

Form 5500 Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan This form is required to be filed for employee benefit plans under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and sections 6057(b) and 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ▶ Complete all entries in accordance with the instructions to the Form 5500.	OMB Nos. 1210-0110 1210-0089 <div style="font-size: 24pt; font-weight: bold; text-align: center;">2024</div> This Form is Open to Public Inspection
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Part I	Annual Report Identification Information
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For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2024 and ending 12/31/2024

A This return/report is for: a multiemployer plan a multiple-employer plan (Filers checking this box must provide participating employer information in accordance with the form instructions.)
 a single-employer plan a DFE (specify) _____

B This return/report is: the first return/report the final return/report
 an amended return/report a short plan year return/report (less than 12 months)

C If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here.

D Check box if filing under: Form 5558 automatic extension the DFVC program
 special extension (enter description)

E If this is a retroactively adopted plan permitted by SECURE Act section 201, check here.

Part II	Basic Plan Information—enter all requested information
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1a Name of plan <u>HOSPITAL, SURGICAL & MEDICAL, MAJOR MEDICAL, DENTAL, LIFE & ACCIDENT, VISION, CARECHOICE</u>	1b Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ <u>503</u>
2a Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan) Mailing address (include room, apt., suite no. and street, or P.O. Box) City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code (if foreign, see instructions) <u>BLUECROSS BLUESHIELD OF TENNESSEE</u> <u>1 CAMERON HILL CIRCLE</u> <u>CHATTANOOGA, TN 37402-2555</u>	1c Effective date of plan <u>10/05/1945</u> 2b Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>62-0427913</u> 2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number <u>423-535-4870</u> 2d Business code (see instructions) <u>524290</u>

Caution: A penalty for the late or incomplete filing of this return/report will be assessed unless reasonable cause is established.

Under penalties of perjury and other penalties set forth in the instructions, I declare that I have examined this return/report, including accompanying schedules, statements and attachments, as well as the electronic version of this return/report, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete.

SIGN HERE	Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature.	10/03/2025	DANIEL GREGORY
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of employer/plan sponsor	Date	Enter name of individual signing as employer or plan sponsor
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of DFE	Date	Enter name of individual signing as DFE

3a Plan administrator's name and address <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Same as Plan Sponsor	3b Administrator's EIN	
	3c Administrator's telephone number	
4 If the name and/or EIN of the plan sponsor or the plan name has changed since the last return/report filed for this plan, enter the plan sponsor's name, EIN, the plan name and the plan number from the last return/report: a Sponsor's name c Plan Name	4b EIN	
	4d PN	
5 Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year	5	7132
6 Number of participants as of the end of the plan year unless otherwise stated (welfare plans complete only lines 6a(1) , 6a(2) , 6b , 6c , and 6d). a(1) Total number of active participants at the beginning of the plan year a(2) Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year b Retired or separated participants receiving benefits..... c Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits d Subtotal. Add lines 6a(2) , 6b , and 6c e Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits. f Total. Add lines 6d and 6e g(1) Number of participants with account balances as of the beginning of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) g(2) Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) h Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested.....	6a(1)	6218
	6a(2)	6388
	6b	911
	6c	0
	6d	7299
	6e	
	6f	
	6g(1)	
6g(2)		
6h		
7 Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item)	7	

8a If the plan provides pension benefits, enter the applicable pension feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:

b If the plan provides welfare benefits, enter the applicable welfare feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:
4A 4B 4D 4E 4Q

9a Plan funding arrangement (check all that apply)	9b Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply)
(1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Insurance	(1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Insurance
(2) <input type="checkbox"/> Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts	(2) <input type="checkbox"/> Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts
(3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trust	(3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Trust
(4) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> General assets of the sponsor	(4) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> General assets of the sponsor

10 Check all applicable boxes in 10a and 10b to indicate which schedules are attached, and, where indicated, enter the number attached. (See instructions)

a Pension Schedules	b General Schedules
(1) <input type="checkbox"/> R (Retirement Plan Information)	(1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> H (Financial Information)
(2) <input type="checkbox"/> MB (Multiemployer Defined Benefit Plan and Certain Money Purchase Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary	(2) <input type="checkbox"/> I (Financial Information – Small Plan)
(3) <input type="checkbox"/> SB (Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary	(3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A (Insurance Information) – Number Attached <u>2</u>
(4) <input type="checkbox"/> DCG (Individual Plan Information) – Number Attached _____	(4) <input type="checkbox"/> C (Service Provider Information)
(5) <input type="checkbox"/> MEP (Multiple-Employer Retirement Plan Information)	(5) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> D (DFE/Participating Plan Information)
	(6) <input type="checkbox"/> G (Financial Transaction Schedules)

Part III Form M-1 Compliance Information (to be completed by welfare benefit plans)

11a If the plan provides welfare benefits, was the plan subject to the Form M-1 filing requirements during the plan year? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-2.) Yes No

If "Yes" is checked, complete lines 11b and 11c.

11b Is the plan currently in compliance with the Form M-1 filing requirements? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-2.) Yes No

11c Enter the Receipt Confirmation Code for the 2024 Form M-1 annual report. If the plan was not required to file the 2024 Form M-1 annual report, enter the Receipt Confirmation Code for the most recent Form M-1 that was required to be filed under the Form M-1 filing requirements. (Failure to enter a valid Receipt Confirmation Code will subject the Form 5500 filing to rejection as incomplete.)

Receipt Confirmation Code _____

**SCHEDULE A
(Form 5500)**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Department of Labor
Employee Benefits Security Administration
Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

Insurance Information

This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).

▶ **File as an attachment to Form 5500.**

▶ Insurance companies are required to provide the information pursuant to ERISA section 103(a)(2).

OMB No. 1210-0110

2024

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For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning **01/01/2024** and ending **12/31/2024**

A Name of plan HOSPITAL, SURGICAL & MEDICAL, MAJOR MEDICAL, DENTAL, LIFE & ACCIDENT, VISION, CARECHOICE	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 503
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 BLUECROSS BLUESHIELD OF TENNESSEE	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 62-0427913

Part I Information Concerning Insurance Contract Coverage, Fees, and Commissions Provide information for each contract on a separate Schedule A. Individual contracts grouped as a unit in Parts II and III can be reported on a single Schedule A.

1 Coverage Information:

(a) Name of insurance carrier
BLUECROSS BLUESHIELD OF TENNESSEE, INC.

(b) EIN	(c) NAIC code	(d) Contract or identification number	(e) Approximate number of persons covered at end of policy or contract year	Policy or contract year	
				(f) From	(g) To
62-0427913	54518	129970	1036	01/01/2024	12/31/2024

2 Insurance fee and commission information. Enter the total fees and total commissions paid. List in line 3 the agents, brokers, and other persons in descending order of the amount paid.

(a) Total amount of commissions paid	(b) Total amount of fees paid
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3 Persons receiving commissions and fees. (Complete as many entries as needed to report all persons).

(a) Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	

(a) Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
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	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	

Part II Investment and Annuity Contract Information
 Where individual contracts are provided, the entire group of such individual contracts with each carrier may be treated as a unit for purposes of this report.

4 Current value of plan's interest under this contract in the general account at year end	4	
5 Current value of plan's interest under this contract in separate accounts at year end.....	5	

6 Contracts With Allocated Funds:

a State the basis of premium rates ▶

b Premiums paid to carrier **6b**

c Premiums due but unpaid at the end of the year **6c**

d If the carrier, service, or other organization incurred any specific costs in connection with the acquisition or retention of the contract or policy, enter amount. **6d**
 Specify nature of costs ▶

e Type of contract: (1) individual policies (2) group deferred annuity
 (3) other (specify) ▶

f If contract purchased, in whole or in part, to distribute benefits from a terminating plan, check here ▶

7 Contracts With Unallocated Funds (Do not include portions of these contracts maintained in separate accounts)

a Type of contract: (1) deposit administration (2) immediate participation guarantee
 (3) guaranteed investment (4) other ▶

b Balance at the end of the previous year	7b	0
c Additions: (1) Contributions deposited during the year	7c(1)	
	7c(2)	
	7c(3)	
	7c(4)	
	7c(5)	
(6) Total additions	7c(6)	0
d Total of balance and additions (add lines 7b and 7c(6))	7d	0
e Deductions: (1) Disbursed from fund to pay benefits or purchase annuities during year	7e(1)	
	7e(2)	
	7e(3)	
	7e(4)	
	(5) Total deductions	
f Balance at the end of the current year (subtract line 7e(5) from line 7d).....	7f	0

Part III Welfare Benefit Contract Information
 If more than one contract covers the same group of employees of the same employer(s) or members of the same employee organizations(s), the information may be combined for reporting purposes if such contracts are experience-rated as a unit. Where contracts cover individual employees, the entire group of such individual contracts with each carrier may be treated as a unit for purposes of this report.

8 Benefit and contract type (check all applicable boxes)

- a** Health (other than dental or vision) **b** Dental **c** Vision **d** Life insurance
e Temporary disability (accident and sickness) **f** Long-term disability **g** Supplemental unemployment **h** Prescription drug
i Stop loss (large deductible) **j** HMO contract **k** PPO contract **l** Indemnity contract
m Other (specify) ▶

9 Experience-rated contracts:

a Premiums: (1) Amount received		9a(1)	
(2) Increase (decrease) in amount due but unpaid		9a(2)	
(3) Increase (decrease) in unearned premium reserve		9a(3)	
(4) Earned ((1) + (2) - (3))		9a(4)	0
b Benefit charges (1) Claims paid		9b(1)	
(2) Increase (decrease) in claim reserves		9b(2)	
(3) Incurred claims (add (1) and (2))		9b(3)	0
(4) Claims charged		9b(4)	
c Remainder of premium: (1) Retention charges (on an accrual basis) --			
(A) Commissions	9c(1)(A)		
(B) Administrative service or other fees	9c(1)(B)		
(C) Other specific acquisition costs	9c(1)(C)		
(D) Other expenses	9c(1)(D)		
(E) Taxes	9c(1)(E)		
(F) Charges for risks or other contingencies	9c(1)(F)		
(G) Other retention charges	9c(1)(G)		
(H) Total retention	9c(1)(H)		0
(2) Dividends or retroactive rate refunds. (These amounts were <input type="checkbox"/> paid in cash, or <input type="checkbox"/> credited.)		9c(2)	
d Status of policyholder reserves at end of year: (1) Amount held to provide benefits after retirement		9d(1)	
(2) Claim reserves		9d(2)	
(3) Other reserves		9d(3)	
e Dividends or retroactive rate refunds due. (Do not include amount entered in line 9c(2).)		9e	
10 Nonexperience-rated contracts:			
a Total premiums or subscription charges paid to carrier		10a	2850587
b If the carrier, service, or other organization incurred any specific costs in connection with the acquisition or retention of the contract or policy, other than reported in Part I, line 2 above, report amount. Specify nature of costs.		10b	

Part IV Provision of Information

11 Did the insurance company fail to provide any information necessary to complete Schedule A? Yes No

12 If the answer to line 11 is "Yes," specify the information not provided. ▶

<p style="text-align: center;">SCHEDULE A (Form 5500)</p> <p style="font-size: small;">Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</p> <hr/> <p style="font-size: x-small;">Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</p> <hr/> <p style="font-size: x-small;">Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</p>	<p>Insurance Information</p> <p>This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).</p> <p>▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.</p> <p>▶ Insurance companies are required to provide the information pursuant to ERISA section 103(a)(2).</p>	<p>OMB No. 1210-0110</p> <hr/> <p style="font-size: large;">2024</p> <hr/> <p>This Form is Open to Public Inspection</p>
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<p>C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 BLUECROSS BLUESHIELD OF TENNESSEE</p>	<p>D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 62-0427913</p>	

Part I Information Concerning Insurance Contract Coverage, Fees, and Commissions Provide information for each contract on a separate Schedule A. Individual contracts grouped as a unit in Parts II and III can be reported on a single Schedule A.

1 Coverage Information:

(a) Name of insurance carrier
BLUECROSS BLUESHIELD OF TENNESSEE, INC.

(b) EIN	(c) NAIC code	(d) Contract or identification number	(e) Approximate number of persons covered at end of policy or contract year	Policy or contract year	
				(f) From	(g) To
62-0427913	54518	129971	7	01/01/2024	12/31/2024

2 Insurance fee and commission information. Enter the total fees and total commissions paid. List in line 3 the agents, brokers, and other persons in descending order of the amount paid.

(a) Total amount of commissions paid	(b) Total amount of fees paid
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3 Persons receiving commissions and fees. (Complete as many entries as needed to report all persons).

(a) Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	

(a) Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid

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(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	

Part II Investment and Annuity Contract Information
 Where individual contracts are provided, the entire group of such individual contracts with each carrier may be treated as a unit for purposes of this report.

4 Current value of plan's interest under this contract in the general account at year end	4	
5 Current value of plan's interest under this contract in separate accounts at year end.....	5	

6 Contracts With Allocated Funds:

a State the basis of premium rates ▶

b Premiums paid to carrier **6b**

c Premiums due but unpaid at the end of the year **6c**

d If the carrier, service, or other organization incurred any specific costs in connection with the acquisition or retention of the contract or policy, enter amount. **6d**
 Specify nature of costs ▶

e Type of contract: (1) individual policies (2) group deferred annuity
 (3) other (specify) ▶

f If contract purchased, in whole or in part, to distribute benefits from a terminating plan, check here ▶

7 Contracts With Unallocated Funds (Do not include portions of these contracts maintained in separate accounts)

- a** Type of contract: (1) deposit administration (2) immediate participation guarantee
 (3) guaranteed investment (4) other ▶

b Balance at the end of the previous year	7b	0
c Additions: (1) Contributions deposited during the year	7c(1)	
	7c(2)	
	7c(3)	
	7c(4)	
	7c(5)	
(6) Total additions	7c(6)	0
d Total of balance and additions (add lines 7b and 7c(6))	7d	0
e Deductions: (1) Disbursed from fund to pay benefits or purchase annuities during year	7e(1)	
	7e(2)	
	7e(3)	
	7e(4)	
	(5) Total deductions	
f Balance at the end of the current year (subtract line 7e(5) from line 7d).....	7f	0

Part III Welfare Benefit Contract Information
 If more than one contract covers the same group of employees of the same employer(s) or members of the same employee organizations(s), the information may be combined for reporting purposes if such contracts are experience-rated as a unit. Where contracts cover individual employees, the entire group of such individual contracts with each carrier may be treated as a unit for purposes of this report.

8 Benefit and contract type (check all applicable boxes)

- a** Health (other than dental or vision)
- b** Dental
- c** Vision
- d** Life insurance
- e** Temporary disability (accident and sickness)
- f** Long-term disability
- g** Supplemental unemployment
- h** Prescription drug
- i** Stop loss (large deductible)
- j** HMO contract
- k** PPO contract
- l** Indemnity contract
- m** Other (specify) ▶

9 Experience-rated contracts:

a	Premiums: (1) Amount received	9a(1)		
	(2) Increase (decrease) in amount due but unpaid	9a(2)		
	(3) Increase (decrease) in unearned premium reserve	9a(3)		
	(4) Earned ((1) + (2) - (3))		9a(4)	0
b	Benefit charges (1) Claims paid	9b(1)		
	(2) Increase (decrease) in claim reserves	9b(2)		
	(3) Incurred claims (add (1) and (2))		9b(3)	0
	(4) Claims charged		9b(4)	
c	Remainder of premium: (1) Retention charges (on an accrual basis) --			
	(A) Commissions	9c(1)(A)		
	(B) Administrative service or other fees	9c(1)(B)		
	(C) Other specific acquisition costs	9c(1)(C)		
	(D) Other expenses	9c(1)(D)		
	(E) Taxes	9c(1)(E)		
	(F) Charges for risks or other contingencies	9c(1)(F)		
	(G) Other retention charges	9c(1)(G)		
	(H) Total retention		9c(1)(H)	0
	(2) Dividends or retroactive rate refunds. (These amounts were <input type="checkbox"/> paid in cash, or <input type="checkbox"/> credited.)		9c(2)	
d	Status of policyholder reserves at end of year: (1) Amount held to provide benefits after retirement		9d(1)	
	(2) Claim reserves		9d(2)	
	(3) Other reserves		9d(3)	
e	Dividends or retroactive rate refunds due. (Do not include amount entered in line 9c(2).)		9e	

10 Nonexperience-rated contracts:

a	Total premiums or subscription charges paid to carrier	10a		22932
b	If the carrier, service, or other organization incurred any specific costs in connection with the acquisition or retention of the contract or policy, other than reported in Part I, line 2 above, report amount.	10b		

Specify nature of costs.

Part IV Provision of Information

11 Did the insurance company fail to provide any information necessary to complete Schedule A? Yes No

12 If the answer to line 11 is "Yes," specify the information not provided. ▶

SCHEDULE D (Form 5500) <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small> <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small>	DFE/Participating Plan Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	<small>OMB No. 1210-0110</small> 2024 This Form is Open to Public Inspection.
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C Plan or DFE sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 BLUECROSS BLUESHIELD OF TENNESSEE	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 62-0427913	

Part I	Information on interests in MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs (to be completed by plans and DFEs) (Complete as many entries as needed to report all interests in DFEs)
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:	PLANS' NAT'L RETIREE HEALTH BENEFIT	
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):	BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD ASSOC.	
c EIN-PN <u>36-7008317-001</u>	d Entity code <u>E</u>	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>104638437</u>
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):		
c EIN-PN	d Entity code	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):		
c EIN-PN	d Entity code	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):		
c EIN-PN	d Entity code	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):		
c EIN-PN	d Entity code	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):		
c EIN-PN	d Entity code	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):		
c EIN-PN	d Entity code	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):

c EIN-PN

d Entity code

e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):

c EIN-PN

d Entity code

e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):

c EIN-PN

d Entity code

e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):

c EIN-PN

d Entity code

e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):

c EIN-PN

d Entity code

e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):

c EIN-PN

d Entity code

e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):

c EIN-PN

d Entity code

e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):

c EIN-PN

d Entity code

e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):

c EIN-PN

d Entity code

e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):

c EIN-PN

d Entity code

e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)

SCHEDULE H (Form 5500) <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small> <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small> <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	Financial Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	<small>OMB No. 1210-0110</small> 2024 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
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For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2024 and ending 12/31/2024	
A Name of plan HOSPITAL, SURGICAL & MEDICAL, MAJOR MEDICAL, DENTAL, LIFE & ACCIDENT, VISION, CARECHOICE	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 503
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 BLUECROSS BLUESHIELD OF TENNESSEE	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 62-0427913

Part I	Asset and Liability Statement
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1 Current value of plan assets and liabilities at the beginning and end of the plan year. Combine the value of plan assets held in more than one trust. Report the value of the plan's interest in a commingled fund containing the assets of more than one plan on a line-by-line basis unless the value is reportable on lines 1c(9) through 1c(14). Do not enter the value of that portion of an insurance contract which guarantees, during this plan year, to pay a specific dollar benefit at a future date. **Round off amounts to the nearest dollar.** MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs do not complete lines 1b(1), 1b(2), 1c(8), 1g, 1h, and 1i. CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs also do not complete lines 1d and 1e. See instructions.

		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
Assets			
a Total noninterest-bearing cash	1a		
b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
(1) Employer contributions	1b(1)		
(2) Participant contributions	1b(2)		
(3) Other	1b(3)		
c General investments:			
(1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit)	1c(1)		
(2) U.S. Government securities	1c(2)		
(3) Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(3)(A)		
(B) All other	1c(3)(B)		
(4) Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(4)(A)		
(B) Common	1c(4)(B)		
(5) Partnership/joint venture interests	1c(5)		
(6) Real estate (other than employer real property)	1c(6)		
(7) Loans (other than to participants)	1c(7)		
(8) Participant loans	1c(8)		
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts	1c(9)		
(10) Value of interest in pooled separate accounts	1c(10)		
(11) Value of interest in master trust investment accounts	1c(11)		
(12) Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities	1c(12)	102463212	104638437
(13) Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	1c(13)		
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts)	1c(14)		
(15) Other	1c(15)		

1d Employer-related investments:		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
(1) Employer securities.....	1d(1)		
(2) Employer real property.....	1d(2)		
e Buildings and other property used in plan operation.....	1e		
f Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e).....	1f	102463212	104638437
Liabilities			
g Benefit claims payable.....	1g	7341024	11523707
h Operating payables.....	1h		
i Acquisition indebtedness.....	1i		
j Other liabilities.....	1j	3815186	3814941
k Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j).....	1k	11156210	15338648
Net Assets			
l Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f).....	1l	91307002	89299789

Part II Income and Expense Statement

2 Plan income, expenses, and changes in net assets for the year. Include all income and expenses of the plan, including any trust(s) or separately maintained fund(s) and any payments/receipts to/from insurance carriers. Round off amounts to the nearest dollar. MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs do not complete lines 2a, 2b(1)(E), 2e, 2f, and 2g.

Income		(a) Amount	(b) Total
a Contributions:			
(1) Received or receivable in cash from: (A) Employers.....	2a(1)(A)	103302908	
(B) Participants.....	2a(1)(B)	15725420	
(C) Others (including rollovers).....	2a(1)(C)		
(2) Noncash contributions.....	2a(2)		
(3) Total contributions. Add lines 2a(1)(A) , (B) , (C) , and line 2a(2)	2a(3)		119028328
b Earnings on investments:			
(1) Interest:			
(A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit).....	2b(1)(A)		
(B) U.S. Government securities.....	2b(1)(B)		
(C) Corporate debt instruments.....	2b(1)(C)		
(D) Loans (other than to participants).....	2b(1)(D)		
(E) Participant loans.....	2b(1)(E)		
(F) Other.....	2b(1)(F)		
(G) Total interest. Add lines 2b(1)(A) through (F)	2b(1)(G)		0
(2) Dividends:			
(A) Preferred stock.....	2b(2)(A)		
(B) Common stock.....	2b(2)(B)		
(C) Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds).....	2b(2)(C)		
(D) Total dividends. Add lines 2b(2)(A) , (B) , and (C)	2b(2)(D)		0
(3) Rents.....	2b(3)		
(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets:			
(A) Aggregate proceeds.....	2b(4)(A)		
(B) Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions).....	2b(4)(B)		
(C) Subtract line 2b(4)(B) from line 2b(4)(A) and enter result.....	2b(4)(C)		
(5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets:			
(A) Real estate.....	2b(5)(A)		
(B) Other.....	2b(5)(B)		
(C) Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines 2b(5)(A) and (B)	2b(5)(C)		

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts	2b(6)		
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts	2b(7)		
(8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts	2b(8)		
(9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities	2b(9)		5921620
(10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	2b(10)		
c Other income	2c		
d Total income. Add all income amounts in column (b) and enter total	2d		124949948

Expenses

e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers	2e(1)	124083642	
(2) To insurance carriers for the provision of benefits	2e(2)	2873519	
(3) Other	2e(3)		
(4) Total benefit payments. Add lines 2e(1) through (3)	2e(4)		126957161
f Corrective distributions (see instructions)	2f		
g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions)	2g		
h Interest expense	2h		
i Administrative expenses:			
(1) Salaries and allowances	2i(1)		
(2) Contract administrator fees	2i(2)		
(3) Recordkeeping fees	2i(3)		
(4) IQPA audit fees	2i(4)		
(5) Investment advisory and investment management fees	2i(5)		
(6) Bank or trust company trustee/custodial fees	2i(6)		
(7) Actuarial fees	2i(7)		
(8) Legal fees	2i(8)		
(9) Valuation/appraisal fees	2i(9)		
(10) Other trustee fees and expenses	2i(10)		
(11) Other expenses	2i(11)		
(12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (11)	2i(12)		0
j Total expenses. Add all expense amounts in column (b) and enter total	2j		126957161

Net Income and Reconciliation

k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d	2k		-2007213
l Transfers of assets:			
(1) To this plan	2l(1)		
(2) From this plan	2l(2)		

Part III Accountant's Opinion

3 Complete lines 3a through 3c if the opinion of an independent qualified public accountant is attached to this Form 5500. Complete line 3d if an opinion is not attached.

a The attached opinion of an independent qualified public accountant for this plan is (see instructions):

(1) Unmodified (2) Qualified (3) Disclaimer (4) Adverse

b Check the appropriate box(es) to indicate whether the IQPA performed an ERISA section 103(a)(3)(C) audit. Check both boxes (1) and (2) if the audit was performed pursuant to both 29 CFR 2520.103-8 and 29 CFR 2520.103-12(d). Check box (3) if pursuant to neither.

(1) DOL Regulation 2520.103-8 (2) DOL Regulation 2520.103-12(d) (3) neither DOL Regulation 2520.103-8 nor DOL Regulation 2520.103-12(d).

c Enter the name and EIN of the accountant (or accounting firm) below:

(1) Name: **ERNST & YOUNG LLP**

(2) EIN: **34-6565596**

d The opinion of an independent qualified public accountant is **not attached** as part of Schedule H because:

(1) This form is filed for a CCT, PSA, DCG or MTIA. (2) It will be attached to the next Form 5500 pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.104-50.

Part IV Compliance Questions

4 CCTs and PSAs do not complete Part IV. MTIAs, 103-12 IEs, and GIAs do not complete lines 4a, 4e, 4f, 4g, 4h, 4k, 4m, 4n, or 5. 103-12 IEs also do not complete lines 4j and 4l. MTIAs also do not complete line 4l. DCGs do not complete lines 4e, 4f, 4k, 4l, and 5, and DCGs generally complete the rest of Part IV collectively for all plans in the DCG, except as otherwise provided (see instructions).

During the plan year:

	Yes	No	Amount
a Was there a failure to transmit to the plan any participant contributions within the time period described in 29 CFR 2510.3-102? Continue to answer "Yes" for any prior year failures until fully corrected. (See instructions and DOL's Voluntary Fiduciary Correction Program.)		X	
b Were any loans by the plan or fixed income obligations due the plan in default as of the close of the plan year or classified during the year as uncollectible? Disregard participant loans secured by participant's account balance. (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part I if "Yes" is checked.)		X	
c Were any leases to which the plan was a party in default or classified during the year as uncollectible? (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part II if "Yes" is checked.)		X	
d Were there any nonexempt transactions with any party-in-interest? (Do not include transactions reported on line 4a. Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part III if "Yes" is checked.)		X	
e Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?	X		5000000
f Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?		X	
g Did the plan hold any assets whose current value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?		X	
h Did the plan receive any noncash contributions whose value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?		X	
i Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)	X		
j Were any plan transactions or series of transactions in excess of 5% of the current value of plan assets? (Attach schedule of transactions if "Yes" is checked and see instructions for format requirements.)		X	
k Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?		X	
l Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?		X	
m If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)			
n If 4m was answered "Yes," check the "Yes" box if you either provided the required notice or one of the exceptions to providing the notice applied under 29 CFR 2520.101-3.			

5a Has a resolution to terminate the plan been adopted during the plan year or any prior plan year? Yes No
If "Yes," enter the amount of any plan assets that reverted to the employer this year _____.

5b If, during this plan year, any assets or liabilities were transferred from this plan to another plan(s), identify the plan(s) to which assets or liabilities were transferred. (See instructions.)

5b(1) Name of plan(s)	5b(2) EIN(s)	5b(3) PN(s)

5c Was the plan a defined benefit plan covered under the PBGC insurance program at any time during this plan year? (See ERISA section 4021 and instructions.) Yes No Not determined

If "Yes" is checked, enter the My PAA confirmation number from the PBGC premium filing for this plan year _____.



FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE
Hospital, Surgical & Medical, Major Medical, Dental,
Life & Accident, Vision, CareChoice
December 31, 2024 and 2023, and for the Year Ended December 31, 2024
With Report of Independent Auditors

Hospital, Surgical & Medical, Major Medical, Dental,
Life & Accident, Vision, CareChoice

Financial Statements and Supplemental Schedule

December 31, 2024 and 2023, and for the Year Ended December 31, 2024

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Report of Independent Auditors

The Plan Administrator
Hospital, Surgical & Medical, Major Medical,
Dental, Life & Accident, Vision, CareChoice

Scope and Nature of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) Audit

We have performed audits of the financial statements of Hospital, Surgical & Medical, Major Medical, Dental, Life & Accident, Vision, CareChoice (the Plan), an employee benefit plan subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), as permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) (ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit). The financial statements comprise the statements of net assets available for benefits and statements of benefit obligations as of December 31, 2024, and 2023, and the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits and statement of changes in benefit obligations for the year ended December 31, 2024, and the related notes (collectively referred to as the “financial statements”).

Management, having determined it is permissible in the circumstances, has elected to have the audits of the financial statements performed in accordance with ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor’s Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. As permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C), our audits need not extend to any statements or information related to assets held for investment of the Plan (investment information) by a bank or similar institution or insurance carrier that is regulated, supervised, and subject to periodic examination by a state or federal agency, provided that the statements or information regarding assets so held are prepared and certified to by the bank or similar institution or insurance carrier in accordance with 29 CFR 2520.103-5 of the Department of Labor’s Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA (qualified institution).

Management has obtained certifications from a qualified institution as of December 31, 2024, and 2023, and for the year ended December 31, 2024, stating that the certified investment information, as described in Note 3 to the financial statements, is complete and accurate.

Opinion

In our opinion, based on our audits and on the procedures performed as described in the Auditor’s Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section

- the amounts and disclosures in the accompanying financial statements, other than those agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

- the information in the accompanying financial statements related to assets held by and certified to by a qualified institution agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by an institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Plan and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. Management's election of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit does not affect management's responsibility for the financial statements.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for one year after the date that the financial statements are available to be issued.

Management is also responsible for maintaining a current plan instrument, including all plan amendments, administering the Plan, and determining that the Plan's transactions that are presented and disclosed in the financial statements are in conformity with the Plan's provisions, including maintaining sufficient records with respect to each of the participants, to determine the benefits due or which may become due to such participants.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Except as described in the Scope and Nature of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) Audit section of our report, our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Plan's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

Our audits did not extend to the certified investment information, except for obtaining and reading the certification, comparing the certified investment information with the related information presented and disclosed in the financial statements, and reading the disclosures relating to the certified investment information to assess whether they are in accordance with the presentation and disclosure requirements of accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Accordingly, the objective of an ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit is not to express an opinion about whether the financial statements as a whole are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control related matters that we identified during the audit.

Other Matter

Supplemental Schedule Required by ERISA

The supplemental schedule of assets (held at end of year) as of December 31, 2024, (referred to as the "supplemental schedule"), is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements but is supplementary information required by the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information included in the supplemental schedule, other than that agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, has been subjected to auditing procedures applied in the audits of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements

themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with GAAS. For information included in the supplemental schedule that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, we compared such information to the related certified investment information.

In forming our opinion on the supplemental schedule, we evaluated whether the supplemental schedule, other than the information agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, including its form and content, is presented in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

In our opinion

- the form and content of the supplemental schedule, other than the information in the supplemental schedule that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, are presented, in all material respects, in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.
- the information in the supplemental schedule related to assets held by and certified to by a qualified institution agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by an institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).

Ernst & Young LLP

October 2, 2025

Hospital, Surgical & Medical, Major Medical, Dental,
Life & Accident, Vision, CareChoice

Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits

(In Thousands)

	December 31	
	2024	2023
Assets:		
Participation in the net assets of the Trust	\$ 104,638	\$ 102,463
Total assets	104,638	102,463
Liabilities:		
Accrued benefit reimbursement	3,815	3,815
Total liabilities	3,815	3,815
Net assets available for benefits	\$ 100,823	\$ 98,648

See accompanying notes

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Life & Accident, Vision, CareChoice

Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits

(In Thousands)

Year Ended December 31, 2024

Additions:

Contributions:

Employer contributions	\$ 103,303
Participant contributions	15,725
Total contributions	119,028

Participation in the net investment activity of the Trust	5,922
Total additions	124,950

Deductions:

Claims paid	119,901
MA premiums	2,874
Total deductions	122,775

Net increase	2,175
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Net assets available for benefits, beginning of year	98,648
Net assets available for benefits, end of year	<u>\$ 100,823</u>

See accompanying notes.

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Statements of Benefit Obligations

(In Thousands)

	December 31	
	2024	2023
Obligations for current benefit coverage:		
Claims payable and claims incurred but not reported	\$ 11,524	\$ 7,341
Postemployment benefit obligations:		
Benefits for participants on long-term disability	1,046	1,514
Postretirement benefit obligations:		
Current retirees	43,249	61,734
Other participants fully eligible for benefits	11,713	19,792
Other participants not yet fully eligible for benefits	2,850	7,416
Total postretirement benefit obligations	57,812	88,942
Total benefit obligations	\$ 70,382	\$ 97,797

See accompanying notes.

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Statement of Changes in Benefit Obligations

(In Thousands)

Year Ended December 31, 2024

Obligations for current benefit coverage:

Balance at beginning of year	\$ 7,341
Increase (decrease) during the year attributable to:	
Claims incurred	126,958
Claims paid	(119,901)
MA premiums	(2,874)
Balance at end of year	<u>11,524</u>

Postemployment benefit obligations:

Balance at beginning of year	1,514
(Decrease) increase during the year attributable to:	
Expected benefit payments	(1,467)
Interest	76
Experience loss and other changes	923
Balance at end of year	<u>1,046</u>

Postretirement benefit obligations:

Balance at beginning of year	88,942
(Decrease) increase during the year attributable to:	
Expected benefit payments	(4,079)
Interest	4,129
Experience loss and other changes	(2,160)
Changes in actuarial assumptions	(29,020)
Balance at end of year	<u>57,812</u>
Total benefit obligations	<u>\$ 70,382</u>

See accompanying notes.

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Life & Accident, Vision, CareChoice

Notes to Financial Statements

(In Thousands)

December 31, 2024

1. Description of Plan

The following description of the Hospital, Surgical & Medical, Major Medical, Dental, Life & Accident, Vision, CareChoice plan (the Plan), sponsored by BlueCross BlueShield of Tennessee, Inc. (the Employer) provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Summary Plan Description and individual Evidence of Coverage documents for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

General

The Plan is comprised of participants who are age 65 or older that are covered by a Medicare Advantage (MA) plan (MA Plan) and participants who are under age 65 that are covered by the self-funded plan (SF Plan).

The MA Plan pays the subsidized portion of the monthly premium on behalf of the participants who are age 65 or older.

The SF Plan covers participants for medical, dental and vision benefits (health benefits). The SF Plan requires the Employer to pay its portion of the cost of benefits for all participants. The SF Plan provides health benefits to full-time and part-time employees of the Employer and their covered dependents (active participants). The SF Plan also provides postemployment health benefits to former employees and their covered dependents that elect to receive the health benefits upon the former employee's commencement of long-term disability (LTD participants). Effective January 1, 2010, postemployment health benefits for LTD participants were restricted to two years for participants who commenced participation after December 31, 2009. Benefits for participants who commenced participation on or prior to December 31, 2009 continued for two years, or until their current limitation date (age 65 or 70). After December 31, 2009, premiums were required of all participants. The SF Plan provides health and survivorship benefits in excess of Medicare coverage to eligible retired employees under age 65 that elect coverage and their covered dependents (retired participants).

The Employer subsidizes health benefit premiums for eligible employees who elect retiree health coverage at retirement. On June 4, 2004, the Executive and Governance Committee of the Board of Directors of the Employer approved an amendment such that effective January 1, 2005, newly hired employees were not eligible for the postretirement health benefits provided by the Plan. Service accumulation towards postretirement health benefits for current employees was frozen on December 31, 2007. Employees who were at least age 55 with at least 25 years of service as of December 31, 2004 are eligible for fully subsidized retiree health benefits regardless of when they retire. Employees who were hired or rehired prior to January 1, 2005, are at least 55 years of age and have completed at least 15 years of service at the time of retirement are eligible for a subsidy calculated at 4.0% of the premium of the experience

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Notes to Financial Statements (continued)

(In Thousands)

rated retiree group multiplied by the full calendar years of service completed as of December 31, 2007, subject to a dollar cap. Employees who were hired or rehired prior to January 1, 2005 and are at least age 55 with between 10 and 14 years of service at the time of retirement are eligible for retiree health coverage but are not eligible for the Employer subsidy. Employees hired or rehired on or after January 1, 2005 are not eligible for Employer sponsored retiree health benefits.

The Employer processes claims for health benefits of the Plan.

The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), as amended.

Interest in the Trust

The Blue Cross and Blue Shield Plans' National Retiree Health Benefits Trust (the Trust), whose underlying assets include plan assets of two or more Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association (BCBSA) affiliated companies, is established by the BCBSA to fund and pay retiree health benefits. The Trust's participants are not a related group therefore qualifying it as a 103-12 investment entity under Department of Labor Regulation 2520.103-12. Funds invested in the Trust may be used to fund retiree health benefits for retired participants under the provisions of the health programs maintained by the participating employers. Participating employers maintain programs with selective eligibility criteria for participation. The Plan became a participant in the Trust effective December 22, 1992. Each of the participating plans has an undivided interest in the Trust. The Trust invests all contributions made by participating plans and reinvests all dividend and interest income received on securities owned by the Trust.

Assets are allocated among participating plans by assigning to each plan those transactions (primarily contributions, benefit payments and certain administration expenses), which can be specifically identified. Investment income, net change in the value of investments, and expenses, including unrelated business income taxes or refunds, are allocated to the Plan based upon their pro-rata share in the net assets of the Trust. The value of the Trust is adjusted daily to reflect the earnings and market value changes of investments and certain administrative expenses of the Trust.

Contributions and Funding Policy

Eligible benefit costs incurred by retired participants under the postretirement health benefits portion of the Plan are paid by the Employer. These qualified benefits are reimbursed from the Trust to the Employer in the following year. All other benefits are paid from the assets of the Employer.

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The Employer's practice is to contribute to the Trust an amount up to, but not to exceed, the maximum amount allowed as a tax deduction by the Internal Revenue Code (IRC). Under current tax law, the Employer is not permitted to deduct amounts for future benefits to current employees and retirees.

The Plan provides that LTD participants and most employees retiring on or after January 1, 2007, as outlined in the Plan, pay a portion of benefits provided under the Plan. The participant contributions are a specified amount determined annually by the Employer. The Employer contributes amounts necessary to fund the Plan's obligations and is responsible for any excess of benefit obligations over the net assets of the Plan.

Administration

The Trust's investments are held by the Northern Trust Company (the Trustee). Northern Trust Global Investments serves as the investment manager and securities custodian. The Trustee administers the Trust's assets together with the income derived from the Trust. Investment transactions are initiated, executed and accounted for by the Trustee in accordance with the investment guidelines approved by the Board of Directors of the Trust.

Administrative Expenses

Trustee, audit and certain actuarial fees and taxes related to the Trust are paid by the Trust. All administrative expenses of the Plan, other than those of the Trust, are paid by the Employer.

Plan Termination

The Employer has the right under the provisions of the Plan to modify the benefits provided to and contributions required of participants, to discontinue its contributions at any time, and to terminate the Plan subject to the provisions set forth in ERISA. In the event of Plan termination, the Employer would be responsible for all benefits not covered by the remaining assets. In the event there were excess assets, the remaining assets in the Plan would be applied for the benefit of employees or former employees of the Employer or the benefit of their covered dependents.

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Presentation and Use of Estimates

The accompanying financial statements of the Plan are prepared using the accrual method of accounting in conformity with United States generally accepted accounting principles. The preparation of financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect amounts reported in the financial statements and accompanying notes. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

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Subsequent Events

Management has reviewed transactions and events occurring subsequent to December 31, 2024 through October 2, 2025, the date at which the financial statements were available to be issued, for any that would require recognition or disclosure in the accompanying financial statements. No such transactions or events were identified.

Investment Valuation and Income Recognition

Investments held by the Plan are reported at fair value. See Fair Value Measurements note for further information related to fair value measurements.

Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis. Interest income is recorded as earned. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Net change in the fair value of investments includes the Plan's gains and losses on investments bought, sold and held during the year.

3. Interest in Trust Assets and Income

Certain information related to investments disclosed in the accompanying financial statements and supplemental schedule, including investments held at December 31, 2024 and 2023, and participation in the net investment activity of the Trust for the year ended December 31, 2024, was obtained or derived from information provided to the Plan administrator and certified as complete and accurate by the Trustee.

4. Fair Value Measurements

As a practical expedient to measuring fair value, the Plan's investment in the Trust is estimated by applying the Plan's ownership percentage in the Trust to the total net asset value (NAV) of investments held by the Trust. In accordance with Accounting Standards Codification 820, *Fair Value Measurements*, the Plan is not required to disclose the levels of the fair value hierarchy for investments measured using NAV per share or its equivalent. There are no restrictions on the Plan's investment in the Trust.

The Trust holds a diversified portfolio of government obligations, common stock, American depository receipts, registered investment funds and real estate investment trusts. The Trust's investments as of December 31, 2024 were allocated between government obligations (63%), common stock (21%), American depository receipts (13%), and registered investment funds (3%). The methods described above may produce fair values that are not indicative of net realizable value or reflective of future fair values. Furthermore, while the Plan has determined its valuation methods are appropriate and consistent with other market participants, the use of different methodologies or assumptions to determine the fair value of certain financial instruments could result in a different fair value at the reporting date.

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5. Benefit Obligations

Postretirement benefit obligations represent the actuarial present value of estimated future benefits that are attributed by the terms of the Plan to participants as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, reduced by the actuarial present value of contributions expected to be received in the future from participants. Postretirement benefits include future benefits expected to be paid to or for currently retired participants and active participants during their retirement. Prior to an active employee's full eligibility date, the postretirement benefit obligation is the portion of the expected postretirement benefit obligation that is attributed to that employee's service rendered to the valuation date.

Postretirement benefit obligations are determined by an actuary and represent the amounts that result from applying actuarial assumptions to estimate future incurred benefit costs, the portion of those costs expected to be paid by Medicare and the participants, and the probability of payment (by means of decrements such as those for death, disability, withdrawal or retirement) between the valuation date and the expected date of payment, discounted to present value.

The following table presents the weighted average assumptions used to determine the postretirement benefit obligations as of December 31:

	2024	2023
Discount rate ¹	5.46%	4.85%
<i>Health care trend rates:</i>		
Trend rate assumed for next year (pre-65 and Rx drug/post-65)	8.50%/14.75%	7.50%/15.00%
Ultimate trend rate	4.75%	4.75%
Year ultimate trend rate reached	2034	2032

The healthcare cost trend rate assumption has a significant effect on the amounts reported. If the assumed rates increased by 1% in each year, the obligation as of December 31, 2024 and 2023 would increase by \$438 and \$1,779, respectively.

The assumptions used by the actuary are based on the presumption that the Plan will continue subject to the provisions of ERISA. If the Plan were to terminate, different actuarial assumptions and other factors might be applicable in determining the actuarial present value of the postretirement benefit obligations.

¹ Changes in actuarial assumptions recognized in the accompanying statement of changes in benefit obligations includes the change in the weighted average discount rate.

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Other Plan Benefits

Plan obligations at December 31, 2024 and 2023, for health claims incurred by active participants but not reported at that date are estimated by the Employer on behalf of the Plan based on historical claims experience and subsequent claim payments relating to the current period. Such estimated amounts are reported in the accompanying statements of benefit obligations at present value. Health claims currently payable for active participants are included with the Plan's liability for claims incurred but not reported. Health claims incurred by LTD participants but not reported at year-end are included in postemployment benefit obligations. The weighted average discount rate used by the actuary for postemployment benefit obligations was 5.56% and 5.03% for 2024 and 2023, respectively. Health claims incurred by retired participants but not reported at year-end are included in Postretirement benefit obligations.

6. Party-in-interest Transactions

The Employer processes and pays all eligible claims. The Trust reimburses the Employer for eligible benefit costs related to participants covered under the Trust agreement. During 2024 and 2023, benefit costs reimbursed by the Trust were \$3,815 all of which were due to the Employer at December 31, 2024 and 2023.

7. Income Tax Status

The Trust has received a determination letter from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) dated April 26, 1994 stating that the Trust is qualified under Section 501(a) of the IRC and, therefore, is exempt from taxation. The Plan and Trust are required to operate in conformity with the IRC to maintain their qualified status. The Plan administrator has determined that the Plan is operating in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC and therefore is qualified and the related Trust is tax-exempt.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States require Plan management to evaluate uncertain tax positions taken by the Plan. The financial statement effects of a tax position are recognized when the position is more likely than not, based on the technical merits, to be sustained upon examination by the IRS. The Plan administrator analyzed the tax positions taken by the Plan and concluded that there were no uncertain positions taken or expected to be taken as of December 31, 2024 or 2023. The Plan is subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress.

8. Risks and Uncertainties

The Trust invests in securities that are exposed to various risks such as interest rate, market volatility and credit risks. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the values of the securities will occur in the

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near term and that such changes could materially affect the amounts reported in the accompanying financial statements.

The actuarial present value of benefit obligations are reported based on certain assumptions pertaining to interest rates, health care inflation rates and employee demographics, all of which are subject to change. Due to uncertainties inherent in the estimation and assumption processes, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in these estimates and assumptions in the near term could materially affect the amounts reported and disclosed in the financial statements.

9. Reconciliation to Form 5500

The following is a reconciliation of net assets available for benefits per the financial statements to the Form 5500:

	December 31	
	2024	2023
Net assets available for benefits per the financial statements	\$ 100,823	\$ 98,648
Less claims payable and claims incurred but not reported	(11,524)	(7,341)
Net assets available for benefits per the Form 5500	<u>\$ 89,299</u>	<u>\$ 91,307</u>

Claims payable and claims incurred but not reported are reflected as current benefit liabilities for Form 5500 purposes but not for financial statement purposes.

The following is a reconciliation of benefits paid per the financial statements to the Form 5500:

	Year Ended December 31, 2024
Claims paid per the financial statements	\$ 119,901
MA premiums per the financial statements	2,874
Benefits paid per the financial statements	<u>122,775</u>
Plus claims payable and claims incurred but not reported at December 31, 2024	11,524
Less claims payable and claims incurred but not reported at December 31, 2023	(7,341)
Benefits paid per the Form 5500	<u>\$ 126,958</u>

The change in claims payable and claims incurred but not reported is included in benefits paid on the Form 5500 but not for financial statement purposes.

Supplemental Schedule

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	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
(a)	Identity of Issue, Borrower, Lessor, or Similar Party	Description of Investment Including Maturity Date, Rate of Interest, Collateral, Par, or Maturity Value	Cost	Current Value
*	Blue Cross Blue Shield Plans' National Retiree Health Benefits Trust Program #390	50.9% interest investments of the Trust at current value	\$ 84,323	\$ 104,638

* Indicates party-in-interest to the Plan.

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