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#### Impact of regulatory changes on products...now and in future!





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### Regulatory pressures from all sides....

- Tax
- Fee disclosure and consumer protection
- Capital (LICAT)
- Genetic testing
- Discrimination restrictions
- Privacy
- Financial reporting (IFRS 17)



#### **Session Structure**

- First half:
  - Short presentations on key regulatory pressures, expected product impacts and lessons from abroad
- Second half:
  - Moderated Q&A...so start thinking of questions to ask the panel!









# **Summary of Impacts**

- Movement towards **simple**, **streamlined**, **consumer friendly** product offering
- Level Cost of Insurance will see the biggest impacts going forward
- Regulation changes now and in the future will change distribution, product choices, and sales process
- Lastly, Critical Illness sales will double in 2017!



### **Policyholder Tax Changes**

- Bring consistency to policyholder tax rules, and further refinements
- More complicated tax rules, less transparent, short implementation period
- Industry hit reset button streamlined products and product offering
- Level Cost of Insurance products most impacted
- UL sales will shift towards funded sales & quick pay strategies

#### **Fee Disclosure**

- Mutual Funds industry now discloses compensation
- Compensation disclosure is coming to Insurance industry, starting with Segregated Funds
- Key learnings from Mutual Funds distribution will filter to Insurance industry
- Alignment of Insurance company and advisor interests
- Compensation disclosure **will not** impact the role of the advisor, but will modify the sales process



#### **Consumer Protection**

- Principle that focuses on customer outcomes and the interest of the customers
- Further simplification to ensure right choice for customer
- Will impact:
  - Distribution
  - Sales concepts
  - Product selection





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#### **Regulation & Our Future**





### LICAT

#### Equity & alternative assets

Mismatched cash flows

#### Participating & adjustable products





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# My Take on LICAT



### **Genetics Regulation**

**Bill S-201:** An Act to prohibit and prevent genetic discrimination

- Prohibits any use of Genetic Test results by insurers
- House of Commons passed bill on March 8<sup>th</sup>; awaiting Royal Assent to come into force
- May be brought to Supreme Court of Canada for being unconstitutional

#### CLHIA Industry Code:

Genetic testing information for insurance underwriting

- Notwithstanding Bill S-201, an industry code will come into effect
- Prohibits use of Genetic Test results for life insurance coverage of \$250,000 or less
- Effective January 1, 2018



### My Take on Genetics Regulation

• Short-term: Anti-selection risk Mitigate through underwriting changes and monitoring

 Long-term: Undefinable risk

Mitigate through adjustable products and severity-based benefit payouts





# The **BIG** Issue







# What we can learn from beyond North America

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### **Lessons from beyond North America**

• Overarching concerns by "regulators"

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- Consumers must be treated equitably
- Consumers must be sold appropriate solutions
- Companies need to be around to deliver on promises to customers



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