Module 4: Individual Life Insurance Products - Participating Policies, Dividend Options, Nonforfeiture Benefits, and Term-100 Insurance

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- term-100 insurance: what it is and what are its features

To learn and understand the concepts presented in this module, you will require approximately 1 hour.

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Premium for this year\$500Dividend(\$100)Premium for next year\$400

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- CSV for a non-participating policy will be a guaranteed amount only

Milo owns a whole life insurance policy with a \$50,000 face amount of insurance coverage, a \$2,100 cash surrender value and an annual premium of \$1,200. If Milo decides that he no longer requires the insurance coverage, he can decline to pay the premium and request termination of the policy. The policy would be cancelled, the coverage would be voided and Milo would receive a cheque from the insurer for the policy cash surrender value of \$2,100 less applicable surrender charges.



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If Milo was unable to pay the \$1,200 premium due this year, but wished to retain the insurance coverage, he could elect the automatic premium loan non-forfeiture option. The insurance company would borrow \$1,200 against the \$2,100 cash surrender value of the policy and keep the policy in force.

Next year, should Milo again not pay the annual \$1,200 premium, the insurance company could again borrow against the policy (assuming that the cash surrender value had grown to at least \$2,400 by then) to keep the policy in force.
### Automatic Premium Loan (APL)

In future years, it would be unlikely that there would be enough cash surrender value in the policy to support additional premium loans, so the policy would lapse. Milo would be paid the net cash surrender value (net of the premium loans plus interest), if any, and the insurance coverage would be cancelled.

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- APL represents a loan so therefore, interest charges will apply

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If Milo chose not to pay the premium due this year and selected the reduced paid-up option, his insurance company advises that he could receive in exchange for his \$50,000 policy a brand new whole life policy. Under the new policy, Milo would not have to pay any future premiums, but the policy's face amount of coverage would be only \$12,800. In other words, the policy has been reduced by approximately 74%.

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- new contract will expire without value at the end of the term



If Milo elected the extended term option, the cash surrender value (\$2,100) of his policy would be used to purchase a brand new \$50,000 term insurance policy, with no future premiums payable by Milo (i.e., it is paid-up), for the next 22.6 years. At the end of that period the coverage would expire.

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- guaranteed level death benefit

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#### Example

Tomas wished to leave a \$100,000 legacy to his church when he died. Rather than tie up other estate assets, Tomas took out a \$100,000 term-100 policy on his own life, at a premium of \$2,200 a year, naming the church as its beneficiary.