

1. Carrier Rating

Factors to consider in choosing a carrier:

- **✓ LTCI Products**
- **Company Assets** 
  - **Financial Ranking** 
    - **Rating**

### 2. Type of Policy Reimbursement

## **Indemnity**

Policy - individuals receive the exact amount of their daily benefit



### Policy - individuals are

reimbursed the same amount that they spend. The remaining balance stays in the pool

### **Policy** - collaboration private insurance

**Partnership** 

between the state and a company



# 3. Affordability - Cheapest States for Long Term Care

\$41,270 Average Annual Cost of Care \$39,290 \$39,058 \$38,723 \$38,583 Louisiana Alabama Oklahoma Missouri Georgia

## Agent Specializes in LTCI

4. Insurance

- Well-informed
- Represents different
- carriers Prioritizes the buyer's
- Has a lot of other clients

Credible

needs

## **Types of Care** Nursing Home Care

5. Coverage for

- Assisted Living Care
- Home Health Care
- Adult Day Care
- respite care, post-hospital stay)

• Other Services (hospice care,



5% Compound

5% Simple

3% Compund

None / GPO

#### How inflation protection \$700 \$600 **Benefit Amount** increases your daily \$500

\$400

\$300

\$200

✓ Waiver of Home Health Care Elimination Period

(sample growth of \$150 daily benefit)

benefit over the years

7. Insurance Riders

receive when you need care.

\$100 40 Years 10 15 20 25 30 Insurance riders help maximize the benefits you

### 5 Important Long Term Care Insurance Riders ✓Inflation Protection

√ Cash Benefit

√ Spouse Shared Care

√ Restoration of Benefits

**Care Coordinator** 

#### A licensed or trained professional provides his or her services in order to: Establish a plan of care Locate and select from a network of

8. Care Coordination Option

9. Benefits

## quality care providers Selected policies also provide monitoring of caregivers

**Benefit triggers Benefit Amount Cognitive Impairment** 



**Insurance Riders** 

**Waiting Period** 

Adjust your LTCI benefits to meet your budget

### Inability to perform 2 out of the 6 Activities of Daily living

(eating, bathing, dressing, toileting,

transferring/walking, and continence)

10. Partnership Program Certified

#### **Long Term Care Partnership Program** – a state initiative that allows individuals who purchased LTCI to protect a portion of their assets that they would have had to spend down to qualify for Medicaid

**Requirements:** 

- Meet certain consumer protection requirements specified in the DRA and certified by the Insurance Commissioner of the state where you purchased the policy

- Include age-specific inflation protection

- Be tax-qualified under Federal Law

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