

PPS Mutual Professionals' Choice

# Provisional Cover



# Introduction

Thank you for submitting an application for a PPS Mutual Limited (**PPS Mutual**)
Professionals' Choice policy. While your insurance application is being assessed by our underwriting team, you are eligible for Provisional Cover if you are named as a Life Insured in the application. Provisional Cover covers you for the relevant *cover* and *cover type* applied for in the application.

**policy** is submitted to PPS Mutual. Provisional Cover provides free, limited insurance for each Life Insured for up to 90 days during the underwriting assessment period. This provides you with some temporary insurance protection should something unexpected happen before the Professionals' Choice policy is issued, varied or reinstated.

Your Provisional Cover will cease on the earliest of:

- 90 days from the date the application was submitted to PPS Mutual; or
- The date the Professionals' Choice policy is issued, varied or reinstated; or
- The date the application is withdrawn; or
- The date a claim is paid under Provisional Cover for a Life Insured; or
- The date of any decision by PPS Mutual to defer the application for the applicable **cover** in line with PPS Mutual's ordinary underwriting criteria.

# Main benefits

## What will PPS Mutual Pay

PPS Mutual will pay you a Benefit described below if a claim event first occurs for a Life Insured, subject to the terms and conditions of this Provisional Cover and the applicable PPS Mutual's Professionals' Choice policy wordings proposed in the application (**bold and italicised terms** are defined in the policy wordings). Our policy wordings are available on our website: ppsmutual.co.nz

#### Limitations

Provisional Cover is subject to the following limitations:

- Provisional Cover is provided for a single claim event for each Life Insured.
- The Benefit payable is the lesser of the amounts proposed in the application or the maximum sum
  insured listed in the table below. Where an underwriting decision results in a premium loading for the
  Cover, the maximum sum insured in the table below will be proportionately reduced to correspond
  with the applicable loading.
- If a Life Insured is eligible to claim under more than one Benefit for the same claim event, the maximum amount payable across all Benefits is \$500,000.
- Terms, conditions, limitations, and exclusions contained in the PPS Mutual's Professionals' Choice policy wordings for the relevant *cover type*.

## **Benefits provided under Provisional Cover**

Benefit	Claim event	Maximum sum insured
Life Cover	Death by <i>accident</i> or <i>illness</i> .	\$500,000
Terminal Illness Cover	Diagnosis of <i>terminal illness</i> or meeting the definition of a Non-Survivable Accident Benefit.	\$500,000
Trauma Cover	Diagnosis of Full Payment Trauma Cover conditions or Optional Total and Permanent Disablement Condition (if proposed in the application).	\$500,000
Total and Permanent Disablement Cover	Meeting the criteria for the payment of a Total and Permanent Disability Benefit.	\$500,000
Income Protection Cover	Meeting the criteria for the payment of a Total Disability Benefit after the <b>waiting period</b> proposed in the application.	\$5,000 per month, maximum twenty-four (24) months
Key Person Protector Cover	Meeting the criteria for the payment of a Total Disability Benefit after the <i>waiting period</i> proposed in the application.	\$5,000 per month, maximum twenty-four (24) months

#### **Exclusions**

Where an underwriting decision for the application results in an exclusion for the *cover type* in relation to any Benefit, PPS Mutual will assess a claim for that Benefit under this Provisional Cover subject to the application of that exclusion. In addition, PPS Mutual will not pay a claim under this Provisional Cover for a Life Insured arising directly from:

- any act, illness, or injury performed by the Life Insured to themselves; or
- any *illness* or *injury* diagnosed before the application was submitted to PPS Mutual, or for which the Life Insured showed any signs, symptoms or underlying causes before the application was submitted to PPS Mutual; or
- the Life Insured participating in a criminal act; or
- any failure by a Life Insured to comply with medically necessary treatment prescribed by a doctor or specialist; or
- the Life Insured deliberate taking or using non-prescribed drugs, or the misuse of prescribed drugs which includes not taking them for *medically necessary* purposes and/or in accordance with the manufacturer's directions for use.

## You have a duty of disclosure

When you apply to commence, vary or reinstate your insurance, you have a duty to take reasonable care to ensure that you do not make misrepresentations to PPS Mutual.

This is a continuous duty that extends until your insurance *policy* is issued, varied or reinstated. If something happens before then which affects the accuracy of information provided to PPS Mutual, you must notify PPS Mutual.

If you fail to comply with your duty of disclosure, PPS Mutual may have the right to:

- avoid your policy from commencement (and, in some cases, retain any premiums paid); or
- amend the terms of your insurance from commencement this may include removing or reducing benefits or adding special conditions, special exclusions and premium loadings.

This will depend on whether or not you acted deliberately or recklessly, and how PPS Mutual would have assessed this application if you had met your duty of disclosure. This could also mean that a claim is not paid or that the amount paid is less than the cover amount.

For more information about the potential consequences of breaching your duty of disclosure, please refer to the General Terms and Conditions in PPS Mutual's standard policy wordings.

If in doubt – please disclose.

3



