Planning now gives you more options later
Long-term care involves a variety of support and services designed to help you live as independently and safely as possible when you can no longer perform everyday activities on your own.

And putting a plan in place now — as you would for any other future financial need — can help you choose the type of care that is familiar and comfortable for you, whatever your needs might be.
Why planning matters

Chances are, you’ll need long-term care (LTC) at some point in your life. Planning now can help you maintain your choices in the future.

Familiar comfort for the future

We all enjoy being in a familiar environment — like our home and the community we live in, with the people we know and love. So it should come as no surprise that when faced with the prospect of long-term care (LTC), 90% of people 65 and older want to stay in their own home as long as possible.

Why you need to have a plan

Costs are expected to more than double in approximately 20 years.

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Putting a plan in place now to address these expenses can give you the freedom to select the services and providers you want later on. It may even extend the length of time you’re able to remain in your home.

3 Genworth’s “Compare Long Term Care Costs Across the United States” tool (annual national median 2017 vs. 2037), www.genworth.com/about-us/industry-expertise/cost-of-care.html (June 2017).
Know your options

There are many misconceptions surrounding how long-term care expenses can be covered. The first step in creating a plan is to know what your funding options really are:

**Health insurance**
Does not cover long-term care expenses

**Medicare**
Covers up to only 100 days if qualifiers, such as a three-consecutive-day hospital stay under treatment, are met; the first 20 days are covered 100%, but after that there is a significant co-pay

**Medicaid**
Covers long-term care expenses for individuals with countable assets of $2,000 or less (varies by state); care may be limited to a nursing home

**Adult children**
Many may assume their adult children will care for them later in life, but this can present huge financial, physical and emotional challenges for the children

**Out of pocket**
Using income and savings or selling assets may be an option; however, it may leave a surviving spouse without adequate financial resources or reduce a legacy planned for heirs

**Long-term care coverage**
LTC coverage can be a cost-efficient way to help protect yourself and your assets from the potentially devastating cost of long-term care

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4 About 75 percent of all single people and 50 percent of all couples spend their entire savings within one year of entering a nursing home. Source: ltctree.com Long Term Care Statistics (August 15, 2016).
Select the solution that fits your needs

Here are three common types of products to choose from:

- **Life insurance policies with a rider:** Consider this option if you’re most concerned with leaving a legacy or providing for loved ones when you pass, but would still like to have access to the death benefit yourself if care needs should arise; premiums are flexible and can be guaranteed with certain solutions.

- **Linked-benefit policies:** If you are primarily concerned with LTC coverage and have less need for life insurance coverage, then a linked-benefit policy may be a good option; it offers an extension of LTC benefits beyond the life insurance coverage; premiums are guaranteed never to increase and are typically funded with a single premium or limited pay.

- **Stand-alone policies:** If you don’t need additional life insurance coverage and desire LTC coverage with lower premiums compared to other policies, then a stand-alone LTC policy may be right for you (please note that premiums may increase numerous times in the future, and there are no policy benefits other than LTC coverage).

Life insurance covers many needs, including family protection and legacy enhancement. If you have a life insurance need, the addition of an LTC rider to your policy can help provide a source of funds to cover unexpected expenses. A life insurance purchase should be based on the life policy, not on optional riders or features.

Keep in mind that, as an acceleration of the death benefit, the rider payout will reduce both the death benefit and cash surrender values. Make sure life insurance needs will still be met, even if the rider pays out in full. Costs for LTC services vary by person, and there is no guarantee that the rider will cover all costs. Nationwide pays benefits for LTC services to the policyowner. If the insured is not the policyowner, there is no guarantee that benefits will be used to pay for expenses related to LTC. Riders have an additional charge associated with them. The cost of a rider may exceed the actual benefit paid under the rider.
How benefits are paid

If you decide that LTC coverage is right for you, two common types of benefit plans are available.

1 Reimbursement

• Bills must be submitted every month
• Each month, wait to see what services are covered; insurance company sends a check for **only** what’s covered
• Services not covered under your policy will need to be paid for out of pocket

2 Cash Indemnity\(^5\)

• Elect to receive up to 100% of your available monthly cash benefit
• Use your monthly cash benefit without restrictions; there is no need to submit monthly bills or receipts once your claim is approved
• Unused monthly benefits can be used for other expenses as you see fit, including saving for future expenses

A little familiarity can mean a lot

Planning for potential LTC expenses now can give you the flexibility to choose to stay in a familiar, comfortable environment. Ask your insurance professional for more information today.

\(^5\) Under certain circumstances, LTC benefits received may be taxable. Please consult with your tax advisor.
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• A strong balance sheet
• A sound and disciplined investment policy
• A long history of maintaining a quality investment portfolio

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⁶ Based on revenue, Fortune magazine (June 2017).
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