CITY COUNCIL MEETING TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2016

PRESENTATIONS

Item #6 WS 16-062

Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act And Impacts to the City of Hayward

Affordable Care Act and Impacts to City of Hayward



City Council Meeting October 25, 2016

ACA Overview

• Improve accessibility to healthcare

- Require health insurance
- Shared responsibility with employers
- Create healthcare exchanges
- No pre-existing conditions
- No cost preventative care
- Make coverage more affordable
 - Federal subsidies
 - Expanded access to Medicaid
 - Caps on employee contributions

ACA Provisions Impacting City of Hayward

• Communication Requirements

- Employer Shared Responsibility (Pay or Play)
- IRS Reporting
- Cadillac Tax



Communication Requirements

• Summary of Benefit Coverage (SBC)

Marketplace
Exchange Notice



Pay or Play

- Large Employers (50+) required to offer coverage to full-time employees
- Affordable Coverage

Safe Harbor Test Methodology	Test Calculation	Max Annual Employee Contribution	Max Monthly Employee Contribution
Federal Poverty Line (138% in CA)	\$16,242 x 9.5%	\$1,542.99	\$128.58
Rate of Pay	\$15.84 x 130 x 9.5%	\$2,347.49	\$195.62
W-2 Earnings	\$33,727 x 9.5%	\$3,204.08	\$267.01

Pay or Play (continued)

- Comprehensive Coverage
- Failure to comply results in tax penalties (annually)
 - \$2,000 per full-time employee
 - \$3,000 per subsidized employee



Reporting Requirements

- Minimum Essential Coverage Reporting CalPERS and medical carriers are responsible
- Applicable Large Employer Reporting City of Hayward is responsible
 - Third-party vendor (ACAWorks)

Cadillac Tax

- Originally scheduled for 2018, delayed to 2020
- Forty percent (40%) tax of "excess benefit"
 - \$10,200 (self-coverage only)
 - \$27,500 (family coverage)
- Applicable coverage includes medical premiums and contributions to health flexible spending accounts (FSAs)
- Some exceptions
 - Retirees
 - Potentially, employees in high-risk professions (higher thresholds)

Cadillac Tax

Example: An employee has self-only coverage with a monthly premium of \$900; total annual premium is \$10,800.

\$10,800 - \$10,200 (threshold) = \$600

 $Tax = $600 \times 40\% = 240

If employee also contributed to a health FSA (for example, \$1,000 for the year), this amount would be added to annual premiums:

 $600 + 1,000 = 1,600 \times 40\% = 640$ (Cadillac tax)

Cadillac Tax (continued)

- Meant to be charged to plan insurers and sponsors
- CalPERS can push cost of tax to City of Hayward
- Projected Cost of Tax (current enrollment) -\$568,000/year



What's Next?

- Monitor legislation
- Work with Finance and Employee Bargaining Groups
- Report changes (policy revisions)
- Explore other healthcare options (non-CalPERS)

Questions?

The All

