

<p style="text-align: center;">Form 5500</p> <p style="font-size: small;">Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</p> <hr/> <p style="font-size: small;">Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</p> <hr/> <p style="font-size: x-small;">Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</p>	<p>Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan</p> <p style="font-size: x-small;">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).</p> <p style="text-align: center;">▶ Complete all entries in accordance with the instructions to the Form 5500.</p>	<p style="font-size: x-small;">OMB Nos. 1210-0110 1210-0089</p> <hr/> <p style="font-size: large; text-align: center;">2024</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;">This Form is Open to Public Inspection</p>
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Part I Annual Report Identification Information
 For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning 04/01/2024 and ending 03/31/2025

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

<p>1a Name of plan <u>LOW COUNTRY HEALTH CARE SYSTEM WELFARE BENEFIT PLAN</u></p>	<p>1b Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ <u>501</u></p>
<p>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>LOW COUNTRY HEALTH CARE SYSTEM</u></p> <p><u>P O BOX 990</u> <u>FAIRFAX, SC 29827</u></p>	<p>1c Effective date of plan <u>01/01/2001</u></p> <p>2b Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>58-2366697</u></p> <p>2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number <u>803-632-2533</u></p> <p>2d Business code (see instructions) <u>621111</u></p>

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.	10/09/2025	DARAINY HUDSON
	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	206
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)	206
	6a(2)	218
	6b	
	6c	
	6d	218
	6e	
	6f	
	6g(1)	
	6g(2)	
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 4F 4H

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 type="checkbox"/> Trust	(3) <input 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 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 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 _____

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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. Specify nature of costs ▶	6d	

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	
c Additions: (1) Contributions deposited during the year	7c(1)	
	7c(2)	
	7c(3)	
	7c(4)	
	7c(5)	
(2) Dividends and credits.....		
(3) Interest credited during the year.....		
(4) Transferred from separate account		
(5) Other (specify below)..... ▶		
(6) Total additions	7c(6)	
d Total of balance and additions (add lines 7b and 7c(6))	7d	
e Deductions:		
	7e(1)	
	7e(2)	
	7e(3)	
	7e(4)	
(1) Disbursed from fund to pay benefits or purchase annuities during year		
(2) Administration charge made by carrier.....		
(3) Transferred to separate account		
(4) Other (specify below)..... ▶		
(5) Total deductions	7e(5)	
f Balance at the end of the current year (subtract line 7e(5) from line 7d).....	7f	

Part III Welfare Benefit Contract Information
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8 Benefit and contract type (check all applicable boxes)

- a** Health (other than dental or vision)
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- 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)	1562287	
	(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)		1562287
b	Benefit charges (1) Claims paid	9b(1)	1674430	
	(2) Increase (decrease) in claim reserves	9b(2)	51786	
	(3) Incurred claims (add (1) and (2))	9b(3)		1726216
	(4) Claims charged	9b(4)		
c	Remainder of premium: (1) Retention charges (on an accrual basis) --			
	(A) Commissions	9c(1)(A)	62883	
	(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)	19529	
	(F) Charges for risks or other contingencies	9c(1)(F)	78114	
	(G) Other retention charges	9c(1)(G)	-488495	
	(H) Total retention	9c(1)(H)		-327969
	(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		
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. ▶

<p>SCHEDULE A (Form 5500)</p> <p>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</p> <hr/> <p>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</p> <hr/> <p>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>2024</p> <hr/> <p>This Form is Open to Public Inspection</p>
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For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning **04/01/2024** and ending **03/31/2025**

<p>A Name of plan LOW COUNTRY HEALTH CARE SYSTEM WELFARE BENEFIT PLAN</p>	<p>B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶</p>	<p>501</p>
<p>C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 LOW COUNTRY HEALTH CARE SYSTEM</p>	<p>D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 58-2366697</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
STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY

(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
93-0242990	69019	160137	218	07/01/2024	03/31/2025

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.

<p>(a) Total amount of commissions paid 42638</p>	<p>(b) Total amount of fees paid 0</p>
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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
SOUTHEASTERN INS CONSULTANTS LLC **1061 BICKLEY RD**
IRMO, SC 29063

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	
39472			3

(a) Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid
JAMES R NELLIGAN & ASSOCIATES LLC **1933 STATE ROUTE 35**
STE 368
WALL, NJ 07719

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	
5483			3

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

J. SAM PLEXICO & ASSOCIATES

PO BOX 727
BARNWELL, SC 29812

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	
-2317			3

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

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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**

c Additions: (1) Contributions deposited during the year **7c(1)**
 (2) Dividends and credits..... **7c(2)**
 (3) Interest credited during the year..... **7c(3)**
 (4) Transferred from separate account **7c(4)**
 (5) Other (specify below)..... **7c(5)**
 ▶

(6) Total additions **7c(6)**

d Total of balance and additions (add lines **7b** and **7c(6)**) **7d**

e Deductions:

(1) Disbursed from fund to pay benefits or purchase annuities during year **7e(1)**
 (2) Administration charge made by carrier..... **7e(2)**
 (3) Transferred to separate account **7e(3)**
 (4) Other (specify below)..... **7e(4)**
 ▶

(5) Total deductions **7e(5)**

f Balance at the end of the current year (subtract line **7e(5)** from line **7d**)..... **7f**

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- 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)	273870
	(2) Increase (decrease) in amount due but unpaid	9a(2)	0
	(3) Increase (decrease) in unearned premium reserve	9a(3)	0
	(4) Earned ((1) + (2) - (3))	9a(4)	273870
b	Benefit charges (1) Claims paid	9b(1)	116570
	(2) Increase (decrease) in claim reserves	9b(2)	6853
	(3) Incurred claims (add (1) and (2))	9b(3)	123423
	(4) Claims charged	9b(4)	123423
c	Remainder of premium: (1) Retention charges (on an accrual basis) --		
	(A) Commissions	9c(1)(A)	42637
	(B) Administrative service or other fees	9c(1)(B)	0
	(C) Other specific acquisition costs	9c(1)(C)	0
	(D) Other expenses	9c(1)(D)	49835
	(E) Taxes	9c(1)(E)	3258
	(F) Charges for risks or other contingencies	9c(1)(F)	18637
	(G) Other retention charges	9c(1)(G)	58720
	(H) Total retention	9c(1)(H)	173087
	(2) Dividends or retroactive rate refunds. (These amounts were <input type="checkbox"/> paid in cash, or <input type="checkbox"/> credited.)	9c(2)	0
d	Status of policyholder reserves at end of year: (1) Amount held to provide benefits after retirement	9d(1)	0
	(2) Claim reserves	9d(2)	0
	(3) Other reserves	9d(3)	0
e	Dividends or retroactive rate refunds due. (Do not include amount entered in line 9c(2).)	9e	

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Specify nature of costs.

Part IV Provision of Information

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Blue Cross Blue Shield

2024

(filed October 2025)

2024 Plan Information Worksheet

Status:

Plan Sponsor Information

Plan Sponsor's Name
LOW COUNTRY HEALTH CARE SYSTEM

Plan Sponsor's Mailing Address
P O BOX 990

Foreign

Plan Sponsor's Doing Business As Name

Plan Sponsor's Mailing City, Province, State and ZIP
FAIRFAX SC 29827

Plan Sponsor's Location Address

Foreign

Plan Sponsor's Care Of Name

Plan Sponsor's EIN
58-2366697

Plan Sponsor's Location City, Province, State and ZIP

Plan Sponsor's Phone Number
(803)632-2533

Plan Administrator Information

Same as Plan Sponsor

Plan Administrator's Name

Plan Administrator's Address

Foreign

Plan Administrator's Care Of Name

Plan Administrator's City, Province, State and ZIP

Plan Administrator's EIN

Plan Administrator's Phone Number

Plan Information

Plan Name
LOW COUNTRY HEALTH CARE SYSTEM WELFARE BENEFIT PLAN

Business Code
62111

Filing for Plan Year:
2024

DFE Plan

Plan Year
Begins MM/DD/YYYY
04/01/2024

MM/DD/YYYY
Ends 03/31/2025

Three-digit Plan Number
501

Plan ID

Tax Year
Begins MM/DD/YYYY
01/01/2024

MM/DD/YYYY
Ends 12/31/2024

EIN for PBGC Forms

Name Control

Effective Date of Plan
01/01/2001

Transmitter Information

Transmitter's TIN

Transmitter Control Code (TCC)

Contact Name

Transmitter's Name

Contact Telephone Number

Company Name

Contact E-Mail Address

Company Mailing Address

Foreign

Company City, Province, State and ZIP

Do NOT File with IRS, DOL or PBGC

Preparer Information

Preparer's Name

Preparer's City, Province, State and ZIP

Preparer's Firm Name

Preparer's Phone Number

Preparer's Address

Foreign

Trust Information

Name of Trust

Trust EIN

Name of Trustee or Custodian

Trustee's or Custodian's Phone #

Signers, Service Providers and Interested Individuals

 Notify

Contact Phone Number

Contact Name

E-Mail Address

Contact ID

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SIGN HERE		10/10/2025	DARAINNEY HUDSON
	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

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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:	4b EIN
a Sponsor's name	4d PN
c Plan Name	
5 Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year	5 206
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	6a(1) 206
a(2) Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year	6a(2) 218
b Retired or separated participants receiving benefits	6b
c Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits	6c
d Subtotal. Add lines 6a(2), 6b, and 6c.	6d 218
e Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits.	6e
f Total. Add lines 6d and 6e.	6f
g(1) Number of participants with account balances as of the beginning of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)	6g(1)
g(2) Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)	6g(2)
h Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested	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 4F 4H

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 type="checkbox"/> Trust	(3) <input 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

- (1) **R** (Retirement Plan Information)
- (2) **MB** (Multiemployer Defined Benefit Plan and Certain Money Purchase Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary
- (3) **SB** (Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary
- (4) **DCG** (Individual Plan Information) – Number Attached _____
- (5) **MEP** (Multiple-Employer Retirement Plan Information)

b General Schedules

- (1) **H** (Financial Information)
- (2) **I** (Financial Information – Small Plan)
- (3) **A** (Insurance Information) – Number Attached 2
- (4) **C** (Service Provider Information)
- (5) **D** (DFE/Participating Plan Information)
- (6) **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) <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small> <hr/> <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small> <hr/> <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	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 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
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For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning 04/01/2024 and ending 03/31/2025

A Name of plan LOW COUNTRY HEALTH CARE SYSTEM WELFARE BENEFIT PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	501
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 LOW COUNTRY HEALTH CARE SYSTEM	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 58-2366697	

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
 Blue Cross Blue Shield of South Carolina

(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
57-0287419	38520	25-53601	164	04/01/2024	03/31/2025

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
62,883	0

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
 J. Sam Plexico & Associates
 1118 Sacannah Highway
 Ste A
 Charleston SC 29417

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	
62,883			3

(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

c Premiums due but unpaid at the end of the year

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

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	
c Additions: (1) Contributions deposited during the year	7c(1)	
(2) Dividends and credits	7c(2)	
(3) Interest credited during the year	7c(3)	
(4) Transferred from separate account	7c(4)	
(5) Other (specify below)	7c(5)	
(6) Total additions	7c(6)	
d Total of balance and additions (add lines 7b and 7c(6))	7d	
e Deductions:		
(1) Disbursed from fund to pay benefits or purchase annuities during year	7e(1)	
(2) Administration charge made by carrier	7e(2)	
(3) Transferred to separate account	7e(3)	
(4) Other (specify below)	7e(4)	
(5) Total deductions	7e(5)	
f Balance at the end of the current year (subtract line 7e(5) from line 7d)	7f	

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)	1,562,287	
(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)	1,562,287
b Benefit charges (1) Claims paid.....	9b(1)	1,674,430	
(2) Increase (decrease) in claim reserves.....	9b(2)	51,786	
(3) Incurred claims (add (1) and (2)).....		9b(3)	1,726,216
(4) Claims charged.....		9b(4)	
c Remainder of premium: (1) Retention charges (on an accrual basis) --			
(A) Commissions	9c(1)(A)	62,883	
(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)	19,529	
(F) Charges for risks or other contingencies	9c(1)(F)	78,114	
(G) Other retention charges	9c(1)(G)	-488,495	
(H) Total retention.....		9c(1)(H)	-327,969
(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	
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. ▶

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A Name of plan LOW COUNTRY HEALTH CARE SYSTEM WELFARE BENEFIT PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	501
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 LOW COUNTRY HEALTH CARE SYSTEM	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 58-2366697	

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.
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1 Coverage Information:

(a) Name of insurance carrier
STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY

(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
93-0242990	69019	160137	218	07/01/2024	03/31/2025

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
42,638	0

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

J. Sam Plexico & Associates
PO BOX 727

Barnwell SC 29812

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	
-2,317			3

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

Southeastern Ins Consultants LLC
1061 Bickley Rd

Irmo SC 29063

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	
39,472			3

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

James R Neilligan & Associates LLC
 1933 State Route 35
 Ste 368
 Wall

NJ 07719

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	
5,483			3

(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	

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	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	

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	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	

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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

c Premiums due but unpaid at the end of the year

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.
 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	
c Additions: (1) Contributions deposited during the year	7c(1)			
	7c(2)			
	7c(3)			
	7c(4)			
	7c(5)			
(5) Other (specify below)				
(6) Total additions			7c(6)	
d Total of balance and additions (add lines 7b and 7c(6))			7d	
e Deductions:				
	7e(1)			
	7e(2)			
	7e(3)			
	7e(4)			
(4) Other (specify below)				
(5) Total deductions			7e(5)	
f Balance at the end of the current year (subtract line 7e(5) from line 7d)			7f	

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)	273,870	
(2) Increase (decrease) in amount due but unpaid	9a(2)	0	
(3) Increase (decrease) in unearned premium reserve	9a(3)	0	
(4) Earned ((1) + (2) - (3))	9a(4)		273,870
b Benefit charges (1) Claims paid	9b(1)	116,570	
(2) Increase (decrease) in claim reserves	9b(2)	6,853	
(3) Incurred claims (add (1) and (2))	9b(3)		123,423
(4) Claims charged	9b(4)		123,423
c Remainder of premium: (1) Retention charges (on an accrual basis) --			
(A) Commissions	9c(1)(A)	42,637	
(B) Administrative service or other fees	9c(1)(B)	0	
(C) Other specific acquisition costs	9c(1)(C)	0	
(D) Other expenses	9c(1)(D)	49,835	
(E) Taxes	9c(1)(E)	3,258	
(F) Charges for risks or other contingencies	9c(1)(F)	18,637	
(G) Other retention charges	9c(1)(G)	58,720	
(H) Total retention	9c(1)(H)		173,087
(2) Dividends or retroactive rate refunds. (These amounts were <input type="checkbox"/> paid in cash, or <input type="checkbox"/> credited.)	9c(2)		0
d Status of policyholder reserves at end of year: (1) Amount held to provide benefits after retirement	9d(1)		0
(2) Claim reserves	9d(2)		0
(3) Other reserves	9d(3)		0
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	
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. ▶