,999	A	Α	A	В	В
\$	25,000 -	49,999	Α	A	В	С	С
\$	50,000 -	99,999	В	В	С	E	E
\$	100,000 -	250,000	D	F	F	F	F
\$	250,001 -	500,000	F	F	F	F	F
\$	500,001 -	1,000,000	F	F	Н	J	M
\$	1,000,001 -	1,500,000	G	I	I	K	M
\$	1,500,001 -	3,000,000	I	I	I	K	M
\$	3,000,001 -	5,000,000	I	I	K	K	M
\$	5,000,001 -	7,500,000	I	K	K	L	M
\$	7,500,001 -	10,000,000	K	K	K	L	M
\$	10,000,001 -	and up	K	L	L	L	M

Α	Non-Medical
В	Prescription Check (Home Office Orders)
С	Exam, HOS and Prescription Check
D	Full Blood, HOS, Measurements <sup>1</sup>
E	Blood, HOS, Physical Measurements and Prescription Check
F	Paramed, Full Blood, HOS <sup>2</sup>
G	Paramed, Full Blood, HOS, Inspection
Н	Paramed, Full Blood, HOS, Resting EKG
I	Paramed, Full Blood, HOS, Resting EKG, Inspection
J	M.D. Exam, Full Blood, HOS, Resting EKG
K	M.D. Exam, Full Blood, HOS, Resting EKG, Inspection
L	M.D. Exam, Full Blood, HOS, Exercise EKG, Inspection
M	M.D. Exam w/Senior Age Supplement, Full Blood, HOS, Resting EKG, Inspection

<sup>&</sup>quot;Measurements" refers to record of blood pressure, pulse, height and weight recorded on the lab ticket when blood is drawn.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Up to \$1,000,001 the underwriter will generate a phone inspection on an "as needed" basis.

# Paramedical and Inspection Services

The numbers below are national numbers provided to assist agency staff in contacting a local servicing company representative. Appointments are arranged at the local level.

### Setting Up Examinations

(Agent to order and indicate from which Company on checklist)

### Portamedic 1-800-782-7373

APPS 1-800-635-1677 Superior Mobile Medics 1-800-898-EXAM

ExamOne 1-800-768-2056 PMSI/EMSI 1-800-338-5629

Inspections \$1,000,001 & Over (Agent to order and indicate from which Company on checklist)

First Financial
Underwriting Services
1-800-570-3477

ExamOne
(formerly Intellisys)
1-800-768-2056

Hooper Holmes 1-800-443-1417 Fax 1-800-752-1794 PMSI 1-800-821-3879 Fax 1-800-753-0283

Status of Pending Life Applications
Life Customer Service
1-800-899-6806

Medical Questions Regarding Prospective Clients or Problems on Pending Life Cases

> 1-800-773-0924 or 1-800-899-6802\* + Voice Mailbox Number

Rate Quotes and Illustrations
Field Support Center 1-888-501-4043, Option 1.
Visit our Web site at www.img.anicoweb.com

# Preferred Build Table

Height	Weight*		
	Female	Male	
5′0″	137	153	
5′1″	141	160	
5′2″	145	164	
5′3″	149	168	
5'4"	152	172	
5′5″	155	176	
5′6″	158	180	
5′7″	163	185	
5′8″	167	189	
5′9″	172	193	
5′10″	1 <i>77</i>	197	
5′11″	182	203	
6′0″	187	208	
6′1″	192	214	
6′2″	197	220	
6′3″		226	
6'4"		231	
6′5″		237	
6′6″		243	
* Add 10 pounds Standard Plus NT, Pre	eferred NT and Pre	ferred TB.	

Add 15 pounds Standard Plus and Preferred for ages 71 & up.

# Preferred Criteria Ages 70 & Under

Item	Preferred Plus	Preferred	Standard Plus
Cholesterol	225	250	285
Ratio	4.5	5.5	6.0

### With or without cholesterol lowering medication

3 Years

2 Years

5 Years

Non-Nicotine User

Drug Use

Cigar or smokeless tobacco use of no more than 2 per month and negative HOS					
Blood Pressure	No RX	RX/UN	RX/UN		
to age 60	135/80	140/90	150/90		
61-70	140/85	150/90	155/95		
Family History	No death or occurrence CAD, CVA or Familial		No death from CAD or CVA in parents or		

	Cancers (breast, colon, lung, ovarian, prostate or melanoma) in parents or siblings prior to age 65	lung, ovarian, prostate or melanoma) in parents	siblings prior to age 60
Weight	See Build Table	add 10 lbs to Build Table	add 10 lbs to Build Table
Driving	No DUI/DWI or reckless driving for 5 years. No moving violations >2 in 5 yrs.	No DUI/DWI or reckless driving for 5 years. No moving violations >2 in 3 yrs.	No DUI/DWI for 5 years.
Aviation	Must not be a student pilot or rateable for aviation. Preferred Plus considered on commercial pilots only.		
Residency	3 years in the U.S. Must be a U.S. or Canadian Citizen or permanent resident. 2 years for Standard Plus.		
Travel	Travel to undeveloped countries, or countries where political violence or terrorism is a significant risk, may be rated or declined. If the risk is acceptable, there may be times a permanent plan is required.		
Personal Medical History	No personal history of heart disease, cancer, diabetes*, or other rateable medical condition. *Standard plus is possible in certain circumstances.		
Alcohol &	No alcohol or drug abuse in the past 10 years.		

# Preferred Criteria Ages 71 & Up

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Item	Preferred Plus	Preferred	Standard Plus	
Cholesterol	250	270	300	
Ratio	5	5.5	6.0	
Untreated cholesterol of <130 will not be eligible for Std. Plus, Pref. or Pref. Plus				
Non-Nicotine User	5 Years	3 Years	2 Years	
Cigar or smok	eless tobacco use of no	more than 2 per month o	and negative HOS	
Blood Pressure	No RX	RX/UN	RX/UN	
	140/85	150/90	155/95	
Family History	Not considered at age	s 71 & up.		
Weight	See Build Table	add 15 lbs to Build Table	add 15 lbs to Build Table	
Driving	No DUI/DWI or reckless driving for 5 years. No moving violations >2 in 5 yrs.	No DUI/DWI or reckless driving for 5 years. No moving violations >2 in 3 yrs.	No DUI/DWI for 5 years.	
Aviation	No preferred considered. Pilots over age 75 will need AER.			
Residency	3 years in the U.S. Must be a U.S. or Canadian Citizen or permanent resident. 2 years for Standard Plus.			
Travel	Travel to undeveloped countries, or countries where political violence or terrorism is a significant risk, may be rated or declined. If the risk is acceptable, there may be times a permanent plan is required.			
Personal Medical History	No personal history of heart disease, cancer, diabetes*, or other rateable medical condition. *Standard plus is possible in certain circumstances.			
Alcohol & Drug Use	No alcohol or drug abuse in the past 10 years.			
Minimum Build	BMI must be greater than 18.5 to be considered Std. Plus, Pref. or Pref. Plus			
Serum Albumin	4.0 or greater	3.6 or greater	3.6 or greater	
eGFR	60+	60+	60+	

Cognitive/Functional No indications of cognitive impairment or inability to perform ADL's

# Important Information

- 1. For children ages 0 through 17 obtain an APS when the amount exceeds \$149,999. This age group requires an inspection when the amount exceeds \$100,000. Please indicate on the application whether or not the requirements have been ordered.
- 2. The paramed service scheduling an M.D. exam should make every attempt to have the doctor also complete the blood profile to avoid multiple appointments for your client.
- 3. An exam by an applicant's personal physician is usually unacceptable.
- 4. An M.D. exam is required when there is a history of heart murmur and/or rheumatic fever (arrangements may be made through the paramed service).
- 5. The nonmedical privilege will not automatically apply to applicants not seen by the agent.
- 6. Medical requirements will not be waived if the amount is reduced after the application is submitted.
- 7. An application written in excess of \$500,000, including accidental death benefit, must be written C.O.D.
  - Any policy that will be Table 4 or over should also be C.O.D.
- 8. Amounts over \$3,000,000 will require a financial statement with the application.
- 9. HIV consent form should be collected by the agent at the time of application, and submitted to the home office if required by state.

American National reserves the right to order any requirement it deems necessary for sound underwriting practice. To obtain a copy of an abnormal blood profile and/or information from an APS on rated, declined or postponed cases, write to the address below. (This written request must be over applicant/insured's signature and contain the name and address of the doctor whose records are in question.)

Harry B. Kelso, M. D. Vice President & Medical Director

**John White, M. D.**Vice President & Associate Medical Director

American National Insurance Company PO Box 1720, Galveston, Texas 77553

# Declines, Postpones, Ratings ... Completing the Trial Application

If a proposed insured has **ever** been declined, postponed or rated with American National or any other company **he/she is not eligible** to apply under normal company guidelines. No CWA is to be collected and no medical requirements are to be ordered. A regular application should be submitted with the following wording placed in the field office checklist: "Requirements not ordered pending offer." (NOTE: The words Trial App or PIB should not appear anywhere on the application.)

## CWA Refund Checks

When a file is incomplete, declined, or postponed, the refund check may not be returned to the Home Office for reversal. These checks may not be applied as CWA on a rewritten or reopened case. A new remittance must be obtained from the applicant in such cases so that no basis is established that would make the company liable for risks it has previously rejected.

Refund checks for declined and postponed cases (CWA) will be returned directly to the client.

# Special Notes

Exam and special test limits are based on the amount currently applied for plus amounts issued within the previous 12 months. This includes policy increases and new applications.

Requirements are valid for additional insurance within six months following their completion.

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For a quick Underwriting review, submit a summary and up to 10 pages of records to

imalifequotes@anico.com

# Important Life New Business Addresses

The following addresses should be used for **new life applications** and supporting documentation:

### PO Box

American National Processing Center Life New Business PO Box 696700 San Antonio, TX 78269

### Fed-Ex/Overnight Mail

American National **Processing Center** Life New Business 4500 Lockhill-Selma Road San Antonio, TX 78249



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