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# Due Diligence in Recommending the Correct Life Insurance Policy

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#### Need

Temporaryneed – terminsurance

Permanent –Continuing need

### Permanent or Continuing Need

- Whole life
- Variable life
  - Mortality and expense cost

- Universal Life
  - No guarantees
  - Secondary guarantees
    - i.) Mortality Table
    - ii.) Company Financial Ratings
    - iii.) Guarantees and Problems
    - iv.) Purpose of Cash Value
- Variable Universal Life
  - Investment risk

# **Amount of Coverage**

Estate

Business

Charitable

#### Understanding the Policy Illustration

- Pro forma
- Product Illustration
  - NAIC Illustration
  - Product enhancements (non-guaranteed)
  - Current experience
  - Past history
  - Current scale vs. portfolio method
  - Third party references

#### Professional Liability and Disclosure

- Who are you liable to?
  - Policyowner
  - Insured
  - Beneficiaries
- What happens if your recommendations are wrong?
- How can you limit your liability?

# Rating Agencies

A. M. Best

Fitch

Standard & Poor's

Moody's

#### Rates

Mortality

Expenses charges

- Interest
  - Investing long
  - Investing short

## Go Noles!

