

#### ACCELERATED UNDERWRITING PROGRAM GUIDELINES

Our Term and Whole Life products provide an expedited underwriting process, known as Accelerated Underwriting<sup>1</sup>, for all cases with face amounts up to \$750,000<sup>2</sup>, ages 18-60, and all risk classes, without a medical exam.



### **IDEAL CUSTOMER PROFILE**

Clients with the following characteristics are best suited for our Accelerated Underwriting process.

# Clients with the following characteristics are well suited for our Accelerated Underwriting process:

- o Information provided by clients that are good historians of their overall medical history
- Not a highly sub-standard medical risk
- o No indication of heavy shopping activity with poor disclosure
- Not recently declined by another carrier without knowledge of details
- No history of criminal activity
- No indication of adverse financial profiles, such as:
  - Bankruptcy history within 2 years or past multiple filings
  - Heavy liens / judgements (outstanding activity that exceeds \$50K), heavy collection or bad debt activity
- Unemployed clients (with exception of homemakers and retired)
- Clients with minimal household earnings

## Here are examples of acceptable medical conditions:

- o Asthma
- o Anxiety/Depression, with first line treatment medication
- o BPH/Benign Prostate Disorder
- Cholesterol treatment
- o Crohn's disease
- Diabetes/Type 2/Adult onset/Diet controlled
- o GERD/Reflux disease
- Hepatitis A and B, acute
- High Blood pressure treatment
- o Obstructive Sleep Apnea, mild, with confirmation of CPAP use
- o Skin disorders, other than Melanoma or Squamous Cell Carcinoma
- Thyroid disorder
- Ulcerative colitis



#### NON-IDEAL CUSTOMER PROFILE

Clients with the following characteristics are not suited for our Accelerated Underwriting process and are likely to be declined.

## **Examples of Uninsurable Medical Scenarios:**

- care within the last two years
- o Aids/HIV + status
- ALS (Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis)
- o Alzheimer's disease or dementia or significant cognitive impairments related to functionality
- Cancer diagnosis within last 2 years
- Chronic pain treatment, severe, receiving disability, narcotic use
- o Cirrhosis of the Liver
- Congestive heart Failure
- o COPD/Emphysema or chronic bronchitis- severe or with current nicotine use
- Cystic Fibrosis
- Defibrillator use
- Depression, severe, recurrent or with multiple in-patient hospitalization history

- Clients age 50 and over who have not had routine wellness
  Diabetes with co-morbidities that include significant cardiac disease, or impairment of renal function or mobility
  - Heart/Cardiac Disease- multiple vessels diagnosed within 2 years or any past history with current nicotine use
  - Muscular Dystrophy
  - Multiple Sclerosis, if symptoms progressing
  - Organ Transplants, in most scenarios
  - Pulmonary hypertension
  - o Quadriplegia
  - Parkinson's Disease
  - o Renal failure, Renal insufficiency-severe
  - Stroke within 1 year
  - Suicide attempt within 5 years
  - Surgical repair of heart valves, aneurysms, intracranial tumors, major organs within six months, including gastric bypass

## **Examples of Uninsurable Non-Medical Scenarios:**

- Substance abuse/ misuse within last 5 years
- Criminal activity
  - Any history within last 10 years
  - · Criminal history with no ongoing wellness care
  - · Any history of fraud, Drug dealing or crimes of a sexual nature
- o DUI, more than 2 or under age 25 if within 1 year

- Unemployed (other than homemakers or retired) with minimal household income or dependent on SSI/ disability benefits
- o Bankruptcy filing within 2 years or past multiple filings
- Liens/Judgements- outstanding activity that exceeds \$50K
- Heavy collection activity or significant bad debt/ repossession activity

#### For More Information

**OUESTIONS ABOUT YOUR CLIENTS FIT:** Contact SBLI Underwriting at 1.888.224.7254 (Option 4) or quickquote@sbli.com.

**ANY OTHER QUESTION:** 

Contact the Brokerage Sales Desk at 1.888.224.7254 (Option 1) or Brokerage@sbli.com.

SBLI Accelerated Underwriting provides a tele-med interview process for cases with face amounts \$750,000 or less, ages 18-60, and all risk classes. Ages 61 and older will be traditionally underwritten. 2Note the minimum face amount for SBLI Flex Whole Life is \$25,000 for standard risk classes and \$100,000 for all other risk classes. Eligible risks have been changed temporarily due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Applications with a Table 7 or higher rating for ages 60 or older are temporarily postponed..

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