State: South Dakota Filing Company: Avera Health Plans

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EXPIRES

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Filing at a Glance

Company: Avera Health Plans

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State: South Dakota

TOI: H16I Individual Health - Major Medical

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Filing Type: Rate

Date Submitted: 05/27/2025

SERFF Tr Num: AVER-134548812 SERFF Status: Closed-Approved

State Tr Num:

State Status: Approved

Co Tr Num: MYPLANSD2026_APTC EXPIRES

Effective 01/01/2026

Date Requested:

Author(s): Ann Bain, Kate Serenbetz, Scott Pistono, Steven Grogan, Julie Pierson, Julia Decker

Reviewer(s): Jeff Smith (primary), Nicholas Ramey, Clair Christofersen

Disposition Date: 08/12/2025
Disposition Status: Approved
Effective Date: 01/01/2026

Avera Health Plans State: South Dakota Filing Company:

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General Information

Project Name: SD_Individual ACA_2026 - APTC's Expire

Project Number: MyPlanACA2026

Requested Filing Mode: Review & Approval

Explanation for Combination/Other:

Submission Type: New Submission

Overall Rate Impact: 8.9%

Deemer Date:

Submitted By: Scott Pistono

PPACA Notes: null Exchange Intentions:

Filing Description:

Avera Health Plans, Inc. 5300 S Broadband Ln Sioux Falls, SD 57108

May 27, 2025

South Dakota Division of Insurance 124 S. Euclid Ave. Pierre, SD 57501

Re: Individual ACA Rate Filing, NAIC 95839

Included in this filing are the following items:

- Actuarial Memorandum
- URRT
- Rate Tables

Thank you for your review.

Company and Contact

Filing Contact Information

Scott Pistono, Risk Management 5300 S. Broadband Ln. Sioux Falls, SD 57108

scott.pistono@avera.org 605-322-4500 [Phone]

Status of Filing in Domicile: Authorized

Date Approved in Domicile: **Domicile Status Comments:** Market Type: Individual

Individual Market Type: Individual Filing Status Changed: 08/12/2025 State Status Changed: 08/12/2025

Created By: Scott Pistono

Corresponding Filing Tracking Number: AVER-133682498

PPACA: Non-Grandfathered Immed Mkt Reforms

Avera Health Plans intends to participate in the exchange for

2026 Individual products in South Dakota.

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Filing Company Information

Avera Health Plans CoCode: 95839 State of Domicile: South

5300 S. Broadband Lane Group Code: Dakota

Sioux Falls, SD 57108 Group Name: Company Type: HMO (605) 322-4545 ext. [Phone] FEIN Number: 46-0451539 State ID Number:

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Filing Fees

State Fees

Fee Required? No Retaliatory? No

Fee Explanation:

Per Company: Yes

Company	Amount	Date Processed	Transaction #
Avera Health Plans	\$19.58	05/27/2025 05:11 PM	317007003

EFT Total \$19.58

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Correspondence Summary

Dispositions

Status	Created By	Created On	Date Submitted
Approved	Jeff Smith	08/12/2025	08/12/2025

Amendments

Schedule	Schedule Item Name	Created By	Created On	Date Submitted
Supporting Document	2026 SD Ind ACA Rates Assuming Extending APTC's	Kate Serenbetz	08/05/2025	08/05/2025
URRT	Unified Rate Review Template	Kate Serenbetz	08/05/2025	08/05/2025
Supporting Document	2026 SD Ind ACA Rates Assuming Extending APTC's	Scott Pistono	05/28/2025	05/28/2025
URRT	Actuarial Memorandum	Scott Pistono	05/28/2025	05/28/2025
URRT	Actuarial Memorandum - Redacted	Scott Pistono	05/28/2025	05/28/2025

Filing Notes

Subject	Note Type	Created By	Created On	Date Submitted
2026 Ind ACA Rate Filing - Assuming APTC's Expire	Note To Reviewer	Scott Pistono	05/27/2025	05/27/2025

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Disposition

Disposition Date: 08/12/2025 Effective Date: 01/01/2026

Status: Approved

HHS Status: HHS Approved

State Review: Reviewed by Actuary

Comment:

	Company	Overall %	Overall %	Written	Number of Policy	Written	Maximum %	Minimum %
Company	Rate	Indicated	Rate	Premium	Holders Affected	Premium for	Change	Change
Name:	Change:	Change:	Impact:	Change for	for this Program:	this Program:	(where req'd)	: (where req'd):
				this Program:				
Avera Health Plans	Increase	8.900%	8.900%	\$13,557,274	15,253	\$165,886,195	11.320%	0.440%

Percent Change Approved:

 Minimum:
 0.440%

 Maximum:
 11.320%

 Weighted Average:
 8.900%

Schedule	Schedule Item	Schedule Item Status	Public Access
Rate	Rate Tables - SD IM 2026		Yes
URRT	Unified Rate Review Template		Yes
URRT (revised)	Unified Rate Review Template		Yes
URRT	Actuarial Memorandum		Yes
URRT (revised)	Actuarial Memorandum		Yes
URRT	Actuarial Memorandum - Redacted		Yes
URRT (revised)	Actuarial Memorandum - Redacted		Yes
Supporting Document (revised)	2026 SD Ind ACA Rates Assuming Extending APTC's		Yes
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Amendment Letter

Submitted Date: 08/05/2025

Comments:

Dear Reviewer,

Submitted updated URRT with plan name changes on all bronze and catastrophic plans to meet CMS requirements.

Respectfully,

Kate Serenbetz

Changed Items:

No Form Schedule Items Changed.

No Rate Schedule Items Changed.

URRT Schedule Item Changes					
Item Name	Attachment(s)				
Unified Rate Review Template	URRT_2026_SD_IM_eAPTC_Expire_Rev2025-08-04_PlanNames.xml				
Previous Version					
Unified Rate Review Template	URRT_v6.1-2026SDIM-eAPTCExpireRev_05272025.xml				

Filing Company:

Avera Health Plans

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Supporting Document So	chedule Item Changes
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Amendment Letter

Submitted Date: 05/28/2025

Comments:

Dear Reviewer,

Submitted with this amendment in the Supporting Document Schedule is the addition of this section titled "2026 SD Ind ACA Rates Assuming Extending APTC's. Related documents in this section include:

- URRT
- Rate Tables
- Rate Template (pdf versions)

Wasn't certain if this was the correct way to submit this information or not.

Please let me know if it should be submitted in a different fashion.

Thank you.

Scott Pistono

Changed Items:

No Form Schedule Items Changed.

No Rate Schedule Items Changed.

State: South Dakota Filing Company: Avera Health Plans

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URRT Schedule Item Changes						
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Actuarial Memorandum	PartIIIActuarialMemorandum-SDIM2026Rev_20250528.pdf					
Previous Version						
Actuarial Memorandum	PartIIIActuarialMemorandum-SDIM2026-eAPTCExpire.pdf					
Actuarial Memorandum - Redacted	PUBLICREDACTEDPartIIIActuarialMemorandum-SDIM2026_Rev20250528.pdf					
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Note To Reviewer

Created By:

Scott Pistono on 05/27/2025 05:04 PM

Last Edited By:

Jeff Smith

Submitted On:

08/12/2025 10:17 AM

Subject:

2026 Ind ACA Rate Filing - Assuming APTC's Expire

Comments:

State: South Dakota Filing Company: Avera Health Plans

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Product Name: SD_Individual ACA_Rates_2026

Project Name/Number: SD_Individual ACA_2026 - APTC's Expire/MyPlanACA2026

Dear Reviewer,

Avera Health Plans is submitting it's 2026 SD Individual ACA rate filing. We are requesting an overall rate change of 8.9%. The requested rate change is broken down by product plan type as follows:

ConnectPlus PPO: 9.0% DirectConnect HMO: 8.5%

The DirectConnect plan will continue to be offered in Minnehaha, Lincoln and Brown counties. In addition, the DirectConnect service area will be expanded to an additional county in Rating Area 2 (McCook county) as well as four counties in Rating Area 4 (Davison, Hanson, Hutchinson and Yankton counties).

Important rating assumptions incorporated into this filing are as follows:

- 6% annual trend rate utilized in the claims projection
- 4.6% of claims risk adjustment receivable which equates to \$34.84 pmpm
- 100% claims experience credibility
- 0.918 "Other" adjustment factor in URRT Worksheet 1 highlighted in the Other Adjustments section of the Actuarial Memorandum
- 3.2% Profit and Risk Load

For easy reference, the following Appendices are included in the Actuarial Memorandum:

- Appendix A: 2026 Rate Increase By Plan and Rating Area
- Appendix B: Projection Period Plan Adjusted Index Rate Development
- Appendix C: Calibrated Plan Adjusted Index Rate Development
- Appendix D: 2026 Service Area By Plan ID
- Reliance Letter

Per direction from the South Dakota DOI, the premium rates developed and supported by this rate filing assume that Cost Share Reductions (CSR) will continue to be funded by individual carriers and calculated as described in current regulations and guidance. Estimated cost sharing reduction amount totaled \$9,684,996 for 2024 as described in Section X Plan-Adjusted Index Rate in the accompanying Actuarial Memorandum.

As with our previous filings, Milliman Consulting has assisted Avera with its evaluation of rates and in the generation of the filing documents presented.

Please feel free to reach out to me directly if you have any questions regarding this rate filing.

Respectfully submitted, Scott Pistono

scott.pistono@avera.org (605) 504-0045

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Product Name: SD_Individual ACA_Rates_2026

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Rate Information

Rate data applies to filing.

Filing Method: SERFF

Rate Change Type: Decrease

Overall Percentage of Last Rate Revision: -4.500%

Effective Date of Last Rate Revision: 01/01/2025
Filing Method of Last Filing: SERFF

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SERFF Tracking Number of Last Filing: AVER-134109674

Company Rate Information

Company Name:	Company Rate Change:	Overall % Indicated Change:	Overall % Rate Impact:	Written Premium Change for this Program:	Number of Policy Holders Affected for this Program:	Premium for	Maximum % Change (where req'd):	Minimum % Change (where req'd):
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Rate Review Detail

COMPANY:

Company Name: Avera Health Plans

HHS Issuer Id: 60536

PRODUCTS:

Product Name	HIOS Product ID	HIOS Submission ID	Number of Covered Lives
2026 - Individual ACA			24611

Trend Factors:

FORMS:

New Policy Forms: 2026 SD MyPlan Individual ACA

Affected Forms:

Other Affected Forms:

REQUESTED RATE CHANGE INFORMATION:

Change Period: Annual
Member Months: 219,195
Benefit Change: Increase

Percent Change Requested: Min: 0.44 Max: 11.32 Avg: 8.9

PRIOR RATE:

Total Earned Premium: 160,789,089.00 Total Incurred Claims: 145,127,526.00

Annual \$: Min: 271.87 Max: 877.77 Avg: 682.81

REQUESTED RATE:

Projected Earned Premium: 165,886,195.00 Projected Incurred Claims: 147,494,538.00

Annual \$: Min: 303.50 Max: 956.11 Avg: 756.80

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Rate/Rule Schedule

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1		Rate Tables - SD IM 2026	2026 Plans	New		RateTables - 2026 SD IM - eAPTC Expire.xls, RateTables - 2026 SD IM - eAPTC Expire.xml,

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URRT

State Determination

Review Status:	Complete
Determination:	Rate Filing Accepted
Review Submission Date:	08/12/2025

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Superseded Schedule Items

Please note that all items on the following pages are items, which have been replaced by a newer version. The newest version is located with the appropriate schedule on previous pages. These items are in date order with most recent first.

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