

31A-22-609 Incontestability for accident and health insurance.

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- (a) A statement made by an applicant relating to the person's insurability, except fraudulent misrepresentation, may not be a basis for avoidance of a policy, coverage, or denial of a claim for loss incurred or disability commencing after the coverage has been in effect for two years.
 - (b) The insurer has the burden of proving fraud by clear and convincing evidence.
- (2) Except as provided under Section 31A-22-605.1, a claim for loss incurred or disability commencing after two years from the date of issue of the policy may not be reduced or denied on the ground that a disease or physical condition existed prior to the effective date of coverage, unless the condition was excluded from coverage by name or specific description in a provision that was in effect on the date of loss.
- (3) Except as provided in Subsection (1)(a), a specified disease policy may not include wording that provides a defense based upon a disease or physical condition that existed prior to the effective date of coverage except as allowed under Subsection 31A-22-605.1(2).

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