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Unexpected costs can pose a significant burden for many individuals and their long-term income strategy. However, if income strategy measures are taken early on, that financial burden can be lessened – especially as unplanned health events occur.



### IncomeShield with Lifetime Income Benefit Rider and Wellbeing Benefits

If you are unable to perform 2 out of 6 activities of daily living (ADLs) after a health event, and after a two-year waiting period, your income payment could be doubled for up to 5 years.

No confinement is required and you won't have to use the additional income for health expenses. Additional income can go towards other expenses such as groceries, housing, or to help cover your spouse's lost income while taking care of you, providing you with additional assurance.



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Retirement Goal: Have enough income through retirement

Annuity Contract:

Age Purchased Contract: 60 Age Turns on Income: 67

Premium: \$100,000

#### **Income Generated:**

\$11,904 Annually

### Natalie

**Hypothetical Example** 

At age 69, Natalie slipped and fell after suffering a stroke. Now unable to perform two of the ADLs, she activated the Wellbeing Benefit. That doubled her income payment to \$23,808, which helped her cover the increased expenses. Her income will return to the original \$11,904 after she has recovered allowing her more assurance that the rest of her retirement savings were not impacted.



Hypothetical example shown for illustrative purposes only

<sup>1</sup> Timmons, M. (2020, March 31). 61% of Americans Have Been Surprised by an Unexpected Medical Bill and 37% Pay Without Question. ValuePenguin. https://www.valuepenguin.com/unexpected-medical-bills

<sup>2</sup> Insured Retirement Institute and American Equity. "Aligning Retirement Expectations with Financial Resources. IRI Retirement Readiness Research Series. 2022

<sup>3</sup> U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, September, 2021

Lifetime Income available through optional Lifetime Income Benefit Rider. Available for issue ages 40+. Minimum payout election age is 50.

Annuities and Rider issued under form series ICC22 BASE-IDX, ICC22 BASE-IDX-B, ICC22 IDX-11-10, ICC22 IDX-10-7, ICC20 E-PTP-PC, ICC20 E-PTP-PR, ICC20 E-MPTP-C, ICC16 R-MVA, ICC20 R-LIBR-FCP, ICC20 R-LIBR-FSP, ICC20 R-LIBR-W-FCP, ICC20 R-LIBR-W-FSP, and state variations thereof. Availability may vary by state.

Lifetime Income Benefit Rider option includes a 1.10% annual fee and a one year wait to start income. The current enhanced income payment factor is 200% for single life payout or 150% for joint life payout.

Provisions of the Lifetime Income Benefit Rider, such as Income Account Value Accumulation Rates, may change prior to issue. IAV only used to calculate lifetime income payments. Not part of contract value or available in a lump sum. Interest grows until the earlier of payments beginning or the end of the IAV period. Certain eligibility requirements and restrictions may apply.

Possible interest credits for money allocated to an index-linked crediting strategy are based upon performance

of the specific index; however, fixed index annuities are not an investment, but an insurance product, and do not directly invest in the stock market or the index itself.

Surrender charges may apply to excess withdrawals that exceed the annual free withdrawal available under the contract. You may be subject to a 10% federal penalty if you make withdrawals before age 59%.

Guarantees are based on the financial strength and claims paying ability of American Equity and are not guaranteed by any bank or insured by the FDIC.

For a comprehensive overview of all the relevant features, benefits, and limitations of the IncomeShield fixed index annuity. Please read the sales brochure and disclosure for complete details.

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