

# **Today's Speakers**





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# Agenda

1 Health insurance pooling

2 Risk insurance pooling

3 Cooperative purchasing

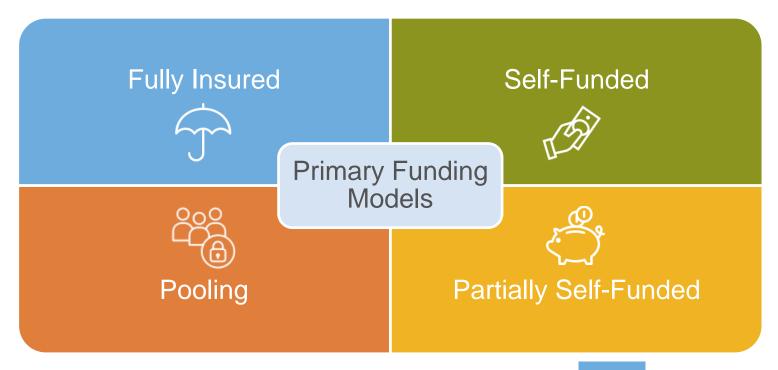
**4** Q&A







Four primary funding models used by Michigan public schools



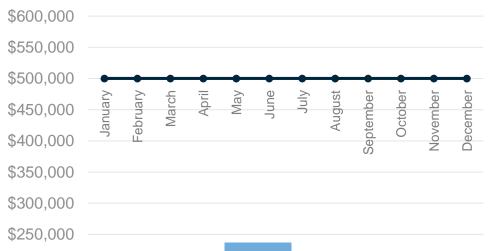
#### **Fully Insured**

- Established single, two person and family rate for each plan offered
- Rates generally guaranteed for 12 months
- District pays the same rates for 12 months whether enrollees use more care than expected or less
- Claim data may or may not be considered when establishing rates (discussed later)



Enrollment Type8	Monthly Rate	Enrollment	Total Monthly Premium
Single	\$600	100	\$60,000
Two Person	\$1,200	75	\$90,000
Family	\$1,750	200	\$350,000
TOTAL MONTHLY PREMIUM			\$500,000





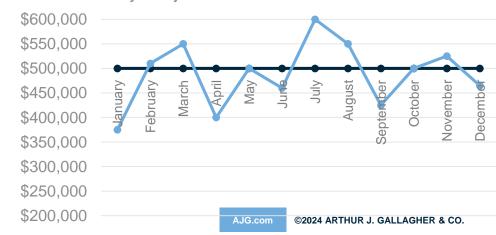
#### **Self Funded**

- District pays for the cost of products and services as they are used by enrollees
- Rates are established based on projected costs expected for the 12 month plan year and are not guaranteed
- District pays more if enrollees use more care than expected and pays less if enrollees use less care than expected
- Insurance retained by district to protect against catastrophic losses called stop loss insurance



Cost Components	Monthly Rate	Enrollment	Total Monthly Projected Cost
Administrative Fee	\$75.00	375	\$28,125
Stoploss Insurance	\$125.00	375	\$46,875
<b>Projected Claims</b>	\$1,133.33	375	\$425,000
TOTAL			\$500,000

#### Monthly Projected vs. Actual Cost Illustration





Health Insurance Pooling (bullets below are based on the Western Michigan Health Insurance Pool and can

vary depending upon the pool being considered)

 Sharing claim risk with other employers and taking advantage of collective buying power

- Established single, two person and family rate for each plan offered
- Rates guaranteed for 12 months
- District pays the same rates for 12 months whether enrollees use more care than expected or less
- Pool members make program decisions with a view toward providing high quality coverage at a reasonable and stable cost



# Potential Benefits of Health Insurance Pooling

- Reduce risk exposure
- Drive down costs by utilizing economies of scale
- Provide value added services to help employees
- Educate and remind staff of the importance of good health
- Use data to drive decisions and strategy
- Team with like organizations
- Improve organizational efficiencies





# Reduce Risk Exposure

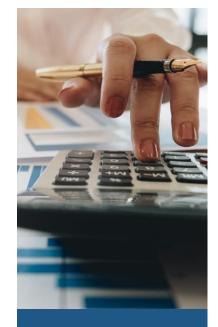
#### Depending upon pool structure:

- Opportunity for sharing risk for catastrophic claims
- Potential for reduced renewal volatility
- Assurance of coverage in unique scenarios
- Lower net cost for prescriptions



# **Economies of Scale**





Administrative fee



Stop loss contract terms and fees



Pharmacy contract terms and costs

### Value Added Services

Create opportunities that are sometimes not available to smaller, individual groups

**Digital health solutions** 

**Second opinion programs** 

Online enrollment capabilities

Special coverage riders (e.g. hearing coverage)

**Educational communications** 





### Health Insurance Pool Communications

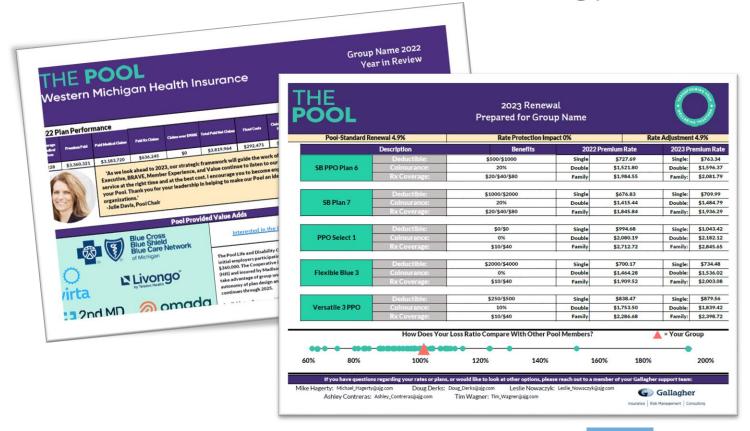
#### **Educating Plan Participants**

Creating a culture of collective, ongoing learning with union/non-union leadership





## Data Driven Decisions and Strategy



# Teaming with Like Organizations

Share risk

2 Exchange ideas and strategies

Committees to advance initiatives



Improve Organizational Efficiencies





Access employee self-service tools



### Health Insurance Pool Structure



#### Not all pools are the same

#### **Considerations**

Health insurance pool mission

Health insurance pool governance

Health insurance pool risk structure and process for managing current and future liabilities

Reserve structure and risk exposure for individual, participating groups

#### Also:

- Longevity
- Data and cost transparency
- Philosophical alignment in terms of risk, cost and investment management
- Coverage and program flexibility
- Hospital, provider and pharmacy networks
- Service model
- Commitment requirement



### Risk Program Administrators

#### World Wide Expertise, Local Service

- #1 Broker in Education
- We're on the Cutting Edge of Education Risk Management
- Nationwide Expertise
- Local Team
- Clout with National and International Insurance Companies
- Proactive Approach to Risk Management







# National Public K-12 Education Footprint

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Regional School
Pools

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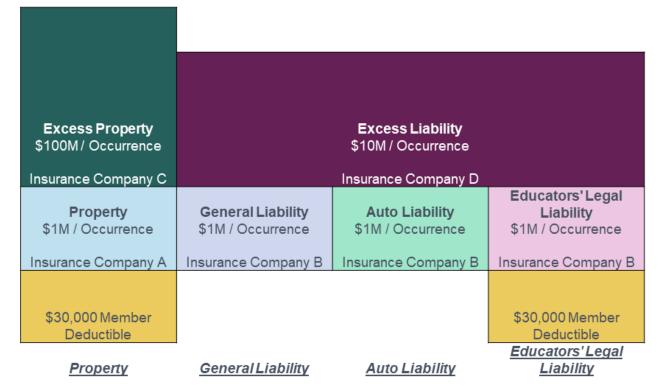
States

3M Students Insured 5,882

**Districts Insured** 

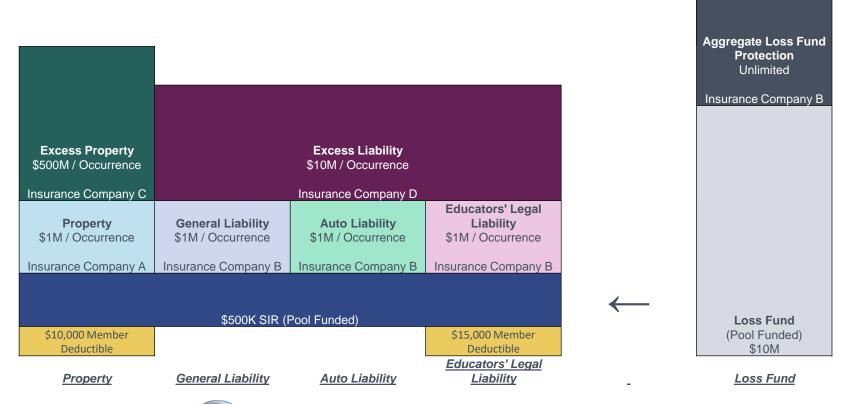


### Traditional Risk Insurance Sample Program Structure





### Pooled Risk Insurance Sample Program Structure





### Risk Pooling Member Profile

#### Who is a Good Candidate for Pooling?

- Like Kind and Quality
- Similar Mindset
- Moderate Appetite for Risk Tolerance
- Moderate Claim Frequency and Limited Severity

#### Member Quantity

- Critical Mass
- Member Representation
- Cost of Capacity





### Scope of Control in Risk Pooling

Member Control / Leverage

Traditional Insurance	Pool Programs	
No ownership and limited representation	Fully member owned, governed, and focused	

#### Member Control / Leverage

- Tailored Coverages
- Limits
- Deductibles
- Premium Allocation
- Claims Processes
- Vendor Partners
- Member Benefits & Services
- Surplus Utilization





### Stability and Sustainability in Risk Pooling

#### Avoid the Volatility

- Long Term Rate Stability
- Market Insulation
- Preferred Pricing
- Market Clout
- Deductible Management
- Minimized Shock Claim Impact





### Transparency in Risk Pooling

#### **Transparency Matters**

- Is my Pool Financially Stable?
- Who are the Vendor Partners in my Pool?
- Are the Insurance Companies backing my Pool Financially Stable?
- How is my Contribution Broken Down?
  - Premium by Coverage Type
  - Administrative Fees
  - Brokerage Fees and/or Commissions
  - Taxes and State Mandated Charges/Fees
- How is my Contribution Determined?







### Risk Pooling – More than Just Premium Cost

Insurance | Risk Management | Consulting



### Additional Risk Pooling Benefits and Considerations

#### Third Party Claims Administrators

- Insurance company claim departments work on behalf of the insurance company and look for ways to <u>DENY</u>
   Claims
- Pool TPAs work for the Pool focus on doing what is right for their <u>Members</u> and look for ways to <u>PAY</u> Claims

#### Member Services

- Independent Claim Reviews
- Independent Loss Control Visits
- Playground Inspections
- Employee Trainings
- Cyber Liability and Network Security Resources









### Cooperative Purchasing Programs

- Potential benefits of purchasing cooperatively
  - Greater market leverage
  - Economies of scale
  - Enhanced contract terms
  - Cost stability
- Health insurance product types
  - Life and disability
  - Pharmacy
  - Voluntary/worksite benefits
  - Dental/vision
- As with pools, not all cooperative purchasing programs are the same
  - Compensation for program manager
  - Access to terms of the arrangement



# Thank you!

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