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This prospectus describes an individual flexible premium deferred variable annuity contract that is issued by The Lincoln National Life Insurance Company (Lincoln Life or Company). This prospectus is primarily for use with qualified retirement plans. Generally, you do not pay federal income tax on the contract's value until it is paid out. Qualified retirement plans already provide for tax deferral. Therefore, there should be no reasons other than tax deferral for acquiring the contract within a qualified plan. The contract is designed to accumulate contract value and to provide retirement income that you cannot outlive or for an agreed upon time. These benefits may be a variable or fixed amount or a combination of both. If you die before the Annuity Commencement Date, we will pay your beneficiary a death benefit.

Purchase payments must be at least \$25 per payment, and at least \$600 annually. Purchase payments allocated to any subaccount or to the fixed side of the contract must be at least \$20.

Except as noted below, you choose whether your contract value accumulates on a variable or a fixed (guaranteed) basis or both. Your contract may not offer a fixed account or if permitted by your contract, we may discontinue accepting purchase payments or transfers into the fixed side of the contract at anytime. If any portion of your contract value is in the fixed account, we promise to pay you your principal and a minimum interest rate. For the life of your contract or during certain periods, we may impose restrictions on the fixed account.

All purchase payments for benefits on a variable basis will be placed in Lincoln National Variable Annuity Account C (variable annuity account [VAA]). The VAA is a segregated investment account of Lincoln Life. You take all the investment risk on the contract value and the retirement income for amounts placed into one or more of the contract's variable options. If the subaccounts you select make money, your contract value goes up; if they lose money, it goes down. How much it goes up or down depends on the performance of the subaccounts you select. **We do not guarantee how any of the variable options or their funds will perform. Also, neither the U.S. Government nor any federal agency insures or guarantees your investment in the contract.** 

The available funds are listed below:

AllianceBernstein Variable Products Series Fund (Class B):
AllianceBernstein VPS Global Thematic Growth Portfolio
AllianceBernstein VPS Growth and Income Portfolio\*\*

American Century Investments Variable Products (Class II):
American Century VP Inflation Protection Fund\*\*

American Funds Insurance Series (Class 2):

American Funds Global Growth Fund

American Funds Growth Fund

American Funds Growth-Income Fund

American Funds International Fund

BlackRock Variable Series Funds, Inc. (Class III):

BlackRock Global Allocation V.I. Fund

Delaware VIP Trust (Service Class):

Delaware VIP Diversified Income Series

Delaware VIP High Yield Series

Delaware VIP REIT Series

Delaware VIP Small Cap Value Series

Delaware VIP Smid Cap Growth Series

Delaware VIP Value Series

DWS Investments VIT Funds (Class B):

DWS Equity 500 Index VIP Portfolio \*\*

DWS Small Cap Index VIP Portfolio\*\*

DWS Variable Series II (Class B):

DWS Alternative Asset Allocation VIP Portfolio

Fidelity Variable Insurance Products (Service Class 2):

Fidelity VIP Contrafund Portfolio

Fidelity® VIP Growth Portfolio

Lincoln Variable Insurance Products Trust (Service Class):

LVIP Baron Growth Opportunities Fund

LVIP BlackRock Inflation Protected Bond Fund\*

LVIP Cohen & Steers Global Real Estate Fund

LVIP Delaware Bond Fund

LVIP Delaware Diversified Floating Rate Fund

LVIP Delaware Foundation Aggressive Allocation Fund

LVIP Delaware Foundation Conservative Allocation Fund LVIP Delaware Foundation Moderate Allocation Fund

LVIP Delaware Growth and Income Fund

LVIP Delaware Social Awareness Fund

LVIP Delaware Special Opportunities Fund

LVIP Global Income Fund

LVIP Janus Capital Appreciation Fund

LVIP Mondrian International Value Fund

LVIP Money Market Fund

LVIP SSgA Bond Index Fund

LVIP SSgA Emerging Markets 100 Fund

LVIP SSgA Global Tactical Allocation Fund

LVIP SSgA International Index Fund

LVIP SSgA S&P 500 Index Fund\*\*\*

LVIP SSgA Small-Cap Index Fund

LVIP T. Rowe Price Structured Mid-Cap Growth Fund

LVIP Vanguard Domestic Equity ETF Fund

LVIP Vanguard International Equity ETF Fund

LVIP Wells Fargo Intrinsic Value Fund

LVIP Protected Profile 2010 Fund

LVIP Protected Profile 2020 Fund

LVIP Protected Profile 2030 Fund

LVIP Protected Profile 2040 Fund

LVIP Protected Profile 2050 Fund

LVIP Protected Profile Conservative Fund

(formerly LVIP Conservative Profile Fund)

LVIP Protected Profile Growth Fund

(formerly LVIP Moderately Aggressive Profile Fund)

LVIP Protected Profile Moderate Fund

(formerly LVIP Moderate Profile Fund)

MFS® Variable Insurance TrustSM (Service Class): MFS® Utilities Series

Neuberger Berman Advisers Management Trust (I Class): Mid-Cap Growth Portfolio \*\*

PIMCO Variable Insurance Trust (Administrative Class): PIMCO VIT Total Return Portfolio

- \*Refer to Description of Funds for specific information regarding the availability of funds.
- \*\*It is currently anticipated that during the fourth quarter of 2012, we will close and replace these investment options. See Investments of the VAA -Description of the Funds for further information.
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This prospectus gives you information about the contracts that you should know before you decide to buy a contract and make purchase payments. You should also review the prospectuses for the funds and keep all prospectuses for future reference.

Neither the SEC nor any state securities commission has approved this contract or determined that this prospectus is accurate or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

More information about the contracts is in the current Statement of Additional Information (SAI), dated the same date as this prospectus. The SAI is incorporated by reference into this prospectus and is legally part of this prospectus. For a free copy of the SAI, write: The Lincoln National Life Insurance Company, PO Box 2340, Fort Wayne, IN 46801-2340, or call 1-800-454-6265. The SAI and other information about Lincoln Life and the VAA are also available on the SEC's website (http://www.sec.gov). There is a table of contents for the SAI on the last page of this prospectus.

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# **Special Terms**

In this prospectus, the following terms have the indicated meanings:

**Access Period**—Under *i4LIFE* Advantage, a defined period of time during which we make Regular Income Payments to you while you still have access to your Account Value. This means that you may make withdrawals, surrender the contract, and have a death benefit.

**Account or variable annuity account (VAA)**—The segregated investment account, Account C, into which we set aside and invest the assets for the variable side of the contract offered in this prospectus.

Account Value—Under *i4LIFE* Advantage, the initial Account Value is the contract value on the valuation date that *i4LIFE* Advantage is effective (or initial purchase payment if *i4LIFE* Advantage is purchased at contract issue), less any applicable premium taxes. During the Access Period, the Account Value on a valuation date equals the total value of all of the contractowner's accumulation units plus the contractowner's value in the fixed account, reduced by Regular Income Payments, Guaranteed Income Benefit payments, and withdrawals.

**Accumulation unit**—A measure used to calculate contract value for the variable side of the contract before the Annuity Commencement Date and to calculate the *i4LIFE* Advantage Account Value during the Access Period.

**Annuitant** — The person upon whose life the annuity payments are based.

**Annuity Commencement Date** - The valuation date when funds are withdrawn or converted into annuity units or fixed dollar payout for payment of retirement income benefits under the annuity payout option you select (other than *i4LIFE* Advantage).

**Annuity payout**—A regularly scheduled payment (under any of the available annuity options) that occurs after the Annuity Commencement Date (or Periodic Income Commencement Date if *i4LIFE*® Advantage has been elected). Payments may be variable or fixed, or a combination of both.

**Annuity unit**—A measure used to calculate the amount of annuity payouts for the variable side of the contract after the Annuity Commencement Date. See Annuity Payouts.

**Beneficiary**—The person you choose to receive any death benefit paid if you die before the Annuity Commencement Date.

**Contractowner** (you, your, owner)—The person who can exercise the rights within the contract (decides on investment allocations, transfers, payout option, designates the beneficiary, etc.). Usually, but not always, the contractowner is the annuitant.

**Contract value** —At a given time before the Annuity Commencement Date, the total value of all accumulation units for a contract plus the value of the fixed side of the contract, if any.

**Contract year**—Each one-year period starting with the effective date of the contract and starting with each contract anniversary after that.

**Death benefit** — The amount payable to your designated beneficiary if the owner dies before the annuity commencement date. If the contract is owned by a non-natural person, the death benefit will be paid on the death of the annuitant.

FINRA—Financial Industry Regulatory Authority.

Good Order—The actual receipt at our Home Office of the requested transaction in writing or by other means we accept, along with all information and supporting legal documentation necessary to effect the transaction. The forms we provide will identify the necessary documentation. We may, in our sole discretion, determine whether any particular transaction request is in good order, and we reserve the right to change or waive any good order requirements at any time.

**Guaranteed Income Benefit** — A feature integrated into *i4LIFE* Advantage that provides a guaranteed minimum payout floor for the *i4LIFE* Advantage regular income payments.

**i4LIFE** Advantage—An annuity payout option which combines periodic variable Regular Income Payments for life and a death benefit with the ability to make withdrawals during a defined period, the Access Period.

**Investment Requirements**—Restrictions in how you may allocate your subaccount investments if you own *i4LIFE*® Advantage.

**Lifetime Income Period**—Under *i4LIFE*® Advantage, the period of time following the Access Period during which we make Regular Income Payments to you (and Secondary Life, if applicable) for the rest of your life. During the Lifetime Income Period, you will no longer have access to your Account Value or receive a death benefit.

**Lincoln Life** (we, us, our, Company)—The Lincoln National Life Insurance Company.

**Periodic Income Commencement Date**—The valuation date on which the amount of *i4LIFE* Advantage Regular Income Payments are determined.

**Purchase payments** — Amounts paid into the contract.

**Regular Income Payments**—The variable, periodic income payments paid under  $i4LIFE^{\circ\circ}$  Advantage.

**SEC**—Securities and Exchange Commission.

**Secondary Life**—Under  $i4LIFE^{\circ}$  Advantage, the person designated by the contractowner upon whose life the annuity payouts will also be contingent.

**Subaccount**—The portion of the VAA that reflects investments in accumulation and annuity units of a class of a particular fund available under the contracts. There is a separate subaccount which corresponds to each class of a fund.

**Valuation date**—Each day the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) is open for trading.

Valuation period—The period starting at the close of trading (currently 4:00 p.m. New York time) on each day that the NYSE is open for trading (valuation date) and ending at the close of such trading on the next valuation date.

# **Expense Tables**

The following tables describe the fees and expenses that you will pay when buying, owning, and surrendering the contract.

The first table describes the fees and expenses that you will pay at the time that you buy the contract, surrender the contract, or transfer contract value between investment options and/or the fixed account. State premium taxes may also be deducted.

Contractowner Transaction Expenses:

The maximum surrender charge (contingent deferred sales charge) (as a percentage of contract value surrendered/withdrawn):

6.0%\*

The next table describes the fees and expenses that you will pay periodically during the time that you own the contract, not including fund fees and expenses.

Annual Account Fee: \$25 \* \*

Separate Account Annual Expenses (as a percentage of average daily net assets in the subaccounts):

Mortality and expense risk charge: 1.002%

Loan Set-up Fee (per loan): \$35 (if you participate in a group retirement plan that allows for loans and such fee is permissible by law)

Loan Interest: 7.0% annually of the amount held in the loan account

The next item shows the minimum and maximum total annual operating expenses charged by the funds that you may pay periodically during the time that you own the contract. The expenses are for the year ended December 31, 2011. More detail concerning each fund's fees and expenses is contained in the prospectus for each fund.

	<u>Minimum</u>	Maximum
Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses (expenses that are deducted from fund assets, including management fees, distribution and/or service (12b-1) fees, and other expenses):	0.53%	5.55%
Total Annual Fund Operating Expenses (after contractual waivers/reimbursements*):	0.53%	1.92%

<sup>\* 26</sup> of the funds have entered into contractual waiver or reimbursement arrangements that may reduce fund management and other fees and/or expenses during the period of the arrangement. These arrangements vary in length, but no arrangement will terminate before April 30, 2013.

<sup>\*</sup>The surrender charge percentage is reduced over time. The later the redemption occurs, the lower the surrender charge with respect to that surrender or withdrawal. We may waive this charge in certain situations. The cumulative surrender charge will never exceed 9% of the purchase payments applied to the contract. See Charges and Other Deductions — Surrender Charge.

<sup>\*\*</sup> The Account Fee may be reduced or eliminated for any particular contract.

#### **EXAMPLES**

This Example is intended to help you compare the cost of investing in the contract with the cost of investing in other variable annuity contracts. These costs include contractowner transaction expenses, contract fees, separate account annual expenses, and fund fees and expenses. The Examples have been calculated using the fees and expenses of the funds prior to the application of any contractual waivers and/or reimbursements.

This Example assumes that you invest \$10,000 in the contract for the time periods indicated. The Example also assumes that your investment has a 5% return each year and assumes the maximum fees and expenses of the contract and any of the funds. Although your actual costs may be higher or lower, based on these assumptions, your costs would be:

1) If you surrender your contract at the end of the applicable time period:

1 year	3 years	5 years	10 years
\$1,382	\$2,872	\$4,101	\$6,966

2) If you annuitize or do not surrender your contract at the end of the applicable time period:

1 year	3 years	5 years	10 years
\$800	\$2,327	\$3,759	\$6,966

For more information, see Charges and Other Deductions in this prospectus, and the prospectuses for the funds. Premium taxes may also apply, although they do not appear in the examples. Different fees and expenses not reflected in the examples may be imposed during a period in which Regular Income Payments or annuity payouts are made. See the Contracts – *i4LIFE* Advantage. **These examples should not be considered a representation of past or future expenses. Actual expenses may be more or less than those shown.** 

Certain underlying funds have reserved the right to impose fees when fund shares are redeemed within a specific period of time of purchase ("redemption fees") not reflected in the table above. As of the date of this prospectus, none have done so. See The Contracts – Market Timing for a discussion of redemption fees.

For information concerning compensation paid for the sale of the contracts, see Distribution of the Contracts.

# **Summary of Common Questions**

What kind of contract am I buying? This contract is an individual deferred flexible premium variable annuity contract between you and Lincoln Life. You may allocate your purchase payments to the VAA or to the fixed account. This prospectus primarily describes the variable side of the contract. See The Contracts. This contract and certain riders, benefits, service features and enhancements may not be available in all states, and the charges may vary in certain states. You should refer to your contract for any state specific provisions. All material state variations are discussed in the prospectus. Please check with your investment representative regarding their availability.

What is the variable annuity account (VAA)? It is a separate account we established under Indiana insurance law, and registered with the SEC as a unit investment trust. VAA assets are allocated to one or more subaccounts, according to your investment choices. VAA assets are not chargeable with liabilities arising out of any other business which we may conduct. See Variable Annuity Account.

What are Investment Requirements? If you elect *i4LIFE*® Advantage with the Guaranteed Income Benefit, you will be subject to certain requirements for your subaccount investments. You may be limited in how much you can invest in certain subaccounts. We do not plan to enforce these Investment Requirements at this time. See The Contracts – Investment Requirements.

What are my investment choices? You may allocate your purchase payments to the VAA or to the fixed account, if available. Based upon your instruction for purchase payments, the VAA applies your purchase payments to buy shares in one or more of the investment options. In turn, each fund holds a portfolio of securities consistent with its investment policy. See Investments of the Variable Annuity Account - Description of the Funds. You may also allocate purchase payments to the fixed account.

Who invests my money? Several different investment advisers manage the investment options. See Investments of the Variable Annuity Account – Description of the Funds.

**How does the contract work?** If we approve your application, we will send you a contract. When you make purchase payments during the accumulation phase, you buy accumulation units. If you decide to receive an annuity payout, your accumulation units are converted to annuity units. Your annuity payouts will be based on the number of annuity units you receive and the value of each annuity unit on payout days. See The Contracts.

What charges do I pay under the contract? If you withdraw contract value, you pay a surrender charge from 0% to 6.0% of the surrendered or withdrawn contract value, depending upon how many contract years have elapsed. We may waive surrender charges in certain situations. See Charges and Other Deductions – Surrender Charge.

We will deduct any applicable premium tax from purchase payments or contract value, unless the governmental entity dictates otherwise, at the time the tax is incurred or at another time we choose.

An annual account fee of \$25 may be assessed on certain types of contracts.

We apply a charge to the daily net asset value of the VAA. This charge consists of a mortality and expense risk and administrative charge equal to an annual rate of 1.002%. See Charges and Other Deductions.

The funds' investment management fees, expenses and expense limitations, if applicable, are more fully described in the prospectus for the funds.

For information about the compensation we pay for sales of the contracts, see The Contracts – Distribution of the Contracts.

What purchase payments do I make, and how often? Subject to the minimum and maximum payment amounts, your payments are completely flexible. See The Contracts - Purchase Payments.

How will my annuity payouts be calculated? If you decide to annuitize, you may select an annuity option and start receiving annuity payouts from your contract as a fixed option or variable option or a combination of both. See Annuity Payouts - Annuity Options. Remember that participants in the VAA benefit from any gain, and take a risk of any loss, in the value of the securities in the funds' portfolios.

**What happens if I die before I annuitize?** Your beneficiary will receive a death benefit. Your beneficiary has options as to how the death benefit is paid. See The Contracts – Death Benefit Before the Annuity Commencement Date.

May I transfer contract value between variable options and between the variable and fixed sides of the contract? Yes, subject to certain restrictions. Generally, transfers made before the Annuity Commencement Date are restricted to no more than twelve (12) per contract year. If transferring funds from the fixed account to the subaccount, you may only transfer 25% of the total value invested in the fixed account in any 12-month period. The minimum amount that may be transferred is \$300. If permitted by your contract, we may discontinue accepting transfers into the fixed side of the contract at any time. See The Contracts — Transfers On or Before the Annuity Commencement Date and Transfers After the Annuity Commencement Date. For further information, see also the Fixed Side of the Contract.

**What is** *i4LIFE* Advantage? *i4LIFE* Advantage is an annuity payout option, available for purchase, that provides periodic variable lifetime income payments, a death benefit, and the ability to make withdrawals during a defined period of time. We assess a charge, imposed only during the *i4LIFE* Advantage payout phase.

What is Guaranteed Income Benefit? The Guaranteed Income Benefit provides a minimum payout floor for your *i4LIFE* Advantage Regular Income Payments. You will receive the Guaranteed Income Benefit when you elect *i4LIFE* Advantage. See The Contracts – *i4LIFE* Advantage Guaranteed Income Benefit.

May I surrender the contract or make a withdrawal? Yes, subject to contract requirements and to the restrictions of any qualified retirement plan for which the contract was purchased. See The Contracts — Surrenders and Withdrawals. If you surrender the contract or make a withdrawal, certain charges may apply. See Charges and Other Deductions. A portion of surrender or withdrawal proceeds may be taxable. In addition, if you decide to take a distribution before age 59½, a 10% Internal Revenue Service (IRS) tax penalty may apply. A surrender or a withdrawal also may be subject to 20% withholding. See Federal Tax Matters.

**Do I get a free look at this contract?** Yes. You can cancel the contract within ten days (in some states longer) of the date you first receive the contract. You need to return the contract, postage prepaid, to our Home Office. In most states you assume the risk of any market drop on purchase payments you allocate to the variable side of the contract. See Return Privilege.

Where may I find more information about accumulation unit values? Appendix A to this prospectus provides more information about accumulation unit values.

# **Investment Results**

At times, the VAA may compare its investment results to various unmanaged indices or other variable annuities in reports to share-holders, sales literature and advertisements. The results will be calculated on a total return basis for various periods, with or without contingent deferred sales charges. Results calculated without contingent deferred sales charges will be higher. Total returns include the reinvestment of all distributions, which are reflected in changes in unit value. The money market subaccount's yield is based upon investment performance over a 7-day period, which is then annualized.

Note that there can be no assurance that any money market fund will be able to maintain a stable net asset value per share. During extended periods of low interest rates, and due in part to the contract fees and expenses, the yields of any subaccount investing in a money market fund may also become extremely low and possibly negative.

The money market yield figure and annual performance of the subaccounts are based on past performance and do not indicate or represent future performance.

# The Lincoln National Life Insurance Company

The Lincoln National Life Insurance Company (Lincoln Life or Company), organized in 1905, is an Indiana-domiciled insurance company, engaged primarily in the direct issuance of life insurance contracts and annuities. Lincoln Life is wholly owned by Lincoln National Corporation (LNC), a publicly held insurance and financial services holding company incorporated in Indiana. Lincoln Life is obligated to pay all amounts promised to policy owners under the policies.

Depending on when you purchased your contract, you may be permitted to make allocations to the fixed account, which is part of our general account. See The Fixed Side of the Contract. In addition, any guarantees under the contract that exceed your contract value, such as those associated with death benefit options and Living Benefit riders are paid from our general account (not the VAA). Therefore, any amounts that we may pay under the contract in excess of contract value are subject to our financial strength and claims-paying ability and our long-term ability to make such payments. With respect to the issuance of the contracts, Lincoln Life does not file periodic financial reports with the SEC pursuant to the exemption for life insurance companies provided under Rule 12h-7 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

We issue other types of insurance policies and financial products as well, and we also pay our obligations under these products from our assets in the general account. Moreover, unlike assets held in the VAA, the assets of the general account are subject to the general liabilities of the Company and, therefore, to the Company's general creditors. In the event of an insolvency or receivership, payments we make from our general account to satisfy claims under the contract would generally receive the same priority as our other contractowner obligations.

**Our Financial Condition.** Among the laws and regulations applicable to us as an insurance company are those which regulate the investments we can make with assets held in our general account. In general, those laws and regulations determine the amount and type of investments which we can make with general account assets.

In addition, state insurance regulations require that insurance companies calculate and establish on their financial statements, a specified amount of reserves in order to meet the contractual obligations to pay the claims of our policyholders. In order to meet our claims-paying obligations, we regularly monitor our reserves to ensure we hold sufficient amounts to cover actual or expected contract and claims payments. However, it is important to note that there is no guarantee that we will always be able to meet our claims paying obligations, and that there are risks to purchasing any insurance product.

State insurance regulators also require insurance companies to maintain a minimum amount of capital in excess of liabilities, which acts as a cushion in the event that the insurer suffers a financial impairment, based on the inherent risks in the insurer's operations. These risks include those associated with losses that we may incur as the result of defaults on the payment of interest or principal on assets held in our general account, which include bonds, mortgages, general real estate investments, and stocks, as well as the loss in value of these investments resulting from a loss in their market value.

How to Obtain More Information. We encourage both existing and prospective policyholders to read and understand our financial statements. We prepare our financial statements on both a statutory basis and according to Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP). Our audited GAAP financial statements, as well as the financial statements of the VAA, are located in the SAI. If you would like a free copy of the SAI, please write to us at: PO Box 2340, Fort Wayne, IN 46801-2340, or call 1-800-454-6265. In addition, the Statement of Additional Information is available on the SEC's website at http://www.sec.gov. You may obtain our audited statutory financial statements and any unaudited statutory financial statements that may be available by visiting our website at www.LincolnFinancial.com.

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# **Fixed Side of the Contract**

Purchase payments allocated to the fixed side of the contract become part of our general account, and **do not** participate in the investment experience of the VAA. The general account is subject to regulation and supervision by the Indiana Insurance Department as well as the insurance laws and regulations of the jurisdictions in which the contracts are distributed.

In reliance on certain exemptions, exclusions and rules, we have not registered interests in the general account as a security under the Securities Act of 1933 and have not registered the general account as an investment company under the 1940 Act. Accordingly, neither the general account nor any interests in it are regulated under the 1933 Act or the 1940 Act. We have been advised that the staff of the SEC has not made a review of the disclosures which are included in this prospectus which relate to our general account and to the fixed account under the contract. These disclosures, however, may be subject to certain provisions of the federal securities laws relating to the accuracy and completeness of statements made in prospectuses. This prospectus is generally intended to serve as a disclosure document only for aspects of the contract involving the VAA, and therefore contains only selected information regarding the fixed side of the contract. Complete details regarding the fixed side of the contract are in the contract.

Purchase payments allocated to the fixed side of the contract are guaranteed to be credited with a minimum interest rate, specified in the contract, of at least 1.5%. A purchase payment allocated to the fixed side of the contract is credited with interest beginning on the next calendar day following the date of receipt if all data is complete. We may vary the way in which we credit interest to the fixed side of the contract from time to time.

ANY INTEREST IN EXCESS OF THE GUARANTEED MINIMUM WILL BE DECLARED IN ADVANCE AT OUR SOLE DISCRETION.
CONTRACTOWNERS BEAR THE RISK THAT NO INTEREST IN EXCESS OF THE GUARANTEED MINIMUM WILL BE DECLARED.

Your contract may not offer a fixed account or if permitted by your contract, we may discontinue accepting purchase payments or transfers into the fixed side of the contract at anytime.

# **Variable Annuity Account (VAA)**

On June 3, 1981, the VAA was established as an insurance company separate account under Indiana law. It is registered with the SEC as a unit investment trust under the provisions of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (1940 Act). The VAA is a segregated investment account, meaning that its assets may not be charged with liabilities resulting from any other business that we may conduct. Income, gains and losses, whether realized or not, from assets allocated to the VAA are, in accordance with the applicable annuity contracts, credited to or charged against the VAA. They are credited or charged without regard to any other income, gains or losses of Lincoln Life. We are the issuer of the contracts and the obligations set forth in the contract, other than those of the contractowner, are ours. The VAA satisfies the definition of a separate account under the federal securities laws. We do not guarantee the investment performance of the VAA. Any investment gain or loss depends on the investment performance of the funds. You assume the full investment risk for all amounts placed in the VAA.

The VAA is used to support other annuity contracts offered by us in addition to the contracts described in this prospectus. The other annuity contracts supported by the VAA generally invest in the same funds as the contracts described in this prospectus. These other annuity contracts may have different charges that could affect the performance of their subaccounts, and they offer different benefits.

# **Financial Statements**

The December 31, 2011 financial statements of the VAA and the December 31, 2011 consolidated financial statements of Lincoln Life are located in the SAI. If you would like a free copy of the SAI, complete and mail the request on the last page of this prospectus, or call 1-800-454-6265.

# **Investments of the Variable Annuity Account**

You decide the subaccount(s) to which you allocate purchase payments. There is a separate subaccount which corresponds to each class of each fund. You may change your allocation without penalty or charges. Shares of the funds will be sold at net asset value with no initial sales charge to the VAA in order to fund the contracts. The funds are required to redeem fund shares at net asset value upon our request.

#### **Investment Advisers**

As compensation for its services to the funds, each investment adviser for each fund receives a fee from the funds which is accrued daily and paid monthly. This fee is based on the net assets of each fund, as defined in the prospectuses for the funds.

### Certain Payments We Receive with Regard to the Funds

With respect to a fund, including affiliated funds, the adviser and/or distributor, or an affiliate thereof, may make payments to us (or an affiliate). It is anticipated that such payments will be based on a percentage of assets of the particular fund attributable to the contracts along with certain other variable contracts issued or administered by us (or an affiliate). These percentages are negotiated and vary with each fund. Some funds may pay us significantly more than other funds and the amount we receive may be substantial. These percentages currently range up to 0.50%, and as of the date of this prospectus, we were receiving payments from each fund family. We (or our affiliates) may profit from these payments or use these payments for a variety of purposes, including payment of expenses that we (and our affiliates) incur in promoting, marketing, and administering the contracts and, in our role as intermediary, the funds. These payments may be derived, in whole or in part, from the investment advisory fee deducted from fund assets. Contractowners, through their indirect investment in the funds, bear the costs of these investment advisory fees (see the funds' prospectuses for more information). Additionally, a fund's adviser and/or distributor or its affiliates may provide us with certain services that assist us in the distribution of the contracts and may pay us and/or certain affiliates amounts for marketing programs and sales support, as well as amounts to participate in training and sales meetings.

The AllianceBernstein, American Century, American Funds, BlackRock, Delaware, DWS, Fidelity, Lincoln, MFS and PIMCO funds offered as part of this contract make payments to us under their distribution plans (12b-1 plans). The payment rates range up to 0.35% based on the amount of assets invested in those funds. Payments made out of the assets of the fund will reduce the amount of assets that otherwise would be available for investment, and will reduce the fund's investment return. The dollar amount of future asset-based fees is not predictable because these fees are a percentage of the fund's average net assets, which can fluctuate over time. If, however, the value of the fund goes up, then so would the payment to us (or our affiliates). Conversely, if the value of the funds goes down, payments to us or our affiliates would decrease.

### **Description of the Funds**

Each of the subaccounts of the VAA is invested solely in shares of one of the funds available under the contract. Each fund may be subject to certain investment policies and restrictions which may not be changed without a majority vote of shareholders of that fund.

We select the funds offered through the contract based on several factors, including, without limitation, asset class coverage, the strength of the manager's reputation and tenure, brand recognition, performance, and the capability and qualification of each sponsoring investment firm. Another factor we consider during the initial selection process is whether the fund or an affiliate of the fund will make payments to us or our affiliates. We review each fund periodically after it is selected. Upon review, we may remove a fund or restrict allocation of additional purchase payments to a fund if we determine the fund no longer meets one or more of the factors and/or if the fund has not attracted significant contractowner assets. Finally, when we develop a variable annuity product in cooperation with a fund family or distributor (e.g., a "private label" product), we generally will include funds based on recommendations made by the fund family or distributor, whose selection criteria may differ from our selection criteria.

Certain funds offered as part of this contract have similar investment objectives and policies to other portfolios managed by the adviser. The investment results of the funds, however, may be higher or lower than the other portfolios that are managed by the adviser or sub-adviser. There can be no assurance, and no representation is made, that the investment results of any of the funds will be comparable to the investment results of any other portfolio managed by the adviser or sub-adviser, if applicable.

Certain funds invest substantially all of their assets in other funds. As a result, you will pay fees and expenses at both fund levels. This will reduce your investment return. These arrangements are referred to as funds of funds. Funds of funds structures may have higher expenses than funds that invest directly in debt or equity securities.

Following are brief summaries of the fund descriptions. More detailed information may be obtained from the current prospectus for each fund. You should read each fund prospectus carefully before investing. Prospectuses for each fund are available by contacting us. In addition, if you receive a summary prospectus for a fund, you may obtain a full statutory prospectus by referring to the contact information for the fund company on the cover page of the summary prospectus. Please be advised that there is no assurance that any of the funds will achieve their stated objectives.

We currently anticipate closing and replacing the following funds during the fourth guarter of 2012:

- Alliance Bernstein VPS Growth and Income Portfolio with LVIP SSgA S&P 500 Index Fund
- American CenturyVP Inflation Protection Fund with LVIP BlackRock Inflation Protected Bond Fund
- DWS Equity 500 Index VIP Portfolio with LVIP SSgA S&P 500 Index Fund
- DWS Small Cap Index VIP Portfolio with LVIP SSgA Small-Cap Index Fund
- Neuberger Berman AMT Mid-Cap Growth Portfolio with LVIP SSgA S&P 500 Index Fund

#### AllianceBernstein Variable Products Series Fund, advised by AllianceBernstein, L.P.

- AllianceBernstein VPS Global Thematic Growth Portfolio: Long-term growth of capital.
- AllianceBernstein VPS Growth and Income Portfolio: Long-term growth of capital.

  It is currently anticipated that during the fourth quarter of 2012, we will close and replace this option.

#### American Century Investments Variable Products, advised by American Century Investment Management, Inc.

American Century VP Inflation Protection Fund: Long-term total return.
 It is currently anticipated that during the fourth quarter of 2012, we will close and replace this option.

### American Funds Insurance Series<sup>SM</sup>, advised by Capital Research and Management Company

- Global Growth Fund: Long-term growth of capital.
- · Growth Fund: Growth of capital.
- · Growth-Income Fund: Long-term growth of capital and income.
- · International Fund: Long-term growth of capital.

# **BlackRock Variable Series Funds, Inc.**, advised by BlackRock Advisors, LLC and subadvised by BlackRock Investment Management, LLC

• BlackRock Global Allocation V.I. Fund: High total investment return.

### Delaware VIP Trust, advised by Delaware Management Company\*

- Diversified Income Series: Long-term total return.
- High Yield Series: Total return and secondarily high current income.
- REIT Series: Total return.
- Small Cap Value Series: Total return.
- Smid Cap Growth Series: Total return.
- Value Series: Long-term capital appreciation.

# **DWS Investments VIT Funds**, advised by Deutsche Asset Investment Management Americas, Inc. and subadvised by Northern Trust Investments, Inc.

- DWS Equity 500 Index VIP Portfolio: Replicate S&P<sup>®</sup> Index before deduction of expenses.
   It is currently anticipated that during the fourth quarter of 2012, we will close and replace this investment option.
- DWS Small Cap Index VIP Portfolio: Replicate Russell 2000 Index before deduction of expenses. It is currently anticipated that during the fourth quarter of 2012, we will close and replace this investment option.

# **DWS Variable Series II**, advised by Deutsche Asset Investment Management Americas, Inc. and subadvised by RREEF America L.L.C.

• DWS Alternative Asset Allocation VIP Portfolio: Capital appreciation; a fund of funds. (formerly DWS Alternative Asset Allocation Plus VIP Portfolio)

### Fidelity Variable Insurance Products, advised by Fidelity Management and Research Company

- Contrafund Portfolio: Long-term capital appreciation.
- Growth Portfolio: Capital appreciation.

#### Lincoln Variable Insurance Products Trust, advised by Lincoln Investment Advisors Corporation.

- LVIP Baron Growth Opportunities Fund: Capital appreciation. (Subadvised by BAMCO, Inc.)
- LVIP BlackRock Inflation Protected Bond Fund: Maximize real return.

  This fund will be available on or about May 14, 2012. Consult your financial advisor.
- LVIP Cohen & Steers Global Real Estate Fund: Total return. (Sub-advised by Cohen & Steers Capital Management)
- LVIP Delaware Bond Fund: Maximize current income.\* (Sub-advised by Delaware Management Company)
- LVIP Delaware Diversified Floating Rate Fund: Total return.\*
- LVIP Delaware Foundation Aggressive Allocation Fund: Long-term capital growth. (Subadvised by Delaware Management Company)\*
- LVIP Delaware Foundation Conservative Allocation Fund: Current income and preservation of capital with capital appreciation. (Subadvised by Delaware Management Company)\*

- LVIP Delaware Foundation Moderate Allocation Fund: Capital appreciation with current income. (Subadvised by Delaware Management Company)\*
- LVIP Delaware Growth and Income Fund: Capital appreciation. (Sub-advised by Delaware Management Company)\*
- LVIP Delaware Social Awareness Fund: Capital appreciation. (Sub-advised by Delaware Management Company)\*
- LVIP Delaware Special Opportunities Fund: Capital appreciation. (Sub-advised by Delaware Management Company)\*
- LVIP Global Income Fund: Current income consistent with preservation of capital. (Subadvised by Mondrian Investment Partners Limited and Franklin Advisors, Inc.)
- LVIP Janus Capital Appreciation Fund: Long-term growth of capital. (Sub-advised by Janus Capital Management LLC)
- LVIP Mondrian International Value Fund: Long-term capital appreciation. (Sub-advised by Mondrian Investment Partners Limited)
- LVIP Money Market Fund: Current income/Preservation of capital. (Sub-advised by Delaware Management Company)\*
- LVIP SSgA Bond Index Fund: Replicate Barclays Capital U.S. Aggregate Bond Index. (Subadvised by SSgA Funds Management, Inc.)
- LVIP SSgA Emerging Markets 100 Fund: Long-term capital appreciation. (Subadvised by SSgA Funds Management, Inc.)
- LVIP SSgA Global Tactical Allocation Fund: Long-term growth of capital; a fund of funds. (Subadvised by SSgA Funds Management, Inc.)
- LVIP SSgA International Index Fund: Replicate Broad Market Index of Non-U.S. Foreign Securities. (Subadvised by SSgA Funds Management, Inc.)
- LVIP SSgA S&P 500 Index Fund: Replicate S&P<sup>®</sup> 500 Index. (Sub-advised by SSgA Funds Management, Inc.)
- LVIP SSgA Small-Cap Index Fund: Replicate Russell 2000<sup>®</sup> Index. (Sub-advised by SSgA Funds Management, Inc.)
- LVIP T. Rowe Price Structured Mid-Cap Growth Fund: Maximum capital appreciation. (Sub-advised by T. Rowe Price Associates, Inc.)
- LVIP Vanguard Domestic Equity ETF Fund: Capital appreciation; a fund of funds.
- LVIP Vanguard International Equity ETF Fund: Capital appreciation; a fund of funds.
- LVIP Wells Fargo Intrinsic Value Fund: Reasonable income by investing in income-producing equity securities. (Subadvised by Metropolitan Capital West Management)
- LVIP Protected Profile 2010 Fund: Total return with emphasis on high current funds; a fund of funds.
- LVIP Protected Profile 2020 Fund: Total return with increased emphasis on capital preservation as a target date approaches; a fund of funds.
- LVIP Protected Profile 2030 Fund: Total return with increased emphasis on capital preservation as a target date approaches; a fund of funds.
- LVIP Protected Profile 2040 Fund: Total return with increased emphasis on capital preservation as a target date approaches; a fund of funds.
- LVIP Protected Profile 2050 Fund: Total return with increased emphasis on capital preservation as a target date approaches; a fund of funds.
- LVIP Protected Profile Conservative Fund: High current income and growth of capital; a fund of funds. (formerly LVIP Conservative Profile Fund)
- LVIP Protected Profile Growth Fund: Balance between high current income and growth of capital; a fund of funds. (formerly LVIP Moderately Aggressive Profile Fund)
- LVIP Protected Profile Moderate Fund: Balance between high current income and growth of capital; a fund of funds. (formerly LVIP Moderate Profile Fund)

MFS® Variable Insurance Trust<sup>SM</sup>, advised by Massachusetts Financial Services Company

· Utilities Series: Total return.

**Neuberger Berman Advisers Management Trust**, advised by Neuberger Berman Management, Inc. and subadvised by Neuberger Berman, LLC

• Mid-Cap Growth Portfolio: Capital appreciation.

It is currently anticipated that during the fourth quarter of 2012, we will close and replace this investment option.

#### PIMCO Variable Insurance Trust, advised by PIMCO

• PIMCO VIT Total Return Portfolio: Total return and income.

\*Investments in Delaware Investments VIP Series, Delaware Funds, LVIP Delaware Funds or Lincoln Life accounts managed by Delaware Investment Advisors, a series of Delaware Management Business Trust, are not and will not be deposits with or liabilities of Macquarie Bank Limited ABN 46008 583 542 and its holding companies, including their subsidiaries or related companies, and are subject to investment risk, including possible delays in prepayment and loss of income and capital invested. No Macquarie Group company guarantees or will guarantee the performance of the Series or Funds or accounts, the repayment of capital from the Series or Funds or account, or any particular rate of return.

#### **Fund Shares**

We will purchase shares of the funds at net asset value and direct them to the appropriate subaccounts of the VAA. We will redeem sufficient shares of the appropriate funds to pay annuity payouts, death benefits, surrender/withdrawal proceeds or for other purposes described in the contract. If you want to transfer all or part of your investment from one subaccount to another, we may redeem shares held in the first and purchase shares of the other. Redeemed shares are retired, but they may be reissued later.

Shares of the funds are not sold directly to the general public. They are sold to us, and may be sold to other insurance companies, for investment of the assets of the subaccounts established by those insurance companies to fund variable annuity and variable life insurance contracts.

When a fund sells any of its shares both to variable annuity and to variable life insurance separate accounts, it is said to engage in mixed funding. When a fund sells any of its shares to separate accounts of unaffiliated life insurance companies, it is said to engage in shared funding.

The funds currently engage in mixed and shared funding. Therefore, due to differences in redemption rates or tax treatment, or other considerations, the interest of various contractowners participating in a fund could conflict. Each of the fund's Board of Directors will monitor for the existence of any material conflicts, and determine what action, if any, should be taken. The funds do not foresee any disadvantage to contractowners arising out of mixed or shared funding. If such a conflict were to occur, one of the separate accounts might withdraw its investment in a fund. This might force a fund to sell portfolio securities at disadvantageous prices. See the prospectuses for the funds.

### **Reinvestment of Dividends and Capital Gain Distributions**

All dividends and capital gain distributions of the funds are automatically reinvested in shares of the distributing funds at their net asset value on the date of distribution. Dividends are not paid out to contractowners as additional units, but are reflected as changes in unit values.

#### Addition. Deletion or Substitution of Investments

We reserve the right, within the law, to make certain changes to the structure and operation of the VAA at our discretion and without your consent. We may add, delete, or substitute funds for all contractowners or only for certain classes of contractowners. New or substitute funds may have different fees and expenses, and may only be offered to certain classes of contractowners.

Substitutions may be made with respect to existing investments or the investment of future purchase payments, or both. We may close subaccounts to allocations of purchase payments or contract value, or both, at any time in our sole discretion. The funds, which sell their shares to the subaccounts pursuant to participation agreements, also may terminate these agreements and discontinue offering their shares to the subaccounts. Substitutions might also occur if shares of a fund should no longer be available, or if investment in any fund's shares should become inappropriate, in the judgment of our management, for the purposes of the contract, or for any other reason in our sole discretion and, if required, after approval from the SEC.

We also may:

- remove, combine, or add subaccounts and make the new subaccounts available to you at our discretion;
- transfer assets supporting the contracts from one subaccount to another or from the VAA to another separate account;
- combine the VAA with other separate accounts and/or create new separate accounts;
- deregister the VAA under the 1940 Act: and
- operate the VAA as a management investment company under the 1940 Act or as any other form permitted by law.

We may modify the provisions of the contracts to reflect changes to the subaccounts and the VAA and to comply with applicable law. We will not make any changes without any necessary approval by the SEC. We will also provide you written notice.

# **Charges and Other Deductions**

We will deduct the charges described below to cover our costs and expenses, services provided and risks assumed under the contracts. We incur certain costs and expenses for the distribution and administration of the contracts and for providing the benefits payable thereunder.

#### Our administrative services include:

- processing applications for and issuing the contracts;
- processing purchases and redemptions of fund shares as required (including dollar cost averaging, cross-reinvestment, portfolio rebalancing, and automatic withdrawal services See Additional Services and the SAI for more information on these programs);
- maintaining records;
- administering annuity payouts;
- furnishing accounting and valuation services (including the calculation and monitoring of daily subaccount values);
- reconciling and depositing cash receipts;
- providing contract confirmations;
- providing toll-free inquiry services; and
- furnishing telephone and electronic fund transfer services.

#### The risks we assume include:

- the risk that annuitants receiving annuity payouts under contracts live longer than we assumed when we calculated our guaranteed rates (these rates are incorporated in the contract and cannot be changed);
- the risk that death benefits paid will exceed the actual contract value;
- the risk that more owners than expected will qualify for waivers of the surrender charge;
- the risk that our costs in providing the services will exceed our revenues from contract charges (which we cannot change).

The amount of a charge may not necessarily correspond to the costs associated with providing the services or benefits indicated by the description of the charge. For example, the surrender charge collected may not fully cover all of the sales and distribution expenses actually incurred by us. Any remaining expenses will be paid from our general account which may consist, among other things, of proceeds derived from mortality and expense risk charges deducted from the account. We may profit from one or more of the fees and charges deducted under the contract. We may use these profits for any corporate purpose, including financing the distribution of the contracts.

### **Deductions from the VAA**

We apply to the average daily net asset value of the subaccounts, a mortality and expense risk and administrative charge which is equal to an annual rate of 1.002%.

#### **Account Fee**

We will deduct \$25 from the contract value on the last valuation date of each contract year to compensate us for the administrative services provided to you. This \$25 account fee will also be deducted from the contract value upon surrender. This account fee may be reduced or eliminated for any particular contract.

#### Loan Fee

A one-time fee of up to \$35 may be charged to set up a loan.

#### Surrender Charge

A surrender charge applies (except as described below) to surrenders and withdrawals of contract value as follows:

		ntract year in which render/withdrawal occurs							
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9+
Surrender charge as a percentage of the surrendered or withdrawn proceeds	6%	6	6	5	4	3	2	1	0

The surrender charge will never exceed 9% of the purchase payments applied to the contract.

A surrender charge does not apply to:

- A surrender or withdrawal of contract value after eight full contract years.
- Withdrawals during a contract year to the extent that the total contract value withdrawn during that year does not exceed the free amount which is equal to 15% of the contract value. This exception does not apply to a surrender of the contract.
- A surrender or withdrawal as a result of the onset of a permanent and total disability of the contractowner as defined in Section 22(e)(3) of the tax code, after the effective date of the contract and before the 65th birthday of the contractowner. For contracts issued in the State of New Jersey, a different definition of permanent and total disability applies.
- A surrender of the contract as a result of the death of the contractowner or annuitant. See The contracts Death benefit before Annuity Commencement Date.
- Contract value applied to calculate the benefit amount under any annuity payout option made available by Lincoln Life.
- Periodic payments made under any annuity payout option made available by us.

Some contracts may also waive surrender charges in the event of:

A surrender or withdrawal due to financial hardship or unforseeable emergency as allowed by the plan.

A surrender or withdrawal due to the contractowner or annuitant's retirement or termination of employment, excluding termination of employment due to plan termination, plant shutdown or any other program instituted by the employer which would reduce the work force by more than 20%.

- A surrender or withdrawal after 5 complete contract years due to separation from service if the participant is at least age 55.
- A surrender or withdrawal due to a Qualified Domestic Relations Order (QDRO).

Your contract will contain the specific circumstances regarding when the surrender charges will apply.

The surrender charges associated with surrender or withdrawal are paid to us to compensate us for the loss we experience on contract distribution costs when contractowners surrender or withdraw before distribution costs have been recovered.

If the contractowner is a corporation or other non-individual (non-natural person), the annuitant will be considered the contractowner for purposes of determining when a surrender charge does not apply.

#### **Deductions for Premium Taxes**

Any premium tax or other tax levied by any governmental entity as a result of the existence of the contracts or the VAA will be deducted from the contract value, unless the governmental entity dictates otherwise, when incurred, or at another time of our choosing.

The applicable premium tax rates that states and other governmental entities impose on the purchase of an annuity are subject to change by legislation, by administrative interpretation or by judicial action. These premium tax rates generally depend upon the law of your state of residence. The tax rates range from zero to 3.5%.

### **Other Charges and Deductions**

The mortality and expense risk and administrative charge of 1.002% of the contract value will be assessed on all variable annuity payouts (except for the *i4LIFE* Advantage, which has an additional charge), including options that may be offered that do not have a life contingency and therefore no mortality risk. This charge covers the expense risk and administrative services listed previously in this prospectus. The expense risk is the risk that our costs in providing the services will exceed our revenues from contract charges.

There are additional deductions from and expenses paid out of the assets of the funds that are more fully described elsewhere in this booklet and in the prospectuses for the funds respectively. Among these deductions and expenses are 12b-1 fees which reimburse us or an affiliate for certain expenses incurred in connection with certain administrative and distribution support services provided to the funds.

## **Additional Information**

The charges described previously may be reduced or eliminated for any particular contract. In addition, the amount credited to and /or the interest rate declared on the fixed account may be enhanced for certain contracts. However, these reductions or enhancements may be available only to the extent that we anticipate lower distribution and/or administrative expenses, or that we perform fewer sales or administrative services than those originally contemplated in establishing the level of those charges, or when required by law. Lower distribution and administrative expenses may be the result of economies associated with:

- the use of mass enrollment procedures.
- the performance of administrative or sales functions by the employer,
- the use by an employer of automated techniques in submitting deposits or information related to deposits on behalf of its employees, or
- any other circumstances which reduce distribution or administrative expenses.

The exact amount of charges and fees applicable to a particular contract will be stated in that contract.

# The Contracts

#### **Purchase of Contracts**

If you wish to purchase a contract, you must apply for it through a sales representative authorized by us. Certain broker-dealers may not offer all of the features discussed in this prospectus. The completed application is sent to us and we decide whether to accept or reject it. If the application is accepted, a contract is prepared and executed by our legally authorized officers. The contract is then sent to you through your sales representative. See Distribution of the Contracts.

When a completed application and all other information necessary for processing a purchase order is received in good order at our Home Office, an initial purchase payment will be priced no later than two business days after we receive the order. If you submit your application and/or initial purchase payment to your agent, we will not begin processing your purchase order until we receive the application and initial purchase payment from your agent's broker-dealer. While attempting to finish an incomplete application, we may hold the initial purchase payment for no more than five business days unless we receive your consent to our retaining the payment until the application is completed. If the incomplete application cannot be completed within those five days and we have not received your consent, you will be informed of the reasons, and the purchase payment will be returned immediately. Once the application is complete, we will allocate your initial purchase payment within two business days.

#### **Who Can Invest**

To apply for a contract, you must be of legal age in a state where the contract may be lawfully sold and also be eligible to participate in the type of contract for which you're applying. To help the government fight the funding of terrorism and money laundering activities, Federal law requires all financial institutions to obtain, verify, and record information that identifies each person who opens an account. When you open an account, we will ask for your name, address, date of birth, and other information that will allow us to identify you. We may also ask to see your driver's license, photo i.d. or other identifying documents.

In accordance with money laundering laws and federal economic sanction policy, the Company may be required in a given instance to reject a purchase payment and/or freeze a contractowner's account. This means we could refuse to honor requests for transfers, withdrawals, surrenders or death benefits. Once frozen, monies would be moved from the VAA to a segregated interest-bearing account maintained for the contractowner, and held in that account until instructions are received from the appropriate regulator.

The contractowner, joint owner and annuitant cannot be older than age 74.

Do not purchase this contract if you plan to use it, or any of its riders, for speculation, arbitrage, viatical arrangement, or other collective investment scheme. The contract may not be traded on any stock exchange or sold on any secondary market.

If you are purchasing the contract through a tax-favored arrangement, including traditional IRAs and Roth IRAs, you should carefully consider the cost and benefits of the contract (including annuity income benefits) before purchasing the contract, since the tax-favored arrangement itself provides tax-deferred growth.

## **Replacement of Existing Insurance**

Careful consideration should be given prior to surrendering or withdrawing money from an existing insurance contract to purchase the contract described in this prospectus. Surrender charges may be imposed on your existing contract and/or a new surrender charge period may be imposed with the purchase of, or transfer into this contract. An investment representative or tax adviser should be consulted prior to making an exchange. Cash surrenders from an existing contract may be subject to tax and tax penalties.

### **Purchase Payments**

You may make purchase payments to the contract at any time, subject to certain conditions. You are not required to make any additional purchase payments after the initial purchase payment. The minimum annual amount for purchase payments is \$600 The minimum payment to the contract at any one time must be at least \$100 (\$25 if transmitted electronically). If a purchase payment is submitted that does not meet the minimum amount, we will contact you to ask whether additional money will be sent, or whether we should return the purchase payment to you. Purchase payments totaling \$2 million or more are subject to Home Office approval. If you stop making purchase payments, the contract will remain in force, however, we may terminate the contract as allowed by your state's non-forfeiture law for individual deferred annuities. Purchase payments may be made or, if stopped, resumed at any time until the Annuity Commencement Date, the surrender of the contract, or the death of the contractowner, whichever comes first. Upon advance written notice, we reserve the right to limit purchase payments made to the contract.

#### **Valuation Date**

Accumulation and annuity units will be valued once daily at the close of trading (normally, 4:00 p.m., New York time) on each day the New York Stock Exchange is open (valuation date). On any date other than a valuation date, the accumulation unit value and the annuity unit value will not change.

### **Allocation of Purchase Payments**

Purchase payments allocated to the variable account are placed into the VAA's subaccounts, according to your instructions. You may also allocate purchase payments in the fixed account, if available.

The minimum amount of any purchase payment which can be put into any one subaccount is \$20. The minimum amount of any purchase payment which can be put into a fixed account is \$20, subject to state approval.

If we receive your purchase payment from you or your broker-dealer in good order at our Home Office prior to 4:00 p.m., New York time, we will use the accumulation unit value computed on that valuation date when processing your purchase payment. If we receive your purchase payment in good order at or after 4:00 p.m., New York time, we will use the accumulation unit value computed on the next valuation date. If you submit your purchase payment to your representative, we will generally not begin processing the purchase payment until we receive it from your representative's broker-dealer. If your broker-dealer submits your purchase payment to us through the Depository Trust and Clearing Corporation (DTCC) or, pursuant to terms agreeable to us, uses a proprietary order placement system to submit your purchase payment to us, and your purchase payment was placed with your broker-dealer prior to 4:00 p.m., New York time, then we will use the accumulation unit value computed on that valuation date when processing your purchase payment. If your purchase payment was placed with your broker-dealer at or after 4:00 p.m. New York time, then we will use the accumulation unit value computed on the next valuation date.

The number of accumulation units determined in this way is not impacted by any subsequent change in the value of an accumulation unit. However, the dollar value of an accumulation unit will vary depending not only upon how well the underlying fund's investments perform, but also upon the expenses of the VAA and the underlying funds.

#### **Valuation of Accumulation Units**

Purchase payments allocated to the VAA are converted into accumulation units. This is done by dividing the amount allocated by the value of an accumulation unit for the valuation period during which the purchase payments are allocated to the VAA. The accumulation unit value for each subaccount was or will be established at the inception of the subaccount. It may increase or decrease from valuation period to valuation period. Accumulation unit values are affected by investment performance of the funds, fund expenses, and the contract charges. The accumulation unit value for a subaccount for a later valuation period is determined as follows:

- 1. The total value of the fund shares held in the subaccount is calculated by multiplying the number of fund shares owned by the subaccount at the beginning of the valuation period by the net asset value per share of the fund at the end of the valuation period, and adding any dividend or other distribution of the fund if an ex-dividend date occurs during the valuation period; minus
- 2. The liabilities of the subaccount at the end of the valuation period; these liabilities include daily charges imposed on the subaccount, and may include a charge or credit with respect to any taxes paid or reserved for by us that we determine result from the operations of the VAA; and
- 3. The result is divided by the number of subaccount units outstanding at the beginning of the valuation period.

The daily charges imposed on a subaccount for any valuation period are equal to the daily mortality and expense risk charge and the daily administrative charge multiplied by the number of calendar days in the valuation period. In certain circumstances (for example, when separate account assets are less than \$1,000), and when permitted by law, it may be prudent for us to use a different standard industry method for this calculation, called the Net Investment Factor method. We will achieve substantially the same result using either method.

# Transfers On or Before the Annuity Commencement Date

After the first thirty days from the effective date of your contract, you may transfer all or a portion of your investment from one subaccount to another. A transfer involves the surrender of accumulation units in one subaccount and the purchase of accumulation units in the other subaccount. A transfer will be done using the respective accumulation unit values determined at the end of the valuation date on which the transfer request is received.

Transfers (among the variable subaccounts and as permitted between the variable and fixed accounts) are limited to twelve (12) per contract year unless otherwise authorized by us. We reserve the right to waive these restrictions. This limit does not apply to transfers made under the automatic transfer programs of dollar cost averaging or cross-reinvestment elected on forms available from us. See Additional Services and the SAI for more information on these programs. These transfer rights and restrictions also apply during the *i4LIFE* Advantage Access Period (the time period during which you may make withdrawals from the *i4LIFE* Advantage Account Value). See *i4LIFE* Advantage.

The minimum amount which may be transferred between subaccounts is \$500 (or the entire amount in the subaccount, if less than \$500). If the transfer from a subaccount would leave you with less than \$300 in the subaccount, we may transfer the total balance of the subaccount.

A transfer request may be made to our Home Office using written, telephone, fax, or electronic instructions, if the appropriate authorization is on file with us. Our address, telephone number, and Internet address are on the first page of this prospectus. In order to prevent unauthorized or fraudulent transfers, we may require certain identifying information before we will act upon instructions. We may also assign the contractowner a Personal Identification Number (PIN) to serve as identification. We will not be liable for following instructions we reasonably believe are genuine. Telephone requests will be recorded and written confirmation of all transfer requests will be mailed to the contractowner on the next valuation date. If you determine that a transfer was made in error, you must notify us within 30 days of the confirmation date.

Please note that the telephone and/or electronic devices may not always be available. Any telephone or electronic device, whether it is yours, your service provider's, or your agent's, can experience outages or slowdowns for a variety of reasons. These outages or slowdowns may delay or prevent our processing of your request. Although we have taken precautions to limit these problems, we cannot promise complete reliability under all circumstances. If you are experiencing problems, you should make your transfer request by writing to our Home Office.

Requests for transfers will be processed on the valuation date that they are received when they are received in good order at our Home Office before the end of the valuation date (normally 4:00 p.m. New York time). If we receive a transfer request in good order at or after 4:00p.m., New York time, we will process the request using the accumulation unit value computed on the next valuation date.

If your contract offers a fixed account, you may also transfer all or any part of the contract value from the subaccount(s) to the fixed side of the contract, except during periods when (if permitted by your contract) we have discontinued accepting transfers into the fixed side of the contract. The minimum amount which can be transferred to a fixed account is \$500 or the total amount in the subaccount if less than \$500. However, if a transfer from a subaccount would leave you with less than \$300 in the subaccount, we may transfer the total amount to the fixed side of the contract.

You may also transfer part of the contract value from a fixed account to the variable subaccount(s) subject to the following restrictions:

- total fixed account transfers are limited to 25% of the value of that fixed account in any 12-month period; and
- the minimum amount that can be transferred is \$500 or, if less, the amount in the fixed account.

Because of these restrictions, it may take several years to transfer all of the contract value in the fixed accounts to the variable subaccounts. You should carefully consider whether the fixed account meets your investment criteria.

Transfers may be delayed as permitted by the 1940 Act. See Delay of Payments.

#### **Market Timing**

Frequent, large, or short-term transfers among subaccounts and the fixed account, such as those associated with "market timing" transactions, can affect the funds and their investment returns. Such transfers may dilute the value of the fund shares, interfere with the efficient management of the fund's portfolio, and increase brokerage and administrative costs of the funds. As an effort to protect our contractowners and the funds from potentially harmful trading activity, we utilize certain market timing policies and procedures (the "Market Timing Procedures"). Our Market Timing Procedures are designed to detect and prevent such transfer activity among the subaccounts and the fixed account that may affect other contractowners or fund shareholders.

In addition, the funds may have adopted their own policies and procedures with respect to frequent purchases and redemptions of their respective shares. The prospectuses for the funds describe any such policies and procedures, which may be more or less restrictive than the frequent trading policies and procedures of other funds and the Market Timing Procedures we have adopted to discourage frequent transfers among subaccounts. While we reserve the right to enforce these policies and procedures, contractowners and other persons with interests under the contracts should be aware that we may not have the contractual authority or the operational capacity to apply the frequent trading policies and procedures of the funds. However, under SEC rules, we are required to: (1) enter into a written agreement with each fund or its principal underwriter that obligates us to provide to the fund promptly upon request certain information about the trading activity of individual contractowners, and (2) execute instructions from the fund to restrict or prohibit further purchases or transfers by specific contractowners who violate the excessive trading policies established by the fund.

You should be aware that the purchase and redemption orders received by the funds generally are "omnibus" orders from intermediaries such as retirement plans or separate accounts funding variable insurance contracts. The omnibus orders reflect the aggregation and netting of multiple orders from individual retirement plan participants and/or individual owners of variable insurance contracts. The omnibus nature of these orders may limit the funds' ability to apply their respective disruptive trading policies and procedures. We cannot guarantee that the funds (and thus our contractowners) will not be harmed by transfer activity relating to the retirement

plans and/or other insurance companies that may invest in the funds. In addition, if a fund believes that an omnibus order we submit may reflect one or more transfer requests from policy owners engaged in disruptive trading activity, the fund may reject the entire omnibus order.

Our Market Timing Procedures detect potential "market timers" by examining the number of transfers made by contractowners within given periods of time. In addition, managers of the funds might contact us if they believe or suspect that there is market timing. If requested by a fund company, we may vary our Market Timing Procedures from subaccount to subaccount to comply with specific fund policies and procedures.

We may increase our monitoring of contractowners who we have previously identified as market timers. When applying the parameters used to detect market timers, we will consider multiple contracts owned by the same contractowner if that contractowner has been identified as a market timer. For each contractowner, we will investigate the transfer patterns that meet the parameters being used to detect potential market timers. We will also investigate any patterns of trading behavior identified by the funds that may not have been captured by our Market Timing Procedures.

Once a contractowner has been identified as a "market timer" under our Market Timing Procedures, we will notify the contractowner in writing that future transfers (among the subaccounts and/or the fixed account) will be temporarily permitted to be made only by original signature sent to us by U.S. mail, first-class delivery for the remainder of the calendar year (or contract year if the contract is an individual contract that was not sold in connection with an employer sponsored plan). Overnight delivery or electronic instructions (which may include telephone, facsimile, or Internet instructions) submitted during this period will not be accepted. If overnight delivery or electronic instructions are inadvertently accepted from a contractowner that has been identified as a market timer, upon discovery, we will reverse the transaction within 1 or 2 business days. We will impose this "original signature" restriction on that contractowner even if we cannot identify, in the particular circumstances, any harmful effect from that contractowner's particular transfers.

Contractowners seeking to engage in frequent, large, or short-term transfer activity may deploy a variety of strategies to avoid detection. Our ability to detect such transfer activity may be limited by operational systems and technological limitations. The identification of contractowners determined to be engaged in such transfer activity that may adversely affect other contractowners or fund shareholders involves judgments that are inherently subjective. We cannot guarantee that our Market Timing Procedures will detect every potential market timer. If we are unable to detect market timers, you may experience dilution in the value of your fund shares and increased brokerage and administrative costs in the funds. This may result in lower long-term returns for your investments.

Our Market Timing Procedures are applied consistently to all contractowners. An exception for any contractowner will be made only in the event we are required to do so by a court of law. In addition, certain funds available as investment options in your contract may also be available as investment options for owners of other, older life insurance policies issued by us. Some of these older life insurance policies do not provide a contractual basis for us to restrict or refuse transfers which are suspected to be market timing activity. In addition, because other insurance companies and/or retirement plans may invest in the funds, we cannot guarantee that the funds will not suffer harm from frequent, large, or short-term transfer activity among subaccounts and the fixed accounts of variable contracts issued by other insurance companies or among investment options available to retirement plan participants.

In our sole discretion, we may revise our Market Timing Procedures at any time without prior notice as necessary to better detect and deter frequent, large, or short-term transfer activity to comply with state or federal regulatory requirements, and/or to impose additional or alternate restrictions on market timers (such as dollar or percentage limits on transfers). If we modify our Market Timing Procedures, they will be applied uniformly to all contractowners or as applicable to all contractowners investing in underlying funds.

Some of the funds have reserved the right to temporarily or permanently refuse payments or transfer requests from us if, in the judgment of the fund's investment adviser, the fund would be unable to invest effectively in accordance with its investment objective or policies, or would otherwise potentially be adversely affected. To the extent permitted by applicable law, we reserve the right to defer or reject a transfer request at any time that we are unable to purchase or redeem shares of any of the funds available through the VAA, including any refusal or restriction on purchases or redemptions of the fund shares as a result of the funds' own policies and procedures on market timing activities. If a fund refuses to accept a transfer request we have already processed, we will reverse the transaction within 1 or 2 business days. We will notify you in writing if we have reversed, restricted or refused any of your transfer requests. Some funds also may impose redemption fees on short-term trading (i.e., redemptions of mutual fund shares within a certain number of business days after purchase). We reserve the right to administer and collect any such redemption fees on behalf of the funds. You should read the prospectuses of the funds for more details on their redemption fees and their ability to refuse or restrict purchases or redemptions of their shares.

## **Transfers After the Annuity Commencement Date**

You may transfer all or a portion of your investment in one subaccount to another subaccount in the VAA or to the fixed side of the contract as permitted under your contract. Those transfers will be limited to three times per contract year. You may also transfer from a variable annuity payment to a fixed annuity payment. **No transfers are allowed from the fixed side of the contract to the subaccounts.** 

#### **Additional Services**

These are the additional services available to you under your contract: dollar-cost averaging (DCA), cross-reinvestment service, port-folio rebalancing and automatic withdrawal service. In order to take advantage of one of these services, you will need to complete the appropriate election form that is available from our Home Office. For further detailed information on these services, please see Additional Services in the SAI.

Dollar-cost averaging allows you to transfer amounts from the DCA fixed account, if available, or certain variable subaccounts into the variable subaccounts on a monthly basis or in accordance with other terms we make available. We reserve the right to discontinue or modify this program at any time. DCA does not assure a profit or protect against loss.

The automatic withdrawal service (AWS) provides for an automatic periodic withdrawal of your contract value.

The cross-reinvestment service automatically transfers the contract value in a designated variable subaccount that exceeds a baseline amount to another specific variable subaccount at specific intervals. You specify the applicable subaccounts, the baseline amount and the interval period.

Portfolio rebalancing is an option that restores to a pre-determined level the percentage of contract value allocated to each variable account subaccount. The rebalancing may take place monthly, quarterly, semi-annually or annually.

Only one of the three additional services (DCA, cross reinvestment and portfolio rebalancing) may be used at one time. For example, you cannot have DCA and cross reinvestment running simultaneously.

## **Death Benefit Before the Annuity Commencement Date**

If the contractowner or annuitant dies prior to the annuity commencement date, a death benefit may be payable.

You may designate a beneficiary during your lifetime and change the beneficiary by filing a written request with our Home office. Each change of beneficiary revokes any previous designation. We reserve the right to request that you send us the contract for endorsement of a change of beneficiary. You may pre-select an annuity payout option as a method of paying the death benefit to a beneficiary. If you do, the beneficiary cannot change this payout option.

The death benefit paid to your designated beneficiary will be the greater of:

- 1. The contract value on the valuation date the death benefit is approved by us for payment; or
- 2. The sum of all purchase payments minus all withdrawals, including any applicable charges and any premium tax incurred.

Notwithstanding any provision of this contract to the contrary, the payment of death benefits provided under this contract must be made in compliance with Code Section 72(s) or 401(a)(9) as applicable, as amended from time to time. Death benefits may be taxable. See Federal Tax Matters.

The value of the death benefit will be determined as of the valuation date we approve the payment of the claim. Approval of payment will occur upon our receipt of all the following:

- 1. proof (e.g. an original certified death certificate), or any other proof of death satisfactory to us, of the death; and
- 2. written authorization for payment; and
- 3. all required claim forms, fully completed (including selection of a settlement option).

If the beneficiary is a minor, court documents appointing the guardian/custodian may be required.

Unless otherwise provided in the beneficiary designation, one of the following procedures will take place on the death of a beneficiary:

- 1. If any beneficiary dies before the contractowner, that beneficiary's interest will go to any other beneficiaries named, according to their respective interests; and/or
- 2. If no beneficiary survives the contractowner, the proceeds will be paid to the contractowner's estate.

Unless the contractowner has already selected a settlement option, the beneficiary may choose the method of payment of the death benefit. The death benefit payable to the beneficiary or joint owner must be distributed within five years of the contractowner's date of death unless the beneficiary begins receiving within one year of the contractowner's death the distribution in the form of a life annuity or an annuity for a designated period not extending beyond the beneficiary's life expectancy.

If the death benefit becomes payable, the recipient may elect to receive payment either in the form of a lump sum settlement or an annuity payout. If a lump sum settlement is elected, the proceeds will be mailed within seven days of approval by us of the claim subject to the laws, regulations and tax code governing payment of death benefits. This payment may be postponed as permitted by the Investment Company Act of 1940.

In the case of a death of one of the parties to the annuity contract, if the recipient of the death benefit has elected a lump sum settlement and the death benefit is over \$10,000, the proceeds will be placed into a **SecureLine** account in the recipient's name as the owner of the account. **SecureLine** is a service we offer to help the recipient manage the death benefit proceeds. With **SecureLine**, an interest bearing account is established from the proceeds payable on a policy or contract administered by us. The recipient is the owner of the account, and is the only one authorized to transfer proceeds from the account. Instead of mailing the recipient a check, we will send a checkbook so that the recipient will have access to the account by writing a check. The recipient may choose to leave the proceeds in this account, or may begin writing checks right away. If the recipient decides he or she wants the entire proceeds immediately, the recipient may write one check for the entire account balance. The recipient can write as many checks as he or she wishes. We may at our discretion set minimum withdrawal amounts per check. The total of all checks written cannot exceed the account balance. The **SecureLine** account is part of our general account. It is not a bank account and it is not insured by the FDIC or any other government agency. As part of our general account, it is subject to the claims of our creditors. We receive a benefit from all amounts left in the **SecureLine** account. The recipient may request that surrender proceeds be paid directly to him or her instead of applied to a **SecureLine** account.

Interest credited in the **SecureLine** account is taxable as ordinary income in the year such interest is credited, and is not tax deferred. We recommend that the recipient consult a tax advisor to determine the tax consequences associated with the payment of interest on amounts in the **SecureLine** account. The balance in the recipient's **SecureLine** account starts earning interest the day the account is opened and will continue to earn interest until all funds are withdrawn. Interest is compounded daily and credited to the recipient's account on the last day of each month. The interest rate will be updated monthly and we may increase or decrease the rate at our discretion. The interest rate credited to the recipient's **SecureLine** account may be more or less than the rate earned on funds held in our general account. The interest rate offered with a **SecureLine** account is not necessarily that credited to the fixed account.

There are no monthly fees. The recipient may be charged a fee for a stop payment or if a check is returned for insufficient funds.

## **Investment Requirements**

Contractowners who have elected *i4LIFE* with the Guaranteed Income Benefit will be subject to the following requirements on variable subaccount investments. If you do not elect *i4LIFE*, the Investment Requirements will not apply to your contract.

We do not intend to enforce the Investment Requirements at this time. We will notify you at least 30 days in advance of when the Investment Requirements will be enforced. Our decision to enforce these requirements will be based on our review of the subaccount investments of the contractowners who have this rider and market conditions.

No more than 35% of your contract value (includes Account Value if *i4LIFE*® Advantage is in effect) can be invested in the following subaccounts ("Limited Subaccounts"):

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- AllianceBernstein Global Thematic Growth Portfolio
- American Funds Global Growth Fund
- American Funds International Fund
- Delaware VIP High Yield
- Delaware VIP REIT Series
- Delaware VIP Small Cap Value Series
- Delaware VIP Smid Cap Growth Series
- DWS Small Cap Index VIP
- LVIP Baron Growth Opportunities Fund
- LVIP Cohen & Steers Global Real Estate Fund
- LVIP Delaware Special Opportunities Fund
- LVIP Foundation Aggressive Allocation Fund
- LVIP Mondrian International Value Fund
- LVIP SSgA Emerging Markets 100 Fund
- LVIP SSgA Global Tactical Allocation Fund
- LVIP SSgA International Index Fund
- LVIP SSgA Small Cap Index Fund
- LVIP T. Rowe Price Structured Mid-Cap Growth Fund
- LVIP Vanguard Equity ETF Fund
- LVIP Vanguard International Fund
- LVIP Protected Profile 2040 Fund
- LVIP Protected Profile 2050 Fund

- MFS VIT Utilities Series
- Neuberger Berman AMT Mid-Cap Growth Portfolio

All other variable subaccounts will be referred to as "Non-Limited Subaccounts" except for the DWS Alternative Asset Allocation VIP Portfolio which is not available for investment.

You can select the percentages of contract value, if any, allocated to the Limited Subaccounts, but the cumulative total investment in all the Limited Subaccounts cannot exceed 35% of the total contract value. On each quarterly anniversary of the effective date of *i4LIFE*® Advantage, if the contract value in the Limited Subaccounts exceeds 35%, Lincoln will rebalance your contract value so that the contract value in the Limited Subaccounts is 30%.

If rebalancing is required, the contract value in excess of 30% will be removed from the Limited Subaccounts on a pro rata basis and invested in the remaining Non-Limited Subaccounts on a pro rata basis according to the contract value percentages in the Non-Limited Subaccounts at the time of the reallocation. If there is no contract value in the Non-Limited Subaccounts at that time, all contract value removed from the Limited Subaccounts will be placed in the LVIP Money Market subaccount. We reserve the right to designate a different investment option other than the LVIP Money Market subaccount as the default investment option should there be not contract value in the Non-Limited Subaccounts. We will provide you with notice of such change.

We may move subaccounts on or off the Limited Subaccount list, change the percentages of contract value allowed in the Limited Subaccounts or change the frequency of the contract value rebalancing, at any time, in our sole discretion, but we will not make changes more than once per calendar year. You will be notified at least 30 days prior to the date of any change. We may make such modifications at any time when we believe the modifications are necessary to protect our ability to provide the guarantees under these Riders. Our decision to make modifications will be based on several factors including the general market conditions and the style and investment objectives of the subaccount investments.

At the time you receive notice of a change or when you are notified that we will begin enforcing the Investment Requirements, you may:

- 1. drop the applicable rider immediately, without waiting for a termination event if you do not wish to be subject to these Investment Requirements;
- 2. submit your own reallocation instructions for the contract value in excess of 35% in the Limited Subaccounts; or
- 3. take no action and be subject to the quarterly rebalancing as described above.

## **Ownership**

The owner on the date of issue will be the person or entity designated in the contract specifications. If no owner is designated, the annuitant(s) will be the owner.

As contractowner, you have all rights under the contract. According to Indiana law, the assets of the VAA are held for the exclusive benefit of all contractowners and their designated beneficiaries; and the assets of the VAA are not chargeable with liabilities arising from any other business that we may conduct. We reserve the right to approve all ownership and annuitant changes. Nonqualified contracts may not be sold, discounted, or pledged as collateral for a loan or for any other purpose. Qualified contracts are not transferable unless allowed under applicable law. We assume no responsibility for the validity or effect of any assignment. Consult your tax adviser about the tax consequences of an assignment.

#### **Surrenders and Withdrawals**

Before the annuity commencement date, we will allow the surrender of the contract or a withdrawal of the contract value upon your written request on an approved Lincoln distribution request form (available from the Home Office), subject to the rules below. A surrender/withdrawal after the annuity commencement date depends upon the annuity option selected. See Annuity Payouts — Annuity Options.

The amount available upon surrender/withdrawal is the contract value less any applicable charges, fees, and taxes at the end of the valuation period during which the written request for surrender/withdrawal is received in good order at the Home office. If we receive a surrender or withdrawal request in good order at or after 4:00 p.m. New York time, we will process the request using the accumulation unit value computed on the next valuation date. Unless a request for withdrawal specifies otherwise, withdrawals will be made from all subaccounts within the VAA and from the general account in the same proportion that the amount of withdrawal bears to the total contract value. The minimum amount which can be withdrawn is \$100. Where permitted by contract, surrender/withdrawal payments will be mailed within seven days after we receive a valid written request at the Home office. The payment may be postponed as permitted by the 1940 Act.

There are charges associated with surrender of a contract or withdrawal of contract value. You may specify that the charges be deducted from the amount you request withdrawn or from the remaining contract value. If the charges are deducted from the remaining contract value, the amount of the total withdrawal will increase according to the impact of the applicable surrender charge percentage; consequently, the amount of the charge associated with the withdrawal will also increase. In other words, the amount deducted to cover the surrender charge is also subject to a surrender charge. See Charges and Other Deductions.

As of January 17, 2012, we will no longer offer **SecureLine**® for withdrawals or surrenders. **SecureLine**® is an interest bearing account established from the proceeds payable on a policy or contract administered by us. We will, however, continue to offer **SecureLine®** for death benefit proceeds. Please see the General Death Benefit Information section in this prospectus for more information about **SecureLine®**.

The tax consequences of a surrender/withdrawal are discussed later in this booklet. See Federal Tax Matters.

Special restrictions on surrenders/withdrawals apply if your contract is purchased as part of a retirement plan of a public school system or Section 501(c)(3) organization under Section 403(b) of the tax code. Beginning January 1, 1989, in order for a contract to retain its tax-qualified status, Section 403(b) prohibits a withdrawal from a Section 403(b) contract of post-1988 contributions (and earnings on those contributions) pursuant to a salary reduction agreement. However, this restriction does not apply if the annuitant:

- a. attains age 59 1/2
- b. separates from service
- c. dies
- d. becomes totally and permanently disabled and/or
- e. experiences financial hardship (in which event the income attributable to those contributions may not be withdrawn).

Pre-1989 contributions and earnings through December 31, 1988, are not subject to the previously stated restriction. Funds transferred to the contract from a 403(b)(7) custodial account will also be subject to restrictions. Participants in the Texas Optional Retirement Program should refer to the Restrictions Under the Texas Optional Retirement Program, later in this prospectus.

#### **Small Contract Surrenders**

We may surrender your contract, in accordance with the laws of your state if:

- your contract value drops below certain state specified minimum amounts (\$1,000 or less) for any reason, including if your contract value decreases due to the performance of the subaccounts you selected;
- no purchase payments have been received for two (2) full, consecutive contract years; and
- the annuity benefit at the Annuity Commencement Date would be less than \$20.00 per month (these requirements may differ in some states).

At least 60 days before we surrender your contract, we will send you a letter at your last address we have on file, to inform you that your contract will be surrendered. You will have the opportunity to make additional purchase payments to bring your contract value above the minimum level to avoid surrender. If we surrender your contract, we will not assess any surrender charge. We will not surrender your contract if you are receiving guaranteed payments from us under one of the Living Benefit riders.

#### Loans

If the plan permits loans, then during the participant's accumulation period, the participant may apply for a loan by completing a loan application that we provide. The participant's account balance in the fixed account secures the loan. Loans are subject to restrictions imposed by the IRC, Title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), and the participant's plan. For plans subject to the IRC and Title I of ERISA, the initial amount of a participant loan cannot exceed the lesser of 50% of the participant's vested account balance in the fixed account or \$50,000 and, pursuant to the terms of the contract, must be at least \$1,000. For plans subject to the IRC, but not subject to Title I of ERISA, a participant is subject to the same \$50,000 maximum, but may borrow up to \$10,000 of his or her vested account balance even if that would be greater than 50% of his or her vested account balance. The annual interest rate for loans is 7.0% of the amount held in the loan account. We will credit interest at an annual rate of 4.5% on the loan value.

#### **Delay of Payments**

Contract proceeds from the VAA will be paid within seven days, except:

- when the NYSE is closed (other than weekends and holidays);
- times when market trading is restricted or the SEC declares an emergency, and we cannot value units or the funds cannot redeem shares; or
- when the SEC so orders to protect contractowners.

If, pursuant to SEC rules, an underlying money market fund suspends payment of redemption proceeds in connection with a liquidation of the fund, we will delay payment of any transfer, partial withdrawal, surrender, loan, or death benefit from the money market sub-account until the fund is liquidated. Payment of contract proceeds from the fixed account may be delayed for up to six months.

Due to federal laws designed to counter terrorism and prevent money laundering by criminals, we may be required to reject a purchase payment and/or deny payment of a request for transfers, withdrawals, surrenders, or death benefits, until instructions are received from the appropriate regulator. We also may be required to provide additional information about a contractowner's account to government regulators.

### Reinvestment Privilege

You may elect to make a reinvestment purchase with any part of the proceeds of a surrender/withdrawal and we will recredit that portion of the surrender/withdrawal charges attributable to the amount returned.

This election must be made by your written authorization to us on an approved Lincoln reinvestment form and received in our Home Office within 30 days of the date of the surrender/withdrawal, and the repurchase must be of a contract covered by this prospectus. In the case of a qualified retirement plan, a representation must be made that the proceeds being used to make the purchase have retained their tax-favored status under an arrangement for which the contracts offered by this prospectus are designed. The number of accumulation units which will be credited when the proceeds are reinvested will be based on the value of the accumulation unit(s) on the next valuation date. This computation will occur following receipt of the proceeds and request for reinvestment at the Home Office. You may utilize the reinvestment privilege only once. For tax reporting purposes, we will treat a surrender/withdrawal and a subsequent reinvestment purchase as separate transactions (and a Form 1099 may be issued, if applicable). Any taxable distribution that is reinvested may still be reported as taxable. You should consult a tax adviser before you request a surrender/withdrawal or subsequent reinvestment purchase.

#### **Amendment of Contract**

We reserve the right to amend the contract to meet the requirements of the 1940 Act or other applicable federal or state laws or regulations. You will be notified in writing of any changes, modifications or waivers. Any changes are subject to prior approval of your state's insurance department (if required).

#### **Contractowner Questions**

The obligations to purchasers under the contracts are those of Lincoln Life. This prospectus provides a general description of the material features of the contract. Questions about your contract should be directed to us at 1-800-454-6265.

# i4LIFE® Advantage for Qualified Contracts

*i4LIFE* Advantage (the Variable Annuity Income rider in your contract) is an optional annuity payout rider you may elect and is separate and distinct from other annuity payout options offered under your contract and described later in this prospectus.

In order to elect the *i4LIFE* Advantage benefit, you may need to surrender your existing base contract and apply for a new contract. The surrender charges and fees applicable to the new base contract will not be higher than such fees applicable to the base contract being surrendered. However, an additional charge will be incurred on the new base contract for *i4LIFE* Advantage; just as it would be for a contract that need not be surrendered to elect *i4LIFE* Advantage. Enhanced interest rates will not be offered on the fixed account(s) of the new base contract. Please contact your sales representative to determine if it is necessary to surrender your contract in order to elect *i4LIFE* Advantage.

*i4LIFE* Advantage is a payout option that provides you with variable, regular monthly income payments for life. These payouts begin and are made during an Access Period, where you have access to the Account Value. After the Access Period ends, Regular Income Payments continue for the rest of your life, during the Lifetime Income Period. *i4LIFE* Advantage is different from other annuity payout options provided by Lincoln because with *i4LIFE* Advantage, you have the ability to make additional withdrawals or surrender the contract during the Access Period. The initial regular monthly income payment is based on the Account Value on the Periodic Income Commencement Date. This date is no more than 14 days prior to the date you begin receiving the regular monthly income payments. This option is available for participants in 401(k), 403(b) and most 457 plans ("tax-deferred retirement plans"). This option, when available in your state, is subject to a charge. See Charges and Other Deductions – *i4LIFE* Advantage Charges for Qualified Contracts.

*i4LIFE* Advantage may be elected at the time of application or at any time before another annuity payout option is elected by sending a written request to our Home Office. When you elect *i4LIFE* Advantage, you make certain choices about your Regular Income Payments. The annuitant, or Secondary Life, if applicable, may not be changed after *i4LIFE* Advantage is elected. The Periodic Income Commencement Date will be within one month of when your *i4LIFE* Advantage election form is approved by us.

*i4LIFE* Advantage for tax-deferred retirement plans is only available if the annuitant is eligible to receive a payout pursuant to the terms and conditions of his or her plan at the time the option is elected. Additional limitations on issue ages and features may be necessary to comply with the Internal Revenue Code provisions for required minimum distributions.

If *i4LIFE* Advantage is selected, in addition to the Investment Requirements imposed by electing this option, the applicable transfer provisions among subaccounts and the fixed account during the access period will continue to be those specified in your prospectus. See The Contracts – Transfers on or Before the Annuity Commencement Date. During the Lifetime Income Period, the transfer provisions are those specified in your prospectus. See The Contracts – Transfers after the Annuity Commencement Date. Once *i4LIFE* Advantage begins, any automatic withdrawal service will terminate. See The Contracts – Additional Services.

When you elect *i4LIFE*® Advantage, you will receive the *i4LIFE*® Advantage Guarantee of Principal death benefit. See *i4LIFE*® Advantage Death Benefit.

*i4LIFE* Advantage Charges. The annual rate of the *i4LIFE* Advantage charge is currently 0.48% of the account value. During the Access Period, an amount equal to the monthly *i4LIFE* Advantage percentage charge multiplied by the Account Value will be deducted from the subaccounts on a monthly basis at a rate of 0.04%. The amount we deduct will increase or decrease as the Account Value increases or decreases, because the charge is based on the Account Value. The *i4LIFE* Advantage rider charge is in addition to the other charges applicable to your contract as set forth in the Expense Table. During the Lifetime Income Period, the *i4LIFE* Advantage charge will be computed daily based on the net asset value in the subaccounts and added to the mortality and expense risk charge. If you purchase *i4LIFE* Advantage in the future, the annual percentage charge and maximum annual percentage charge will be the charges in effect at the time you elect *i4LIFE* Advantage.

Each time you elect to begin a new 15-year step-up period, the *i4LIFE* Advantage charge will be the current charge in effect at the time up to the maximum *i4LIFE* Advantage charge of 1.50%. If you do not elect a new 15-year step-up period, your charge will not change.

Access Period. At the time you elect *i4LIFE*® Advantage, you also select the Access Period, which begins on the Periodic Income Commencement Date. The Access Period is a defined period of time during which we pay variable, regular monthly income payments and provide a death benefit, and during which you may surrender the contract and make additional withdrawals from your Account Value. During the Access Period, the Account Value is available as a minimum death benefit, or for additional withdrawals or surrender of the contract. At the end of the Access Period, the remaining Account Value is used to determine the amount of regular monthly income payments for the rest of your life (and the Secondary Life if applicable) and you will no longer be able to make withdrawals or surrenders or receive a death benefit. If your Account Value is reduced to zero because of withdrawals or market loss, your Access Period ends.

We will establish the minimum (currently the greater of 15 years or to age 85) and maximum Access Periods at the time you elect *i4LIFE* Advantage. Generally, shorter Access Periods will produce a higher initial Regular Income Payment than longer Access Periods. At any time during the Access Period, and subject to the rules in effect at that time, you may extend the Access Period by sending us notice. Additional restrictions may apply if you are under 59½ when you request a change to the Access Period. A request to extend the Access Period will be effective on the next Periodic Income Commencement Date anniversary. Currently, if you extend the Access Period, it must be extended at least 5 years.

If you extend the Access Period, subsequent Regular Income Payments and the Guaranteed Income Benefit will be reduced accordingly. The Guaranteed Income Benefit will be adjusted in proportion to the reduction in the new Regular Income Payment. Extending the Access Period lowers the regular payment and Guaranteed Income Benefit because these payments are spread out over a longer period of time. For example, assume you have an access period of 25 years, a Regular Income Payment of \$433 a month and a Guaranteed Income Benefit of \$332 per month. If you extend your access period to 30 years, the Regular Income Payment decreases to \$428 per month (a reduction of 1.15%) and the Guaranteed Income Benefit is also reduced by 1.15% for a payment of \$328.

We may reduce or terminate the Access Period for tax-deferred retirement plans in order to keep the Regular Income Payments in compliance with Internal Revenue Code ("IRC") provisions for required minimum distributions. You may not shorten your Access Period

**Account Value.** The initial Account Value is equal to the total of the dollar value of the fixed and variable options contained in the contract in which you are invested on the Periodic Income Commencement Date. During the Access Period, the Account Value will be increased/decreased by any investment gains/losses including interest credited on the fixed account, and will be reduced by Regular Income Payments made, any Guaranteed Income Benefit payments made, and any withdrawals taken. After the Access Period ends, the remaining Account Value will be applied to continue Regular Income Payments for your life (and the Secondary Life, if applicable) and the Account Value will be reduced to zero.

**Regular Income Payments during the Access Period.** *i4LIFE* Advantage provides for variable, periodic Regular Income Payments for as long as an annuitant (or Secondary Life, if applicable) is living; and access to your Account Value during the Access Period. Such payments will not vary during the year unless there is a withdrawal. When you elect *i4LIFE* Advantage, you will have to choose the length of the Access Period. This choice will influence the amount of your Regular Income Payments. Regular Income Payments will begin within 14 days of the Periodic Income Commencement Date. At this time, changes to the Access Period can only be made on Periodic Income Commencement Date anniversaries.

Regular Income Payments for tax-deferred retirement plans will be paid monthly, and are only recalculated once per year, at the beginning of each calendar year. An assumed investment return rate of 4% will be available. Regular Income Payments are not subject to

any surrender charges or applicable Interest Adjustments. For information regarding income tax consequences of Regular Income Payments, See Federal Tax Matters.

The amount of the initial Regular Income Payment is determined on the Periodic Income Commencement Date by dividing the Account Value by 1000 and multiplying the result by an annuity factor. In the absence of excess withdrawals this amount will remain constant throughout the calendar year. The annuity factor is based upon:

- The age and sex (unless unisex rates are required by law) of the annuitant and Secondary Life, if applicable;
- the length of the Access Period selected;
- the monthly Regular Income Payments;
- the assumed investment return of 4%; and
- the Individual Annuity Mortality table specified in your contract.

The annuity factor used to determine the Regular Income Payments reflects the fact that, during the Access Period, you have the ability to withdraw the entire Account Value and that a death benefit of the entire Account Value will be paid to your beneficiary upon your death. These benefits during the Access Period result in a slightly lower Regular Income Payment, during both the Access Period and the Lifetime Income Period, than would be payable if this access was not permitted and no lump-sum death benefit of the full Account Value was payable. The annuity factor also reflects the requirement that there be sufficient Account Value at the end of the Access Period to continue your Regular Income Payments for the remainder of your life (and/or the Secondary Life if applicable), during the Lifetime Income Period, with no further access or death benefit.

Subsequent Regular Income Payments during the Access Period are determined by dividing the Account Value, on the applicable valuation date (December 31) by 1000 and multiplying this result by an annuity factor revised to reflect the declining length of the Access Period. You will receive the same payment each month throughout the year. The Account Value continues to vary with the performance of the subaccounts selected and the interest credited on the fixed account. The assumed investment return is the measuring point for subsequent Regular Income Payments. If the actual net investment return (annualized) for the contract exceeds the assumed investment return, the Regular Income Payment will increase at a rate approximately equal to the amount of such excess. Conversely, if the actual net investment return for the contract is less than the assumed investment return, the Regular Income Payment will decrease. For example, if net investment return is 3% higher (annualized) than the assumed investment return is 3% lower than the assumed investment return, the Regular Income Payment will decrease by approximately 3%.

Withdrawals made during the Access Period will also reduce the Account Value that is available for Regular Income Payments, and subsequent Regular Income Payments will be reduced in the same proportion that withdrawals reduce the Account Value. For example, a contract owner has an Account Value of \$100,000 and an income payment of \$400 per month. If the contract owner makes a withdrawal of \$25,000 (resulting in a 25% reduction of Account Value), there would be a corresponding 25% reduction to the Regular Income Payment. The Regular Income Payment of \$400 would be reduced to \$300 [\$400 – (25% x \$400)]. See *i4LIFE* Advantage – General *i4LIFE* Advantage Provisions for more information on withdrawals.

For a joint life option, the Secondary Life must be the annuitant's spouse and must be the primary beneficiary. If either the annuitant or Secondary Life dies during the Access Period, the surviving life may elect to continue Regular Income Payments. We may adjust the Access Period length to ensure the regular monthly income payments conform to the required minimum distribution requirements of Section 401(a)(9) of the IRC. Regular Income Payments will continue for the remainder of the Access Period and then, if there is a surviving life, for the Lifetime Income Period. As an alternative, upon the death of the annuitant, the Secondary Life may choose to take the death benefit, and the *i4LIFE* Advantage rider will terminate. The Account Value less any contingent deferred sales charge may be paid upon the death of the Secondary Life during the Access Period, if applicable. If there is no surviving life, then the Regular Income Payments will cease and this rider will terminate.

For a single life option, if the annuitant dies during the Access Period, a death benefit will be paid and the Regular Income Payments will cease and this rider will terminate.

**Regular Income Payments during the Lifetime Income Period.** The Lifetime Income Period begins at the end of the Access Period if either the annuitant or Secondary Life is living. The frequency of Regular Income Payments, the assumed investment return and the frequency of the recalculation do not change. The initial Regular Income Payment during the Lifetime Income Period is determined by dividing the Account Value on the last valuation date of the Access Period by 1000 and multiplying the result by an annuity factor revised to reflect that the Access Period has ended. The annuity factor is based upon:

- the age and sex (unless unisex rates are required by law) of the annuitant and Secondary Life (if living);
- the monthly Regular Income Payments:
- the assumed investment return of 4%: and
- the Individual Annuity Mortality table specified in your contract.

The impact of the length of the Access Period and any withdrawals made during the Access Period will continue to be reflected in the Regular Income Payments during the Lifetime Income Period. To determine subsequent Regular Income Payments, the contract is

credited with a fixed number of annuity units equal to the initial Regular Income Payment (during the Lifetime Income Period) divided by the annuity unit value (by subaccount). Your Regular Income Payments are adjusted on an annual basis, and the total of the annual payment is transferred to Lincoln Life's general account in January to be paid out monthly. During the Lifetime Income Period monies deposited to the general account will receive the then current crediting rate. Your payment(s) will not be affected by market performance during that year. Your Regular Income Payment(s) for the following year will be recalculated at the beginning of the following year based on the current value of the annuity units.

Regular Income Payments will vary on an annual basis for as long as the annuitant or Secondary Life, if applicable, is living, and will continue to be adjusted for investment performance of the subaccounts your annuity units are invested in (and the fixed account if applicable). Regular Income Payments vary with investment performance.

During the Lifetime Income Period, there is no longer an Account Value; therefore, no withdrawals are available and no death benefit is payable.

# *i4LIFE*® Advantage Death Benefit

*i4LIFE* Advantage Guarantee of Principal Death Benefit. The *i4LIFE* Advantage Guarantee of Principal death benefit is available for qualified contracts during the Access Period and will be equal to the greater of:

- the Account Value as of the valuation date we approve the payment of the claim; or
- the sum of all purchase payments, less the sum of Regular Income Payments and other additional withdrawals (including withdrawals to provide the Guaranteed Income Benefit).

References to purchase payments and withdrawals include purchase payments and withdrawals made prior to the election of *i4LIFE* Advantage if your contract was in force prior to that election. Regular Income Payments are deducted from the death benefit before any additional withdrawals when determining the death benefit.

The following example demonstrates the impact of a withdrawal on your death benefit:

Total Purchase Payments \$200,000 Total  $i4LIFE^{\circ}$  Advantage Regular Income Payments \$25,000 Additional Withdrawal \$15,000 Death Benefit Value after  $i4LIFE^{\circ}$  Advantage withdrawal = \$200,000 - \$25,000 = \$175,000 Death Benefit value after additional withdrawal = \$175,000 - \$15,000 = \$160,000

**General Death Benefit Provisions.** Following the Access Period, there is no death benefit. The death benefits also terminate when the Account Value equals zero, because the Access Period terminates.

During the access period, if the single life option has been elected, then upon the death of the annuitant, the Regular Income Payments will cease and this rider will terminate. If the joint life option has been elected, then upon the death of the annuitant, the Secondary Life, if still surviving, as spouse and primary beneficiary, may terminate the contract and this rider and receive full payment of the death benefit or elect to continue the contract and this rider and receive Regular Income Payments for his/her lifetime. Upon the death of the Secondary Life, the annuitant if still surviving, may continue to receive Regular Income Payments for the remainder of the access period and for the Lifetime Income Period or may elect to terminate this rider. If neither the annuitant nor the Secondary Life is still surviving, the Regular Income Payments will cease and this rider will terminate.

The value of the death benefit will be determined as of the valuation date we approve the payment of the claim. Approval of payment will occur upon our receipt of all the following:

- 1. proof (e.g. an original certified death certificate), or any other proof of death satisfactory to us; and
- 2. written authorization for payment; and
- 3. all required claim forms, fully completed (including selection of a settlement option).

Notwithstanding any provision of this contract to the contrary, the payment of death benefits provided under this contract must be made in compliance with IRC Section 72(s) or 401(a)(9) as applicable, as amended from time to time. Death benefits may be taxable. See Federal Tax Matters.

Upon notification to Lincoln Life of the death, Regular Income Payments may be suspended until the death claim is approved. If this rider is continued, upon approval of the death claim the excess, if any, of the death benefit over the Account Value will be credited into the contract at that time and a lump sum payment for the value of any suspended payments, as of the date the death claim is approved, will be made and the Regular Income Payments will restart. Otherwise, this rider terminates.

If a lump sum settlement is elected, the proceeds will be mailed within seven days of approval by us of the claim subject to the laws, regulations and tax code governing payment of death benefits. This payment may be postponed as permitted by the Investment Company Act of 1940.

Withdrawals. You may request a withdrawal at any time prior to or during the Access Period. We reduce the Account Value by the amount of the withdrawal, and all subsequent Regular Income Payments will be reduced in the same proportion as the withdrawal

reduces the Account Value. Withdrawals may have tax consequences. Withdrawals are subject to any applicable surrender charges except when amounts may be withdrawn free of surrender charges. The Interest Adjustment may apply.

The following example demonstrates the impact of a withdrawal on the Regular Income Payments and the Guaranteed Income Benefit Payments:

i4LIFE® Advantage Regular Income Payment before Withdrawal \$1,200
 Guaranteed Income Benefit before Withdrawal \$750
 Account Value at time of Additional Withdrawal \$150,000
 Additional Withdrawal \$15,000 (a 10% withdrawal)
 Reduction in i4LIFE® Advantage Regular Income Payment for Withdrawal = \$1,200 x 10% = \$120
 i4LIFE® Advantage Regular Income Payment after Withdrawal = \$1,200 - \$120 = \$1,080
 Reduction in Guaranteed Income Benefit for Withdrawal = \$750 x 10% = \$75
 Guaranteed Income Benefit after Withdrawal = \$750 - \$75 = \$675

**Surrender.** At any time prior to or during the Access Period, you may surrender the contract by withdrawing the surrender value. If the contract is surrendered, the contract terminates and no further Regular Income Payments will be made. Withdrawals are subject to any applicable surrender charges except when amounts may be withdrawn free of surrender charges.

**Termination.** You may terminate *i4LIFE*® Advantage prior to the end of the Access Period by notifying us in writing. The termination will be effective on the next valuation date after we receive the notice and your contract will return to the accumulation phase. Upon termination, we will stop assessing the charge for *i4LIFE*® Advantage and assess the mortality and expense risk charge and administrative charge associated with the contract without this feature. Your contract value upon termination will be equal to the Account Value on the valuation date we terminate *i4LIFE*® Advantage.

**Availability.** The availability of *i4LIFE* Advantage will depend upon your state's approval of the *i4LIFE* Advantage contract rider. Please check with your registered representative for availability.

# Guaranteed Income Benefit with i4LIFE® Advantage for Qualified Contracts

The Guaranteed Income Benefit ensures that your Regular Income Payments will never be less than a minimum amount, adjusted for withdrawals, regardless of the actual investment performance of your contract. The Guaranteed Income Benefit is in effect during both the access period and the Lifetime Income Period.

The Guaranteed Income Benefit is initially equal to 75% of the initial Regular Income Payment. If the amount of your *i4LIFE*® Advantage Regular Income Payment (which is based on your *i4LIFE*® Advantage Account Value) has fallen below the Guaranteed Income Benefit, because of poor investment results, a payment equal to the Guaranteed Income Benefit is the minimum payment you will receive. If the Guaranteed Income Benefit is paid, it will be paid with the same frequency as your Regular Income Payment. If your Regular Income Payment is less than the Guaranteed Income Benefit, we will reduce the Account Value by the Regular Income Payment plus an additional amount equal to the difference between your Regular Income Payment and the Guaranteed Income Benefit. This additional amount will be withdrawn from the variable subaccounts and the fixed account on a pro-rata basis according to your investment allocations. If your Account Value reaches zero as a result of the payment of the Guaranteed Income Benefit, your Access Period will end and your Lifetime Income Period will begin. Additional amounts withdrawn from the Account Value to provide the Guaranteed Income Benefit may terminate your Access Period earlier than originally scheduled, and will reduce your death benefit. See *i4LIFE*® Advantage Death Benefits. After the Access Period ends, we will continue to pay the Guaranteed Income Benefit for as long as the annuitant, or Secondary Life, if applicable, is living.

The Guaranteed Income Benefit has an automatic step-up feature that works as follows: During the 15-year step-up period, the Guaranteed Income Benefit will automatically step-up every three years to 75% of the current Regular Income Payment, if that result is greater than the immediately prior Guaranteed Income Benefit. The 15-year period will run from the Periodic Income Commencement Date, or the date of the most recent reset of the 15-year step-up period. Each 3-year step-up occurs on the valuation date of the first Regular Income Payment in the first calendar year of each 3-year period. At the end of a 15-year step-up period, the contractowner may continue with the current Guaranteed Income Benefit amount at the current fee with no further step-ups or alternatively elect a new 15-year step-up period by submitting a written request to the Home Office. If a new 15-year step-up period is elected, the *i4LIFE* Advantage fee will be the current charge in effect at the time of the step-up election period. A new step-up period may be elected during the Access and Lifetime Income periods, but the new step-up period must be elected at or before the end of the previous step-up period or no new step-up period may be elected in the future. If you prefer, when you start the Guaranteed Income Benefit, you can request that Lincoln administer the election of a new 15-year step-up period for you. After Lincoln administers this election, you have 30 days to notify us if you wish to reverse the election. If a new 15-year step-up period is elected, the *i4LIFE* Advantage charge may increase subject to the guaranteed maximum annual percentage charge of 1.50%.

The Guaranteed Income Benefit is reduced by withdrawals (other than Regular Income Payments or Guaranteed Income Benefit payments) in the same proportion that the withdrawals reduce the Account Value. See *i4LIFE* Advantage — General *i4LIFE* Advantage Provisions to see the impact of a withdrawal on the Regular Income Payments and the Guaranteed Income Benefit.

If you choose to lengthen your Access Period, (which must be increased by a minimum of 5 years up to the maximum available) thereby reducing your Regular Income Payment, your Guaranteed Income Benefit will also be reduced. The Guaranteed Income Benefit will be reduced in proportion to the reduction in the Regular Income Payment. You may not shorten your Access Period.

### **Annuity Payouts**

When you apply for a contract, you may select any Annuity Commencement Date permitted by law. (**Please note the following exception:** Contracts issued under qualified employee pension and profit-sharing trusts [described in Section 401(a) and tax exempt under Section 501(a) of the tax code] and qualified annuity plans [described in Section 403(a) of the tax code], including H.R. 10 trusts and plans covering self-employed individuals and their employees, provide for annuity payouts to start at the date and under the option specified in the plan.)

The contract provides that all or part of the contract value may be used to purchase an annuity payout option. The contract provides optional forms of payouts of annuities (annuity options), each of which is payable on a variable basis, a fixed basis or a combination of both. We may choose to make other annuity options available in the future.

You may elect annuity payouts in monthly, quarterly, semiannual or annual installments. If the payouts from any subaccount would be or become less than \$50, we have the right to reduce their frequency until the payouts are at least \$50 each. Following are explanations of the annuity options available.

### **Annuity Options**

Life Annuity. This option offers a periodic payout during the lifetime of the annuitant and ends with the last payout before the death of the annuitant. This option offers the highest periodic payout since there is no guarantee of a minimum number of payouts or provision for a death benefit for beneficiaries. However, there is the risk under this option that the recipient would receive no payouts if he or she dies before the date set for the first payout; only one payout if death occurs before the second scheduled payout, and so on.

**Life Annuity with Guaranteed Period.** This option guarantees periodic payouts during a designated period, usually 10 or 20 years, and then continues throughout the lifetime of the annuitant. The designated period is selected by the contractowner.

Joint Life Annuity. This option offers a periodic payout during the joint lifetime of the annuitant and a designated joint annuitant. The payouts continue during the lifetime of the survivor. However, under a joint life annuity, if both annuitants die before the date set for the first payout, no payouts will be made. Only one payment would be made if both deaths occur before the second scheduled payout, and so on.

**Joint Life Annuity with Guaranteed Period.** This option guarantees periodic payouts during a designated period, usually 10 or 20 years, and continues during the joint lifetime of the annuitant and a designated joint annuitant. The payouts continue during the lifetime of the survivor. The designated period is selected by the contractowner.

**Joint Life and Two-Thirds to Survivor Annuity.** This option provides a periodic payout during the joint lifetime of the annuitant and a designated joint annuitant. When one of the joint annuitants dies, the survivor receives two- thirds of the periodic payout made when both were alive.

**Joint Life and Two-Thirds Survivor Annuity with Guaranteed Period.** This option provides a periodic payout during the joint lifetime of the annuitant and a joint annuitant. When one of the joint annuitants dies, the survivor receives two-thirds of the periodic payout made when both were alive. This option further provides that should one or both of the annuitants die during the elected guaranteed period, usually 10 or 20 years, full benefit payment will continue for the rest of the guaranteed period.

**Unit Refund Life Annuity.** This option offers a periodic payout during the lifetime of the annuitant with the guarantee that upon death a payout will be made of the value of the number of annuity units (See Variable Annuity Payouts) equal to the excess, if any, of:

- the total amount applied under this option divided by the annuity unit value for the date payouts begin, minus
- the annuity units represented by each payout to the annuitant multiplied by the number of payouts paid before death.

The value of the number of annuity units is computed on the date the death claim is approved for payment by the Home office.

**Life Annuity with Cash Refund.** This option provides fixed annuity benefit payments that will be made for the lifetime of the annuitant with the guarantee that upon death, should (a) the total dollar amount applied to purchase this option be greater than (b) the fixed annuity benefit payment multiplied by the number of annuity benefit payments paid prior to death, then a refund payment equal to the dollar amount of (a) minus (b) will be made.

Under the annuity options listed above, you may not make withdrawals. Other options, with or without withdrawal features, may be made available by us. You may pre-select an annuity payout option as a method of paying the death benefit to a beneficiary. If you do, the beneficiary cannot change this payout option. You may change or revoke in writing to our office, any such selection, unless such selection was made irrevocable. If you have not already chosen an annuity payout option, the beneficiary may choose any annuity payout option. At death, options are only available to the extent they are consistent with the requirements of the contract as well as

Sections 72(s) and 401(a)(9) of the tax code, if applicable. The mortality and expense risk and administrative charge of 1.002% will be assessed on all variable annuity payouts, including options that may be offered that do not have a life contingency and therefore no mortality risk.

## **Variable Annuity Payouts**

Variable annuity payouts will be determined using:

- The contract value on the Annuity Commencement Date, less applicable premium taxes;
- The annuity tables contained in the contract;
- The annuity option selected; and
- The investment performance of the fund(s) selected.

To determine the amount of payouts, we make this calculation:

- 1. Determine the dollar amount of the first periodic payout; then
- 2. Credit the contract with a fixed number of annuity units equal to the first periodic payout divided by the annuity unit value; and
- 3. Calculate the value of the annuity units each period thereafter.

Annuity payouts assume an investment return of 3%, 4%, 5% or 6% per year, as applied to the applicable mortality table. Some of these assumed interest rates may not be available in your state; therefore; please check with your investment representative. You may choose your assumed interest rate at the time you elect a variable annuity payout on the administrative form provided by us. The higher the assumed interest rate you choose, the higher your initial annuity payment will be. The amount of each payout after the initial payout will depend upon how the underlying fund(s) perform, relative to the assumed rate. If the actual net investment rate (annualized) exceeds the assumed rate, the payment will increase at a rate proportional to the amount of such excess. Conversely, if the actual rate is less than the assumed rate, annuity payments will decrease. The higher the assumed interest rate, the less likely future annuity payments are to increase, or the payments will increase more slowly than if a lower assumed rate was used. There is a more complete explanation of this calculation in the SAI.

#### **General Information**

The Annuity Commencement Date is usually on or before the contractowner's 90th birthday. You may change the Annuity Commencement Date, change the annuity option or change the allocation of the investment among subaccounts up to 30 days before the scheduled Annuity Commencement Date, upon written notice to the Home Office. You must give us at least 30 days notice before the date on which you want payouts to begin. If proceeds become available to a beneficiary in a lump sum, the beneficiary may choose any annuity payout option.

Unless you select another option, the contract automatically provides for a life annuity with annuity payouts guaranteed for 10 years (on a fixed, variable or combination fixed and variable basis, in proportion to the account allocations at the time of annuitization) except when a joint life payout is required by law. Under any option providing for guaranteed period payouts, the number of payouts which remain unpaid at the date of the annuitant's death (or surviving annuitant's death in case of joint life annuity) will be paid to you or your beneficiary as payouts become due after we are in receipt of:

- proof, satisfactory to us, of the death;
- · written authorization for payment; and
- all claim forms, fully completed.

# **Distribution of the Contracts**

Lincoln Financial Distributors, Inc. ("LFD") serves as Principal Underwriter of this contract. LFD is affiliated with Lincoln Life and is registered as a broker-dealer with the SEC under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and is a member of FINRA. The Principal Underwriter has entered into selling agreements with Lincoln Financial Advisors Corporation and/or Lincoln Financial Securities Corporation (collectively "LFN"), also affiliates of ours. The Principal Underwriter has also entered into selling agreements with broker-dealers that are unaffiliated with us ("Selling Firms"). While the Principal Underwriter has the legal authority to make payments to broker-dealers which have entered into selling agreements, we will make such payments on behalf of the Principal Underwriter in compliance with appropriate regulations. We also pay on behalf of LFD certain of its operating expenses related to the distribution of this and other of our contracts. The Principal Underwriter may also offer "non-cash compensation", as defined under FINRA's rules, which includes among other things, merchandise, gifts and prizes, office space and equipment, seminars and travel expenses. You may ask your registered representative how he/she will personally be compensated, in whole or in part, for the sale of the contract to you or for any alternative proposal that may have been presented to you. You may wish to take such compensation payments into account when considering and evaluating any recommendation made to you in connection with the purchase of a contract. The following paragraphs describe how payments are made by us and the Principal Underwriter to various parties.

**Compensation Paid to LFN.** The maximum commission we pay to LFN is 9.00% of purchase payments. LFN may elect to receive a lower commission when a purchase payment is made along with an earlier quarterly payment based on contract value for so long as the contract remains in effect. Upon annuitization, the maximum commission we pay to LFN is 4.25% of annuitized value and/or ongoing annual compensation of up to 0.75% of annuity value or statutory reserves.

We also pay for the operating and other expenses of LFN, including the following sales expenses: sales representative training allowances; compensation and bonuses for LFN's management team; advertising expenses; and all other expenses of distributing the contracts. LFN pays its sales representatives a portion of the commissions received for their sales of contracts. LFN sales representatives and their managers are also eligible for various cash benefits, such as bonuses, insurance benefits and financing arrangements. In addition, LFN sales representatives who meet certain productivity, persistency and length of service standards and/or their managers may be eligible for additional compensation. Sales of the contracts may help LFN sales representatives and/or their managers qualify for such benefits. LFN sales representatives and their managers may receive other payments from us for services that do not directly involve the sale of the contracts, including payments made for the recruitment and training of personnel, production of promotional literature and similar services.

Compensation Paid to Unaffiliated Selling Firms. We pay commissions to all Selling Firms. The maximum commission we pay to Selling Firms, other than LFN, is 9.00% of purchase payments. Some Selling Firms may elect to receive a lower commission when a purchase payment is made along with an earlier quarterly payment based on contract value for so long as the contract remains in effect. Upon annuitization, the maximum commission paid to Selling Firms is 4.25% of annuitized value and/or ongoing annual compensation of up to 0.75% of annuity value or statutory reserves.

LFD may pay certain Selling Firms or their affiliates additional amounts for, among other things: (1) "preferred product" treatment of the contracts in their marketing programs, which may include marketing services and increased access to sales representatives; (2) sales promotions relating to the contracts; (3) costs associated with sales conferences and educational seminars for their sales representatives; (4) other sales expenses incurred by them; and (5) inclusion in the financial products the Selling Firm offers.

Lincoln Life may provide loans to broker-dealers or their affiliates to help finance marketing and distribution of the contracts, and those loans may be forgiven if aggregate sales goals are met. In addition, we may provide staffing or other administrative support and services to broker-dealers who distribute the contracts. LFD, as wholesaler, may make bonus payments to certain Selling Firms based on aggregate sales of our variable insurance contracts (including the contracts) or persistency standards.

These additional types of compensation are not offered to all Selling Firms. The terms of any particular agreement governing compensation may vary among Selling Firms and the amounts may be significant. The prospect of receiving, or the receipt of, additional compensation may provide Selling Firms and/or their registered representatives with an incentive to favor sales of the contracts over other variable annuity contracts (or other investments) with respect to which a Selling Firm does not receive additional compensation, or lower levels of additional compensation. You may wish to take such payment arrangements into account when considering and evaluating any recommendation relating to the contracts. Additional information relating to compensation paid in 2011 is contained in the SAI.

Compensation Paid to Other Parties. Depending on the particular selling arrangements, there may be others whom LFD compensates for the distribution activities. For example, LFD may compensate certain "wholesalers", who control access to certain selling offices, for access to those offices or for referrals, and that compensation may be separate from the compensation paid for sales of the contracts. LFD may compensate marketing organizations, associations, brokers or consultants which provide marketing assistance and other services to broker-dealers who distribute the contracts, and which may be affiliated with those broker-dealers. A marketing expense allowance is paid to American Funds Distributors (AFD) in consideration of the marketing assistance AFD provides to LFD. This allowance, which ranges from 0.10% to 0.16% is based on the amount of purchase payments initially allocated to the American Funds Insurance Series underlying the variable annuity. Commissions and other incentives or payments described above are not charged directly to contract owners or the Separate Account. All compensation is paid from our resources, which include fees and charges imposed on your contract.

# **Federal Tax Matters**

#### Introduction

The Federal income tax treatment of the contract is complex and sometimes uncertain. The Federal income tax rules may vary with your particular circumstances. This discussion does not include all the Federal income tax rules that may affect you and your contract. This discussion also does not address other Federal tax consequences (including consequences of sales to foreign individuals or entities), or state or local tax consequences, associated with the contract. As a result, you should always consult a tax adviser about the application of tax rules found in the Internal Revenue Code ("Code"), Treasury Regulations and applicable IRS guidance to your individual situation.

#### **Qualified Retirement Plans**

We designed the contracts for use in connection with certain types of retirement plans that receive favorable treatment under the tax code. Contracts issued to or in connection with a qualified retirement plan are called "qualified contracts." We issue contracts for use with various types of qualified plans. The Federal income tax rules applicable to those plans are complex and varied. As a result, this prospectus does not attempt to provide more than general information about the use of the contract with the various types of qualified plans. Persons planning to use the contract in connection with a qualified plan should obtain advice from a competent tax adviser.

#### **Types of Qualified Contracts and Terms of Contracts**

Qualified plans may include the following:

- Individual Retirement Accounts and Annuities ("Traditional IRAs")
- Roth IRAs
- Traditional IRA that is part of a Simplified Employee Pension Plan ("SEP")
- SIMPLE 401(k) plans (Savings Incentive Matched Plan for Employees)
- 401(a) plans (qualified corporate employee pension and profit-sharing plans)
- 403(a) plans (qualified annuity plans)
- 403(b) plans (public school system and tax-exempt organization annuity plans)
- H.R. 10 or Keogh Plans (self-employed individual plans)
- 457(b) plans (deferred compensation plans for state and local governments and tax-exempt organizations)
- Roth 403(b) plans

We will amend contracts to be used with a qualified plan as generally necessary to conform to the tax law requirements for the type of plan. However, the rights of a person to any qualified plan benefits may be subject to the plan's terms and conditions. In addition, we are not bound by the terms and conditions of qualified plans to the extent such terms and conditions contradict the contract, unless we consent.

If your contract was issued pursuant to a 403(b) plan, we now are generally required to confirm, with your 403(b) plan sponsor or otherwise, that contributions (purchase payments), as well as surrenders, loans or transfers you request, comply with applicable tax requirements and to decline purchase payments or requests that are not in compliance. We will defer crediting purchase payments we receive or processing payments you request until all information required under the tax law has been received. By directing purchase payments to the contract or requesting a surrender, loan or transfer, you consent to the sharing of confidential information about you, the contract, and transactions under the contract and any other 403(b) contracts or accounts you have under the 403(b) plan among us, your employer or plan sponsor, any plan administrator or recordkeeper, and other product providers.

Also, for 403(b) contracts issued on or after January 1, 2009, amounts attributable to employer contributions are subject to restrictions on withdrawals specified in your employer's 403(b) plan, in order to comply with new tax regulations (previously, only amounts attributable to your salary-reduction contributions were subject to withdrawal restrictions). Amounts transferred to a 403(b) contract from other 403(b) contracts or accounts must generally be subject to the same restrictions on withdrawals applicable under the prior contract or account.

#### Tax Deferral on Earnings

The Federal income tax law generally does not tax any increase in your contract value until you receive a contract distribution. However, for this general rule to apply, certain requirements must be satisfied:

- An individual must own the contract (or the tax law must treat the contract as owned by an individual).
- The investments of the VAA must be "adequately diversified" in accordance with IRS regulations.
- Your right to choose particular investments for a contract must be limited.
- The annuity commencement date must not occur near the end of the annuitant's life expectancy.

#### Investments in the VAA Must Be Diversified

For a contract to be treated as an annuity for Federal income tax purposes, the investments of the VAA must be "adequately diversified." IRS regulations define standards for determining whether the investments of the VAA are adequately diversified. If the VAA fails to comply with these diversification standards, you could be required to pay tax currently on the excess of the contract value over the contract purchase payments. Although we do not control the investments of the underlying investment options, we expect that the underlying investment options will comply with the IRS regulations so that the VAA will be considered "adequately diversified."

### Restrictions

Federal income tax law limits your right to choose particular investments for the contract. Because the IRS has issued little guidance specifying those limits, the limits are uncertain and your right to allocate contract values among the subaccounts may exceed those limits. If so, you would be treated as the owner of the assets of the VAA and thus subject to current taxation on the income, bonus

credits, persistency credits and gains, if applicable, from those assets. We do not know what limits may be set by the IRS in any guidance that it may issue and whether any such limits will apply to existing contracts. We reserve the right to modify the contract without your consent to try to prevent the tax law from considering you as the owner of the assets of the VAA.

#### **Tax Treatment of Qualified Contracts**

The Federal income tax rules applicable to qualified plans and qualified contracts vary with the type of plan and contract. For example,

- Federal tax rules limit the amount of purchase payments that can be made, and the tax deduction or exclusion that may be allowed for the purchase payments. These limits vary depending on the type of qualified plan and the plan participant's specific circumstances, e.g., the participant's compensation.
- Minimum annual distributions are required under most qualified plans once you reach a certain age, typically age 70½, as
  described below.
- Under most qualified plans, such as a traditional IRA, the owner must begin receiving payments from the contract in certain minimum amounts by a certain age, typically age 70½. Other qualified plans may allow the participant to take required distributions upon the later of reaching age 70½ or retirement.

#### Tax Treatment of Payments

The Federal income tax rules generally include distributions from a qualified contract in the participant's income as ordinary income. These taxable distributions will include purchase payments that were deductible or excludible from income. Thus, under many qualified contracts, the total amount received is included in income since a deduction or exclusion from income was taken for purchase payments. There are exceptions. For example, you do not include amounts received from a Roth IRA in income if certain conditions are satisfied.

#### **Required Minimum Distributions (RMDs)**

Under most qualified plans, you must begin receiving payments from the contract in certain minimum amounts by the later of age 70½ or retirement. You are required to take distributions from your traditional IRAs beginning in the year you reach age 70½. If you own a Roth IRA, you are not required to receive minimum distributions from your Roth IRA during your life.

Failure to comply with the minimum distribution rules applicable to certain qualified plans, such as Traditional IRAs, will result in the imposition of an excise tax. This excise tax equals 50% of the amount by which a minimum required distribution exceeds the actual distribution from the qualified plan.

The IRS regulations applicable to required minimum distributions include a rule that may impact the distribution method you have chosen and the amount of your distributions. Under these regulations, the presence of an enhanced death benefit, or other benefit, if any, may require you to take additional distributions. An enhanced death benefit is any death benefit that has the potential to pay more than the contract value or a return of purchase payments. Please contact your tax adviser regarding any tax ramifications.

#### Federal Penalty Taxes Payable on Distributions

The tax code may impose a 10% penalty tax on a distribution from a qualified contract that must be included in income. The tax code does not impose the penalty tax if one of several exceptions applies. The exceptions vary depending on the type of qualified contract you purchase. For example, in the case of an IRA, exceptions provide that the penalty tax does not apply to a withdrawal, surrender, or annuity payout:

- received on or after the annuitant reaches 59½.
- received on or after the annuitant's death or because of the annuitant's disability (as defined in the tax law),
- received as a series of substantially equal periodic payments based on the annuitant's life (or life expectancy), or
- received as reimbursement for certain amounts paid for medical care.

These exceptions, as well as certain others not described here, generally apply to taxable distributions from other qualified plans. However, the specific requirements of the exception may vary.

#### **Unearned Income Medicare Contribution**

Congress enacted the "Unearned Income Medicare Contribution" as a part of the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010. This new tax, which affects individuals whose modified adjusted gross income exceeds certain thresholds, is a 3.8% tax on the lesser of (i) the individual's "unearned income," or (ii) the dollar amount by which the individual's modified adjusted gross income exceeds the applicable threshold. Distributions that you take from your contract are not included in the calculation of unearned income because your contract is a qualified plan contract. However, the amount of any such distribution is included in determining whether you exceed the modified adjusted gross income threshold. The tax is effective for tax years after December 31, 2012. Please consult your tax advisor to determine whether your annuity distributions are subject to this tax.

#### **Taxation of Death Benefits**

We may distribute amounts from your contract because of your death. Federal tax rules may limit the payment options available to your beneficiaries. If your spouse is your beneficiary, your surviving spouse will generally receive special treatment and will have more available payment options. Non-spouse beneficiaries do not receive the same special treatment. Payment options may be further limited depending upon whether you reached the date upon which you were required to begin minimum distributions. The Pension Protection Act of 2006 ("PPA") permits non-spouse beneficiary rollovers to an "inherited IRA" (effective January 1, 2007).

### **Transfers and Direct Rollovers**

As a result of the Economic Growth and Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 2001 ("EGTRRA"), you may be able to move funds between different types of qualified plans, such as 403(b) and 457(b) governmental plans, by means of a rollover or transfer. You may be able to rollover or transfer amounts between qualified plans and traditional IRAs. These rules do not apply to Roth IRAs and 457(b) non-governmental tax-exempt plans. The PPA permits direct conversions from certain qualified, 403(b) or 457(b) plans to Roth IRAs (effective for distribution after 2007). There are special rules that apply to rollovers, direct rollovers and transfers (including rollovers or transfers or after-tax amounts). If the applicable rules are not followed, you may incur adverse Federal income tax consequences, including paying taxes which you might not otherwise have had to pay. Before we send a rollover distribution, we will provide a notice explaining tax withholding requirements (see Federal Income Tax Withholding). We are not required to send you such notice for your IRA. You should always consult your tax adviser before you move or attempt to move any funds.

### **Federal Income Tax Withholding**

We will withhold and remit to the IRS a part of the taxable portion of each distribution made under a contract unless you notify us prior to the distribution that tax is not to be withheld. In certain circumstances, Federal income tax rules may require us to withhold tax. At the time a withdrawal, surrender, or annuity payout is requested, we will give you an explanation of the withholding requirements.

Certain payments from your contract may be considered eligible rollover distributions (even if such payments are not being rolled over). Such distributions may be subject to special tax withholding requirements. The Federal income tax withholding rules require that we withhold 20% of the eligible rollover distribution from the payment amount, unless you elect to have the amount directly transferred to certain qualified plans or contracts. The IRS requires that tax be withheld, even if you have requested otherwise. Such tax withholding requirements are generally applicable to 401(a), 403(a) or (b), HR 10, and 457(b) governmental plans and contracts used in connection with these types of plans.

# **Nongualified Annuity Contracts**

A nonqualified annuity is a contract not issued in connection with an IRA or a qualified retirement plan receiving special tax treatment under the tax code. These contracts are not intended for use with nonqualified annuity contracts. Different federal tax rules apply to nonqualified annuity contracts. Persons planning to use the contract in connection with a nonqualified annuity should obtain advice from a tax advisor.

### **Our Tax Status**

Under existing Federal income tax laws, we do not pay tax on investment income and realized capital gains of the VAA. We do not expect that we will incur any Federal income tax liability on the income and gains earned by the VAA. However, the Company does expect, to the extent permitted under Federal tax law, to claim the benefit of the foreign tax credit as the owner of the assets of the VAA. Therefore, we do not impose a charge for Federal income taxes. If Federal income tax law changes and we must pay tax on some or all of the income and gains earned by the VAA, we may impose a charge against the VAA to pay the taxes.

### Changes in the Law

The above discussion is based on the tax code, IRS regulations, and interpretations existing on the date of this prospectus. However, Congress, the IRS, and the courts may modify these authorities, sometimes retroactively.

# **Additional Information**

# **Voting Rights**

As required by law, we will vote the fund shares held in the VAA at meetings of the shareholders of the funds. The voting will be done according to the instructions of contractowners who have interests in any subaccounts which invest in classes of the funds. If the 1940 Act or any regulation under it should be amended or if present interpretations should change, and if as a result we determine that we are permitted to vote the fund shares in our own right, we may elect to do so.

The number of votes which you have the right to cast will be determined by applying your percentage interest in a subaccount to the total number of votes attributable to the subaccount. In determining the number of votes, fractional shares will be recognized.

Each underlying fund is subject to the laws of the state in which it is organized concerning, among other things, the matters which are subject to a shareholder vote, the number of shares which must be present in person or by proxy at a meeting of shareholders (a "quorum"), and the percentage of such shares present in person or by proxy which must vote in favor of matters presented. Because shares of the underlying fund held in the VAA are owned by us, and because under the 1940 Act we will vote all such shares in the same proportion as the voting instruction which we receive, it is important that each contractowner provide their voting instructions to us. Even though contractowners may choose not to provide voting instruction, the shares of a fund to which such contractowners would have been entitled to provide voting instruction will, subject to fair representation requirements, be voted by us in the same proportion as the voting instruction which we actually receive. As a result, the instruction of a small number of contractowners could determine the outcome of matters subject to shareholder vote. All shares voted by us will be counted when the underlying fund determines whether any requirement for a minimum number of shares be present at such a meeting to satisfy a quorum requirement has been met. Voting instructions to abstain on any item to be voted on will be applied on a pro-rata basis to reduce the number of votes eligible to be cast.

Whenever a shareholders meeting is called, we will provide or make available to each person having a voting interest in a subaccount proxy voting material, reports and other materials relating to the funds. Since the funds engage in shared funding, other persons or entities besides Lincoln Life may vote fund shares. See Investments of the Variable Annuity Account — Fund Shares.

# Return Privilege

Within the free-look period after you receive the contract, you may cancel it for any reason by delivering or mailing it postage prepaid, to The Lincoln National Life Insurance Company at PO Box 2340, Fort Wayne, IN 46801-2340. A contract canceled under this provision will be void. With respect to the fixed side of a contract, we will return purchase payments. With respect to the VAA, except as explained in the following paragraph, we will return the contract value as of the valuation date on which we receive the cancellation request, plus any account charge and any premium taxes which had been deducted. No surrender charge will apply. **A purchaser who participates in the VAA is subject to the risk of a market loss during the free-look period.** 

For contracts written in those states whose laws require that we assume this market risk during the free-look period, a contract may be canceled, in the manner specified above, except that we will return only the purchase payment(s). IRA purchasers will receive purchase payments only.

# **State Regulation**

As a life insurance company organized and operated under Indiana law, we are subject to provisions governing life insurers and to regulation by the Indiana Commissioner of Insurance. Our books and accounts are subject to review and examination by the Indiana Department of Insurance at all times. A full examination of our operations is conducted by that Department at least every five years.

# **Restrictions Under the Texas Optional Retirement Program**

Title 8, Section 830.105 of the Texas Government Code, consistent with prior interpretations of the Attorney General of the State of Texas, permits participants in the Texas Optional Retirement Program (ORP) to redeem their interest in a variable annuity contract issued under the ORP only upon:

- Termination of employment in all institutions of higher education as defined in Texas law;
- Retirement; or
- Death.

Accordingly, a participant in the ORP will be required to obtain a certificate of termination from their employer before accounts can be redeemed.

### **Records and Reports**

As presently required by the 1940 Act and applicable regulations, we are responsible for maintaining all records and accounts relating to the VAA. We have entered into an agreement with The Bank of New York Mellon, One Mellon Bank Center, 500 Grant Street, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, 15258, to provide accounting services to the VAA. We will mail to you, at your last known address of record at the Home Office, at least semi-annually after the first contract year, reports containing information required by that Act or any other applicable law or regulation.

### Other Information

You may elect to receive your prospectus, prospectus supplements, quarterly statements, and annual and semiannual reports electronically over the Internet, if you have an e-mail account and access to an Internet browser. Once you select eDelivery, via the Internet Service Center, all documents available in electronic format will no longer be sent to you in hard copy. You will receive an e-mail notification when the documents become available online. It is your responsibility to provide us with your current e-mail address. You

can resume paper mailings at any time without cost, by updating your profile at the Internet Service Center, or contacting us. To learn more about this service, please log on to www.LincolnFinancial.com, select service centers and continue on through the Internet Service Center.

# **Special Arrangements**

At times, we may offer variations of the contracts described in this prospectus to existing owners as part of an exchange program. Contracts purchased through this exchange offer may impose different fees and expenses and provide certain additional benefits from those described in this prospectus.

# **Legal Proceedings**

In the ordinary course of its business and otherwise, the Company and its subsidiaries or its separate accounts and Principal Underwriter may become or are involved in various pending or threatened legal proceedings, including purported class actions, arising from the conduct of its business. In some instances, the proceedings include claims for unspecified or substantial punitive damages and similar types of relief in addition to amounts for alleged contractual liability or requests for equitable relief.

After consultation with legal counsel and a review of available facts, it is management's opinion that the proceedings, after consideration of any reserves and rights to indemnification, ultimately will be resolved without materially affecting the consolidated financial position of the Company and its subsidiaries, or the financial position of its separate accounts or Principal Underwriter. However, given the large and indeterminate amounts sought in certain of these proceedings and the inherent difficulty in predicting the outcome of such legal proceedings, it is possible that an adverse outcome in certain matters could be material to the Company's operating results for any particular reporting period.

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# **Appendix A** — **Condensed Financial Information**

# **Accumulation Unit Values**

The following information relates to accumulation unit values and accumulation units for funds in the periods ended December 31. It should be read along with the VAA's financial statement and notes which are included in the SAI.

	Accumulation unit value		Number of
	Beginning of period	End of period	accumulation units
	(Accumulation	n unit value in dollars and Number of accumulation	units in thousands)
AllianceBernstein VPS Global Thematic Growth			
2004	9.161	10.933	2
2005	10.933	11.219	24
2006	11.219	12.038	50
2007	12.038	14.289	91
2008	14.289	7.432	139
2009	7.432	11.267	207
2010.	11.267	13.228	225
2011	13.228	10.030	235
AllianceBernstein VPS Growth and Income			
2004	10.082	11.133	6
2005	11.133	11.528	61
2006	11.528	13.352	117
2007	13.352	13.861	174
2008	13.861	8.138	243
2009	8.138	9.697	292
2010	9.697	10.829	342
	10.829	11.371	376
American Continu VD Inflation Protection	10.029	11.371	370
American Century VP Inflation Protection 2009	9.967	10.599	60
2010	10.599	11.028	158
2011	11.028	12.201	323
American Funds Global Growth Fund			
2004	9.798	11.310	13
2005.	11.310	12.773	107
2006	12.773	15.229	227
2007	15.229	17.316	410
2008	17.316	10.562	636
2009.	10.562	14.881	857
	14.881	16.463	984
2010	16.463	14.850	
2011	10.403	14.650	1,034
American Funds Growth Fund 2004.	9.591	11.148	114
2005	11.148	12.824	796
2006	12.824	13.993	1,722
2007	13.993	15.564	2,532
2008	15.564	8.634	3,395
2009	8.634	11.916	4,349
2010	11.916	14.001	4,821
2011	14.001	13.269	5,092
American Funds Growth-Income Fund	0.704	10.070	7.4
2004	9.794	10.978	74
2005	10.978	11.502	504
2006	11.502	13.119	1,060
2007	13.119	13.643	1,617
2008	13.643	8.395	2,224
2009	8.395	10.907	2,914
2010	10.907	12.032	3,315
2011	12.032	11.694	3,560
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	Accumulation unit value		Number of	
	Beginning of period	End of period	accumulation units	
American Funda International Fund	(Accumulatio	n unit value in dollars and Number of accumulation u	inits in thousands)	
American Funds International Fund 2004.	9.918	11.729	35	
2005	11.729	14.109	273	
2006	14.109	16.619	708	
2007	16.619	19.748	1,152	
2008	19.748	11.315	1,637	
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2009		16.028	2,116	
2010	16.028	17.016	2,362	
2011	17.016	14.493	2,503	
Blackrock Global Allocation VI	10.050	44.040	45	
2009	10.050	11.616	45	
2010	11.616	12.622	285	
2011	12.622	12.042	493	
Delaware VIP® Diversified Income Series				
2004	10.269	10.914	22	
2005	10.914	10.742	193	
2006	10.742	11.439	410	
2007	11.439	12.165	768	
2008	12.165	11.454	1,082	
2009	11.454	14.363	1,405	
2010	14.363	15.338	1,711	
2011	15.338	16.119	1,903	
Delaware VIP <sup>®</sup> High Yield Series				
2005	9.982	10.274	9	
2006	10.274	11.412	68	
2007	11.412	11.586	170	
2008	11.586	8.668	243	
2009	8.668	12.757	377	
2010	12.757	14.513	405	
2011	14.513	14.703	476	
Delaware VIP® REIT Series		66		
2004	10.831	13.277	52	
2005	13.277	14.046	205	
2006	14.046	18.400	411	
2007	18.400	15.634	539	
2008	15.634	10.017	668	
2009	10.017	12.221	802	
2010	12.221	15.319	888	
2011	15.319	16.777	921	
Delaware VIP® Small Cap Value Series				
2004	9.879	12.117	56	
2005	12.117	13.094	355	
2006	13.094	15.022	706	
2007	15.022	13.855	1,021	
2008	13.855	9.593	1,265	
2009	9.593	12.495	1,541	
2010	12.495	16.318	1,701	
2011	16.318	15.898	1,744	
Delaware VIP® Smid Cap Growth Series(3)				
2004	8.855	10.985	21	
2005	10.985	11.486	119	
2006	11.486	12.206	227	
2007	12.206	13.348	311	
2008	13.348	7.022	401	
2009	7.022	10.733	511	
2010	12.822	14.524	602	
2011	14.524	15.516	702	
	17.027	10.010	102	

	Accumulation unit value		Number of	
	Beginning	End of	accumulation	
	of period	period	units	
	(Accumulatio	n unit value in dollars and Number of accumulation	units in thousands)	
Delaware VIP® Value Series	•		,	
2004	9.935	11.343	10	
2005	11.343	11.881	101	
2006	11.881	14.561	283	
2007	14.561	13.984	507	
2008	13.984	9.197	646	
2009	9.197	10.712	813	
2010	10.712	12.231	896	
2011	12.231	13.230	987	
DWS VIP Alternative Asset Allocation Plus				
2009	10.005	11.534	6	
2010	11.534	12.806	29	
2011	12.806	12.284	67	
DWS VIP Equity 500 Index				
2004	9.881	11.081	12	
2005	11.081	11.455	88	
2006	11.455	13.070	193	
2007	13.070	13.591	314	
2008.	13.591	8.431		
			469	
2009	8.431	10.520	679	
2010	10.520	11.927	875	
2011	11.927	11.985	1,062	
DWS VIP Small Cap Index				
2004	9.360	11.770	9	
2005	11.770	12.118	56	
2006	12.118	14.060	125	
2007	14.060	13.619	189	
2008	13.619	8.855	266	
2009	8.855	11.070	339	
2010	11.070	13.820	384	
2011	13.820	13.056	400	
Fidelity® VIP Contrafund® Portfolio				
2004	9.608	11.299	28	
2005	11.299	13.051	293	
2006	13.051	14.398	734	
2007	14.398	16.721	1,192	
2008	16.721	9.487	1,717	
2009	9.487	12.724	2,205	
2010	12.724	14.729	2,489	
2011	14.729	14.176	2,664	
Fidelity® VIP Growth Portfolio			_,	
	9.599	10.590	6	
2004				
2005	10.590	11.061	36	
2006	11.061	11.670	79	
2007	11.670	14.634	147	
2008	14.634	7.634	264	
2009	7.634	9.672	342	
2010	9.672	11.860	404	
2011	11.860	11.738	474	
LVIP Baron Growth Opportunities*				
2004	9.172	11.803	38	
2005	11.803	12.079	308	
2006	12.079	13.815	601	
2007	13.815	14.145	833	
2008	14.145	8.523	1,046	
2009	8.523	11.672	1,266	
2010	11.672	14.605	1,361	
2011	14.605	15.041	1,452	
	17.000	10.011	1,702	

	Accumulation unit value		Number of	
	Beginning of period	End of period	accumulation units	
	(Accumulatio	n unit value in dollars and Number of accumulation (	units in thousands)	
LVIP Cohen & Steers Global Real Estate				
2007	10.089	8.251	12	
2008	8.251	4.723	55	
2009	4.723	6.429	142	
2010	6.429	7.490	225	
2011	7.490	6.755	280	
LVIP Delaware Bond				
2004	10.288	10.536	44	
2005	10.536	10.680	277	
2006	10.680	11.044	590	
2007	11.044	11.499	905	
2008	11.499	11.013	1,142	
2009	11.013	12.918	1,354	
2010	12.918	13.828	1,601	
2011	13.828	14.684	1,762	
LVIP Delaware Diversified Floating Rate 2011	9.998	9.762	6	
LVIP Delaware Foundation Aggressive Allocation <sup>(1)</sup>				
2004	10.106	11.433	8	
2005	11.433	12.058	37	
2006	12.058		71	
		13.636		
2007	13.636	14.325	108	
2008	14.325	9.447	158	
2009	9.447	12.313	192	
2010	12.313	13.678	214	
2011	13.678	13.235	243	
LVIP Delaware Foundation Conservative Allocation <sup>(2)</sup>				
2004	9.977	10.996	17	
2005	10.996	11.350	90	
2006	11.350	12.395	166	
2007	12.395	12.801	233	
2008	12.801	9.224	280	
2009	9.224	11.186	322	
2010	11.186	12.198	358	
2011	12.198	12.316	373	
LVIP Delaware Foundation Moderate Allocation	12.100	12.010		
2009	10.156	11.777	2	
2010	11.777	12.910	29	
2011	12.910	12.784	82	
	12.010	12.701		
LVIP Delaware Growth and Income	0.000	11.004	44	
2004	9.839	11.264	11	
2005	11.264	11.740	88	
2006	11.740	13.028	155	
2007	13.028	13.653	209	
2008	13.653	8.651	252	
2009	8.651	10.641	298	
2010	10.641	11.856	313	
2011	11.856	11.837	349	
LVIP Delaware Social Awareness				
2004	9.736	11.224	13	
2005	11.224	12.418	113	
2006	12.418	13.773	266	
2007	13.773	14.005	411	
2008	14.005	9.063	578	
2009	9.063	11.623	715	
2010	11.623	12.793	767	
2011	12.793	12.702	820	

	Accumulation unit value		Number of	
	Beginning	End of	accumulation	
	of period	period	units	
LVIP Delaware Special Opportunities	(Accumulatio	n unit value in dollars and Number of accumulation ເ	inits in thousands)	
2004	10.118	12.163	19	
2005	12.163	13.891	236	
2006	13.891	15.920	526	
2007	15.920	16.321	762	
2008	16.321	10.203	962	
2009	10.203	13.131	1,135	
2010	13.131	16.923	1,239	
2011	16.923	15.828	1,317	
LVIP Global Income	0.000	40.740	40	
2009	9.922	10.713	13	
2010	10.713	11.605	55	
2011	11.605	11.584	113	
LVIP Janus Capital Appreciation	0.040	10.000	1**	
2004	9.840	10.808	•	
2005	10.808	11.122	14	
2006	11.122	12.047	30	
2007	12.047	14.326	47	
2008	14.326	8.372	78	
2009	8.372	11.453	116	
2010	11.453	12.595	117	
2011	12.595	11.730	127	
LVIP Mondrian International Value				
2004	10.262	12.237	7	
2005	12.237	13.600	130	
2006	13.600	17.461	310	
2007	17.461	19.225	540	
2008	19.225	12.027	712	
2009	12.027	14.398	876	
2010	14.398	14.570	934	
2011	14.570	13.782	988	
	14.070	10.702		
LVIP Money Market Fund	9.986	9.990	4	
2004				
2005	9.990	10.141	35	
2006	10.141	10.484	104	
2007	10.484	10.867	233	
2008	10.867	10.984	529	
2009	10.984	10.883	613	
2010	10.883	10.779	630	
2011	10.779	10.675	699	
LVIP Protected Profile 2010				
2007	10.060	10.476	1**	
2008	10.476	7.872	45	
2009	7.872	9.671	85	
2010	9.671	10.646	131	
2011	10.646	10.644	129	
LVIP Protected Profile 2020				
2007	9.992	10.321	16	
2008	10.321	7.452	131	
2009	7.452	9.248	309	
2010	9.248	10.232	505	
2011	10.232	10.125	619	
LVIP Protected Profile 2030		. 5.120		
2007	10.179	10.428	8	
2008	10.428	7.129	140	
2009	7.129	9.009	309	
2010	9.009	10.012	502	
2011	10.012	9.832	701	
	10.012	J.UUZ	701	

	Accumulation unit value		Number of	
	Beginning of period	End of period	accumulation units	
	·	tion unit value in dollars and Number of accumulation u		
LVIP Protected Profile 2040	(Accumula	tion unit value in dollars and Number of accumulation t	iiiits iii tiiousaiius)	
2007	9.803	10.253	17	
2008	10.253	6.526	125	
2009	6.526	8.440	342	
2010	8.440	9.474	547	
2011	9.474	9.219	743	
LVIP Protected Profile 2050 2011	19.633	9.197	8	
LVIP Protected Profile Conservative	10.000	3.107		
2005	10.013	10.290	11	
2006	10.290	11.111	79	
2007	11.111	11.826	227	
2008	11.826	9.524	437	
2009	9.524	11.744	662	
2010	11.744	12.816	828	
2011	12.816	13.123	932	
LVIP Protected Profile Growth				
2005	10.010	10.686	65	
2006	10.686	12.045	349	
2007	12.045	13.062	830	
2008	13.062	8.589	1,412	
2009	8.589	10.945	2,040	
2010	10.945	12.182	2,457	
2011	12.182	12.031	2,621	
LVIP Protected Profile Moderate				
2005	9.999	10.508	71	
2006	10.508	11.627	374	
2007	11.627	12.547	837	
2008	12.547	9.092	1,392	
2009	9.092	11.497	1,924	
2010	11.497 12.712	12.712 12.700	2,322 2,468	
2011	12.712	12.700	2,400	
LVIP SSgA Bond Index	0.010	10.004	44	
2009	9.918	10.294	11 35	
2010 2011	10.294 10.773	10.773 11.427	68	
-	10.770	11.721		
LVIP SSgA Emerging Markets 100 2009.	10.357	14.243	47	
2010	14.243	17.971	129	
2011	17.971	15.096	200	
	17.071	10.000		
LVIP SSgA Global Tactical Allocation <sup>(4)</sup> 2005	10.033	10.922	24	
2006	10.922	12.570	139	
2007	12.570	13.782	331	
2008	13.782	8.103	713	
2009	8.103	10.466	1,064	
2010	10.466	11.240	1,258	
2011	11.240	11.124	1,289	
LVIP SSgA International Index				
2009	10.339	12.443	5	
2010	12.443	13.154	15	
2011	13.154	11.383	30	
LVIP SSgA S&P 500 Index			_	
2007	9.938	9.651	4	
2008	9.651	5.987	65	
2009	5.987	7.455	135	
2010	7.455	8.447	217	
2011	8.447	8.496	316	

	Accumula	tion unit value	Number of
	Beginning	End of	accumulati
	of period	period	units
LVIP SSgA Small Cap Index	(Accumulation	n unit value in dollars and Number of accumulation	units in thousands)
2007	9.955	9.181	6
2008	9.181	5.986	23
2009	5.986	7.450	52
2010	7.450	9.284	98
2011	9.284	8.750	120
LVIP T. Rowe Price Structured Mid-Cap Growth	0.000	44.400	•
2004	9.600	11.133	3
2005	11.133	12.074	29
2006	12.074	13.030	75
2007	13.030	14.615	119
2008	14.615	8.259	156
2009	8.259	11.936	262
2010	11.936	15.133	329
2011	15.133	14.366	388
LVIP Vanguard Domestic Equity ETF			
2011	9.982	9.385	14
LVIP Vanguard International Equity ETF			
2011	10.022	8.374	7
LVIP Wells Fargo Intrinsic Value Fund			
2004	9.904	11.314	21
2005	11.314	11.676	141
2006	11.676	12.830	280
2007	12.830	13.222	388
2008	13.222	8.053	462
2009	8.053	9.806	514
2010	9.806 11.421	11.421 10.989	546 555
	11.721	10.505	
MFS VIT Utilities Series 2004	10.406	12.718	21
2005	12.718	14.677	125
2006	14.677	19.030	274
2007	19.030	24.032	530
2008	24.032	14.797	802
2009	14.797	19.464	1,007
2010	19.464	21.874	1,105
2011	21.874	23.065	1,135
Neuberger Berman AMT Mid-Cap Growth Portfolio			
2004	9.404	11.591	8
2005	11.591	13.053	63
2006	13.053	14.821	154
2007	14.821	17.979	292
2008	17.979	10.080	411
2009	10.080	13.133	515
2010	13.133	16.785	578
2011	16.785	16.697	604
PIMCO Total Return			
2011	10.000	10.027	44

<sup>\*</sup> Effective June 5, 2007, the Baron Capital Asset Fund, a series of Baron Capital Funds Trust, was reorganized into the LVIP Baron Growth Opportunities Fund, a series of Lincoln Variable Insurance Products Trust. The values in the table for periods prior to the date of the reorganization reflect investments in the Baron Capital Asset Fund.

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<sup>(2)</sup> Effective June 15, 2009, the LVIP Delaware Managed Fund was reorganized into the LVIP Delaware Foundation Conservative Allocation Fund. The values in the table for periods prior to the date of the reorganization reflect investments in the LVIP Delaware Managed Fund.

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