



Greater Tompkins County Municipal Health Insurance Consortium

125 East Court Street • Ithaca, New York 14850 • (607)274-5590
www.healthconsortium.net • consortium@tompkins-co.org

"Individually and collectively we invest in realizing high quality, affordable, dependable health insurance."

RESOLUTION NO. 016-2019 – AMENDMENT TO RESOLUTION NO. 007 OF 2018 - APPLICATION MATERIALS MUNICIPALITIES MUST PRESENT FOR APPLICATION TO JOIN THE CONSORTIUM AND RECOMMENDED MUNICIPAL RESOLUTION LANGUAGE

MOVED by Mr. Rankin, seconded by Mrs. Shawley, and unanimously adopted by voice vote by members present.

WHEREAS, the Greater Tompkins County Municipal Health Insurance Consortium ("Consortium") Board of Directors adopted Resolution No. 002-2015 and then amended that resolution with Resolution No. 007-2018 to provide guidance to eligible employers, as defined in §4702 (f) of Article 47 of the New York State Insurance Law ("Municipal Corporations"), applying for membership in the Consortium, and

WHEREAS, The Consortium is experiencing rapid growth of Municipal Corporations applying to join the Consortium, and

WHEREAS, the Consortium has instituted several policies, not stated in the Municipal Cooperative Agreement ("MCA"), that prospective Municipal Corporations are required to comply with as part of their application process, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, on recommendation of the Audit and Finance Committee, That the Board of Directors hereby adopts the following policy for Municipal Corporations seeking possible membership in the Consortium:

1. Submit by **September 1st**, a municipality board resolution authorizing application for membership along with the GTCMHIC new group member application.
2. As soon as practicable, preferably by July 1st, but no later than **September 1st**, submit the Municipal Corporation's required financial and operational documents, as follows:
 - a. for Municipal Corporations with taxing authority (county, city, town, or village), two years of State Comptroller AUD reports; or
 - b. for Municipal Corporations without taxing authority:
 - i. five years of audited financial statements;
 - ii. internal governance documents and/or rules such as bylaws, resolutions, and/or statutes creating the Municipal Corporation; and
 - iii. financial documents confirming funding sources, funding mechanisms, account balances, assets, investments, contractual obligations, and any debts, contingent liabilities, and/or lawsuits.
3. As soon as practicable, preferably by July 1st, but no later than **September 1st**, submit the Municipal Corporation's most recent monthly premium billing statements from all health insurance carriers providing benefits to all active employees and retirees.

RESOLUTION NO. - 2019 – AMENDMENT TO RESOLUTION NO. 007 OF 2018 - APPLICATION MATERIALS MUNICIPALITIES MUST PRESENT FOR APPLICATION TO JOIN THE CONSORTIUM AND RECOMMENDED MUNICIPAL RESOLUTION LANGUAGE

Said premium billing statements should include the name of the Municipal Corporation and the month for the which the billing is related. In addition, said premium bills must include the number of contracts (employee, employee + spouse, employee + child (children), and family) and the monthly premium rate for each plan of benefit.

4. For Municipal Corporations who are currently experience-rated or who operate a self-insured employer-sponsored health insurance plan, they must submit as soon as practicable, preferably by **July 1st**, but not later than September 1st, a minimum of three (3) years of monthly paid claims (medical and pharmacy separately) data and monthly covered lives counts.
5. Sign the Municipal Cooperative Agreement of the GTCMHIC upon notification that the GTCMHIC Board of Directors has approved the Municipal Corporation's application to become a Participant in the GTCMHIC by **October 15th**. The resolution authorizing the Municipal Corporation's Chief Officer to sign the MCA must also clearly state which GTCMHIC health benefit insurance plan or plans the Municipal Corporation's employees and retirees will be participating in upon the effective date of participation in the GTCMHIC.
6. Confirm by **October 25th**, with the Medical Claims Administrator the names of all employees, retirees, and dependents to be covered in the Consortium's health insurance plans. A list of those enrolled will be sent to the Municipal Corporation by the Medical Claims Administrator by no later than **November 15th** for verification purposes.
7. By **November 1st**, notify the GTCMHIC of the name and contact information for the person within your organization for benefit administration; and who will attend a new member orientation between November 15 and December 15.
8. By **November 1st**, notify the GTCMHIC of the Municipal Corporation's commitment to utilize the GTCMHIC's on-line enrollment process or to authorize the GTCMHIC to provide, for the Municipal Corporation's employees and retirees, this function.
9. By **November 1st**, for Municipal Corporations **without taxing authority**, provide the Consortium with a secure financial instrument equal to the value of 25% of the estimated annual premium as determined by the Consortium as protection against expulsion or cancellation due to a default in premium payment. Said financial instrument may include the following:
 - a. A Secured Bank Account;
 - b. Letter of Credit; or
 - c. Surety Bond

Please note, municipal corporations with taxing authority (county, city, town, or villages) will be exempt from this provision.

10. Submit payment by **November 1st** to the Consortium of the Municipal Corporation's proportionate share of the Surplus Account Reserve (5% of annualized premium) as

RESOLUTION NO. - 2019 – AMENDMENT TO RESOLUTION NO. 007 OF 2018 - APPLICATION MATERIALS MUNICIPALITIES MUST PRESENT FOR APPLICATION TO JOIN THE CONSORTIUM AND RECOMMENDED MUNICIPAL RESOLUTION LANGUAGE

determined by the GTCMHIC and as required by Article 47 of the New York State Insurance Law and the GTCMHIC's Municipal Cooperative Agreement.

11. By November 1st, submit a municipal resolution appointing the Director and Alternate to the Consortium.
12. By **November 30th**, take the necessary steps to comply with the GTCMHIC's dependent verification process.
13. Provided the Municipal Corporation applying for Membership in the GTCMHIC completes all the requirements set forth in this Resolution by the due dates indicated; the Surplus Account Reserve payment defined in Item 3 above will be credited against the Municipal Corporation's January premium invoice from the Consortium.
14. All Municipal Corporations applying for Membership in the GTCMHIC are hereby advised that missing any of these steps by the due date indicated will result in the Municipal Corporation not being accepted into the Consortium for the upcoming year and will result in the forfeiture of the Municipal Corporation's Surplus Account Reserve payment.

* * * * *

STATE OF NEW YORK)

) ss:

COUNTY OF TOMPKINS)

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of a resolution adopted by the Greater Tompkins County Municipal Health Insurance Consortium Board of Directors on June 27, 2019.


Michelle Cocco, Clerk of the GTCMHIC Board