

191—39.4 (514G) Definitions. For the purpose of these rules, the terms “*Group long-term care insurance*,” “*Commissioner*,” “*Applicant*,” “*Policy*,” “*Preexisting condition*” and “*Certificate*” shall have the meanings set forth in Iowa Code chapter 514G, “Long-Term Care Insurance Act.”

“*Long-term care insurance*” means an insurance policy, insurance contract, insurance certificate, or rider, which is advertised, marketed, offered, or designed to provide coverage for not less than 12 consecutive months for each covered person on an expense-incurred, indemnity, prepaid, or other basis; for one or more necessary or medically necessary diagnostic, preventive, therapeutic, rehabilitative, maintenance, or personal care service provided in a setting other than an acute care unit of a hospital. This definition also encompasses group and individual annuities and life insurance policies or riders that provide directly for or supplement long-term care insurance as well as a policy or rider providing for payment of benefits based upon cognitive impairment or the loss of functional capacity.

Long-term care insurance may be issued by insurers, fraternal benefit societies, nonprofit health, hospital, and medical service corporations, prepaid health plans, health maintenance organizations or any similar organizations to the extent they are otherwise authorized to issue life or health insurance.

Long-term care insurance shall not include any insurance policy which is offered primarily to provide basic Medicare Supplement coverage, basic hospital expense coverage, basic medical-surgical expense coverage, disability income or related asset-protection coverage, or accident-only coverage, specific disease or specified accident coverage, or limited benefit health coverage. The definition does not include life insurance policies which accelerate the death benefit specifically for one or more of the qualifying events of terminal illness, medical conditions requiring extraordinary medical intervention, or permanent institutional confinement, and which provide the option of a lump-sum payment for those benefits and in which neither the benefits nor eligibility for those benefits is conditional upon the receipt of long-term care. Notwithstanding any other provision contained herein, any product advertised, marketed, or offered as long-term care insurance shall be subject to the provisions of 191—Chapter 39.

“*Long-term care coverage arrangement*” is a promise that long-term care will be delivered to a person upon need and the meeting of certain contractual requirements. The arrangement is offered to the general public or a sector of the general public at a cost determined by the use of sound actuarial principles based upon the probability of use. This definition does not include self-insurance.

“*Qualified long-term care insurance contract*” or “*federally tax-qualified long-term care insurance contract*” means an individual or group insurance contract that meets the requirements of Section 7702B(b) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as follows:

1. The only insurance protection provided under the contract is coverage of qualified long-term care services. A contract shall not fail to satisfy the requirements of this paragraph by reason of payments being made on a per diem or other periodic basis without regard to the expenses incurred during the period to which the payments relate;

2. The contract does not pay or reimburse expenses incurred for services or items to the extent that the expenses are reimbursable under Title XVIII of the Social Security Act or would be so reimbursable but for the application of a deductible or coinsurance amount. The requirements of this paragraph do not apply to expenses that are reimbursable under Title XVIII of the Social Security Act only as a secondary payor. A contract shall not fail to satisfy the requirements of this paragraph by reason of payments being made on a per diem or other periodic basis without regard to the expenses incurred during the period to which the payments relate;

3. The contract is guaranteed renewable, within the meaning of Section 7702B(b)(1)(C) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986;

4. The contract does not provide for a cash surrender value or other money that can be paid, assigned, pledged as collateral for a loan, or borrowed;

5. All refunds of premiums, and all policyholder dividends or similar amounts, under the contract are to be applied as a reduction in future premiums or to increase future benefits, except that a refund on the event of death of the insured or a complete surrender or cancellation of the contract cannot exceed the aggregate premiums paid under the contract; and

6. The contract meets the consumer protection provisions set forth in Section 7702B(g) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

“Qualified long-term care insurance contract” or “federally tax-qualified long-term care insurance contract” also means the portion of a life insurance contract that provides long-term care insurance coverage by rider or as part of the contract and that satisfies the requirements of Sections 7702B(b) and (e) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.