



2027 Proposed Budget Presentation

Executive Committee Introduction
September 16, 2026
Zoom

2027 Budget Overview

as of 8/31/2026

Central Jersey FUND

	2026 Annualized	2027 Proposed	% Change
Medical Claims	\$42,829,367	\$46,836,349	9.36%
Prescription Claims ¹	\$16,709,529	\$15,026,483	-10.07%
Dental Claims	\$2,054,741	\$1,924,672	-6.33%
MRHIF (introduced) ³	\$1,417,576	\$1,781,743	25.69%
Medicare Advantage ⁴	\$8,017,294	\$8,598,834	7.25%
Loss Fund Contingency ⁵	\$1,644,017	\$2,000,000	21.65%
Trust Fund Contingency ⁵	0	\$2,250,000	-
Expenses	\$4,493,185	\$4,604,717	2.48%
Overall Budget	\$93,035,019	\$101,282,779	8.84%

Notes:

- 1) Prescription claims consider a reduction in rebates to be less budget-dependent.
- 2) Lakewood renewal are pending acceptance from the Township and is not included in above
- 3) MRHIF renewal is draft. Final assessment will be provided prior to adoption
- 4) Medicare Advantage rates based on bundled renewal.
- 5) Contingency Accounts defined on Slide 9
- 6) Proposed introduction on Wednesday, September 16th and adoption on Wednesday, October 14th.
- 6a) Budget is preliminary and draft for introduction; may be altered prior to adoption

Assessments by Line of Coverage

Change by Line of Coverage	Rate Change
Medical	+10%
Prescription	+3.5%
Dental PPO	Flat
Dental DMO*	TBD
Aetna Medicare Advantage	+6%

- Individual Group Assessment and Billing Factors:
 - 1) Lines of Coverage in the Fund
 - 2) Medicare Advantage Rate Active & Early Retiree Subsidy
 - 1) Many Medicare Advantage premiums included subsidies from when the program began that has grown with the past larger renewals. Some groups will see a lower increase due to a reduction in that subsidy
- Loss ratio impact: groups with at least 30 months experience in the Fund can receive up to a +/-2.5%.
- Average renewal for a CJHIF group with Medical and Prescription 8.8%
- Dental only group renewal is flat Does not include DMO plans

5-Year History

Central Jersey Health Insurance Fund Budget Increase History	
Plan Year	Budget Renewal
2027 <i>Proposed</i>	8.84%
2026	20.90%
2025	14.80%
2024	4.60%
2023	3.7%
5-YR Average	10.57%



2027 Budget Development Claims Projection & Reinsurance

2027 Budget Development

- 2027 Budget Change: **8.84%**
- Claims Fund Development: **5.57%**
 - Medical, Prescription and Dental claims incurred 2024 through June 30, 2026, were sent to the Fund's Actuary for 2027 expected claims development.
 - Medical claims include additional administrative expenses not captured in the claims detail (NAP, claims review, etc.)
 - Medical and Rx claims additionally weighted for new members
 - MRHIF receivables removed from CJHIF experience
 - Trend Considerations:
 - 25% CJHIF Experience 75% Market
 - » Medical: 10.0%
 - » Rx: 9.0%
 - Market Trend
 - » Medical: 8.5%
 - » RX: 13.5%

Historical Trends and Observations

- Actuarial Observed Trends (Incurred and Paid Anytime):

<i>CJHIF</i>	2024/2023	2025/2024	1H26/1H25
Medical	18.9%	9.6%	9.9%
Prescription	16.8%	10.0%	-7.6%

The Fund continues to trend in a positive position. The Executive Committee is commended for the following changes:

- Changing the Out of Network Fee Schedule
- Approving a record high increase for the 2026 Budget
- Controlling cash with interest penalties and cash advance from the MRHIF
- Continuously reviewing strategic, long-term strategies
- Steady, conservative growth

2027 Expenses

- **Total Expenses +2.48%**
 - Professionals
 - PERMA and Conner Strong & Buckelew increasing 2%
 - Auditor, Attorney, Treasurer and Actuary per last RFP response
 - Risk Managers / Brokers of Record
 - 2% annual increase included
 - Contract negotiations and fees are direct and can be altered at the direction of the entity.
 - Claims Administrators
 - Medical:
 - Medical TPA RFP to be released: a 5% increase is included for introduction
 - Dental:
 - No increase over 2026 as part of 5-year contract award.
 - Wellness:
 - Held budget to \$150,000
 - Plan Documents
 - This line has not increased in many years while the Fund has grown

Surplus Regeneration & Trust Account

The proposed budget includes two additional lines of margin to address surplus in prior and future years:

1. **Surplus Regeneration** – This line was included in last year’s budget. The regulation only allows for 2.5% of the total budget for this contingency line.
2. **Trust Account for Contingencies** - NJAC 11:15-3.13 (b) allows the Fund to appropriate up to 2.5% of the budget each year into a contingency trust fund account that can be used to offset a deficit in any fund year. Fund Commissioners may reclassify 2.5% of this year’s budget as well as appropriate 2.5% in next years and subsequent years’ budgets. This is the more flexible option because the contingency trust fund can be used to both resolve deficits and build a rainy-day fund.

****Both accounts are optional and at the discretion of the Executive Committee***

2027 MRHIF Renewal

- MRHIF Expected to introduce budget on September 9th.
 - CJHIF estimated increase 25.69%
 - Assumes no increase to SIR: \$400,000
 - No increase taken in 3 years
 - Favorable experience at MRHIF and Starline Level

Plan Year	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	5-YR Composite
CJHIF MRHIF Loss Ratio	16%	28%	65%	95%	68%	61.72%

** Lakewood excluded. Its stop loss renewal to be received early October.*

High-Cost Claimants

as of July 2026

CJHIF High Claimants 2025								
Aetna Med, AHA Med + ESI RX Claims Incurred in 2025								
CJHIF spec limit	\$400,000							
50%	\$200,000							
US Fire	\$800,000							
	Count of members >50% but Under spec	Total Net Paid (Med+RX)	% Increase in Net Paid from Previous Month	Total members Exceeding Spec	Total Net Paid (Med+RX)	Reimbursement Amount	Total Net Paid After Reimbursement	% Increase in Net Paid (Net Reimbursement) from Previous Month
Jan-25	0	\$0.00		0	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Feb-25	0	\$0.00		0	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Mar-25	0	\$0.00		0	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
Apr-25	1	\$268,046.03	--	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
May-25	3	\$781,379.67	192%	1	\$569,716.74	\$169,716.74	\$400,000.00	--
Jun-25	5	\$1,287,444.72	65%	1	\$573,741.60	\$173,741.60	\$400,000.00	0%
Jul-25	4	\$1,130,765.10	-12%	2	\$1,011,762.57	\$211,762.57	\$800,000.00	100%
Aug-25	9	\$2,569,629.24	127%	2	\$1,023,713.73	\$223,713.73	\$800,000.00	0%
Sep-25	9	\$2,347,753.57	-9%	4	\$1,867,984.16	\$267,984.16	\$1,600,000.00	100%
Oct-25	9	\$2,454,648.54	5%	5	\$2,370,970.63	\$370,970.63	\$2,000,000.00	25%
Nov-25	14	\$4,019,047.76	64%	5	\$2,436,281.99	\$436,281.99	\$2,000,000.00	0%
Dec-25	15	\$4,413,559.52	10%	5	\$2,903,322.04	\$903,322.04	\$2,000,000.00	0%
Jan-26	15	\$4,502,685.36	2%	5	\$3,213,200.60	\$1,213,200.60	\$2,000,000.00	0%
Feb-26	15	\$4,588,973.56	2%	5	\$3,182,732.70	\$1,182,732.70	\$2,000,000.00	0%
Mar-26	14	\$4,271,673.40	-7%	6	\$3,610,833.26	\$1,210,833.26	\$2,400,000.00	20%
Apr-26	14	\$4,305,624.32	1%	7	\$4,064,492.92	\$1,264,492.92	\$2,800,000.00	17%
May-26	16	\$4,774,993.66	11%	7	\$4,205,803.16	\$1,405,803.16	\$2,800,000.00	0%
Jun-26	16	\$4,775,749.15	0%	7	\$4,215,554.99	\$1,415,554.99	\$2,800,000.00	0%
Jul-26	16	\$4,775,749.15	0%	7	\$4,432,177.22	\$1,632,177.22	\$2,800,000.00	0%

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Mar-26	2	\$455,237.52	--	0	\$0.00	\$0.00		
Apr-26	3	\$662,976.66	46%	0	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	
May-26	4	\$1,001,926.97	51%	1	\$496,603.42	\$96,603.42	\$400,000.00	--
Jun-26	5	\$1,338,540.50	34%	2	\$967,384.19	\$167,384.19	\$800,000.00	100%
Jul-26	6	\$1,420,747.10	6%	3	\$1,411,420.19	\$211,420.19	\$1,200,000.00	50%

3 Year Loss Ratios –

CY 2024, CY 2025, 1H 2026 (Paid Claims/Premium)

	2024	2025	1H 2026	3-YR
Medical	114%	114%	80%	106%
Prescription	109%	94%	54%	86%
Dental	83%	78%	81%	81%
Composite	112%	108%	73%	101%

- 2024 and 2025 ran well above budget
- First half of 2026 is running well under budget
- 3-YR Loss Ratio of 101% without IBNR indicates the renewals are justified
- Notes:
 - Loss Ratios are net of Specific Stop Loss reimbursements
 - 2026 Loss Ratios do not include consideration of Incurred But Not Reported (IBNR) claims