The "Good - Botter - Best" Approach To Long-Term Care Planning

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The "Good - Better - Best" Approach To Long-Term Care Planning						
		Immediate Value of Protection ²	Value of Protection At Age 80 ³	Value of Protection At Age 85 ³		
GOOD Good = Buying a Pool of dollars that ca		\$ 164,000 each can be supplemented	\$ 164,000 each with savings, income.	\$ 164,000 each person/spouse		
BETTER Better = Cov	erage you can add to lat	\$ 164,000 each ter where health qualific	-	reases options accepted ay		
BEST Best = Cover	age that grows at 3% cc	\$ 164,000 each ompounded annually	\$ 325,000 each	<pre>\$ 365,000 each person/spouse \$ 730,000 total policy protection</pre>		
SINGLE MA	ALE AGE 55 'se	ex Distinct' rates were i	not used in January 201	3		
	Premium (preferre	Premium (preferred health)				
GOOD	\$ 925 /year	2014 Range of policy prices: Low: \$915 High: \$1,200 (31% difference between)				
BETTER	\$ 1,045 /year	Not many offer this option and spreads are pretty close				
BEST	\$ 1,765 /year	2014 Range of policy prices: Low: \$1,410 High: \$2,525 (79% difference between) 2013 Average: \$2.065 (a 14.5% Decrease 2013 to 2014; 2013 represented 'unisex' rates)				
SINGLE FE	MALE AGE 55	Sex Distinct' rates were	not used in January 20	13		
	Premium (preferre	Premium (preferred health)				
GOOD	\$ 1,225 /year	2014 Range of policy	2014 Range of policy prices: Low: \$990 High: \$1,720 (74% difference between)			
BETTER	\$ 1,350 /year	Not many offer this option and spreads are pretty close				
BEST	\$ 2,307 /year	2014 Range of policy prices: Low: \$1,730 High: \$3,620 (109% difference between) 2013 Average: \$2.065 (a 11.8% Increase 2013 to 2014; 2013 represented 'unisex' rates)				
COUPLE BO	TH AGE 60					
	Premium (Combir	Premium (Combined cost for couple / standard health)				
GOOD	\$ 1,980 /year		2014 Range of policy prices: Low: \$1,950 High: \$4,100 (110% difference between) 2013 Average: \$1,816 (a 9% increase 2013 to 2014)			
BETTER	\$ 2,220 /year		2014 Range of policy prices: Low: \$1,950 High: \$3,040 (55% difference between) 2013 Average \$1,942 (a 14% increase 2013 to 2014)			
BEST	\$ 3,840 /year	2013 Average \$3,72	2014 Range of policy prices: Low: \$3,0250 High: \$6,500 (114% difference between) 2013 Average \$3,725 (a 3% increase 2013 to 2014) 2012 Average \$3,663 (a 4.8% increase over the 2 years 2012 to 2014)			

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Calculations based on: \$150 daily benefit selected at inception of plan, 3 year benefit period, 90-day elimination period, 100% home care benefit. Where inflation growth included, factored at 3% compounded annually. Includes spousal discount (where applicable) and standard health rating.

² Equals available cash value of benefits that would be paid for claim starting at present age (an almost immediate claim).. Companies use different criteria. The values can range from \$162,000 in benefits to as much as \$200,000 (we reflect \$164,000; the most common factor).

³ Equals available cash value of benefits that would be paid. BEST scenario based on 3% annual compound growth of policy benefits.