



#### Agenda

In today's seminar, we'll discuss the benefits of a well-structured retirement & estate plan, along with critical tax considerations and other key planning decisions you'll need to make.

#### We'll cover:

- Our team and IG Wealth Management
- Optimal retirement portfolio and income planning
- Estate planning 101: An overview of the basics
- Estate planning 201: Minimizing the impact of tax
- How insurance can help
- Your next steps



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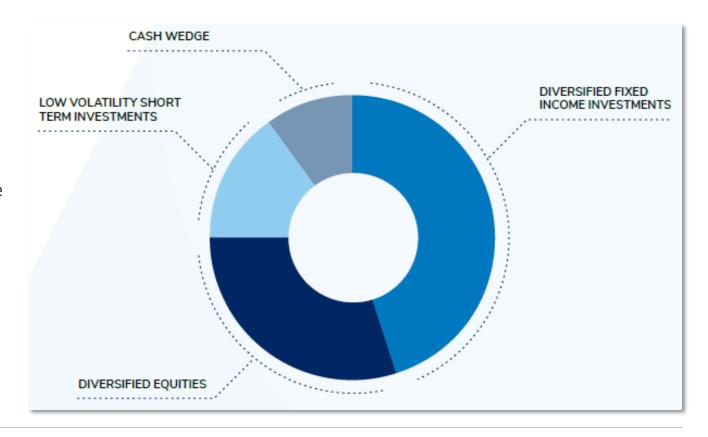
## Retirement Planning



#### Portfolio considerations in retirement

#### **Key Considerations:**

- 1. Cash wedge Do you have 12-24 months of income needs set aside in a safe solution?
- 2. Diversified portfolio How conservative should your retirement portfolio be?
- **3.** Tax-Free Savings Accounts Should you be more aggressive in these accounts vs RRSPs?
- **4.** Planning for the unexpected Do you have enough set aside?







#### Maximizing retirement income

#### **Key Considerations:**

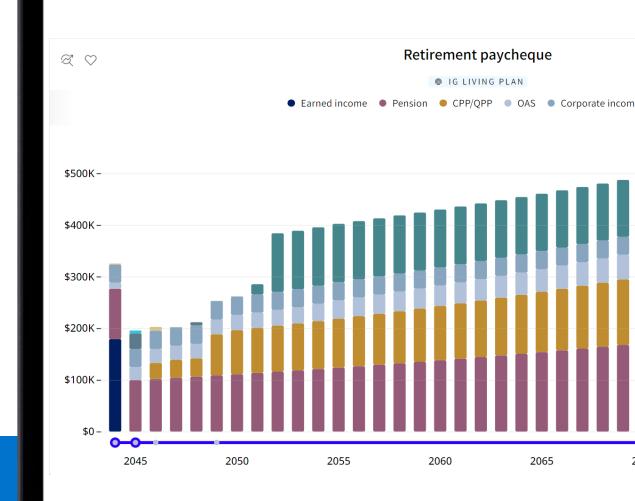
- 1. Are you drawing funds from the right accounts to manage taxable income?
  - Drawing down LIFs before RRIFs?
  - Should you wait until 71 to take RRIFs or start earlier?
  - Preserve TFSAs or use TFSA to manage income?
- 2. Avoid Old Age Security Clawback through proper planning (Starts at \$90,997 in 2025)
- 3. Splitting pension income this can include Canada Pension Plan, RRIF/LIF Income, or employment pensions



# Review all your income sources in retirement

and compare this to your needs in any given year.

We can identify all sources of income and discuss the most efficient way to withdrawn your retirement income.



## Estate Planning



Estate Planning 101: An overview of the basics



#### Estate Planning – How it can provide comfort

- A plan for you and your family's future
- Allows you to decide how your assets are distributed
- Provides control and clarity

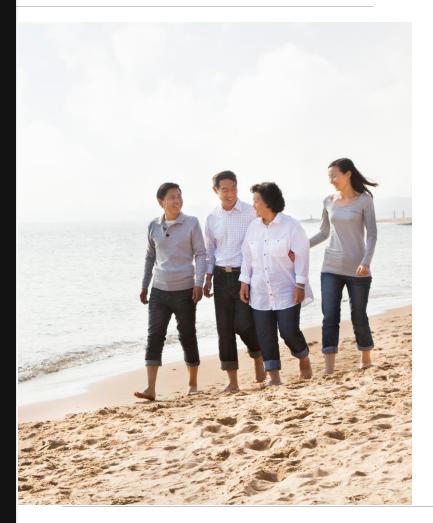








#### Children: Distributing the estate fairly



- Try not to get too specific about who will receive what it's impossible to know what you might actually own at the date of death and the value of each asset
- Will there be disagreements if one child gets the car and the other gets jewelry?

#### Solution

- Instead, simply divide your estate in equal parts
- Children can choose which assets they want to notionally "buy" from the estate using their portion of the inheritance



## Case study: Vacation properties

#### Three children:

One of them is very attached to your cottage, which is worth \$600,000 today

- 1. Understand what the after-tax value of your estate may be
- 2. Ensure net value of estate will be worth a minimum of \$1,800,000 (i.e. 3 x \$600,000, or potentially more to account for inflation)
- 3. Consider insurance to fund the gap

- Goal is to ensure that each child will receive an inheritance of at least \$600,000
- If one of your children still wants the cottage after you die, they can notionally "buy" the property from the estate using their portion of the inheritance





Estate planning 201: Minimizing the impact of tax



# The two types of tax that can impact the value of your estate

1. Income Tax

2. Probate/ Estate administration tax



### Income Tax





# What income tax might be due on my estate:

Income to the date of death

Includes pensions, interest, dividends

"Deemed disposition" of capital assets

- Fair market value
- 50% of capital gains included in the final tax return

De-registration of registered assets (unless roll-overs possible)

 100% of all RRSPs, RRIFs, etc. included in final tax return



## Example: Tax implications

Regular income			
Date of death is Sept 30th			
Annual income is \$80,000			
Earned amount to-date of death (9 months of inco	me)		\$ 60,000
Doomed dispositions of capital property (investment per	tfalia)		
Deemed dispositions of capital property (investment por Fair market value at death	\$	500,000	
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Cost base	\$	300,000	
Capital gain	\$	200,000	
Taxable income (\$200,000 x 50%)			\$ 100,000
RRSP & RRIF Values			
Fair market value of an RRSP or RRIF at death			\$ 300,000
Total taxable income			\$ 460,000
*\$460,000 x 50% tax = <b>\$230,000 of taxes owed by the estate*</b>			

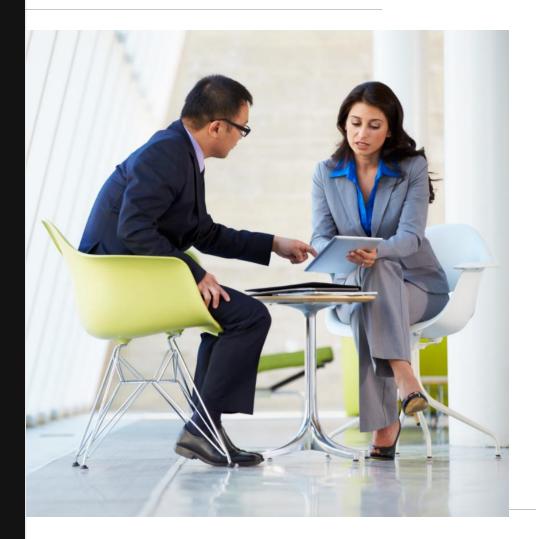


Probate/estate administration tax





#### What about Probate / estate administration tax



- "Probate fees" or an "estate administration tax"
  - Varies from province to province 1.4% in BC
- Usually calculated on fair market value of assets
- Anything not in joint ownership or left directly to beneficiaries will form part of the estate
- Required for executors to be able to transfer assets to beneficiaries



## Strategies to Minimize Final Taxes



## Using direct beneficiary designations

- A strategy to avoid probate is to designate a direct beneficiary
- Naming direct beneficiaries speeds up the process of distributing funds
- Name secondary (back-up) beneficiaries in the event of a primary beneficiary pre-deceases you
- Ensure beneficiaries are set up the right way to ensure equal distribution after taxes and probate





### Case study: Income Tax & Probate – Current Scenario

A widower has two children whom he wants to treat equally

\$200,000 RRSPs One child as direct beneficiary to "save tax"

\$200,000 Non-registered investments Other child as sole beneficiary Result

\$200,000 RRSPs Child who is direct beneficiary \$125,000
Remaining in estate for other child after income tax paid

Estate must pay tax liability on \$200,000 RRSPs before remaining assets can be distributed (assume \$75,000)



#### Case study: Solution

A widower has two children whom he wants to treat equally

\$200,000 RRSPs Name children as beneficiaries split 50/50 \$200,000
Non-registered
investments
Leave to children
in the will

#### Result

\$200,000 RRSPs \$100,000 to each child

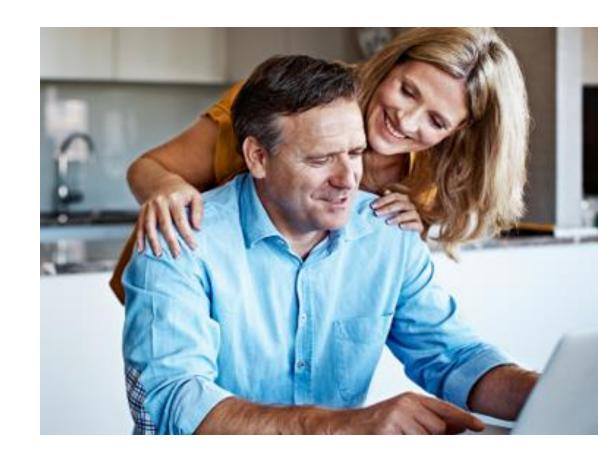
\$125,000 Split 50/50 between children

Both children receive \$162,500



#### Income tax deferral and minimization opportunities

- Roll assets over to:
  - a spouse or common-law partner, or
  - a trust established for a spouse or common-law partner
- Principal residence exemption
- Charitable giving
- Permanent Life Insurance





#### Reducing income tax by making charitable donations

- Eligible for federal and provincial non-refundable tax credits
- Flexibility in how and what you can give
  - Donate publicly traded securities "in kind"
    - More tax-efficient than donating money directly no tax on any resulting capital gain
  - Naming a charity as a beneficiary of your estate
  - Charitable Giving Account
    - Manage your own charitable foundation Ie. IG Strategic Giving Account





#### How the taxes work



Plan to maximize donations in high income year



\*Illustration only. Specific tax rates will vary by province.



### Your charitable gift planning options



- 1. Charitable bequest
- 2. Donate publicly traded stocks or securities
- 3. Donate a life insurance policy
- 4. Gifts of registered plans
- 5. Establish a private foundation

### Benefit of donating in-kind vs. cash

Charitable donation: \$25,000 cash



Charitable donation: \$25,000 of securities

- \$5,000 initial cost
  - \$25,000 value
- No capital gains tax

\$15,500 taxes saved

\$11,500 taxes saved



#### Wendy



- 65 year-old widow
- Gives \$15,000 per year to charity
- Income \$160,000
- One stock in her portfolio that has grown from \$50,000 to \$300,000
  - her advisor is suggesting that she has too much in one stock



### Wendy: Current situation vs improved situation

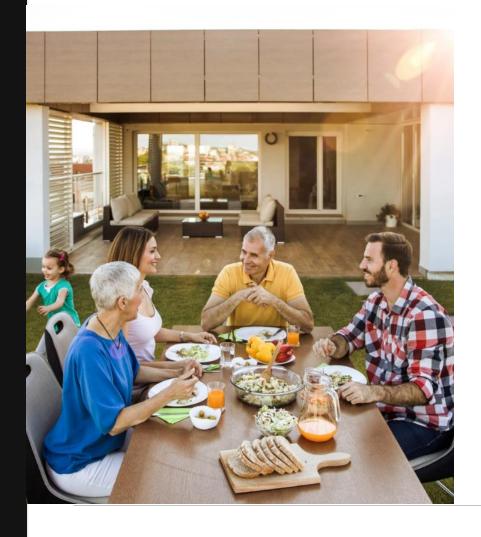
- Donate \$15,000 per year for 20 years, totaling \$300,000
  - Donations save \$6,900 each year in tax
  - Over 20 years there is a total of \$138,000 in tax savings
  - Advisor recommends rebalancing stock, triggered \$62,500 in capital gains,
  - Net tax savings \$75,000

- Donate \$300,000 of stock in kind
  - Donations save \$138,000 which can be spread over 5 years
  - By donating in kind, Wendy avoids \$62,500 in capital gains
  - Net tax savings \$200,000



<sup>\*</sup>Assumed 46% combined federal and provincial donation tax credits and 50% marginal tax rate in year of rebalance. Illustration only. Specific rates will vary by province.

# How insurance can help: Protecting your family and strengthening your plan



Insurance can play a multi-faceted role in your estate plan:

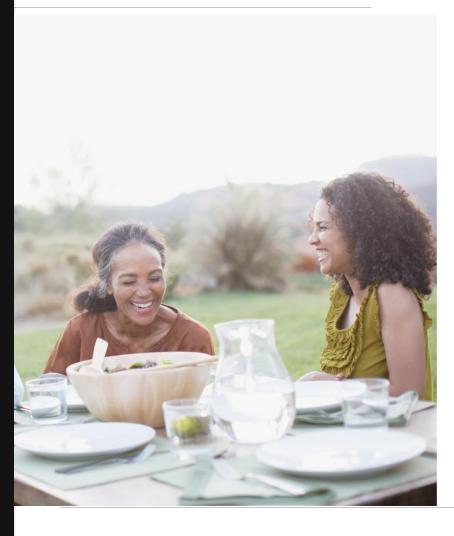
- Create or enlarge a financial legacy, to meet financial needs over time
- Preserve the value of your estate –
  important for assets like vacation properties,
  which beneficiaries may not want to sell (to
  pay estate debt such as income tax)
- Equalize inheritances
- Debt repayment



## Our financial planning approach



#### From info to action: Your estate planning roadmap



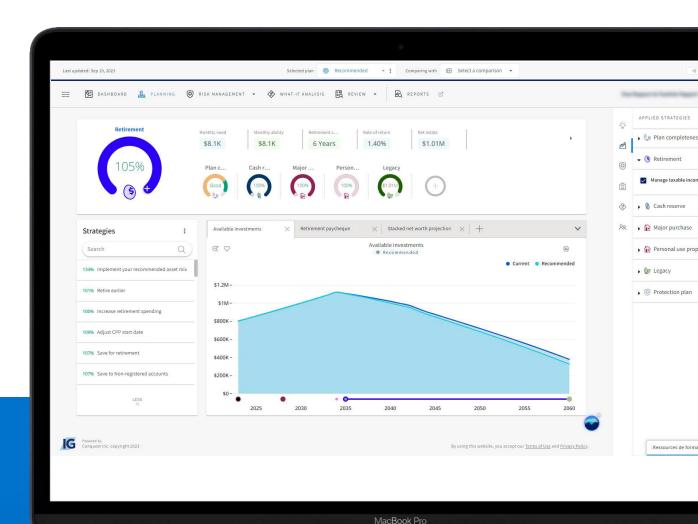
- 1. Identify your beneficiaries: Who would you like to benefit from your estate? Ensure they are set up the right way
- 2. Speak to your financial planner to determine any estate planning gaps
- 3. Insure the gap: Make sure your estate can meet your intended financial legacy goals
- 4. Update your legal documents with an estate lawyer or notary; and update your beneficiary designations where necessary
- Discuss how charitable giving can fit into your estate goals



## Your IG Living Plan

your complete financial picture...in one place.

Bespoke approach, based on your circumstances and potential sources of income.





# Why a synchronized, holistic financial plan has never been more important

#### Sharing your wealth

Establish an estate plan, unique to your needs, that allows your legacy to live on for the people and causes passionate to you.

#### Optimizing your retirement

We manage the risks of retirement, preserving the capital you've built and creating an income stream to support your needs and goals.

#### Maximizing your business success

Implement strategies that synchronize and enhance your personal and business financial plan.



#### Managing cash flow efficiently

We examine your cash and credit requirements to deliver the flexibility you expect while working toward your goals.

#### Preparing for the unexpected

Develop comprehensive strategies that protect, preserve and provide for those you care for.

#### Planning for major expenditures

We ensure you have a plan in place for making your goals a reality.









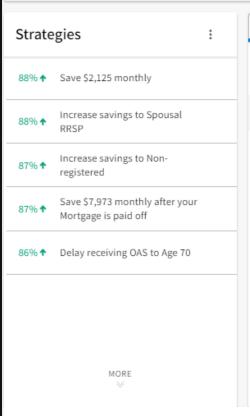
Retirement shortfalls 6 years

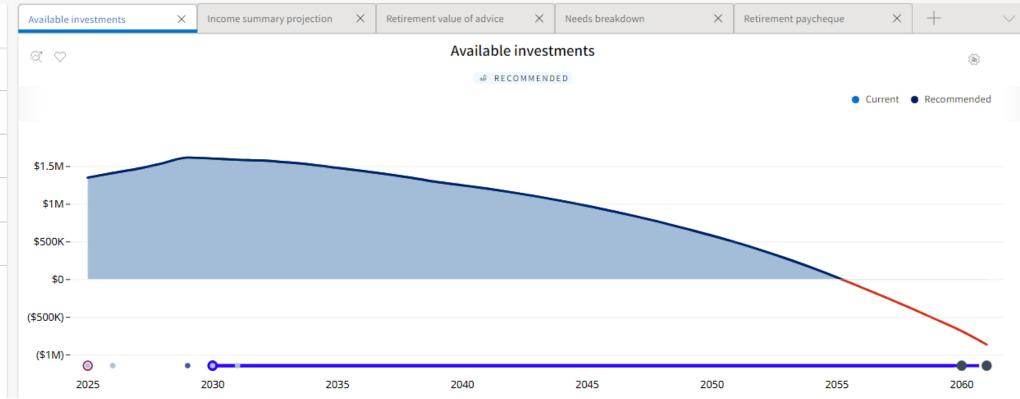
Net estate \$7.41M

Final taxes \$319K

Net worth at retirement \$5.64M

Investments at retirement \$1.61M

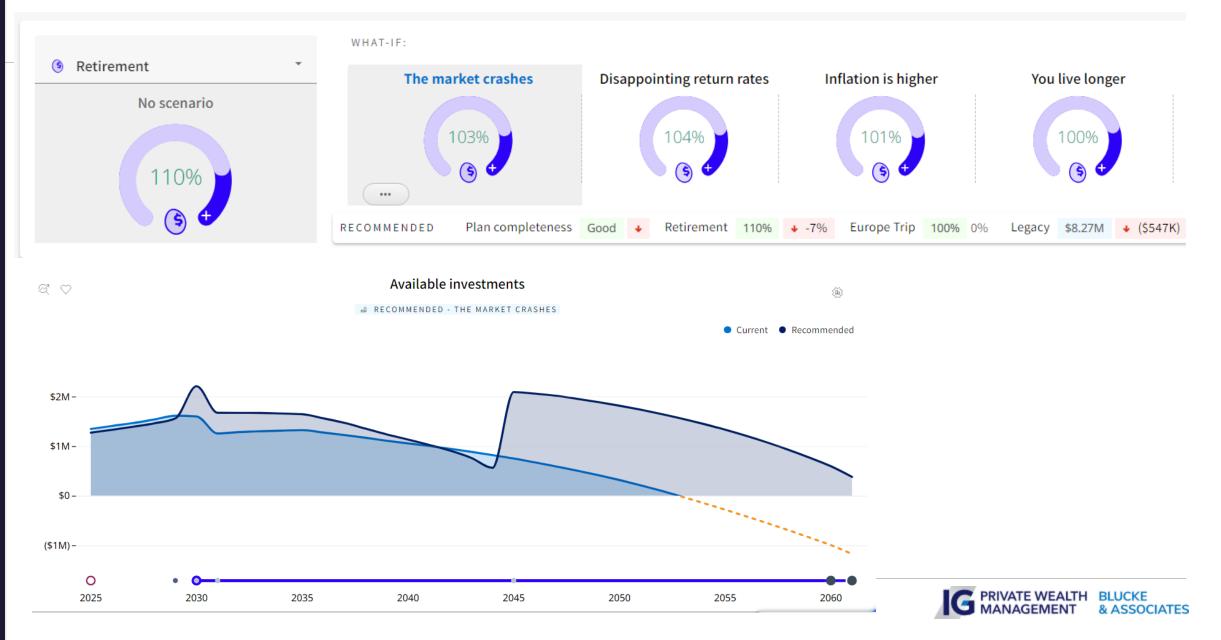




- Increased net estate by \$750,000
- Increased retirement income by \$3,700 per month
- Built in a 5-year retirement cushion versus 6-year retirement shortfall



#### Stress Test: What if scenarios



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Any questions?





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