



Berkley Life and Health Insurance Company Named to Ward's 50 Top Performers

Company joins list as a top performer for safety and consistency



July 28, 2014 – Hamilton Square, NJ – Berkley Life and Health Insurance Company, a W. R. Berkley Company, has been named to the 2014 Ward's 50 group of top-performing companies. Each year, the Ward Group selects 50 insurance companies for achieving outstanding financial results in the areas of safety, consistency, and performance over a five-year period. This year, the Ward Group analyzed nearly 800 life-health insurers and identified the top 50, based on objective data and subjective quality measures.

"We are honored to receive the Ward's 50 designation," said Christopher Brown, President and CEO of Berkley Accident and Health. "We operate in selected niche markets, where risk management expertise and financial strength are critical. Our customers have benefitted from our strength and long-term growth, and we're pleased to be recognized for it by the Ward Group." Berkley Life and Health Insurance Company is the issuing carrier for Berkley Accident and Health.

The Ward Group is the trusted leader of benchmarking and best practices services for the insurance industry. To be selected for the Ward's 50 designation, insurance companies must pass safety, consistency, and performance requirements for:

- Surplus, premiums, income, and annual growth
- Return on equity and revenue growth
- Higher financial returns compared to the rest of the industry

Berkley Accident and Health is a member company of W. R. Berkley Corporation, a Fortune 500 company. Founded in 1967, W. R. Berkley is one of the 20 largest property-casualty insurers in the U.S. W. R. Berkley Corporation also has been named a Ward's 50 property-casualty top performer.

The full list of Ward's top 50 performers is available on the Ward Group's website, www.wardinc.com.

For more information about Berkley Accident and Health, visit www.BerkleyAH.com.

About Berkley Accident and Health

Berkley Accident and Health is a member company of W. R. Berkley Corporation, a Fortune 500 company. Berkley Accident and Health provides an innovative portfolio of accident and health insurance products. It offers four categories of products: Employer Stop Loss, Group Captive, Managed Care (including HMO Reinsurance and Provider Excess), and Specialty Accident.

The company underwrites coverage through Berkley Life and Health Insurance Company, rated A+ (Superior) by A.M. Best and a Ward's 50 top-performing insurance company.

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