

REGISTERED INVESTMENT ADVISER

# Easily integrate annuities into your independent RIA business

Traditionally, Registered Investment Advisers (RIAs) have found it difficult to incorporate insurance within their unique business models. Fortunately, there have been significant industry advancements that can help easily integrate insurance into an RIA's ecosystem. As an RIA, consider these advancements as an opportunity to expand your services, explore new potential solutions, and gain visibility into already-purchased annuities.

New annuities designed for RIAs	<ul> <li>Low-cost lifetime retirement income</li> <li>Shorter surrender periods or no surrender charge<sup>1</sup></li> <li>Seamless fee-billing capabilities</li> </ul>
RIA/Investment Adviser roles on policies and data integrations	<ul> <li>Access to annuities already purchased for analysis</li> <li>Discretionary authority for advisors</li> <li>Fintech integration to help provide a smooth experience for clients and advisors (Orion, BlackDiamond, Tamarac, etc.)</li> </ul>
Academic research and analysis tools	<ul> <li>Show the value of incorporating an annuity into helping address stated retirement objectives of cash-flow, asset preservation, and/or wealth transfer</li> <li>Advancements with financial planning software (eMoney, MoneyGuidePro, RightCapital, etc.) have allowed planners the ability to analyze retirement plans with and without an annuity</li> </ul>
RIA platforms to support implementation	If you aren't currently offering insurance products, you may have had to refer your clients to an insurance professional to help them or you've noticed that they have sought one out on their own.  There are ways in which you can help offer your clients potential insurance solutions, such as annuities, without being insurance licensed yourself. These new implementation models may help RIAs bill on the annuity asset while maintaining the client relationship and their experience.

TO LEARN MORE, we have included five simple steps your regional RIA contact can guide you through.

## Five steps to consider when incorporating insurance into your RIA

Adding fee-based annuities as a service can potentially help you retain clients, improve client outcomes, and increase revenue to your business.

### A SIMPLE FIVE-STEP SOLUTION:

### 1. Gain access

Gain access to your clients' already-purchased annuities for a holistic view.

### 2. Explore new solutions

Review old annuity contracts to see if new solutions would provide better outcomes and leverage new tools to analyze portfolios or financial plans.

### 3. Demonstrate the impact

Utilize your preferred fintech software to model and objectively evaluate a fee-based annuity solution. Easily share the report results with your clients in a way they can understand.

### 4. Implement

When the client decides to move forward, utilize an insurance licensing desk for product implementation and application completion.

### 5. Manage

While you always maintain your relationship with your client, your insurance partner is available to help navigate client milestones and support both you and the client during the life of the contract.

## This includes:

- Integrating annuities into your portfolio management platform
- Adding RIA/IAR to the insurance policy as the adviser
- Billing Private letter ruling (PLR) and streamlined processes with billing software
- Service contracts via discretionary authority

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