

Insurance 101

LIFE INSURANCE

This type of insurance is designed to provide economic assistance to the survivor of an insured who has died prematurely.

HEALTH INSURANCE

This coverage pays for in and out patient visits, prescription drugs, dental and vision. There are three basic types of health insurance plans:

1. The Health Maintenance Organization also known as HMOs are organizations of medical providers, administering health care to its members through preventive medicine. This coverage will also pay for illness as do a regular health plan. In most cases there are a facility that provides primary care. Or a provider directory may also be another source.
2. Preferred Provider Organization or PPOs are organizations of both primary and secondary care physicians that deliver discount services to its members. In this setting a wide selection of physicians is found. A directory of providers of service is made available. An insured may select any member or organization for service.
3. Traditional or Indemnity Plan is an open field in which an insured may choose to go to any provider of care he chooses. Price for each of three plans varies. Some have higher deductibles and co-pay than others

PROPERTY INSURANCE

Property insurance includes many types of insurance designed to handle property risks. It guards against possible financial loss resulting from the damage or destruction of personal property.

CASUALTY INSURANCE

Casualty insurance is difficult to define because it includes a wide variety of basically unrelated insurance products. It includes the following: Liability, Aviation, Auto, Boiler and Machinery, Crime, Workers Compensation, and Surety Bonds.