# Health Savings Account (HSA) Alternative Plan

#### **Our Plan**

 Our HSA Alternative Plan incorporates both a funded Health Reimbursement Arrangement (HRA) and Flexible Spending Account (FSA).

• It provides the same tax-free benefits as an HSA plan, without the plan design restrictions and employee eligibility concerns.

## **Plan Objectives**

By combining our Plan with an increased deductible or high deductible plan design:

• Employers save money by reducing premiums, thus making quality insurance coverage more sustainable.

Offset all, or a portion of, the Employees' increased deductible exposure.

 Incent increased consumerism to allow Employees greater control over spending and to lower Plan loss ratio.

### **Contributions and Eligibility**

The Employer makes contributions to the HRA plan while the Employee may elect to contribute to the FSA. These contributions help cover the cost of medical expenses.

- Eligibility is determined by the Employer based on defined criteria
- Unlike an HSA, there are no restrictions on first dollar coverage from another insurance plan, FSA, or other coverage through a spouse.

## **Special Considerations**

When structuring the plan, the following should be considered:

- Employer contributions into the HRA must cease if the individual is no longer enrolled in the group health plan.
- There are no deductible requirements or restrictions on first dollar coverage, unlike an HSA plan.
- Unlike a typical HSA, in retirement, unused HRA funds can be used to reimburse health premiums, including public and private exchange premiums.
- HRA funds carry over to the following plan year, including post-employment, but carryover of FSA funds is limited to a maximum of \$500.

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#### **Investments**

- The investment for the proposed programs will be provided by American United Life Insurance Company® (AUL), a OneAmerica® Company.
- AUL is rated A+ with AM Best and offers fixed and variable investments in a group annuity product.

### **Administration and Compliance**

- Full service administration and plan compliance is provided by MidAmerica Administrative & Retirement Solutions, Inc.
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