Health Insurance 2017 Plan Year Recommendations

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Dental Insurance

City currently offers dual choice (2 plan options)

- Care Plus Dental Plan (Dental Associates)
 - > Approximately 33% of employees elect this option
- Standard Dental Plan (self-insured offering)
 - > Approximately 67% of employees elect this option
 - > Provider network, administered by Anthem, allows for employee choice of 138 area dentists

Proposed for 2017 (offering remains the same)

- Care Plus Dental
 - > 5.0% Increase in Premium (100% City paid) / Equivalent ~ \$9K annual increase
- Standard Dental Plan
 - > 4.1% Decrease in Premium / Equivalent ~ \$15K annual decrease
 - > Administration Fees—no change, remains at \$3.16 per employee, per month
- ❖ Approximate Annual Cost for 2016 = \$531,800 / Approximate Annual Cost for 2017 = \$526,100

Dental Insurance

DENTAL Premium Equivalents - Summary: Staff Recommendations

Dental-Anthem	No.	2016	2017
	Enrolled	Premium Rate	Premium Rate
Employee	77	\$37.00	\$35.00
Family	263	\$102.00	\$98.00
Monthly	340	\$29,675	\$28,469
Annual		\$356,100	\$341,628
PEPM		\$87.28	\$83.73
% Change	340		-4.1%

Care Plus			
Employee	43	\$34.24	\$35.95
Family	125	\$105.36	\$110.62
Monthly		\$14,642	\$15,373
Annual		\$175,704	\$184,476
PEPM		\$87.15	\$91.51
% Change	168		5.0%
TOTAL DENTAL	508		



\$14.5 million annual cost requires judicious oversight and review. Current efforts include a measured approach focused on:

- Financial/Budget Pressures
- Anthem Service Experience
- Premiums and Plan Design
- **❖** Affordable Care Act Implications
 - Cadillac Tax Exposure
- Claims Management/Cost Containment
 - Managing claims costs translates into lower premiums
 - Many options, short term and long term, to help manage claims costs
- Future Planning

Additional Considerations:

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- ➤ Network and Claims Administrator Changes in March of 2016
- Compensation and Classification Study Analysis In Progress Includes Benefits

Financial/Budget Factors

- ❖ 2017 Premiums required no increase in the 2017 City Budget
 - ➤ While premiums are increasing from 2016 to 2017, actual 2017 premiums are at the same level as the 2016 budgeted premiums so no increase was needed
 - (2016 estimated rates were used for the 2016 Budget in September of 2015. When actual premiums were approved in January 2016, they were lower than estimated.)
 - ➤ Keeping a significant part of the City Budget at a 0% increase helped address other rising costs/needs
- ❖ 2017 Recommended Premiums are still 16% lower than premiums in 2015

The network change from March of 2016 continues to provide financial benefit.

Financial/Budget Factors

- ❖ Actual claims costs, per Anthem, are running 5% lower than projected during 2016 budget process
- Actual Anthem Network Discount is averaging 63%
 - The City receives a significant discount on the cost of the claim when an employee/retiree/member individual goes to an Anthem provider.

Projected claims savings have been realized and exceeded.



Anthem Experience--for employees, retirees (all members)

- Period of Adjustment
- ❖ Training and Adjustment—City Members & Anthem
- Customer Service needs improvement—actively working with Anthem representatives to document and address concerns
- Resources (in addition to Anthem staff)
 - > HR Staff
 - On-Site Nurse



Anthem Member Experience

- "Well Priority" for 2017
 - > This name will eventually replace "Blue Priority", but still refers to the same network
 - Rebranding, but also a new approach
 - More proactive approach to members' health
 - Utilizes claims data and clinical data to reach out and engage members, educate them,
 help them get and stay well
 - Uses RN care coordinator, health educators, etc.
 - Goal is to engage members in their health to avoid costly, poor health outcomes in the future
- Examples











Premiums and Plan Design

Recommended - Active Employees

ACTIVE EMPLOYEES									
		Last Year	Current	\$10	\$100/\$300 Ded. PPO				
Active PPO	No.	2015	2016	2017	\$ Increase	% Increase	2016 Employee	2017	
	Enrolled	Premium Rate	Premium Rate	Premium Rate	Premium	Premium	Cost (10%)	Employee Cost (10%)	Change
Employee	119	\$774.00	\$591.00	\$646.00	\$55.00	9.3%	\$59.10	\$64.60	\$5.50
EE + 1	98	\$1,517.00	\$1,158.00	\$1,265.00	\$107.00	9.2%	\$115.80	\$126.50	\$10.70
Family	259	\$2,221.00	\$1,696.00	\$1,853.00	\$157.00	9.3%	\$169.60	\$185.30	\$15.70
Total PPO Employees	476			9.3%					

Active HDHP	No.	2015	2016	2017	\$ Increase	% Increase	2016 Employee	2017	
	Enrolled	Premium Rate	Premium Rate	Premium Rate	Premium	Premium	Cost (10%)	Employee Cost (10%)	Change
Employee	4	\$774.00	\$761.00	\$825.00	\$64.00	8.4%	\$76.10	\$82.50	\$6.40
EE + 1	0	\$1,517.00	\$1,491.00	\$1,617.00	\$126.00	8.5%	\$149.10	\$161.70	\$12.60
Family	9	\$2,221.00	\$2,183.00	\$2,367.00	\$184.00	8.4%	\$218.30	\$236.70	\$18.40
Total HDHP Employees	13			8.4%					

Total Active Employees 489 8.49



City of West Allis Plan Design 2016 - 2017

	2016 PL		2017 PL	
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	Anthem Blue Priority	Anthem H.S.A.	Anthem Blue Priority	Anthem H.S.A.
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H.S.A. Deposit	,	CC00		CC00
Single	n/a	\$500	n/a	\$500
Family	n/a	\$1,000	n/a	\$1,000
In Network				
Deductible	2.00			
Single	\$100	\$1,500	\$100	\$1,500
EE+SP / Family	\$300	\$3,000	\$300	\$3,000
Coinsurance (in Out)	100%	80%	100%	80%
Medical Out of Pocket				
Single	\$4,850 - Medical Only	\$3,000	\$4,850 - Medical Only	\$3,000
EE+SP / Family	\$9,700 - Medical Only	\$6,000	\$9,700 - Medical Only	\$6,000
Emergency Room	\$150 Copay	ded/coins	\$150 Copay	ded/coins
Office Visit	\$20-PCP, \$40 Specialist	ded/coins	\$20-PCP, \$40 Specialist	ded/coins
Rx Card	\$15/\$25/\$35/5% to \$100	ded/coins	\$15/\$25/\$35/5% to \$100	ded/coins
Rx out of Pocket				
Single	\$1,500	included in med	\$1,500	included in med
EE+SP / Family	\$3,000	included in med	\$3,000	included in med
Out of Network				
Deductible				
Single	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$7,500	\$15,000
EE+SP / Family	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$15,000	\$30,000
Coinsurance	80%	60%	80%	60%
Out of Pocket				
Single	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$15,000	\$30,000
EE+SP / Family	\$60,000	\$60,000	\$30,000	\$60,000
			* Changes from 2016 highligh	nhted in red



Premiums and Plan Design

Recommended - Pre-65 Retirees (retired after 2013)

			Current	10	100/300 Ded. PPO				
Pre-65 (After 2013) PPO	No.	2015	2016	2017	\$ Increase	% Increase	2016 Median	2017	
	Enrolled	Premium Rate	Premium Rate	Premium Rate	Premium	Premium	Retiree Cost*	Median Retiree Cost*	Change
Employee	11	\$819.00	\$625.00	\$683.00	\$58.00	9.3%	\$46.88	\$50.78	\$3.90
EE + 1	22	\$1,606.00	\$1,226.00	\$1,339.00	\$113.00	9.2%	\$91.95	\$99.68	\$7.73
Family	21	\$2,350.00	\$1,795.00	\$1,961.00	\$166.00	9.2%	\$104.71	\$113.52	\$8.81
Total PPO Employees	54			9.2%					

Pre-65 (After 2013) HDHP	No.	2015	2016	2017	\$ Increase	% Increase	2016 Median	2017
	Enrolled	Premium Rate	Premium Rate	Premium Rate	Premium	Premium	Retiree Cost*	Median Retiree Cost*
Employee	0	\$819.00	\$805.00	\$873.00	\$68.00	8.4%		
EE + 1	0	\$1,606.00	\$1,578.00	\$1,711.00	\$133.00	8.4%		
Family	1	\$2,350.00	\$2,310.00	\$2,505.00	\$195.00	8.4%		
Total HDHP Employees	1			8.4%				
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Premiums and Plan Design

Recommended - Pre-65 Retirees (retired before 2013)

			Current		Status Quo				
Pre-65 (Before 2013) PPO	No.	2015	2016	2017	\$ Increase	% Increase	2016 Median	2017	
	Enrolled	Premium Rate	Premium Rate	Premium Rate	Premium	Premium	Retiree Cost*	Median Retiree Cost*	Change
Single	38	\$819.00	\$768.00	\$833.00	\$65.00	8.5%	\$74.50	\$138.50	\$64.00
EE + 1	61	\$1,606.00	\$1,506.00	\$1,633.00	\$127.00	8.4%	\$145.60	\$271.60	\$126.00
Family	36	\$2,350.00	\$2,204.00	\$2,390.00	\$186.00	8.4%	\$212.80	\$397.80	\$185.00
Total Pre-65 Retirees (Before 2013) PPO	135								
Total Pre-65 Retirees	190								



Premiums and Plan Design

* Recommended - Medicare Plans

			Current		Status Quo				
Medicare Plans	No.	2015	2016	2017	\$ Increase	% Increase	2016 Retiree	2017	
	Enrolled	Premium Rate	Premium Rate	Premium Rate	Premium	Premium	Cost (50%)	Retiree Cost (50%)	Change
1 > 65	191	\$664.00	\$623.00	\$676.00	\$53.00	8.5%	\$311.50	\$338.00	\$26.50
1 <65 > 1	23	\$1,468.00	\$1,377.00	\$1,493.00	\$116.00	8.4%	\$688.50	\$746.50	\$58.00
2 > 65	109	\$1,359.00	\$1,274.00	\$1,381.00	\$107.00	8.4%	\$637.00	\$690.50	\$53.50
1 < 65 > 1 + Dependents	2	\$2,169.00	\$2,034.00	\$2,206.00	\$172.00	8.5%	\$1,017.00	\$1,103.00	\$86.00
2 > 65 + Dependents	1	\$2,083.00	\$1,954.00	\$2,119.00	\$165.00	8.4%	\$977.00	\$1,059.50	\$82.50
Post-65 PPO	326								
Total Retirees	516			8.5%					



Premiums and Plan Design

- Other Options:
 - ≥\$250/\$500 deductible
 - >\$500/\$1,000 deductible
- Provided for informational purposes recommendation is to consider as part of a long term strategic plan for health insurance



OTHER 2017 PLAN	CONSIDERATIONS **
Anthem Blue Priority Option 1	Anthem Blue Priority Option 2
n/a	n/a
n/a	n/a
\$250	\$500
\$500	\$1,000
100%	100%
\$4,850 - Medical Only	\$4,850 - Medical Only
\$9,700 - Medical Only	\$9,700 - Medical Only
\$150 Copay	\$150 Copay
\$20-PCP, \$40 Specialist	\$20-PCP, \$40 Specialist
\$15/\$25/\$35/5% to \$100	\$15/\$25/\$35/5% to \$100
\$1,500	\$1,500
\$3,000	\$3,000
\$7,500	\$7,500
\$15,000	\$15,000
80%	80%
\$15,000	\$15,000
\$30,000	\$30,000

^{**} A long-term health insurance strategic plan will include a comprehensive analysis of deductibles, office visit copays, prescription drug copays, etc.

Premium and Plan Design--\$250 or \$500 deductibles

			MONTHLY PREMIUMS								
			Current	Recommended	\$250 Deductible PPO**						
Active PPO	No.	2015	2016	2017	\$250 Deductible	\$ Increase	% Increase				
	Enrolled	Premium Rate	Premium Rate	Premium Rate	Premium Rate	Premium	Premium				
Employee	119	\$774.00	\$591.00	\$646.00	\$634.00	\$43.00	7.3%				
EE + 1	98	\$1,517.00	\$1,158.00	\$1,265.00	\$1,243.00	\$85.00	7.3%				
Family	259	\$2,221.00	\$1,696.00	\$1,853.00	\$1,821.00	\$125.00	7.4%				
Total PPO Employees	476			9.3%	7.4%						

			MONTHLY PREMIUMS								
			Current	Recommended	\$500 Deductible PPO**						
Active PPO	No.	2015	2016	2017	\$500 Deductible	\$ Increase	% Increase				
	Enrolled	Premium Rate	Premium Rate	Premium Rate	Premium Rate	Premium	Premium				
Employee	119	\$774.00	\$591.00	\$646.00	\$618.00	\$27.00	4.6%				
EE + 1	98	\$1,517.00	\$1,158.00	\$1,265.00	\$1,212.00	\$54.00	4.7%				
Family	259	\$2,221.00	\$1,696.00	\$1,853.00	\$1,775.00	\$79.00	4.7%				
Total PPO Employees	476			9.3%	4.6%						



Affordable Care Act Implications Cadillac Tax Exposure

- ❖ 40% tax on premiums that exceed federal benchmarks set in the Affordable Care Act
- Start paying the tax in 2018
- Changes to Plan Design and/or Provider Networks reduce health insurance premiums and therefore postpone and/or reduce the Cadillac Tax the City would owe
- Future of ACA?



Claims Management/Cost Containment

- "Self-Insured" = "City of West Allis Health Insurance Company"
 - > That company pays medical and prescription drug claims of employees and retirees
 - > That company charges premiums paid by employees and city departments, as well as retirees
 - That company sets its premiums each year (based on analysis provided by the city's insurance consultant, Willis)
 - That company has to stay in business so it's premiums need to cover the cost of the medical and drug claims that it is paying
- Reducing the claims that our insurance company pays will allow that insurance company to charge lower premiums to city departments, employees, and retirees



Claims Management/Cost Containment

- Numerous ways to try to manage (reduce) claims expenses through Plan Design---Working Group to evaluate these options:
 - ➤ Long Term—Wellness initiatives, HRA's
 - Deductibles
 - \$100/\$300 started in 2015
 - The claim the City insurance company pays is now a little lower because the employee has to pay the first \$100 or \$300. (claims expense savings → lower premiums)
 - Coinsurance
 - "80/20", "90/10" for example
 - For each claim, City insurance company would pay 80% of the cost, the employee pays 20%, for example
 - Office Visit copays of \$20 per visit, and \$40 for specialists is a form of coinsurance
 - Provider Networks
 - Humana NPOS, Business Health Care Group (BHCG), Anthem Blue Priority, Anthem NPOS
 - Networks negotiate discounts with providers
 - Networks that offer bigger discounts result in the claim the City insurance company pays being lower \rightarrow claims expense savings \rightarrow lower premiums
 - Fewer People on the Plan?
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- Fewer people covered may reduce claims (depending on the makeup of the overall group)

Planning for the Future

- Health/Dental Insurance Work Group
 - ➤ Modify Policy and Procedure 1413 "Health and Dental Insurance" to establish work group whose focus is to recommend priorities and create a roadmap for the City's health/dental insurance plan for Common Council approval
 - > Possible work group members
 - Employee representative from each physical location (or group), HR Director, Finance Director, City Administration, Designee from the A&F Committee?
- ❖ Wellness Program
 - > Recommend priorities and create roadmap for City's wellness program
 - Update Wellness Committee membership
- Further discussion to come on this...



Questions?

