

Calendar Year 2025 Benefit Review

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AGENDA

- How is our Health Plan doing so far for calendar year 2024?
- Calendar year 2025 forecast.
- Recommended plan programs design for calendar year 2025.
- Dental and Vision Renewals





YEAR TO DATE CY24 FINANCIALS:

- January through July 2024 medical and RX claims cost are higher than forecast by 4.6%. Net Claims of \$21.7 M vs. Forecast of \$20.7 M
- 17 claimants have paid healthcare expenses over \$125,000. (12 employees / 4 spouses/ 1 child)
- Of the 17 large claimants: 9 are enrolled in Standard Plan, 5 in Buy-up plan, 3 in the Core plan
- Four members exceeded the \$250K Stop Loss amount.





YTD CY24 PROGRAM PERFORMANCE:

Savings through Blue Cross Blue Shield partnership

- BCBSNC discounts are averaging 53.4% of charges, saving \$27.3M over the last 12 months.
- Member Health Engagement rate is 18% an increase from CY23, but below the BCBS BOB.
- Generic substitution rate utilization is 98.8% which was at BCBSNC BOB.
- Medication Possession Rates (are people taking their medication) is around the norm in all categories.
- Net Results Formulary has saved \$274,000 in CY23.
- Copay Maximization Program has saved \$205,485 in CY23. This program was sunset on 12/31/23. The Flex Access program was rolled out in it's place estimated savings are \$145,695
- Drug Rebates year to date \$1.3M





UPDATED HEALTH PLAN CY 2025 FORECAST:

RECOMMENDED CHANGE FOR 2025 for the Medical and RX programs:

CY25 Forecasted cost is \$37.9M (\$35M County, \$2.9M ees)

- Increase of \$1.4M to the County.
- Increases to employee contributions based on plan selection
- Changes to the medical/ Rx plan design outlined on the next slide

As proposed last year, County will fund ½ the deductible amount into a Health Savings Account if enrolled in the HDHP.





2024 vs 2025 Plan Comparison

| | | 20 | 24 | | 2025 Proposed | | | | | | |
|---------------|----------|---------|---------|---------|---------------|---------|---------|---------|--|--|--|
| | Standard | Buy-Up | Core | HDHP | Standard | Buy-Up | Core | HDHP* | | | |
| Deductible | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Individual | \$600 | \$600 | \$750 | \$1,600 | \$600 | \$600 | \$750 | \$1,650 | | | |
| Family | \$1,200 | \$1,200 | \$1,500 | \$3,200 | \$1,200 | \$1,200 | \$1,500 | \$3,300 | | | |
| Out-of-Pocket | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Individual | \$1,600 | \$2,000 | \$2,650 | \$4,600 | \$1,600 | \$2,000 | \$2,650 | \$4,650 | | | |
| Family | \$3,200 | \$4,000 | \$5,300 | \$9,200 | \$3,200 | \$4,000 | \$5,300 | \$9,300 | | | |
| Coinsurance | | | | | | | | | | | |
| In Network | 10% | 20% | 30% | 30% | 15% | 20% | 30% | 30% | | | |

8/27/2024

* Increase required per IRS regulations



2025 Prescription Plan Changes

The plan will no longer cover GLP-1 and GIP-GLP1 agonist medications for the purpose of weight loss effective 1/1/25.

These medications will still be covered for those members managing diabetes

Several factors were considered when making this decision:

- Over the most recent 12 months, the County Spent over \$495,000 on these prescription drugs
- 1 of 3 people stop using GLP-1s for weight loss due to side effects
- Research on the long term effectiveness of this class of drugs for weight loss is limited at this time
- Patients seem to regain weight after stopping these medications

Please note that the County's Health Plan does cover other weight loss medications including:

Phentermine, Qsymia, Benzphetamine, Diethylprop, Lomaira, Contrave, Zenical



2025 Bi-Weekly Employee Premiums Wellness

| Plan | | Buy-Up |) | | Core | | HDHP | | | Standard | | | |
|------------------------|----------|----------|------------|---------|---------|------------|---------|---------|------------|----------|---------|------------|--|
| | 2024 | 2025 | Difference | 2024 | 2025 | Difference | 2024 | 2025 | Difference | 2024 | 2025 | Difference | |
| Employee | \$37.31 | \$41.04 | \$3.73 | \$21.32 | \$23.45 | \$2.13 | \$11.00 | \$11.00 | \$0.00 | \$26.65 | \$30.24 | \$3.60 | |
| Employee + Spouse | \$90.61 | \$99.67 | \$9.06 | \$53.30 | \$58.63 | \$5.33 | \$53.30 | \$53.30 | \$0.00 | \$69.29 | \$78.65 | \$9.36 | |
| Employee + Child | \$85.25 | \$93.81 | \$8.53 | \$42.64 | \$49.91 | \$4.26 | \$42.64 | \$42.64 | \$0.00 | \$42.64 | \$48.40 | \$5.76 | |
| Employee + Children | \$102.27 | \$111.40 | \$10.13 | \$69.29 | \$76.22 | \$6.93 | \$69.29 | \$69.29 | \$0.00 | \$74.62 | \$84.70 | \$10.08 | |
| Family | \$102.27 | \$111.40 | \$10.13 | \$69.29 | \$76.22 | \$6.93 | \$69.29 | \$69.29 | \$0.00 | \$74.62 | \$84.70 | \$10.08 | |



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2025 Bi-Weekly Employee Premiums Non - Wellness

| Plan | | Buy-Up |) | | Core | | | HDHP | | | Standard | | | |
|------------------------|----------|----------|------------|----------|----------|------------|--|----------|----------|------------|----------|----------|------------|--|
| | 2024 | 2025 | Difference | 2024 | 2025 | Difference | | 2024 | 2025 | Difference | 2024 | 2025 | Difference | |
| Employee | \$74.62 | \$102.60 | \$27.98 | \$42.64 | \$58.63 | \$15.99 | | \$42.64 | \$42.64 | \$0.00 | \$53.30 | \$73.29 | \$19.99 | |
| Employee + Spouse | \$181.22 | \$249.18 | \$67.96 | \$106.62 | \$146.60 | \$39.98 | | \$106.60 | \$106.60 | \$0.00 | \$138.58 | \$190.55 | \$51.97 | |
| Employee + Child | \$170.56 | \$234.52 | \$63.96 | \$85.28 | \$117.26 | \$31.98 | | \$85.28 | \$85.28 | \$0.00 | \$85.28 | \$117.26 | \$31.98 | |
| Employee + Children | \$202.54 | \$278.50 | \$75.96 | \$138.58 | \$190.55 | \$51.97 | | \$138.58 | \$138.58 | \$0.00 | \$149.24 | \$205.20 | \$55.97 | |
| Family | \$202.54 | \$278.50 | \$75.96 | \$138.58 | \$190.55 | \$51.97 | | \$138.58 | \$138.58 | \$0.00 | \$149.24 | \$205.20 | \$55.97 | |



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Dental - 2025

• Our fully funded dental coverage with Delta Dental will see an 6% increase in premium costs, with a guarantee that premiums will not increase more than 9% for 2026.

| Biweekly rate | 20 | 24 | 2025 | | | | |
|---------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|--|--|--|
| | CORE | BUY UP | CORE | BUY UP | | | |
| Employee Only | \$18.19 | \$23.83 | \$19.28 | \$25.26 | | | |
| Employee / 1 Child | \$32.66 | \$42.79 | \$34.62 | \$45.36 | | | |
| Employee / Children | \$51.69 | \$67.70 | \$54.79 | \$71.76 | | | |
| Employee / Spouse | \$34.49 | \$45.18 | \$36.56 | \$47.89 | | | |
| Family | \$60.57 | \$79.33 | \$64.20 | \$84.09 | | | |





Vision - 2025

The vision plan with MetLife (formerly Superior Vision) was up for renewal. A marketing was conducted and the county is proposing a transition to Ameritas/VSP. Below are the monthly premiums:

There are no significant plan design changes for the vision plan with this transition.

| | Current | Proposed |
|---------------------|-----------------|--------------------------|
| | Superior Vision | Ameritas/VSP+ affiliates |
| Plan Type | Traditional | Traditional |
| Employee Only | \$8.92 | \$8.48 |
| Employee / Spouse | \$16.95 | \$16.12 |
| Employee / Children | \$17.84 | \$16.96 |
| Family | \$26.23 | \$24.96 |





Upcoming Events

OCTOBER

Annual Health Risk Assessment:

- Accepting forms from Primary Care Providers July 1 October 31, 2024
- Free onsite clinics the week of October 1 2, 2023 and again October 15 19, 2024

NOVEMBER

Benefits Open Enrollment

- November 1 15, 2024
- Benefit elections / changes will be effective January 1, 2025



