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#### **Independent Accountant's Report**

Virginia Department of Medical Assistance Services Richmond, Virginia

We have examined the accompanying Adjusted Medical Loss Ratio and Adjusted Underwriting Gain Rebate Calculations of Virginia Premier Health Plan, Inc. (Virginia Premier) related to the Commonwealth Coordinated Care Plus Program (CCC Plus) for the period of January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019. Virginia Premier's management is responsible for presenting the Medical Loss Ratio and Underwriting Gain Rebate Calculations in accordance with the criteria set forth in the CCC Plus contract and Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) federal guidance (criteria). This criteria was used to prepare the Adjusted Medical Loss Ratio and Adjusted Underwriting Gain Rebate Calculations. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Adjusted Medical Loss Ratio and Adjusted Underwriting Gain Rebate Calculations based on our examination.

Our examination was conducted in accordance with attestation standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Those standards require that we plan and perform the examination to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Adjusted Medical Loss Ratio and Adjusted Underwriting Gain Rebate Calculations are in accordance with the criteria, in all material respects. An examination involves performing procedures to obtain evidence about the Adjusted Medical Loss Ratio and Adjusted Underwriting Gain Rebate Calculations. The nature, timing, and extent of the procedures selected depend on our judgment, including an assessment of the risk of material misstatement of the Adjusted Medical Loss Ratio and Adjusted Underwriting Gain Rebate Calculations, whether due to fraud or error. We believe that the evidence we obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

The accompanying Adjusted Medical Loss Ratio and Adjusted Underwriting Gain Rebate Calculations were prepared for the purpose of complying with the criteria, and is not intended to be a complete presentation in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In our opinion, the above referenced accompanying Adjusted Medical Loss Ratio and Adjusted Underwriting Gain Rebate Calculations are presented in accordance with the above referenced criteria, in all material respects, for the period of January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019. The Adjusted Medical Loss Ratio (MLR) Percentage Achieved exceeds the minimum requirement of eighty-five percent (85%) and the Adjusted Underwriting Gain Percentage Achieved does not exceed the maximum requirement of three percent (3%).

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Virginia Department of Medical Assistance Services and Virginia Premier and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Myers and Stauffer LC Glen Allen, Virginia October 15, 2021

# Adjusted Medical Loss Ratio for the Period Ending December 31, 2019

Line #	Revenue or Expense	Reported Amounts	Adjustment Amounts	Adjusted Amounts			
Medica	Medical Loss Ratio Numerator						
1.1	Claims	\$825,284,000	\$91,115,957	\$916,399,957			
1.2	Improving health care quality expenses	\$17,015,000	\$6,697,262	\$23,712,262			
1.3	Total Adjusted MLR Numerator	\$842,299,000	\$97,813,219	\$940,112,219			
Medica	l Loss Ratio Denominator						
2.1	Revenue	\$882,269,000	\$87,431,487	\$969,700,487			
2.2	Federal and State taxes and licensing or regulatory fees	\$0	\$0	\$0			
2.3	Total Adjusted MLR Denominator	\$882,269,000	\$87,431,487	\$969,700,487			
Credibi	lity Adjustment						
3.1	Member Months to determine credibility	505,583		505,583			
3.2	Credibility adjustment	0.0%		0.0%			
MLR Ca	lculation						
4.1	Unadjusted MLR	95.5%		96.9%			
4.2	Credibility adjustment	0.0%		0.0%			
4.3	Adjusted MLR	95.5%		96.9%			
Remitt	ance Calculation						
5.1	Is plan membership above the minimum credibility value? (Y/N)	Y		Υ			
5.2	MLR Standard	85.0%		85.0%			
5.3	Adjusted MLR	95.5%		96.9%			
5.4	MLR denominator	\$882,269,000		\$969,700,487			
5.5	Remittance amount due to State for Coverage Year	\$0		\$0			

# Adjusted Underwriting Gain for the Period Ending December 31, 2019

Line #	Revenue or Expense	Reported Amounts	Adjustment Amounts	Adjusted Amounts	
Medica	Il Loss Ratio Denominator				
1.1	Revenue	\$882,269,000	\$87,431,487	\$969,700,487	
1.2	Federal and State taxes and licensing or regulatory fees	\$0	\$0	\$0	
1.3	Total Adjusted Underwriting Gain Denominator	\$882,269,000	\$87,431,487	\$969,700,487	
Medica	l Expenses				
2.1	Claims	\$825,284,000	\$91,115,957	\$916,399,957	
2.2	Improving health care quality expenses	\$17,015,000	\$6,697,262	\$23,712,262	
2.3	Total Adjusted Underwriting Gain Claims Expenses	\$842,299,000	\$97,813,219	\$940,112,219	
Non-Cla	aims Costs				
3.1	Administrative Expenses	\$83,657,000	\$(2,113,233)	\$81,543,767	
3.2	Less: Unallowable Expenses	\$(312,000)	\$0	\$(312,000)	
3.3	Allowable Administrative Expenses	\$83,345,000	\$(2,113,233)	\$81,231,767	
Underv	vriting Gain				
4.1	Underwriting Gain \$	\$(43,375,000)		\$(51,643,499)	
4.1	Less: Remittance Amount Due to State for Coverage Year	\$0		\$0	
4.2	Adjusted Underwriting Gain \$	\$(43,375,000)		\$(51,643,499)	
4.3	Underwriting Gain %	-4.9%		-5.3%	
Underwriting Gain Remittance Calculation					
5.1	Member Month Requirement Met?	Υ		Υ	
5.2	At least 12 months contract experience at the beginning of the Contract Year?	Υ		Υ	
5.3	Percent to Remit	0.0%		0.0%	
5.4	Amount to Remit	\$0		\$0	

# Schedule of Adjustments and Comments for the Period Ending December 31, 2019

During our examination we noted certain matters involving costs, that in our determination did not meet the definitions of allowable medical expenses and other operational matters that are presented for your consideration.

#### Adjustment #1 - To adjust revenues and claims to include related directed payments.

The MLR Report did not reflect directed payments in the numerator nor the denominator of the calculation. It was determined the Managed Care contracts refer to 42 CFR § 438.6(c) in speaking to directed payments related to eastern Virginia/Tidewater, State University teaching hospital physicians, and private acute care; and therefore should be included in the MLR calculation. Premium revenue and incurred claims were adjusted to include the payments and associated expense per state data. The revenue and claims reporting requirements are addressed in the Medical Loss Ratio (MLR) Requirements, the Medicaid Managed Care Final Rule 42 CFR § 438.8(e)(2), CFR § 438.8(f)(2), and 45 CFR § 158.130.

Proposed MLR Adjustment			
Line #	Line Description	Amount	
1.1	Claims	\$95,699,986	
2.1	Revenue	\$95,699,986	

Proposed Underwriting Gain Adjustment			
Line #	Line Description	Amount	
1.1	Revenue	\$95,699,986	
2.1	Claims	\$95,699,986	

#### Adjustment #2 – To adjust revenues to agree with state data.

The health plan reported revenue amounts that did not reflect all payments received for its members applicable to the covered dates of service for the reporting period. Revenue was adjusted per the state's data to reflect all payments, including capitation payments, maternity kick payments, Rx reinsurance recoupments, and performance withhold payments. The revenue reporting requirements are addressed in the Medicaid Managed Care Final Rule 42 CFR § 438.8(f)(2) and 45 CFR § 158.130.

Proposed MLR Adjustment		
Line #	Line Description	Amount
2.1	Revenue	\$(8,268,499)

Proposed Underwriting Gain Adjustment			
Line #	Line # Line Description Amount		
1.1	Revenue	\$(8,268,499)	

### Adjustment #3 - To adjust to reclassify behavioral health contracted services provided by Beacon to administrative and Healthcare Quality Improvement (HCQI) expenses.

The health plan reported expenses related to behavioral health administrative services provided by Beacon in claims expense. The health plan later identified that expenses related to this vendor are both administrative and HCQI related in nature and provided subsequent support. Based on the support provided, the expense was reclassified to administrative and HCQI reporting lines. The clinical expense and HCQI expense reporting requirements are addressed at 45 CFR § 158.140 and 45 CFR § 158.150, respectively.

Propose	Proposed MLR Adjustment		
Line # Line Description		Amount	
1.1	Claims	\$(7,094,000)	
1.2	Improving health care quality expenses	\$5,320,500	

Proposed Underwriting Gain Adjustment			
Line #	Line Description	Amount	
2.1	Claims	\$(7,094,000)	
2.2	Improving health care quality expenses	\$5,320,000	
3.1	Administrative Expenses	\$1,773,500	

### Adjustment #4 -To adjust to reclassify capitated payments made to DentaQuest, the dental vendor, in excess of claims expense reported by DentaQuest from claims expense to administrative expense.

The health plan reported a per-member-per-month (PMPM) capitation expense for dental services arranged by DentaQuest. During the examination, it was determined that this capitation expense was greater than the actual claims incurred and paid by DentaQuest. Since these claims were incurred for members of the Virginia Medicaid program, the expense was adjusted to actual claims cost utilizing supporting documentation. The excess has been reclassified to administrative expense.

The third party requirements are addressed in CMS MLR Guidance issued 7/18/11 (Q and A #19), 5/13/11 (Q and A #12), and 2/10/12 (Q and A #20). CMS Guidance states that "an issuer may only include as reimbursement for clinical services (incurred claims) the amount that the vendor actually pays the medical provider or supplier for providing covered clinical services or supplies to enrollees". Question #12 recognizes items for inclusion in the non-claims cost component. Additionally, the third party reporting requirements are also stated in the Medicaid Managed Care Final Rule 42 CFR § 438.8(k)(3), 45 CFR 158.140(b)(3)(ii), and CMCS Informational Bulletin: Medicaid Managed Care FAQ – Medical Loss Ratio 06/05/2020.

Proposed MLR Adjustment			
Line # Line Description Amount			
1.1	Claims	\$(1,254,118)	

Proposed Underwriting Gain Adjustment			
Line #	Line Description	Amount	
2.1	Claims	\$(1,254,118)	
3.1	Administrative Expenses	\$1,254,118	

Adjustment #5 -To adjust to reclassify claims payments made by consumer directed service payroll vendors in excess of payments made to each vendor from administrative expense to claims expense.

The health plan reported claims expense for consumer directed services arranged by Public Partnerships, LLC and Consumer Direct Care Network. During the examination, it was determined that the reported claims expense was less than the actual claims incurred and paid by the consumer directed vendors. Since these claims were incurred for members of the Virginia Medicaid program, the expense was adjusted to actual claims cost utilizing supporting documentation. The excess has been added to claims expense and removed from administrative costs.

The third party requirements are addressed in CMS MLR Guidance issued 7/18/11 (Q and A #19), 5/13/11 (Q and A #12), and 2/10/12 (Q and A #20). CMS Guidance states that "an issuer may only include as reimbursement for clinical services (incurred claims) the amount that the vendor actually pays the medical provider or supplier for providing covered clinical services or supplies to enrollees". Question #12 recognizes items for inclusion in the non-claims cost component. Additionally, the third party reporting requirements are also stated in the Medicaid Managed Care Final Rule 42 CFR § 438.8(k)(3), 45 CFR 158.140(b)(3)(ii), and CMCS Informational Bulletin: Medicaid Managed Care FAQ – Medical Loss Ratio 06/05/2020.

Proposed MLR Adjustment			
Line #	Line Description	Amount	
1.1	Claims	\$5,403,043	

Proposed Underwriting Gain Adjustment				
Line #	Line Description	Amount		
2.1	Claims	\$5,403,043		
3.1	Administrative Expenses	\$(5,403,043)		

### Adjustment #6 - To adjust to reclassify a portion of shared services allocations from claims expense to **HCQI** and administrative expenses.

The health plan reported expenses related to shared services allocations in claims expense. These expenses included a nurse triage line, care manager compensation, member education, and member outreach that were verified to be allowable as HCQI. These expenses also included administrative portions of care manager compensation and transportation compensation that were verified to be administrative in nature. Based on the support provided, these expenses will be reclassified to HCQI and administrative expense, as appropriate. The clinical expense reporting requirements are addressed at 45 CFR § 158.140. The HCQI reporting requirements are addressed in the Medicaid Managed Care Final Rule 42 CFR § 438.8(e)(3) and Medicaid Managed Care Final Rule 45 CFR § 158.150.

Proposed MLR Adjustment				
Line #	Line Description	Amount		
1.1	Claim	\$(1,638,954)		
1.2	Improving health care quality expenses	\$1,376,762		

Proposed Underwriting Gain Adjustment				
Line #	Line Description	Amount		
2.1	Claim	\$(1,638,954)		
2.2	Improving health care quality expenses	\$1,376,762		
3.1	Administrative Expenses	\$262,192		

The Virginia Department of Medical Assistance Services had no comments on the draft report.



October 8, 2021

Tim Carpenter, CFO Virginia Premier Health Plan 600 E Broad St. Richmond, Virginia 23219

Dear Mr. Carpenter:

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Please acknowledge whether you accept or disagree with our proposed adjustments summarized below and applicable to our examination of Virginia Premier Health Plan's CCC Plus MLR and Underwriting Gain rebate calculations for the period of January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019. Also, please explain any disagreement you may have with the proposed issues.

Please provide your response by October 11, 2021.

#### Virginia Premier Health Plan Medallion 4.0 January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2019

	Adjustment	MCO's Response	
1.	To adjust revenues and claims to include related directed payments.	Accept	Disagree
2.	To adjust revenues to agree with state data.	Accept	Disagree
3.	To adjust to reclassify behavioral health contracted services provided by Beacon to administrative and Healthcare Quality Improvement (HCQI) expenses.	Accept	Disagree
4.	To adjust to reclassify capitated payments made to DentaQuest, the dental vendor, in excess of claims expense reported by DentaQuest from claims expense to administrative expense.	Accept	Disagree ———
5.	To adjust to reclassify claims payments made by consumer directed service payroll vendors in excess of payments made to each vendor from administrative expense to claims expense.	Accept	Disagree ———

6.	To adjust to reclassify a portion of shared services allocations from claims expense to	Accept	Disagree
	HCQI and administrative expenses.		
Acknov	vledged by:		
	Premier Health Plan		
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Officer	or other Authorized Person		
	10/11/21		

Date