

Attachment I

Rate Change Summary

Highmark Benefits Group – Small Group Plans

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Overview

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| Initial requested average rate change: | 5.45% ¹ |
| Revised requested average rate change: | N/A ¹ |
| Range of requested rate change: | 0.08%-9.63% |
| Effective date: | January 1, 2022 |
| Mapped Members: | 16,951 |
| Available in: | Rating Areas 6, 7, and 9 |

Key information

Jan. 2020-Dec. 2020 financial experience

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| Premiums | \$105,895,104 |
| Claims | \$83,561,914 |
| Administrative expenses | \$12,721,150 |
| Taxes & fees | \$71,151 |
| Company made (after taxes) | \$9,540,888 |

How it plans to spend your premium

This is how the insurance company plans to spend the premium it collects in 2022:

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| Claims: | 90.5% |
| Administrative: | 9.4% |
| Taxes & fees: | 0.1% |
| Profit: | 0.0% |

The company expects its annual medical costs to increase **5.73%**.

Explanation of requested rate change

The proposed increases are being driven by rising medical care costs, which are expected to continue through the remainder of 2021 and throughout 2022 as a result of both higher utilization and the increasing cost of healthcare services.

¹ Note that the Initial requested average rate change reflects the insurer's rate change request, in July, after they have received updated information about the impact of a federal program called risk adjustment and finalization of the reinsurance program parameters.