Checklist - Health and Disability Insurance

- 1. Is the insurer financially strong, with a good reputation?
- 2. Does the insurer have a good history of timely paying claims?
- 3. What are the exclusions from coverage?
- 4. Are the premiums competitive? Are the premiums for dependents reasonable?
- 5. Is **disability** defined broadly enough?
- 6. How long are the benefits payable? One year? Two years? To a certain age? Life?
- 7. Are the premiums competitive? Are the premiums for dependents reasonable?
- 8. How long must the person be disabled before disability payments kick in?
- 9. How is partial disability covered?
- 10. Is the policy guaranteed renewable?
- 11. Is the policy non-cancelable?
- 12. What is the level of payment going to a disabled employee? Will there be a cost of living upward adjustment?
- 13. What employees can be covered? Can part-time employees be covered?
- 14. What does the insured have to pay for each doctor visit?
- 15. What deductibles are present?
- 16. What dependents are eligible for coverage?
- 17. What hospitalization and major medical expenses are covered?
- 18. How does the policy compare with those of other insurers?