# Help Protect What Matters Most

## Policy reviews can help ensure your coverage still aligns with your life stage and financial priorities

#### If you are:

| ✓ Purchasing a new home                               | <ul> <li>✓ Starting a new career or<br/>business</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>✓ Reviewing your estate<br/>plan</li> </ul> |
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| <ul> <li>✓ Getting married or<br/>divorced</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>✓ Expecting or adopting a<br/>child</li> </ul>     |  |

#### Now is the time to take a look at your policies

#### **Protecting Both Sides of the Balance Sheet with Insurance**

Life insurance isn't just a way to provide for dependents and pay expenses upon death.

In actuality, life insurance is a versatile financial planning tool that can accomplish different goals at different times in your life.

For example, you might buy a policy early in your career that provides for your young family's needs in the event of your death. Later on, you might consider exchanging that policy for an annuity that provides you with income in retirement<sup>1</sup>.





**2.** An opportunity to accumulate assets on a tax-advantaged basis<sup>2</sup>

**3.** The death benefit which provides liquidity to help pay estate taxes as well as other outstanding bills and loans

**4**. Estate-tax-free proceeds with proper planning

**5.** A source of funds for a child's education, a new business or the down payment on a new house<sup>3</sup>

**6.** Additional riders that can help pay for long term care services, if needed<sup>3</sup>

**7.** Transferring business ownership upon death of business partners

### Schedule a policy review with your Financial Advisor to determine if your existing coverage still fits your current needs.

During the review, your Financial Advisor can also determine if your policy ownership and beneficiary designations are still in line with your legacy strategy.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Taxable distributions (and certain deemed distributions) from an annuity are subject to ordinary income tax, and if taken prior to age 59½, may also be subject to a 10% federal income tax penalty.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Withdrawals and loans from a life insurance policy may impact the policy's cash value and death benefit. Interest may be due on any loans and early surrender charges may apply. If the policy is a Modified Endowment Contract, distributions (loans, withdrawals, and cash surrenders) are taxable in the event there is a gain within the policy at the time of distributions and if taken prior to age 59½, may be subject to a 10% federal income tax penalty

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