# Rate Request Summary Documents as of 8/26/2020 Individual and Small Group ACA Market Plan Year 2021

Health insurers offering plans in the individual and small group health insurance markets are required to file a Health Insurance Rate Request Summary. The summary document is prepared by the carrier to help explain the requested rate change. Please note that some summaries are multiple pages for a carrier. These documents can be found for each rate filing under SERFF Filing Access at <a href="https://scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx">https://scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx</a>.

#### **Glossary of Terms:**

Medical Cost (Trend): The change in the cost and usage of health care services.

Morbidity: The change in the average health status of enrollees.

**Demographics:** The change in average age and gender of enrollees, as well as area changes. **Network:** The change in the composition and reimbursement rates of the carrier's provider

network.

**Benefits:** The change in the coverage and cost-sharing elements of the carrier's plan

offerings.

# **INDIVIDUAL MARKET**

Carrier Name and NAIC#: CareFirst BlueChoice, Inc. (NAIC# 96202) Market: Individual

Rate request SERFF Tracking #: <u>CFAP-132321507</u> This document is prepared by the carrier to help explain the requested rate change and is only a summary of the carrier's request. It is not intended to describe or include all factors or information considered in the review process. For more information, refer to the complete filing at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx</a>. A glossary of terms used on this form can be found at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx</a>. A map of rating areas can be found at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/cons/index.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/cons/index.aspx</a>.

#### Overview

Effective Date: 1/1/2021
Initial Requested Average Rate Change: -9.7 %

Current Requested Average Rate Change: -9.7 %

Range of Requested Rate Change: -12.% to 0.7 %

Projected Number of Insureds Affected: 4,804

**Key information** 

Breakdown of premium

This is how the carrier plans to spend the premium collected in plan year 2021 :

Claims: 81.6%Administrative: 14.3%Taxes and fees: 2.5%Profit 1.6%

Rating Areas Plans will be offered Area Factor

Area 1 (Blacksburg) N/A N/A Area 2 (Charlottesville) N/A Area 3 (Danville) N/A Area 4 (Harrisonburg) N/A Area 5 (Bristol) N/A Area 6 (Lynchburg) N/A Area 7 (Richmond) N/A Area 8 (Roanoke) N/A Area 9 (Tidewater) 1.000 Area 10 (Northern VA) N/A Area 11 (Winchester) N/A Area 12 (Non-MSA)

**Factors of Rate Change** 

Medical Cost (Trend) Change:6.50%Change in Morbidity:22.62%Change in Demographics:-1.30%Change in Network:0.00%Change in Benefits:0.34%Change in Other (explain below):1.59%

#### Explanation of requested rate change

Provide a narrative below to summarize the key information used to develop the rates including the main drivers for new or revised rates. Include additional pages as needed. Data filed within this document must remain current and concur with data contained in the Rate Filing Template as well as on the Rate/Rule Schedule.

The main drivers supporting the rate change are an increase in the base period claims experience, lower projected risk adjustment factor, and lower projected morbidity.

Note that what this template labels as "profit" is called "contribution to reserve" in our rate filing.

The change in other projected in this rate filing is due to changes in capitation payments and drug rebates that occurred during the experience period.

Carrier Name and NAIC#: Cigna Health & Life Insurance Company, 67369 Market: Virginia

Rate request SERFF Tracking #: <u>CCGH-13234099</u> This document is prepared by the carrier to help explain the requested rate change and is only a summary of the carrier's request. It is not intended to describe or include all factors or information considered in the review process. For more information, refer to the complete filing at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx</a>. A glossary of terms used on this form can be found at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx</a>. A map of rating areas can be found at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/cons/index.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/cons/index.aspx</a>.

#### Overview

Effective Date: 1/01/21
Initial Requested Average Rate Change: -7.85 %
Current Requested Average Rate Change: -11.7 %
Range of Requested Rate Change: -16.% to -10.%

Projected Number of Insureds Affected: 76,000

# **Key information**

#### Breakdown of premium

This is how the carrier plans to spend the premium collected in plan year 2021 :

Claims:  $\frac{78.8}{4}\%$  Administrative:  $\frac{11.5}{6.2}\%$  Profit  $\frac{6.2}{3.5}\%$ 

0.978
1.011
1.027

#### Factors of Rate Change

Medical Cost (Trend) Change:1.044Change in Morbidity:1.007Change in Demographics:1.016Change in Network:1.000Change in Benefits:0.999Change in Other (explain below):0.987

# Explanation of requested rate change

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#### 1. GENERAL INFORMATION

Cigna Health & Life Insurance Company (CHLIC) is filing rates for comprehensive major medical product 41921VA002 for individuals & families, to be effective January 1, 2021 through December 2021. These plans are attached to an existing product that has been submitted under policy form filing VAINDEPO04172020. The proposed weighted average annual rate change for this filing is -11.7%.

#### 2. KEY DRIVERS OF PROPOSED RATE CHANGE

The most significant factors causing the rate increase are:

- COVID-19 pandemic impact: CHLIC estimates that healthcare costs in the individual market will increase by 1% in 2021 compared to the pre-pandemic expectation for 2020 due to continued COVID-19 treatment costs, pent up demand for medical services, and expected vaccination costs.
- Medical inflation and unit cost changes of medical services year over year: The underlying claim costs are expected to increase from 2020 to 2021, which is reflective of anticipated changes in the prices of medical

Carrier Name and NAIC#: Group Hospitalization & Medical Services, Inc. (NAIC# 40a Market: Individual

Rate request SERFF Tracking #: <u>CFAP-13232151</u>2 This document is prepared by the carrier to help explain the requested rate change and is only a summary of the carrier's request. It is not intended to describe or include all factors or information considered in the review process. For more information, refer to the complete filing at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx</a>. A glossary of terms used on this form can be found at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx</a>. A map of rating areas can be found at

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Effective Date: 1/1/2021
Initial Requested Average Rate Change: 5.2 %

Current Requested Average Rate Change: 5.2 %

Range of Requested Rate Change: 5.1 % to 5.4 %

Projected Number of Insureds Affected: 1,031

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# **Key information**

#### Breakdown of premium

This is how the carrier plans to spend the premium collected in plan year 2021 :

Claims: 90.5%Administrative: 3.7%Taxes and fees: 4.1%Profit 1.7%

#### Rating Areas Plans will be offered Area Factor

Area 1 (Blacksburg)	N/A
Area 2 (Charlottesville)	N/A
Area 3 (Danville)	N/A
Area 4 (Harrisonburg)	N/A
Area 5 (Bristol)	N/A
Area 6 (Lynchburg)	N/A
Area 7 (Richmond)	N/A
Area 8 (Roanoke)	N/A
Area 9 (Tidewater)	N/A
Area 10 (Northern VA)	1.000
Area 11 (Winchester)	N/A
Area 12 (Non-MSA)	N/A

#### **Factors of Rate Change**

Medical Cost (Trend) Change:	6.50%
Change in Morbidity:	49.64%
Change in Demographics:	2.41%
Change in Network:	0.00%
Change in Benefits:	0.00%
Change in Other (explain below):	1.39%

#### Explanation of requested rate change

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The main drivers supporting the rate change are an increase in the base period claims experience, lower projected risk adjustment factor, and lower projected morbidity.

Note that what this template labels as "profit" is called "contribution to reserve" in our rate filing.

The change in other projected in this rate filing is due to changes in capitation payments and drug rebates that occurred during the experience period.

Carrier Name and NAIC#: Anthem HealthKeepers, Inc. #95169 Market: Individual

Rate request SERFF Tracking #: <u>AWLP-13232982</u> This document is prepared by the carrier to help explain the requested rate change and is only a summary of the carrier's request. It is not intended to describe or include all factors or information considered in the review process. For more information, refer to the complete filing at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx</a>. A glossary of terms used on this form can be found at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx</a>. A map of rating areas can be found at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/cons/index.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/cons/index.aspx</a>.

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Effective Date: 1/1/2021
Initial Requested Average Rate Change: 1.4 %
Current Requested Average Rate Change: -7.7 %

Range of Requested Rate Change: -9.4% to -6.1%

Projected Number of Insureds Affected: <u>112191</u>

#### **Key information**

#### Breakdown of premium

This is how the carrier plans to spend the premium collected in plan year 2021 :

Claims: 82.2%Administrative: 9.0%Taxes and fees: 4.4%Profit 4.4%

Rating Areas Plans will be offered Area Factor Area 1 (Blacksburg) 1.1245 1.0460 Area 2 (Charlottesville) 0.9925 Area 3 (Danville) 1.0533 Area 4 (Harrisonburg) 0.9923 Area 5 (Bristol) 1.0465 Area 6 (Lynchburg) 0.9448 Area 7 (Richmond) 1.0470 Area 8 (Roanoke) 0.9959 Area 9 (Tidewater) 0.9940 Area 10 (Northern VA) 1.0192 Area 11 (Winchester) 0.9928 Area 12 (Non-MSA)

#### Factors of Rate Change

Medical Cost (Trend) Change: 7.4%

Change in Morbidity: -2.5%

Change in Demographics: -0.4%

Change in Network: 0.0%

Change in Benefits: 0.0%

Change in Other (explain below): -12.1%

#### Explanation of requested rate change

Provide a narrative below to summarize the key information used to develop the rates including the main drivers for new or revised rates. Include additional pages as needed. Data filed within this document must remain current and concur with data contained in the Rate Filing Template as well as on the Rate/Rule Schedule.

Anthem HealthKeepers is filing for a decrease to rates available for new and renewing individuals for products that are compliant with the Affordable Care Act (ACA). These rate increases are for plans on and off exchange, and the rate increase would be effective starting January 1, 2021.

The overall decrease is 7.7%. At the individual plan level, rate decreases range from -6.1% to -9.4%. A member's actual rate could be higher or lower depending on their age and benefit design. The primary drivers of premium increases are associated with increased cost of benefit expense, driven by increases in the price of services and increased utilization. Increases in the price of services are driven by technological advances, new specialty medications, and a variety of other factors. Increased utilization is driven by member-level utilization and selection patterns in the market. Morbidity is another contributing factor, which is due to the projected sickness level (separate from aging) in the population. The 'other' negative amount is mostly due to favorable claim experience, the implementation of cost-containment initiatives, and the elimination of the Health Insurer Fee in 2021.

Anthem is committed to working to hold down the cost of insurance and price the individual ACA market for long-term sustainability. We continue to explore innovative collaboration with providers and negotiate deeper discounts at our hospitals. And we provide members with tools to make informed decisions about where and how to receive treatment. Despite these efforts to moderate the cost of insurance, the projected cost of benefit expense in the market indicates a need for the premium increases filed.

Carrier Name and NAIC#: Kaiser Foundation Health Plan of the Mid-Atlantic States ■ Market: Individual

Rate request SERFF Tracking #: KPMA-13236706 This document is prepared by the carrier to help explain the requested rate change and is only a summary of the carrier's request. It is not intended to describe or include all factors or information considered in the review process. For more information, refer to the complete filing at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx</a>. A glossary of terms used on this form can be found at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx</a>. A map of rating areas can be found at

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Effective Date: 01/01/202: Initial Requested Average Rate Change: -13.0 % Current Requested Average Rate Change: -13.0 %

Range of Requested Rate Change:  $\frac{-19.\%}{-20.473}$  to  $\frac{-9.8}{-9.8}$ %

Projected Number of Insureds Affected: 30173

# Key information

#### Breakdown of premium

This is how the carrier plans to spend the premium collected in plan year 2021 :

Claims: 88.7%Administrative: 9.3%Taxes and fees: 2.6%Profit -0.6%

 Area 1 (Blacksburg)
 N/A

 Area 2 (Charlottesville)
 N/A

 Area 3 (Danville)
 N/A

 Area 4 (Harrisonburg)
 N/A

 Area 5 (Bristol)
 N/A

Area Factor

N/A

1.000

Rating Areas Plans will be offered

 Area 5 (Bristol)
 N/A

 Area 6 (Lynchburg)
 N/A

 Area 7 (Richmond)
 1.000

 Area 8 (Roanoke)
 N/A

 Area 9 (Tidewater)
 N/A

 Area 10 (Northern VA)
 1.000

Area 11 (Winchester) Area 12 (Non-MSA)

#### Factors of Rate Change

Medical Cost (Trend) Change:

Change in Morbidity:

Change in Demographics:

Change in Network:

Change in Benefits:

Change in Other (explain below):

2.4%

-2.7%

2.0%

0.0%

0.0%

# Explanation of requested rate change

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Two plans will be discontinued and four new plans will be offered. For the renewing plans, primary factors that affect the rate change are:

- Claims experience of the single risk pool different than projected in the previous year.
- Medical inflation including increases in unit cost per service and utilization of services.
- Changes in population morbidity including impacts due to Medicaid Expansion eligible enrollment leaving the pool and Non-Enforcement of the Individual Mandate.
- Risk adjustment transfer payments into the statewide risk adjustment pool.
- Benefit plan design adjustments, including those made to comply with Actuarial Value ("AV") requirements. This results in varying rate changes by plan.
- Changes in CSR defunding loads related to changes in the distribution of subsidy eligible members across plans. The CSR defunding load result in varying rate changes between on exchange Silver plans and other plans.

The proposed average rate change is -13.0%. The average rate change does not indicate that every member's rate will change by this amount as rates are affected by the ages of those covered and benefits chosen. Proposed rate change by plan can be found in the Virginia Rate Template, Schedule V Plan Rates.

Carrier Name and NAIC#: Optima Health Insurance Company 70715 Market: Individual

Rate request SERFF Tracking #: OPHL-13236991 This document is prepared by the carrier to help explain the requested rate change and is only a summary of the carrier's request. It is not intended to describe or include all factors or information considered in the review process. For more information, refer to the complete filing at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx</a>. A glossary of terms used on this form can be found at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx</a>. A map of rating areas can be found at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/cons/index.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/cons/index.aspx</a>.

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Effective Date: 1/1/2021
Initial Requested Average Rate Change: 1.1 %
Current Requested Average Rate Change: -2.03 %

Range of Requested Rate Change:  $\frac{-2.0}{2}$ % to  $\frac{-2.0}{2}$ %

Projected Number of Insureds Affected: 0

#### Rating Areas Plans will be offered Area Factor

NA	
NA	
1.000	
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### **Key information**

#### Breakdown of premium

This is how the carrier plans to spend the premium collected in plan year 2021 :

Claims: 80.8%Administrative: 9.6%Taxes and fees: 4.4%Profit 5.3%

#### **Factors of Rate Change**

Medical Cost (Trend) Change:	9.0%
Change in Morbidity:	0.0%
Change in Demographics:	0.2%
Change in Network:	0.0%
Change in Benefits:	-3.2%
Change in Other (explain below):	-7.4%

#### Explanation of requested rate change

Provide a narrative below to summarize the key information used to develop the rates including the main drivers for new or revised rates. Include additional pages as needed. Data filed within this document must remain current and concur with data contained in the Rate Filing Template as well as on the Rate/Rule Schedule.

This submission is for rate revisions, effective January 1, 2021, to existing OHIC individual medical ACA-compliant products, as presented by HIOS Plan ID in the applicable line of Worksheet 2 in the URRT. The proposed rate change from the most recently approved rates effective January 1, 2020 is a decrease of 2.0%. The cumulative average rate change over the past 12 months is the same since the most recently approved rates were effective January 1, 2020.

The proposed rate revision reflects consideration of the impact of a number of factors, including: Anticipated medical cost and utilization trends

. Historical experience for OHIC and its affiliated entity, Optima Health Plan (OHP)

Consideration for anticipated changes in the average morbidity of the covered population

Expected cost changes related to the COVID-19 pandemic

Changes to reflect the applicable provisions of corporate income and ACA-related taxes and fees for 2021

Carrier Name and NAIC#: Optima Health Plan 95281

Rate request SERFF Tracking #: OPHL-13236989! This document is prepared by the carrier to help explain the requested rate change and is only a summary of the carrier's request. It is not intended to describe or include all factors or information considered in the review process. For more information, refer to the complete filing at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx</a>. A glossary of terms used on this form can be found at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx</a>. A map of rating areas can be found at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/cons/index.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/cons/index.aspx</a>.

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Projected Number of Insureds Affected: 38077

# Key information

#### Breakdown of premium

This is how the carrier plans to spend the premium collected in plan year 2021 :

Claims: 81.9%Administrative: 9.6%Taxes and fees: 3.1%Profit 5.5%

#### Rating Areas Plans will be offered Area Factor

Market: Individual

Area 1 (Blacksburg)	NA
Area 2 (Charlottesville)	1.023
Area 3 (Danville)	NA
Area 4 (Harrisonburg)	1.023
Area 5 (Bristol)	NA
Area 6 (Lynchburg)	NA
Area 7 (Richmond)	1.023
Area 8 (Roanoke)	NA
Area 9 (Tidewater)	1.000
Area 10 (Northern VA)	NA
Area 11 (Winchester)	NA
Area 12 (Non-MSA)	1.023

#### **Factors of Rate Change**

Medical Cost (Trend) Change: 9.0%

Change in Morbidity: -4.0%

Change in Demographics: 0.2%

Change in Network: 3.9%

Change in Benefits: -1.4%

Change in Other (explain below): 0.3%

#### Explanation of requested rate change

Provide a narrative below to summarize the key information used to develop the rates including the main drivers for new or revised rates. Include additional pages as needed. Data filed within this document must remain current and concur with data contained in the Rate Filing Template as well as on the Rate/Rule Schedule.

Rate revisions to existing OHP individual medical ACA-compliant products, as presented by HIOS Plan ID in the applicable line item of Worksheet 2 in the URRT. The average proposed rate change across all plans from the most recently approved rates effective January 1, 2020, is an increase of 7.7%. The cumulative average rate change over the past 12 months is the same, since the most recently approved rates were effective January 1, 2020. Please note, the average rate change includes any changes for members that are in terminating plans and mapped into a plan that will be available in 2021, as applicable.

Proposed premiums for new individual benefit plans to be available for sale effective January 1, 2021. To the extent that current membership on terminating plans are proposed to be mapped into one of the new plans, the applicable rate change is illustrated in the URRT and included in the previously noted average. Note, there is no such mapping proposed for 2021.

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			Rating Areas Plans will be offered	Area Factor
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			Area 7 (Richmond)	
			Area 8 (Roanoke)	
			Area 9 (Tidewater)	
			Area 10 (Northern VA)	0.859
			Area 11 (Winchester)	0.938
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Breakdown of pre			Factors of Rate Change	
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collected in plan		-	Change in Morbidity:	
Claims:	82.1 %		Change in Demographics:	
Administrative:	9.8 %		Change in Network:	
Taxes and fees:	4.4 %		Change in Benefits:	
Profit	3.6 %		Change in Other (explain below):	
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Carrier Name and NAIC#: Oscar Insurance Company 15777

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Effective Date:  $\frac{1/1/2021}{\text{Initial Requested Average Rate Change:}} \frac{9.9}{2.2} \%$ Current Requested Average Rate Change:  $\frac{2.2}{\%}$ 

Range of Requested Rate Change:  $\frac{-5.0}{200}\%$  to  $\frac{7.1}{200}\%$ 

Projected Number of Insureds Affected: 721

# Rating Areas Plans will be offered Area Factor

Area 1 (Blacksburg)

Area 2 (Charlottesville)

Area 3 (Danville)

Area 4 (Harrisonburg)

Market: Individual

Area 5 (Bristol)
Area 6 (Lynchburg)

Area 7 (Richmond) 1.00
Area 8 (Roanoke)

Area 9 (Tidewater)
Area 10 (Northern VA)

Area 11 (Winchester) Area 12 (Non-MSA)

#### **Key information**

#### Breakdown of premium

This is how the carrier plans to spend the premium collected in plan year 2021 :

 $\begin{array}{cccc} \text{Claims:} & \underline{84.8} \% \\ \text{Administrative:} & \underline{8.6} \% \\ \text{Taxes and fees:} & \underline{5.6} \% \\ \text{Profit} & \underline{1.0} \% \\ \end{array}$ 

#### Factors of Rate Change

Medical Cost (Trend) Change: 1.087
Change in Morbidity: .693
Change in Demographics: 1.028
Change in Network: 1.191
Change in Benefits: .999
Change in Other (explain below): 1.032

#### Explanation of requested rate change

Provide a narrative below to summarize the key information used to develop the rates including the main drivers for new or revised rates. Include additional pages as needed. Data filed within this document must remain current and concur with data contained in the Rate Filing Template as well as on the Rate/Rule Schedule.

The significant factors driving the proposed rate change include the following:

Medical and Prescription Drug Inflation and Utilization Trends

The projected premium rates reflect the most recent emerging experience which was trended for anticipated changes due to medical and prescription drug inflation and utilization.

Administrative Expenses, Taxes and Fees, and Risk Margin

Changes to the overall premium level are needed because of required changes in federal and state taxes and fees. In addition, there are anticipated changes in both administrative expenses and targeted risk margin.

**Prospective Benefit Changes** 

Plan benefits have been revised as a result of changes in the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) Actuarial Value Calculator and state requirements, as well as for strategic product considerations.

Changes in Conversion Factor

The distribution of contracts anticipated for 2021 plan year varies from those in 2020 premium rates.

Carrier Name and NAIC#: Piedmont Community Healthcare HMO, Inc. NAIC# 15791 Market: Individual

Rate request SERFF Tracking #: PDHP-13230208. This document is prepared by the carrier to help explain the requested rate change and is only a summary of the carrier's request. It is not intended to describe or include all factors or information considered in the review process. For more information, refer to the complete filing at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx</a>. A glossary of terms used on this form can be found at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx</a>. A map of rating areas can be found at

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Effective Date: 01/01/202:
Initial Requested Average Rate Change: -3.4 %

Current Requested Average Rate Change: -3.4 %

Range of Requested Rate Change: -20.% to 1.4 %

Projected Number of Insureds Affected: 6000

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#### Breakdown of premium

This is how the carrier plans to spend the premium collected in plan year 2021:

 $\begin{array}{lll} \text{Claims:} & \underline{77.92\%} \\ \text{Administrative:} & \underline{21.92\%} \\ \text{Taxes and fees:} & \underline{0.10\%} \\ \text{Profit} & \underline{0.00\%} \\ \end{array}$ 

#### Rating Areas Plans will be offered Area Factor

Area 1 (Blacksburg)	
Area 2 (Charlottesville)	1.0605
Area 3 (Danville)	1.1578
Area 4 (Harrisonburg)	
Area 5 (Bristol)	
Area 6 (Lynchburg)	1.0000
Area 7 (Richmond)	
Area 8 (Roanoke)	
Area 9 (Tidewater)	
Area 10 (Northern VA)	
Area 11 (Winchester)	
Area 12 (Non-MSA)	1.0921

#### **Factors of Rate Change**

Medical Cost (Trend) Change:	1.019
Change in Morbidity:	0.929
Change in Demographics:	1.000
Change in Network:	1.003
Change in Benefits:	0.995
Change in Other (explain below):	0.924

#### Explanation of requested rate change

Provide a narrative below to summarize the key information used to develop the rates including the main drivers for new or revised rates. Include additional pages as needed. Data filed within this document must remain current and concur with data contained in the Rate Filing Template as well as on the Rate/Rule Schedule.

Change in Plan Mix: 1.000

Administrative Costs Change Factor: 1.059

Taxes & Fees Change Factor: 0.974

Risk Change Factor: 1.101 Profit Change Factor: 0.975

Explanation for Other Rate Change Factor: The main driver is the better than expected experience in 2019.

# **SMALL GROUP MARKET**

Carrier Name and NAIC#: Aetna Health Inc., 95109

Rate request SERFF Tracking #: <u>AETN-13231546</u>. This document is prepared by the carrier to help explain the requested rate change and is only a summary of the carrier's request. It is not intended to describe or include all factors or information considered in the review process. For more information, refer to the complete filing at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx</a>. A glossary of terms used on this form can be found at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx</a>. A map of rating areas can be found at

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Effective Date:  $\frac{1/1/21}{\text{Initial Requested Average Rate Change:}} \\ \frac{-2.4}{\%} \\ \text{Current Requested Average Rate Change:} \\ \frac{-2.4}{\%} \\ \text{Kange of Requested Rate Change:} \\ \frac{-2.4\%}{-2.4\%} \\ \text{to } -2.4\%$ 

Projected Number of Insureds Affected: 20

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#### Breakdown of premium

This is how the carrier plans to spend the premium collected in plan year 571.83 :

 $\begin{array}{lll} \text{Claims:} & \underline{82.86\%} \\ \text{Administrative:} & \underline{10.1\%} \\ \text{Taxes and fees:} & \underline{2.3\%} \\ \text{Profit} & \underline{4.74\%} \\ \end{array}$ 

Rating Areas Plans will be offered Area Factor

Market: Virginia

Area 1 (Blacksburg)	0.9141
Area 2 (Charlottesville)	0.9289
Area 3 (Danville)	0.9700
Area 4 (Harrisonburg)	1.0200
Area 5 (Bristol)	0.9800
Area 6 (Lynchburg)	0.9700
Area 7 (Richmond)	0.9475
Area 8 (Roanoke)	0.8971
Area 9 (Tidewater)	0.9909
Area 10 (Northern VA)	0.9600
Area 11 (Winchester)	0.9600
Area 12 (Non-MSA)	0.9792

#### **Factors of Rate Change**

Medical Cost (Trend) Change:10.3%Change in Morbidity:1.01Change in Demographics:0.992Change in Network:1.000Change in Benefits:0.991Change in Other (explain below):1.024

#### Explanation of requested rate change

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Other includes: Pooling, Deductible Suppression, and Rx Other Trend (1.0 in this instance).

Rate Request Summary Narrative

Monthly premium rates for all Small Group Market products in Virginia are being revised for effective dates January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021.

A. Reason for Rate Decrease(s):

Revised rates for these products reflect the following:

- Impact of medical claim trend (including changes in provider unit costs and increased utilization of medical cost services);
- Revisions to our assumptions about population morbidity and the projected population distribution;
- Changes in cost sharing to ensure that plans comply with Actuarial Value requirements;
- Changes in our pricing models used to determine the impact of cost sharing designs; and
- Changes in provider networks and contracts.

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- Revisions to our assumptions about population morbidity and the projected population distribution;
- Changes in cost sharing to ensure that plans comply with Actuarial Value requirements;
- Changes in our pricing models used to determine the impact of cost sharing designs;
   and
- Changes in provider networks and contracts.

The weighted average increase across plans based on current ACA-compliant membership, inclusive of the impact of benefit and cost sharing changes, is -2.4%. The minimum increase is -2.4% and the maximum increase is -2.4%.

Carrier Name and NAIC#: Aetna Life Insurance Company, 60054 Market: Virginia

Rate request SERFF Tracking #: <u>AETN-13231546</u>: This document is prepared by the carrier to help explain the requested rate change and is only a summary of the carrier's request. It is not intended to describe or include all factors or information considered in the review process. For more information, refer to the complete filing at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx</a>. A glossary of terms used on this form can be found at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx</a>. A map of rating areas can be found at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/cons/index.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/cons/index.aspx</a>.

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Effective Date: 1/1/2021
Initial Requested Average Rate Change: 17.1 %

Current Requested Average Rate Change: 17.1 %

Range of Requested Rate Change: 17.1% to 17.1%

Projected Number of Insureds Affected: 28

#### **Key information**

#### Breakdown of premium

This is how the carrier plans to spend the premium collected in plan year 747.95 :

 $\begin{array}{ll} \text{Claims:} & \underline{83.76\%} \\ \text{Administrative:} & \underline{7.58\%} \\ \text{Taxes and fees:} & \underline{3.92\%} \\ \text{Profit} & \underline{4.74\%} \end{array}$ 

# Rating Areas Plans will be offered Area Factor

Area 1 (Blacksburg)	0.9141
Area 2 (Charlottesville)	0.9289
Area 3 (Danville)	0.9700
Area 4 (Harrisonburg)	1.0200
Area 5 (Bristol)	0.9800
Area 6 (Lynchburg)	0.9700
Area 7 (Richmond)	0.9475
Area 8 (Roanoke)	0.8971
Area 9 (Tidewater)	0.9909
Area 10 (Northern VA)	0.9600
Area 11 (Winchester)	0.9600
Area 12 (Non-MSA)	0.9792

#### **Factors of Rate Change**

Medical Cost (Trend) Change:	10.3%
Change in Morbidity:	1.010
Change in Demographics:	1.008
Change in Network:	1.000
Change in Benefits:	0.971
Change in Other (explain below):	1.024

#### Explanation of requested rate change

Provide a narrative below to summarize the key information used to develop the rates including the main drivers for new or revised rates. Include additional pages as needed. Data filed within this document must remain current and concur with data contained in the Rate Filing Template as well as on the Rate/Rule Schedule.

Other includes: Pooling, Deductible Suppression, and Rx Other Trend (1.0 in this instance).

A. Reason for Rate Increase(s):

Revised rates for these products reflect the following:

- Impact of medical claim trend (including changes in provider unit costs and increased utilization of medical cost services);
- Revisions to our assumptions about population morbidity and the projected population distribution;
- Changes in cost sharing to ensure that plans comply with Actuarial Value requirements;
- Changes in our pricing models used to determine the impact of cost sharing designs; and
- Changes in provider networks and contracts.

#### Rate Request Summary Narrative

Monthly premium rates for all Small Group Market products in Virginia are being revised for effective dates January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021.

#### A. Reason for Rate Increase(s):

Revised rates for these products reflect the following:

- Impact of medical claim trend (including changes in provider unit costs and increased utilization of medical cost services);
- Revisions to our assumptions about population morbidity and the projected population distribution;
- Changes in cost sharing to ensure that plans comply with Actuarial Value requirements;
- Changes in our pricing models used to determine the impact of cost sharing designs;
   and
- Changes in provider networks and contracts.

The weighted average increase across plans based on current ACA-compliant membership, inclusive of the impact of benefit and cost sharing changes, is 17.1%. The minimum increase is 17.1% and the maximum increase is 17.1%.

Carrier Name and NAIC#: Anthem Health Plans of Virginia, Inc. #71835 Market: Small Group

Rate request SERFF Tracking #: <u>AWLP-13232983</u> This document is prepared by the carrier to help explain the requested rate change and is only a summary of the carrier's request. It is not intended to describe or include all factors or information considered in the review process. For more information, refer to the complete filing at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx</a>. A glossary of terms used on this form can be found at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx</a>. A map of rating areas can be found at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/cons/index.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/cons/index.aspx</a>.

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Effective Date:  $\frac{1/1/2021}{\text{Initial Requested Average Rate Change:}} \\ \frac{2.1}{\%} \\ \text{Current Requested Average Rate Change:} \\ \frac{1.0}{\%} \\ \text{Range of Requested Rate Change:} \\ \frac{-1.1}{\%} \text{ to } \frac{7.7}{\%} \\ \\ \frac{1}{\%} \\ \frac{7.7}{\%} \\ \frac{1}{\%} \\ \frac{7.7}{\%} \\ \frac{1}{\%} \\$ 

Projected Number of Insureds Affected: 69820

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#### Breakdown of premium

This is how the carrier plans to spend the premium collected in plan year 2021 :

Claims: 81.0 %Administrative: 8.7 %Taxes and fees: 3.9 %Profit 6.3 %

Area 1 (Blacksburg)	1.0676
Area 2 (Charlottesville)	0.9414
Area 3 (Danville)	0.9861
Area 4 (Harrisonburg)	0.9979
Area 5 (Bristol)	1.0060

Area Factor

Rating Areas Plans will be offered

Area 4 (Harrisonburg)

Area 5 (Bristol)

Area 6 (Lynchburg)

Area 7 (Richmond)

Area 8 (Roanoke)

Area 9 (Tidewater)

Area 10 (Northern VA)

Area 11 (Winchester)

Area 12 (Non-MSA)

1.0060

#### **Factors of Rate Change**

Medical Cost (Trend) Change: 7.5%

Change in Morbidity: 1.4%

Change in Demographics: 0.4%

Change in Network: 0.0%

Change in Benefits: -0.1%

Change in Other (explain below): -8.3%

#### Explanation of requested rate change

Provide a narrative below to summarize the key information used to develop the rates including the main drivers for new or revised rates. Include additional pages as needed. Data filed within this document must remain current and concur with data contained in the Rate Filing Template as well as on the Rate/Rule Schedule.

Anthem Health Plans of Virginia is filing for an increase to rates available for new and renewing small groups for products that are compliant with the Affordable Care Act (ACA). These rate increases are for plans off exchange, and the rate increase would be effective starting January 1, 2021.

The overall increase is 1.0%. At the individual plan level, rate increases range from -1.1% to 7.7%. A group's actual rate could be higher or lower depending on group demographic make-up, benefit design, and the quarter in which they renew. The primary drivers of premium increases are associated with increased cost of benefit expense for this ACA-compliant block. Increased cost of benefit expense is driven by increases in the price of services primarily from hospitals, physicians and pharmacies, coupled with members increasing their use of health care services, also called "utilization". Increases in the price of services are driven by technological advances, new specialty medications, and a variety of other factors. Increased utilization is driven by member-level utilization and selection patterns in the market. Morbidity is another contributing factor, which is due to the projected sickness level (separate from aging) in the population. The 'other' negative amount is mostly due to favorable claim experience, improved risk adjustment outlook, and the elimination of the Health Insurer Fee in 2021.

Anthem is committed to working to hold down the cost of insurance and price the small group ACA market for long-term sustainability. We continue to explore innovative collaboration with providers and negotiate deeper discounts at our hospitals. And we provide members with tools to make informed decisions about where and how to receive treatment. Despite these efforts to moderate the cost of insurance, the projected cost of benefit expense in the market indicates a need for the premium increases filed.

Carrier Name and NAIC#: CareFirst BlueChoice, Inc. (NAIC# 96202)

Rate request SERFF Tracking #: <u>CFAP-132382665</u> This document is prepared by the carrier to help explain the requested rate change and is only a summary of the carrier's request. It is not intended to describe or include all factors or information considered in the review process. For more information, refer to the complete filing at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx</a>. A glossary of terms used on this form can be found at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx</a>. A map of rating areas can be found at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/cons/index.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/cons/index.aspx</a>.

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Effective Date: 1/1/2021 |
Initial Requested Average Rate Change: 0.749 % |
Current Requested Average Rate Change: 1.458 % |
Range of Requested Rate Change: -4.0% to 12.9%

Projected Number of Insureds Affected: 42,570

#### **Key information**

#### Breakdown of premium

This is how the carrier plans to spend the premium collected in plan year 2021 :

 $\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Claims:} & \underline{81.2} \% \\ \text{Administrative:} & \underline{14.6} \% \\ \text{Taxes and fees:} & \underline{1.0} \% \\ \text{Profit} & 3.2 \% \\ \end{array}$ 

Rating Areas Plans will be offered Area Factor

Market: Small Group

Area 1 (Blacksburg) n/a n/a Area 2 (Charlottesville) Area 3 (Danville) n/a n/a Area 4 (Harrisonburg) n/a Area 5 (Bristol) n/a Area 6 (Lynchburg) n/a Area 7 (Richmond) n/a Area 8 (Roanoke) n/a Area 9 (Tidewater) 1.000 Area 10 (Northern VA) n/a Area 11 (Winchester) n/a Area 12 (Non-MSA)

#### **Factors of Rate Change**

Medical Cost (Trend) Change: 6.00%

Change in Morbidity: 0.43%

Change in Demographics: 2.67%

Change in Network: 0.00%

Change in Benefits: 0.62%

Change in Other (explain below): 0.73%

#### Explanation of requested rate change

Provide a narrative below to summarize the key information used to develop the rates including the main drivers for new or revised rates. Include additional pages as needed. Data filed within this document must remain current and concur with data contained in the Rate Filing Template as well as on the Rate/Rule Schedule.

The main drivers supporting the rate increase are an increase to the market adjusted index rate, an increase to plan level benefit factors, and decreases to the administrative cost factor and the age calibration factor. The change in the market adjusted index rate is driven by increases to the base period index rate, the demographic factor (which is mostly offset by the age calibration), and in payments into the federal risk adjustment program. Our administrative cost factor has decreased primarily due to the removal of the Health Insurer Fee.

Note that what this template labels as "profit" we call "contribution to reserve" in our rate filing.

The change in other projected in this rate filing is due to changes in capitation payments, drug rebates, and the new smart shopper incentive program.

Carrier Name and NAIC#: Group Hospitalization & Medical Services, Inc. (NAIC# 403 Market: Small Group

Rate request SERFF Tracking #: <u>CFAP-13238261</u> This document is prepared by the carrier to help explain the requested rate change and is only a summary of the carrier's request. It is not intended to describe or include all factors or information considered in the review process. For more information, refer to the complete filing at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx</a>. A glossary of terms used on this form can be found at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx</a>. A map of rating areas can be found at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/cons/index.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/cons/index.aspx</a>.

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Effective Date: 1/1/2021
Initial Requested Average Rate Change: 5.500 %

Current Requested Average Rate Change: 4.081 %

Range of Requested Rate Change: 3.3 % to 9.3 %

Projected Number of Insureds Affected: 14,249

### **Key information**

#### Breakdown of premium

This is how the carrier plans to spend the premium collected in plan year 2021 :

Claims: 81.8 %Administrative: 11.7 %Taxes and fees: 3.1 %Profit 3.4 %

#### Rating Areas Plans will be offered Area Factor

Area 1 (Blacksburg)	<u>n/a</u>
Area 2 (Charlottesville)	n/a
Area 3 (Danville)	n/a
Area 4 (Harrisonburg)	n/a
Area 5 (Bristol)	n/a
Area 6 (Lynchburg)	n/a
Area 7 (Richmond)	n/a
Area 8 (Roanoke)	n/a
Area 9 (Tidewater)	n/a
Area 10 (Northern VA)	1.000
Area 11 (Winchester)	n/a
Area 12 (Non-MSA)	n/a

#### **Factors of Rate Change**

Medical Cost (Trend) Change:

Change in Morbidity:

Change in Demographics:

Change in Network:

Change in Benefits:

Change in Other (explain below):

8.00%

-0.33%

0.00%

1.49%

0.63%

#### Explanation of requested rate change

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Note that what this template labels as "profit" we call "contribution to reserve" in our rate filing.

The change in other projected in this rate filing is due to changes in capitation payments, drug rebates, and the new smart shopper incentive program.

Carrier Name and NAIC#: Anthem HealthKeepers, Inc. #95169 Market: Small Group

Rate request SERFF Tracking #: AWLP-132329 This document is prepared by the carrier to help explain the requested rate change and is only a summary of the carrier's request. It is not intended to describe or include all factors or information considered in the review process. For more information, refer to the complete filing at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx</a>. A glossary of terms used on this form can be found at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx</a>. A map of rating areas can be found at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/cons/index.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/cons/index.aspx</a>.

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Effective Date: 1/1/2021
Initial Requested Average Rate Change: 3.5 %

Current Requested Average Rate Change: 2.7 %

Range of Requested Rate Change: -0.4% to 7.5 %

Projected Number of Insureds Affected: 68130

#### **Key information**

#### Breakdown of premium

This is how the carrier plans to spend the premium collected in plan year 2021 :

 $\begin{array}{c} \text{Claims:} & \underline{82.0} \% \\ \text{Administrative:} & \underline{10.0} \% \\ \text{Taxes and fees:} & \underline{2.2} \% \\ \text{Profit} & \underline{5.8} \% \\ \end{array}$ 

# Rating Areas Plans will be offered Area Factor

Area 1 (Blacksburg)	1.0596
Area 2 (Charlottesville)	0.9392
Area 3 (Danville)	0.9807
Area 4 (Harrisonburg)	0.9883
Area 5 (Bristol)	0.9919
Area 6 (Lynchburg)	0.9704
Area 7 (Richmond)	1.0254
Area 8 (Roanoke)	1.0326
Area 9 (Tidewater)	0.9713
Area 10 (Northern VA)	1.0229
Area 11 (Winchester)	0.9545
Area 12 (Non-MSA)	0.9719

#### **Factors of Rate Change**

Medical Cost (Trend) Change: 7.7%

Change in Morbidity: 1.4%

Change in Demographics: 0.4%

Change in Network: 0.0%

Change in Benefits: -0.1%

Change in Other (explain below): -6.7%

#### Explanation of requested rate change

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Anthem HealthKeepers is filing for an increase to rates available for new and renewing small groups for products that are compliant with the Affordable Care Act (ACA). These rate increases are for plans off exchange, and the rate increase would be effective starting January 1, 2021.

The overall increase is 2.7%. At the individual plan level, rate increases range from -0.4% to 7.5%. A group's actual rate could be higher or lower depending on group demographic make-up, benefit design, and the quarter in which they renew. The primary drivers of premium increases are associated with increased cost of benefit expense for this ACA-compliant block. Increased cost of benefit expense is driven by increases in the price of services primarily from hospitals, physicians and pharmacies, coupled with members increasing their use of health care services, also called "utilization". Increases in the price of services are driven by technological advances, new specialty medications, and a variety of other factors. Increased utilization is driven by member-level utilization and selection patterns in the market. Morbidity is another contributing factor, which is due to the projected sickness level (separate from aging) in the population. The 'other' negative amount is mostly due to favorable claim experience, improved risk adjustment outlook, and the elimination of the Health Insurer Fee in 2021.

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Carrier Name and NAIC#: Innovation Health Insurance Company, 15097 Market: Virginia

Rate request SERFF Tracking #: <u>AETN-13231546</u> This document is prepared by the carrier to help explain the requested rate change and is only a summary of the carrier's request. It is not intended to describe or include all factors or information considered in the review process. For more information, refer to the complete filing at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx</a>. A glossary of terms used on this form can be found at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx</a>. A map of rating areas can be found at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/cons/index.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/cons/index.aspx</a>.

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Effective Date: 1/1/2021 Initial Requested Average Rate Change: -6.7 %

Current Requested Average Rate Change: -6.7 %

Range of Requested Rate Change: -14.% to -1.6%

Projected Number of Insureds Affected: 4404

#### **Key information**

#### Breakdown of premium

This is how the carrier plans to spend the premium collected in plan year <u>568.54</u>:

 $\begin{array}{ll} \text{Claims:} & \underline{81.70\%} \\ \text{Administrative:} & \underline{9.59\%} \\ \text{Taxes and fees:} & \underline{3.97\%} \\ \text{Profit} & \underline{4.74\%} \\ \end{array}$ 

#### Rating Areas Plans will be offered Area Factor

Area 1 (Blacksburg)	0.0000
Area 2 (Charlottesville)	0.0000
Area 3 (Danville)	0.0000
Area 4 (Harrisonburg)	0.0000
Area 5 (Bristol)	0.0000
Area 6 (Lynchburg)	0.0000
Area 7 (Richmond)	0.0000
Area 8 (Roanoke)	0.0000
Area 9 (Tidewater)	0.0000
Area 10 (Northern VA)	1.0000
Area 11 (Winchester)	1.0000
Area 12 (Non-MSA)	1.0000

#### **Factors of Rate Change**

Medical Cost (Trend) Change:

Change in Morbidity:

Change in Demographics:

Change in Network:

Change in Benefits:

Change in Other (explain below):

8.9%

1.01

1.01

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#### Explanation of requested rate change

Provide a narrative below to summarize the key information used to develop the rates including the main drivers for new or revised rates. Include additional pages as needed. Data filed within this document must remain current and concur with data contained in the Rate Filing Template as well as on the Rate/Rule Schedule.

Other includes: Pooling, Deductible Suppression, and Rx Other Trend (1.0 in this instance).

A. Reason for Rate Decrease(s):

Revised rates for these products reflect the following:

- Impact of medical claim trend (including changes in provider unit costs and increased utilization of medical cost services);
- Revisions to our assumptions about population morbidity and the projected population distribution;
- Changes in cost sharing to ensure that plans comply with Actuarial Value requirements;
- Changes in our pricing models used to determine the impact of cost sharing designs; and
- Changes in provider networks and contracts.

#### Rate Request Summary Narrative

Monthly premium rates for all Small Group Market products in Virginia are being revised for effective dates January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021.

#### A. Reason for Rate Decrease(s):

Revised rates for these products reflect the following:

- Impact of medical claim trend (including changes in provider unit costs and increased utilization of medical cost services);
- Revisions to our assumptions about population morbidity and the projected population distribution;
- Changes in cost sharing to ensure that plans comply with Actuarial Value requirements;
- Changes in our pricing models used to determine the impact of cost sharing designs;
   and
- Changes in provider networks and contracts.

#### B. Variation in Rate Changes by Plan/Product:

Rate changes differ by plan for the following reasons:

- Provider cost estimates have been updated, and the change differs based on network.
- Changes in cost sharing differ by plan in order to maintain compliance with Actuarial Value and other regulatory requirements.
- Our internal pricing models have been updated to reflect more current information on levels of induced demand associated with different benefit designs. These changes impact our estimates of the relative costs of the plan designs that will be offered.

The weighted average increase across plans based on current ACA-compliant membership, inclusive of the impact of benefit and cost sharing changes, is -6.7%. The maximum decrease is -14.1% and the minimum decrease is -1.6%.

Carrier Name and NAIC#: Innovation Health Plan, Inc., 15098

Rate request SERFF Tracking #: AETN-13231552: This document is prepared by the carrier to help explain the requested rate change and is only a summary of the carrier's request. It is not intended to describe or include all factors or information considered in the review process. For more information, refer to the complete filing at https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx. A glossary of terms used on this form can be found at https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx. A map of rating areas can be found at

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1/1/2021 Effective Date: -2.1 % Initial Requested Average Rate Change: Current Requested Average Rate Change: -2.1 % -5.4% to <u>-1\_</u>% Range of Requested Rate Change: 1255 Projected Number of Insureds Affected:

### **Key information**

#### Breakdown of premium

This is how the carrier plans to spend the premium collected in plan year 536.88 :

82.74% Claims: Administrative: 10.17% 2.35 % Taxes and fees: 4.74 % Profit

Area 1 (Blacksburg)	0.0000
Area 2 (Charlottesville)	0.0000
Area 3 (Danville)	0.0000
Area 4 (Harrisonburg)	0.0000

Rating Areas Plans will be offered

Market: Virginia

Area Factor

0.0000 Area 5 (Bristol) 0.0000 Area 6 (Lynchburg) 0.0000 Area 7 (Richmond) 0.0000 Area 8 (Roanoke) 0.0000 Area 9 (Tidewater) 1.0000 Area 10 (Northern VA) 1.0000 Area 11 (Winchester) 1.0000 Area 12 (Non-MSA)

#### **Factors of Rate Change**

8.9% Medical Cost (Trend) Change: 1.010 Change in Morbidity: 0.972 Change in Demographics: 1.000 Change in Network: 0.992 Change in Benefits: 1.033 Change in Other (explain below):

#### Explanation of requested rate change

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Other includes: Pooling, Deductible Suppression, and Rx Other Trend (1.0 in this instance).

Rate Request Summary Narrative

Monthly premium rates for all Small Group Market products in Virginia are being revised for effective dates January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021.

A. Reason for Rate Decrease(s):

Revised rates for these products reflect the following:

- Impact of medical claim trend (including changes in provider unit costs and increased utilization of medical cost services);
- · Revisions to our assumptions about population morbidity and the projected population distribution;
- · Changes in cost sharing to ensure that plans comply with Actuarial Value requirements;
- Changes in our pricing models used to determine the impact of cost sharing designs; and
- · Changes in provider networks and contracts.
- B. Variation in Rate Changes by Plan/Product:

Rate changes differ by plan for the following reasons:

- Provider cost estimates have been updated, and the change differs based on network.
- Changes in cost sharing differ by plan in order to maintain compliance with Actuarial Value and other regulatory requirements.
- · Our internal pricing models have been updated to reflect more current information on levels of induced demand associated with different benefit designs. These changes impact our estimates of the relative costs of the plan designs that will be offered.

#### Rate Request Summary Narrative

Monthly premium rates for all Small Group Market products in Virginia are being revised for effective dates January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021.

#### A. Reason for Rate Decreases(s):

Revised rates for these products reflect the following:

- Impact of medical claim trend (including changes in provider unit costs and increased utilization of medical cost services);
- Revisions to our assumptions about population morbidity and the projected population distribution;
- Changes in cost sharing to ensure that plans comply with Actuarial Value requirements;
- Changes in our pricing models used to determine the impact of cost sharing designs;
   and
- Changes in provider networks and contracts.

#### B. Variation in Rate Changes by Plan/Product:

Rate changes differ by plan for the following reasons:

- Provider cost estimates have been updated, and the change differs based on network.
- Changes in cost sharing differ by plan in order to maintain compliance with Actuarial Value and other regulatory requirements.
- Our internal pricing models have been updated to reflect more current information on levels of induced demand associated with different benefit designs. These changes impact our estimates of the relative costs of the plan designs that will be offered.

The weighted average increase across plans based on current ACA-compliant membership, inclusive of the impact of benefit and cost sharing changes, is -2.1%. The minimum decrease is -0.4% and the maximum decrease is -7.4%

Carrier Name and NAIC#: Kaiser Foundation Health Plan of the Mid-Atlantic States Market: Small Group

Rate request SERFF Tracking #: KPMA-13236700 This document is prepared by the carrier to help explain the requested rate change and is only a summary of the carrier's request. It is not intended to describe or include all factors or information considered in the review process. For more information, refer to the complete filing at https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx. A glossary of terms used on this form can be found at https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx. A map of rating areas can be found at https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/cons/index.aspx.

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1/1/2021 Effective Date: 1.0 Initial Requested Average Rate Change: % Current Requested Average Rate Change: 1.0 % -2.5% to 4.0% Range of Requested Rate Change: 16007

Projected Number of Insureds Affected:

#### **Key information**

#### Breakdown of premium

This is how the carrier plans to spend the premium collected in plan year 2021

97.1 % Claims: Administrative: 16.9 % 0.1 % Taxes and fees: -14.1% Profit

#### Rating Areas Plans will be offered Area Factor

Area 1 (Blacksburg)	N/A
Area 2 (Charlottesville)	N/A
Area 3 (Danville)	N/A
Area 4 (Harrisonburg)	N/A
Area 5 (Bristol)	N/A
Area 6 (Lynchburg)	N/A
Area 7 (Richmond)	1.000
Area 8 (Roanoke)	N/A
Area 9 (Tidewater)	N/A
Area 10 (Northern VA)	1.000
Area 11 (Winchester)	N/A
Area 12 (Non-MSA)	1.000

#### **Factors of Rate Change**

Medical Cost (Trend) Change: 2.3% -2.0% Change in Morbidity: 0.2% Change in Demographics: -0.3% Change in Network: -0.2% Change in Benefits: 0.0% Change in Other (explain below):

# Explanation of requested rate change

Provide a narrative below to summarize the key information used to develop the rates including the main drivers for new or revised rates. Include additional pages as needed. Data filed within this document must remain current and concur with data contained in the Rate Filing Template as well as on the Rate/Rule Schedule.

All current benefit plans are renewing in 2021. Primary factors that affect the rate change for these plans are:

- Claims experience of the single risk pool different than projected in the previous year.
- Medical inflation including increases in unit cost per service and utilization of services.
- Changes in population morbidity.
- Risk adjustment transfer payments into the statewide risk adjustment pool.
- Benefit plan design adjustments, including those made to comply with Actuarial Value ("AV") requirements. This results in varying rate changes by plan.

The proposed average rate change is 1.0%. The average rate change does not indicate that every member's rate will change by this amount as rates are affected by the ages of those covered and benefits chosen. Proposed rate change by plan can be found in the Virginia Rate Template, Schedule V Plan Rates.

Carrier Name and NAIC#: Optima Health Insurance Company 70715 Market: Small Group

Rate request SERFF Tracking #: OPHL-132355024 This document is prepared by the carrier to help explain the requested rate change and is only a summary of the carrier's request. It is not intended to describe or include all factors or information considered in the review process. For more information, refer to the complete filing at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx</a>. A glossary of terms used on this form can be found at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx</a>. A map of rating areas can be found at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/cons/index.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/cons/index.aspx</a>.

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Effective Date:  $\frac{1/1/2021}{16.0}$  Initial Requested Average Rate Change:  $\frac{16.0}{9.5}$  %

Range of Requested Rate Change: -7.1% to 20.4%

Projected Number of Insureds Affected: 1,418

# Key information

#### Breakdown of premium

This is how the carrier plans to spend the premium collected in plan year 2021 :

Claims: 81.2%Administrative: 11.7%Taxes and fees: 3.3%Profit 3.8%

# Rating Areas Plans will be offered Area Factor

Area 1 (Blacksburg)	0.979
Area 2 (Charlottesville)	0.924
Area 3 (Danville)	0.979
Area 4 (Harrisonburg)	0.980
Area 5 (Bristol)	0.979
Area 6 (Lynchburg)	0.879
Area 7 (Richmond)	0.999
Area 8 (Roanoke)	0.979
Area 9 (Tidewater)	0.929
Area 10 (Northern VA)	0.979
Area 11 (Winchester)	0.979
Area 12 (Non-MSA)	0.979

#### **Factors of Rate Change**

Medical Cost (Trend) Change: 6.9%

Change in Morbidity: 1.5%

Change in Demographics: 0.7%

Change in Network: 1.7%

Change in Benefits: 0.3%

Change in Other (explain below): -1.8%

#### Explanation of requested rate change

Provide a narrative below to summarize the key information used to develop the rates including the main drivers for new or revised rates. Include additional pages as needed. Data filed within this document must remain current and concur with data contained in the Rate Filing Template as well as on the Rate/Rule Schedule.

Optima Health Insurance Company is filing for an increase to rates available for new and renewing small groups for products that are compliant with the Affordable Care Act (ACA). These rate increases are for plans off exchange, and the rate increase would be effective starting January 1, 2021.

The overall increase is 9.5% with a range of -7.1% to 20.4% at the individual plan level. The increase is largely driven by an increase in the historical and projected medical and pharmacy claims cost and an anticipated increase in medical and pharmacy costs in 2021 due to COVID 19. A portion of the rate change is due to the removal of the Health Insurer Fee. Components of the 'Change in Other' include a load for anticipated COVID 19 costs, an update to the model used for setting benefit relativities, changes in underlying experience period claims levels, changes in Risk Adjustment and decreases from taxes.

Carrier Name and NAIC#: Optima Health Plan 95281

Rate request SERFF Tracking #: OPHL-13235494! This document is prepared by the carrier to help explain the requested rate change and is only a summary of the carrier's request. It is not intended to describe or include all factors or information considered in the review process. For more information, refer to the complete filing at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx</a>. A glossary of terms used on this form can be found at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx</a>. A map of rating areas can be found at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/cons/index.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/cons/index.aspx</a>.

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Projected Number of Insureds Affected: 35,156

Key	information

#### Breakdown of premium

This is how the carrier plans to spend the premium collected in plan year 2021 :

Claims: 81.6%Administrative: 11.9%Taxes and fees: 0.2%Profit 6.4%

#### Rating Areas Plans will be offered Area Factor

Market: Small Group

Area 1 (Blacksburg)	1.036
Area 2 (Charlottesville)	0.976
Area 3 (Danville)	1.036
Area 4 (Harrisonburg)	1.038
Area 5 (Bristol)	1.036
Area 6 (Lynchburg)	0.931
Area 7 (Richmond)	1.058
Area 8 (Roanoke)	1.036
Area 9 (Tidewater)	0.930
Area 10 (Northern VA)	1.036
Area 11 (Winchester)	1.036
Area 12 (Non-MSA)	1.036

#### Factors of Rate Change

Medical Cost (Trend) Change: 7.2%

Change in Morbidity: 0.0%

Change in Demographics: 0.6%

Change in Network: 1.6%

Change in Benefits: 0.2%

Change in Other (explain below): 1.0%

#### Explanation of requested rate change

Provide a narrative below to summarize the key information used to develop the rates including the main drivers for new or revised rates. Include additional pages as needed. Data filed within this document must remain current and concur with data contained in the Rate Filing Template as well as on the Rate/Rule Schedule.

Optima Health Plan is filing for an increase to rates available for new and renewing small groups for products that are compliant with the Affordable Care Act (ACA). These rate increases are for plans off exchange, and the rate increase would be effective starting January 1, 2021.

The overall increase is 10.9% with a range of -5.0% to 26.1% at the individual plan level. The increase is largely driven by an increase in the historical and projected medical and pharmacy claims cost and an anticipated increase in medical and pharmacy costs in 2021 due to COVID 19. A portion of the rate change is due to the removal of the Health Insurer Fee. Components of the 'Change in Other' include a load for anticipated COVID 19 costs, an update to the model used for setting benefit relativities, changes in underlying experience period claims levels, changes in Risk Adjustment and decreases from taxes.

Carrier Name and NAIC#: Optimum Choice, Inc. 96940 Market: Small Group

Rate request SERFF Tracking #: <u>UHLC-1323305</u>: This document is prepared by the carrier to help explain the requested rate change and is only a summary of the carrier's request. It is not intended to describe or include all factors or information considered in the review process. For more information, refer to the complete filing at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx</a>. A glossary of terms used on this form can be found at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx</a>. A map of rating areas can be found at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/cons/index.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/cons/index.aspx</a>.

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Effective Date: 1/1/2021
Initial Requested Average Rate Change: 5.77 %
Current Requested Average Rate Change: 5.77 %

Range of Requested Rate Change: \_\_10.% to \_13.9%

Projected Number of Insureds Affected: 5,097

### **Key information**

#### Breakdown of premium

This is how the carrier plans to spend the premium collected in plan year 2021 :

Claims:  $\frac{78.4}{4}\%$ Administrative:  $\frac{11.6}{3}\%$ Taxes and fees:  $\frac{3.8}{6.2}\%$ 

Area 1 (Blacksburg)	1.04	
Area 2 (Charlottesville)	.945	
Area 3 (Danville)	1.04	
Area 4 (Harrisonburg)	1.04	_
Area 5 (Bristol)	1.04	

Area Factor

.918

.975

Rating Areas Plans will be offered

Area 5 (Bristol)

Area 6 (Lynchburg)

Area 7 (Richmond)

Area 8 (Roanoke)

Area 9 (Tidewater)

Area 10 (Northern VA)

1.04

1.04

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.954

**Factors of Rate Change** 

Area 11 (Winchester)

Area 12 (Non-MSA)

Medical Cost (Trend) Change:

Change in Morbidity:

Change in Demographics:

Change in Network:

Change in Benefits:

Change in Other (explain below):

-3%

#### Explanation of requested rate change

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The Change on Other is mainly due to the ACA fees being removed in 2021. Please see the Part II Consumer Disclosure OCI 2021-01 document for a narrative of key information.

# Federal Rate Filing Justification Part II Written Description Justifying the Rate Increase

**Optimum Choice, Inc.** 

**NAIC: 96940** 

FEIN: 521518174

**State of Virginia Rate Review** 

#### Scope and Range of the Rate Increase

The requested rate change for small group health benefit plans sold in the state of Virginia will be effective January 1, 2021 and impact 5,097 covered lives. The rate change experienced by members will vary depending on plan selection and geographic area. Additional premium changes may occur upon renewal due to changes in member age, changes in plan selection, and changes in geographic location.

#### **Financial Experience of the Product**

The benefit care ratio for these products during the 2019 calendar year is 77%. This ratio is the portion of premium that is needed to pay medical claims. The complement of the benefit care ratio is the portion of premium needed for taxes and fees, administrative expenses, and margin.

The experience available for this product is not fully credible and we base our rates on the best information that we have available about the expected costs for these plans.

#### **Changes in Medical Service Costs**

There are many different healthcare cost trends that contribute to increases in the overall U.S. healthcare spending each year. These trend factors affect health insurance premiums, which can mean a premium rate increase to cover costs. Some of the key healthcare cost trends that have affected this year's rate actions include:

- Increasing cost of medical services: Annual increases in reimbursement rates to healthcare providers, such as hospitals, doctors, and pharmaceutical companies.
- Increased utilization: The number of office visits and other services continues to grow. In addition, total healthcare spending will vary by the intensity of care and use of different types of health services. The price of care can be affected by the use of expensive procedures such as surgery versus simply monitoring or providing medications.
- Higher costs from deductible leveraging: Healthcare costs continue to rise every year. If deductibles
  and copayments remain the same, a higher percentage of healthcare costs need to be covered by
  health insurance premiums each year.
- Cost shifting from the public to the private sector: Reimbursements from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) to hospitals do not generally cover the cost of providing care to these patients. Hospitals typically make up this reimbursement shortfall by charging private health plans more.
- Impact of new technology: Improvements to medical technology and clinical practice often result in the use of more expensive services, leading to increased healthcare spending and utilization.

# **Changes in Benefits**

Changes in covered benefits impact costs and therefore affect premium changes. Benefit plans are typically changed for one of three reasons: to comply with the requirements of the Affordable Care Act or state law, to respond to consumer feedback, or to address a particular medical cost issue to provide greater long-term affordability of the product.

# **Administrative Costs and Anticipated Margins**

UnitedHealthcare Insurance Company works to directly control administrative expenses by adopting better processes and technology and developing programs and innovations that make healthcare more affordable. We have led the marketplace by introducing key innovations that make healthcare services more accessible and affordable for customers, improve the quality and coordination of healthcare services, and help individuals and their physicians make more informed healthcare decisions. Taxes and fees imposed by the State and Federal government are significant factors that impact healthcare spending and have to be included in the administrative costs associated with the plans. These fees include Affordable Care Act taxes and fees which impact health insurance costs and need to be reflected in premium. Another component of premium is margin, which is set to address expected volatility and risk in the market.

The requested rate change is anticipated to be sufficient to cover the projected benefit and administrative costs for the 2021 plan year.

Carrier Name and NAIC#: Piedmont Community Healthcare HMO, Inc. NAIC# 15791 Market: Small Group Off-Exc Rate request SERFF Tracking #: PDHP-13234029. This document is prepared by the carrier to help explain the requested rate change and is only a summary of the carrier's request. It is not intended to describe or include all factors or information considered in the review process. For more information, refer to the complete filing at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx</a>. A glossary of terms used on this form can be found at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx</a>. A map of rating areas can be found at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/cons/index.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/cons/index.aspx</a>.

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Effective Date: 01/01/2021 |
Initial Requested Average Rate Change: 3.0 %

Current Requested Average Rate Change: 3.0 %

Range of Requested Rate Change: -7.0 % to 7.0 %

Projected Number of Insureds Affected: 1780

#### **Key information**

#### Breakdown of premium

This is how the carrier plans to spend the premium collected in plan year 2021 :

Claims: 74.73 %
Administrative: 29.15 %
Taxes and fees: 0.12 %
Profit -4.00 %

#### Rating Areas Plans will be offered Area Factor

Area 1 (Blacksburg)		
Area 2 (Charlottesville)	1.0605	
Area 3 (Danville)	1.1578	
Area 4 (Harrisonburg)		
Area 5 (Bristol)		
Area 6 (Lynchburg)	1.0000	
Area 7 (Richmond)		
Area 8 (Roanoke)		
Area 9 (Tidewater)		
Area 10 (Northern VA)		
Area 11 (Winchester)		
Area 12 (Non-MSA)	1.0921	

#### **Factors of Rate Change**

Medical Cost (Trend) Change: 1.032

Change in Morbidity: 1.000

Change in Demographics: 1.000

Change in Network: 0.964

Change in Benefits: 0.990

Change in Other (explain below): 1.009

#### Explanation of requested rate change

Provide a narrative below to summarize the key information used to develop the rates including the main drivers for new or revised rates. Include additional pages as needed. Data filed within this document must remain current and concur with data contained in the Rate Filing Template as well as on the Rate/Rule Schedule.

Change in Administrative Costs: 1.126 Change in Taxes and Fees: 0.983

Change in Profit and Risk Margin: 0.956 Change in Induced Utilization: 0.998

Impact of Claims Coding Improvements: 0.980

Explanation for Other Rate Change Factor: The main component of the other adjustment reflects changes to

the underlying experience used for the manual rate.

Rate Request SERFF Tracking #: PDHP-132340291

Carrier Name and NAIC#: UnitedHealthcare Insurance Company, 25978 Market: Small Group

Rate request SERFF Tracking #: <u>UHLC-13233053</u>t This document is prepared by the carrier to help explain the requested rate change and is only a summary of the carrier's request. It is not intended to describe or include all factors or information considered in the review process. For more information, refer to the complete filing at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx</a>. A glossary of terms used on this form can be found at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx</a>. A map of rating areas can be found at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/cons/index.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/cons/index.aspx</a>.

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Effective Date: 1/1/2021Initial Requested Average Rate Change: 4.34 %
Current Requested Average Rate Change: 4.34 %

Range of Requested Rate Change: <u>-10.</u>% to <u>18.7</u>%

Projected Number of Insureds Affected: 60,313

### **Key information**

#### Breakdown of premium

This is how the carrier plans to spend the premium collected in plan year 2021 :

Claims:  $\frac{78.4}{9}$  % Administrative:  $\frac{11.6}{9}$  % Taxes and fees:  $\frac{3.8}{6.2}$  %

#### Rating Areas Plans will be offered Area Factor

Area 1 (Blacksburg)	1.04
Area 2 (Charlottesville)	.945
Area 3 (Danville)	1.04
Area 4 (Harrisonburg)	1.04
Area 5 (Bristol)	1.04
Area 6 (Lynchburg)	1.04
Area 7 (Richmond)	1.017
Area 8 (Roanoke)	1.010
Area 9 (Tidewater)	.954
Area 10 (Northern VA)	.893
Area 11 (Winchester)	.918
Area 12 (Non-MSA)	.975

#### **Factors of Rate Change**

Medical Cost (Trend) Change:	0.5%
Change in Morbidity:	1.8%
Change in Demographics:	-1.5%
Change in Network:	0.0%
Change in Benefits:	0.0%
Change in Other (explain below):	1%

#### Explanation of requested rate change

Provide a narrative below to summarize the key information used to develop the rates including the main drivers for new or revised rates. Include additional pages as needed. Data filed within this document must remain current and concur with data contained in the Rate Filing Template as well as on the Rate/Rule Schedule.

The Change on Other is mainly due to the ACA fees being removed in 2021. Please see the Part II Consumer Disclosure UHIC 2021-01 document for a narrative of key information.

# Federal Rate Filing Justification Part II Written Description Justifying the Rate Increase

**UnitedHealthcare Insurance Company** 

**NAIC: 79413** 

FEIN: 362739571

**State of Virginia Rate Review** 

#### Scope and Range of the Rate Increase

The requested rate change for small group health benefit plans sold in the state of Virginia will be effective January 1, 2021 and impact 60,313 covered lives. The rate change experienced by members will vary depending on plan selection and geographic area. Additional premium changes may occur upon renewal due to changes in member age, changes in plan selection, and changes in geographic location.

#### **Financial Experience of the Product**

The benefit care ratio for these products during the 2019 calendar year is 73.7%. This ratio is the portion of premium that is needed to pay medical claims. The complement of the benefit care ratio is the portion of premium needed for taxes and fees, administrative expenses, and margin.

The experience available for this product is not fully credible and we base our rates on the best information that we have available about the expected costs for these plans.

#### **Changes in Medical Service Costs**

There are many different healthcare cost trends that contribute to increases in the overall U.S. healthcare spending each year. These trend factors affect health insurance premiums, which can mean a premium rate increase to cover costs. Some of the key healthcare cost trends that have affected this year's rate actions include:

- Increasing cost of medical services: Annual increases in reimbursement rates to healthcare providers, such as hospitals, doctors, and pharmaceutical companies.
- Increased utilization: The number of office visits and other services continues to grow. In addition, total healthcare spending will vary by the intensity of care and use of different types of health services. The price of care can be affected by the use of expensive procedures such as surgery versus simply monitoring or providing medications.
- Higher costs from deductible leveraging: Healthcare costs continue to rise every year. If deductibles
  and copayments remain the same, a higher percentage of healthcare costs need to be covered by
  health insurance premiums each year.
- Cost shifting from the public to the private sector: Reimbursements from the Centers for Medicare
  and Medicaid Services (CMS) to hospitals do not generally cover the cost of providing care to these
  patients. Hospitals typically make up this reimbursement shortfall by charging private health plans
  more
- Impact of new technology: Improvements to medical technology and clinical practice often result in the use of more expensive services, leading to increased healthcare spending and utilization.

# **Changes in Benefits**

Changes in covered benefits impact costs and therefore affect premium changes. Benefit plans are typically changed for one of three reasons: to comply with the requirements of the Affordable Care Act or state law, to respond to consumer feedback, or to address a particular medical cost issue to provide greater long-term affordability of the product.

# **Administrative Costs and Anticipated Margins**

UnitedHealthcare Insurance Company works to directly control administrative expenses by adopting better processes and technology and developing programs and innovations that make healthcare more affordable. We have led the marketplace by introducing key innovations that make healthcare services more accessible and affordable for customers, improve the quality and coordination of healthcare services, and help individuals and their physicians make more informed healthcare decisions. Taxes and fees imposed by the State and Federal government are significant factors that impact healthcare spending and have to be included in the administrative costs associated with the plans. These fees include Affordable Care Act taxes and fees which impact health insurance costs and need to be reflected in premium. Another component of premium is margin, which is set to address expected volatility and risk in the market.

The requested rate change is anticipated to be sufficient to cover the projected benefit and administrative costs for the 2021 plan year.

Carrier Name and NAIC#: UnitedHealthcare of the Mid-Atlantic, Inc. 95025 Market: Small Group

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Effective Date: 1/1/2021
Initial Requested Average Rate Change: 8.60% %

Current Requested Average Rate Change: 8.60% %

Range of Requested Rate Change: -10.% to 16.1%

Projected Number of Insureds Affected: 9,310

**Key information** 

Breakdown of premium

This is how the carrier plans to spend the premium collected in plan year 2021 :

Rating Areas Plans will be offered Area Factor

Area 1 (Blacksburg)	1.04
Area 2 (Charlottesville)	.945
Area 3 (Danville)	1.04
Area 4 (Harrisonburg)	1.04
Area 5 (Bristol)	1.04
Area 6 (Lynchburg)	1.04
Area 7 (Richmond)	1.017
Area 8 (Roanoke)	1.010
Area 9 (Tidewater)	.954
Area 10 (Northern VA)	.893
Area 11 (Winchester)	.918
Area 12 (Non-MSA)	.975

Factors of Rate Change

Medical Cost (Trend) Change: 0.5%

Change in Morbidity: 1.8%

Change in Demographics: 3.8%

Change in Network: 0.0%

Change in Benefits: -2.1%

Change in Other (explain below): -7.1%

#### Explanation of requested rate change

Provide a narrative below to summarize the key information used to develop the rates including the main drivers for new or revised rates. Include additional pages as needed. Data filed within this document must remain current and concur with data contained in the Rate Filing Template as well as on the Rate/Rule Schedule.

The Change on Other is mainly due to the ACA fees being removed in 2021. Please see the Part II Consumer Disclosure UHCMA 2021-01 document for a narrative of key information.

# Federal Rate Filing Justification Part II Written Description Justifying the Rate Increase

United Healthcare of the Mid-Atlantic, Inc.

**NAIC: 95025** 

FEIN: 521130183

**State of Virginia Rate Review** 

#### Scope and Range of the Rate Increase

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#### **Financial Experience of the Product**

The benefit care ratio for these products during the 2019 calendar year is 80.4%. This ratio is the portion of premium that is needed to pay medical claims. The complement of the benefit care ratio is the portion of premium needed for taxes and fees, administrative expenses, and margin.

The experience available for this product is not fully credible and we base our rates on the best information that we have available about the expected costs for these plans.

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The requested rate change is anticipated to be sufficient to cover the projected benefit and administrative costs for the 2021 plan year.

Carrier Name and NAIC#: UnitedHealthcare Plan of the River Valley, Inc. NAIC Comp. Market: Small Group ACA Rate request SERFF Tracking #: UHLC-13236204. This document is prepared by the carrier to help explain the requested rate change and is only a summary of the carrier's request. It is not intended to describe or include all factors or information considered in the review process. For more information, refer to the complete filing at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx</a>. A glossary of terms used on this form can be found at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/SERFFInquiry/default.aspx</a>. A map of rating areas can be found at <a href="https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/cons/index.aspx">https://www.scc.virginia.gov/boi/cons/index.aspx</a>.

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Effective Date: January 1, ...
Initial Requested Average Rate Change: 2.3 %

Current Requested Average Rate Change: 2.3 %

Range of Requested Rate Change: -4.2% to 11.2%

Projected Number of Insureds Affected: 2380

**Key information** 

Breakdown of premium

This is how the carrier plans to spend the premium collected in plan year 2021 :

 $\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Claims:} & \underline{80.0} \% \\ \text{Administrative:} & \underline{8.3} \% \\ \text{Taxes and fees:} & \underline{1.95} \% \\ \text{Profit} & \underline{6.9} \% \\ \end{array}$ 

Area I (Blacksburg)	.8682	
Area 2 (Charlottesville)	.8682	
Area 3 (Danville)	.8682	
Area 4 (Harrisonburg)	.8682	
Area 5 (Bristol)	.7898	
Area 6 (Lynchburg)	.8682	
Area 7 (Richmond)	.8682	

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Rating Areas Plans will be offered

Area 10 (Northern VA) Area 11 (Winchester) Area 12 (Non-MSA)

Area 8 (Roanoke)

Area 9 (Tidewater)

**Factors of Rate Change** 

Medical Cost (Trend) Change: 8.3%

Change in Morbidity: 0.0%

Change in Demographics: 0.0%

Change in Network: 0.0%

Change in Benefits: 0.0%

Change in Other (explain below): -6.0%

# Explanation of requested rate change

Provide a narrative below to summarize the key information used to develop the rates including the main drivers for new or revised rates. Include additional pages as needed. Data filed within this document must remain current and concur with data contained in the Rate Filing Template as well as on the Rate/Rule Schedule.

In this filing, UHC is proposing a decrease in base rates as well as a change to the pricing trend.

The key information leading to these proposals are as such:

First, actual historical claims information is projected forward to the new effective date. From there, expenses such as administrative costs are considered. Once totaled, this is compared against the current rate environment to determine a base rate. Individual plans' structures are then considered as well as the ages and locations of the members to determine final rates.

Additionally, the components of "Change in Other" are comprised of the following:

- Composite Rating
- Catastrophic Claims Adjustment
- Trend Adjustment
- Adjustment for allowing self-employed groups of 1
- Lining up premium with expected claims