

Big Market Issue 1:

Consumer Confidence

Payment Protection Insurance:

"Claims = 20% premiums paid" GMTV 3rd May 2007

- OFT investigation + Competition Commission Enquiry
- FSA review
- Critical Illness Cover:

"20% claims rejected" GMTV 3rd May 2007

- Persistent poor media coverage
- FOS publicly criticising
- Industry criticising itself over declined claims
- Paying claims is our reason for existence

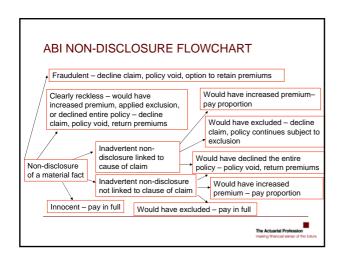
Tackling the big issues: Consumer Confidence

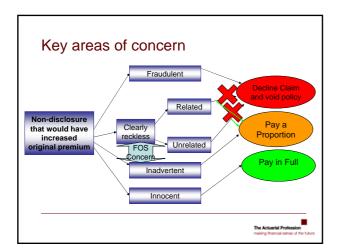
- Not meeting definition rejections
 - Work undertaken on clarity
 - Profile of the issue should improve understanding
 - TPD is being addressed
- Non-disclosure rejections
 - High profile
 - Warnings and wording improved
 - Some evidence trend is improving
 - Perception insurers trying to wriggle out of paying
 - Perception of unfairness

Tackling the big issues: CIC Claim Case study

- Life + CIC policy taken out January 2005 Answered "No" to:
- - Have you ever had Mental Illness requiring hospital consultation?
 - In the last 5 years have you had anxiety, depression, or any form of nervous or mental disorder for which you have been prescribed tranquillisers or anti-depressants?
 - In the last 5 years have you had any form of back, neck, spine or joint trouble?
- June 2005: Suffered a stroke and claimed
- GP records showed: 1997-2004 history of back trouble including certified time off work
 1998 2001 Mental illness history including depression, stress
 following car accident, certified time off work and counselling
- Underwriters confirm Cervical Spine exclusion would have applied although mental illness would probably have had no impact on underwriting decision

What decision would you feel comfortable defending on the GMTV couch? Could you convince a reasonable viewer it was fair to decline?





Law commission proposals

Consultation Paper expected Summer 2007

- Many issues raised are valid points that have already been addressed
- Some tentatively proposed solutions could be disastrous for the market and consumers: eg Non-contestability
- Some issues need addressing

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Tackling the big issues: Consumer Confidence **Drivers for change** Do Nothing Take Action Now • Consumer dissatisfaction → Lower sales → Higher sales Advisor confidence → Reluctance to promote → Keener to sell • Consumer lobby groups → Increased lobbying → Reduced lobbying Media pressure → Sustained bad PR → Reduced bad PR • FOS → More overturns → Fewer overturns • FSA → Greater scrutiny → Less scrutiny Law Commission → Imposed legal change → Legal change avoided? → Uncertain increase in → Managed increase in cost offset by some sales

Tackling the big issues: Consumer Confidence Industry response • New ABI committee: TCF Protection Claims Group • Overall aim: Improve consumer confidence and so help to close Protection gap • Understand and quantify the issues • Engage with FOS • Propose ways of addressing issues • Pursue positive PR opportunities Cost to back book

Big Market Issue 2: Advisor Appetite

- Consumers need to be persuaded to buy Protection
- Not enough advisors who are good at persuading
 - Mortgage brokers more interested in mortgages
 - IFAs often more interested in pensions and investments
 - IFAs focusing on HNW customer base
 - Direct sales forces no longer around
 - Banks not maximising Protection opportunities
- Cost efficiency focus has reduced provider sales support
- Online discount brokers potentially undermining viability of advice paid via commission

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Tackling the big issues: Advisor Appetite

Industry response required

- Big marketing campaigns directed at consumers not the answer for now
- Protection sales training heavily subsidised by the industry should be revenue generating for the market
- Lobby for Protection advice to have greater importance
- Process and Technology innovation to make advisors life easier

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Protection Market Prospects High levels of underlying customer need: Family Protection Business Protection Idon't really want to think about it Idon't really want to think about i

Success Criteria for Protection Providers?

- Strong distribution capability
- Heavy Technology Investment
 - Self service functionality for advisors and customers
 - Cost efficiency for advisors and providers
 - High quality risk management
 - Speed of response
- Highly skilled people delivering excellent service
- Scale
- Competitively priced, flexible products
- Reputation for fairness
- Focus on meeting the needs of customers and advisors

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