# **Considerations for COVID-19**

Analyzing, Reserving, Pricing, and Capital & Surplus from a Health Insurer's Perspective

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## Outline



# Utilization and claim cost



# **Deferred and Returned Utilization**





- Strength of lockdown Ω



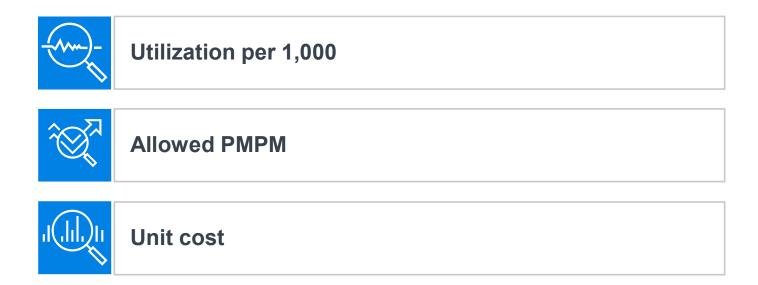
**Returned dates** 



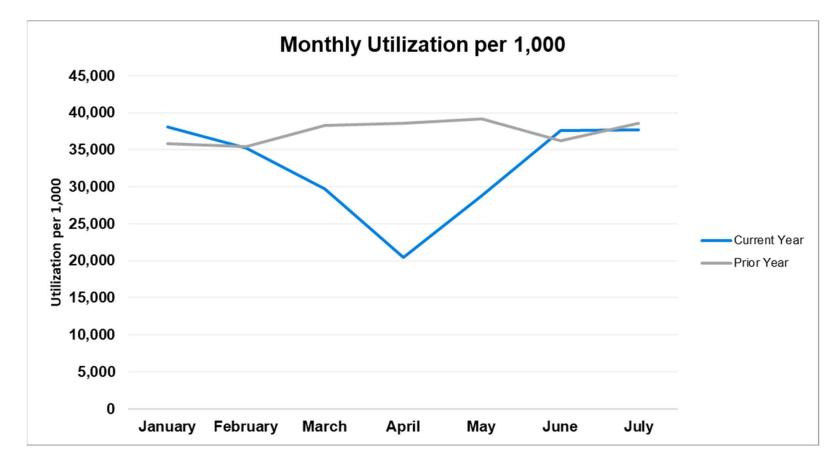




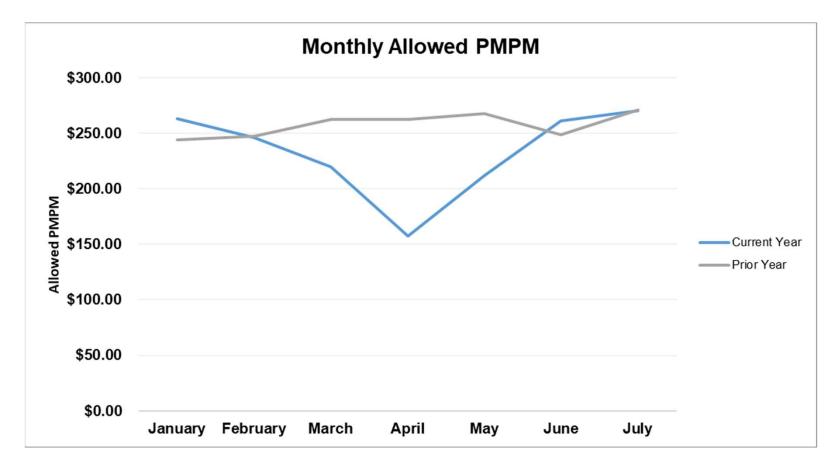
### **Metrics**



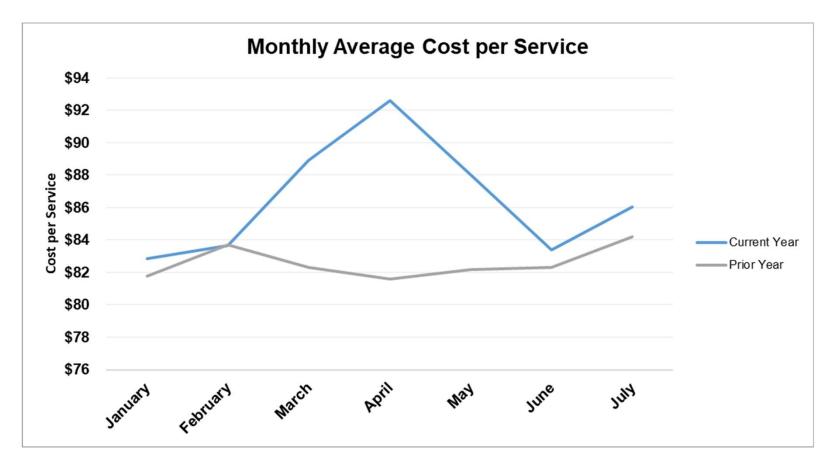
#### **Utilization per 1,000**



#### **Allowed PMPM**



## **Unit cost**



# **Service Category Drilldowns**



# **Changes in liabilities**



### **Year-End Liabilities**





## **Premium Deficiency Reserves**

# Premium revenue

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Assumptions with respect to COVID-19

In hindsight, what would be different

Current expectations for COVID-19 in the coming year

Waves

Vaccines

Deferred care



Competitive pressures

New regulations Risk Adjustment

# **Provider Financial Solvency**

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Must consider financial solvency of providers with risk arrangements

#### - COVID-19

- Many providers experienced a sudden drop in revenue
- For most, normal revenue stream has not returned
- Some carriers advance revenue to providers
- Additional reserves
- Account for outstanding funds on financials

# **IBNR**

- Development is commonly based on repeating of previous patterns
- COVID-19 caused many different types of disruptions in the healthcare system
  - Drop in claims due to utilization
  - Higher claims due to live-threatening events
  - Slowing of claims payments
  - Membership changes/fluctuations

🖞 How will you adjust?

# **Risk Adjustment**



#### **Documentation**



# **2022 Rate Filing and Pricing Considerations**



# **2020 Experience**

- Seek Regulatory Guidance
- Multi-Year Experience Periods
- Adjustments to 2020 Experience
  - How to **adjust** months impacted
  - Seasonality
  - Service Category Experience Studies
- Additional Considerations



# **Setting Assumptions**





# **Explicit COVID-19 Costs**



Hospitalizations due to COVID-19



**Costs of Diagnostic Testing** 



Impact of Deferred or Avoided Care



**Impact of Pent-up Demand** 



Vaccine Timeline, Cost & Efficacy

# **Economic Conditions**





Affordability and access to care







Regional characteristics

# **Capital and surplus**



## **Basic Questions**

What is **Surplus?** 

How does **surplus** compare to **reserves**?

What is the relationship between **Risk-Based Capital** (RBC) and **surplus**?

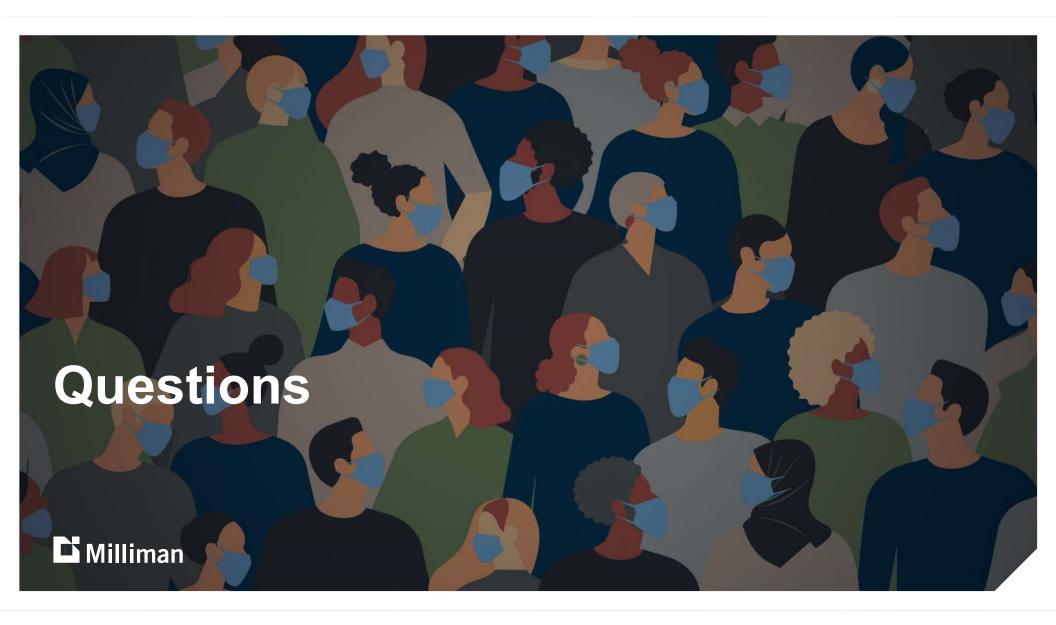
# Why Must Insurers Maintain Adequate Surplus

- Regulatory Requirements
- Maintain Business Viability
- Fund New Initiatives
  - Developing new products
  - Entering new markets
  - Invest in new technology
  - Care management and wellness initiatives
  - Compliance with new regulatory requirements

### **Risks and Contingencies Addressed by Surplus**







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# Thank you

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