

# PANDEMIC LIABILITY, INSURANCE & RECOVERY: MULTIFAMILY & COVID-19

COVID-19 Resource Webinar

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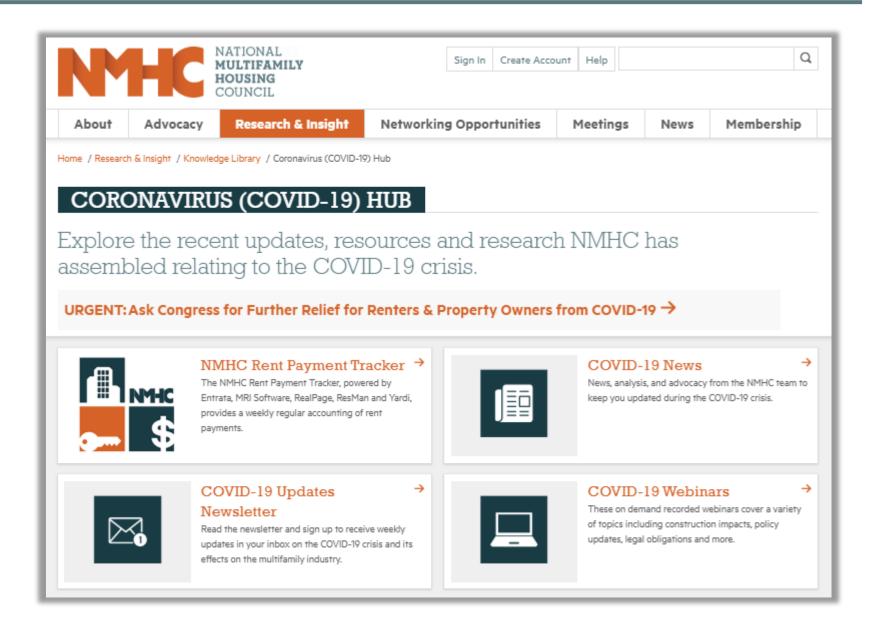
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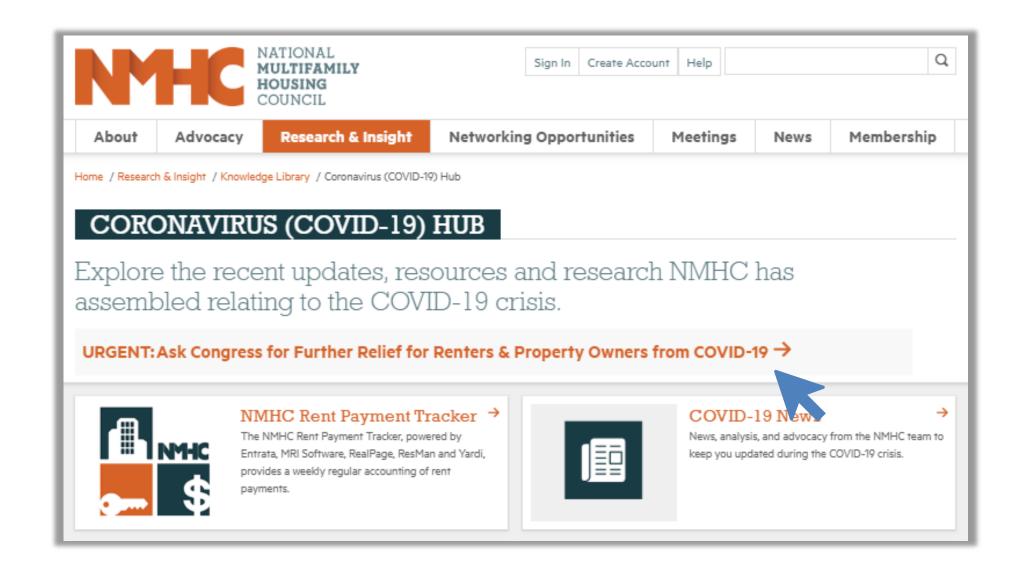
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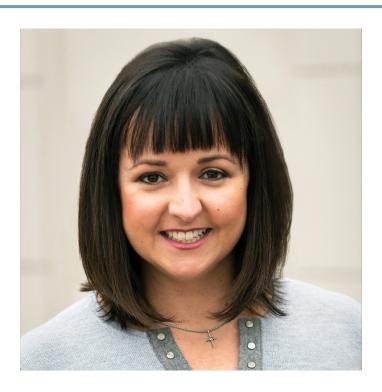


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## PROBLEMS WITH CURRENT PROGRAMS

#### Paycheck Protection Program

- Benefits of NMHC MembershipShort term (8 weeks ending in June/now extended)
- One-time
- Restrictive use of funds (75% must go to payroll to meet forgiveness criteria)
- Small payouts (2.5x payroll, \$10 million cap)
- Exclusive (affiliation, 500 employee caps, and most real estate)
- Unintentionally competitive (limited funding, reliance on bank relationships)
- Significant uncertainty associated with continuous rule changes

The average small business spends 25-30% on payroll, PPP makes them spend 75% on payroll to make loan forgivable.



## PROBLEMS WITH CURRENT PROGRAMS

#### Main Street Lending Program

- Still not available
- Continues many PPP exclusions
- High minimum loan limit (\$500,000)
- Restrictive debt ratios
- Significant rates and fees

U.S. businesses should not be forced to drown in debt.



### WHY WE NEED THE RECOVERY FUND

#### Current steps that have been taken by Congress are not enough

- 78% of small business owners say more funding needs to be available
- 53% say funding should be easier to apply for and access (Goldman Sachs Small Business Survey, 4/27/20)
- 48% of small businesses have < 1 month cash on hand</li>

#### The shutdown has lasted longer and will take more time to ramp-up

- Payroll and overhead damages of approx. \$300 billion for the month ahead
  - Assuming 50% of businesses reopen or reopen at 50% capacity, we applied a 50% "haircut" based on payroll reductions and the overhead for the upcoming month.

According to Fed Chairman Jerome Powell "The small and medium size businesses ... if they have to go through a wave of avoidable insolvencies, you've lost ... the job creation machine."



## HOW WOULD THE RECOVERY FUND WORK?

- 1. An eligible business would apply online and provide information regarding lost revenue and defined essential operating expenses
- 2. The information would be verified by the IRS or third-party contractors
- 3. The U.S. Treasury would issue a check for an interim amount
- Additional funds could be considered depending on the level of need
- 5. Applicants would certify that funds will be used for specific purposes, including retaining and rehiring staff, rent, certain debt obligations and state and local taxes
- 6. Significant anti-abuse and audit provisions would also be authorized



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### PROPERTY MARKET OVERVIEW - COST

#### 10 consecutive quarters of rate increases...

#### Cause

- 2017 & 2018 US hurricane losses; worst on record
  - **2018 \$80bn**
  - 2017 \$140bn
  - For reference purposes: The 2001 (9/11 terrorism attacks) caused combined P&C loss of \$43bn
- 2019 record year for tropical cyclones
- 2019 US Hurricanes \$52.5bn
- Attritional losses further eroded carrier profitability
- **Effect**
- Q1 2020 Marsh portfolio 21.1% average increase
- Q1 2020 Real Estate & Hospitality 20.7% average increase
- Flight to risk quality
- Unswerving underwriting discipline throughout global market

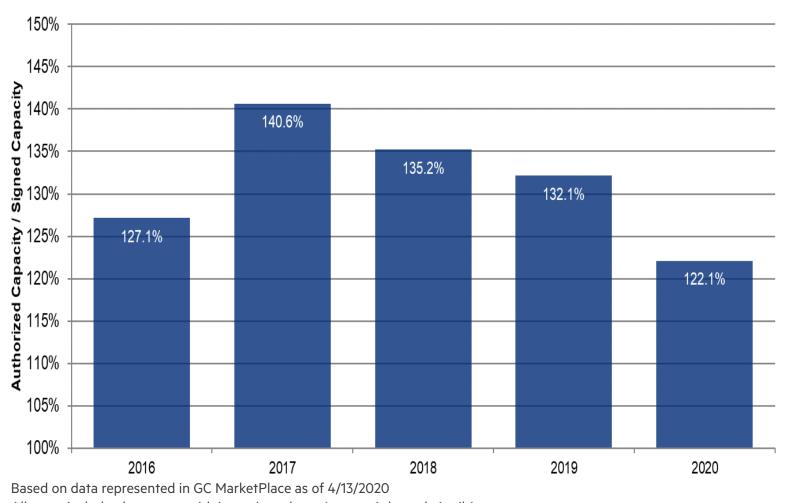
- No longer a commodity
- Rates diverge 1/1/20; loss free vs attritional
- Diminished capacity
- Loss free increased as much as 10%
- Loss hit accounts increased by as much as 50%+
- Retro Market Insurance-Linked Securities (ILS), such as catastrophe bonds, remained trapped as earmarked for developing losses; rates up 20%
- ILS represents 20% of the reinsurance market

## PROPERTY MARKET OVERVIEW - REINSURANCE

January 1 - April 1, 2020 (YTD) Property Catastrophe Capacity

#### **Excess Capacity**

2020 authorizations down 10% compared to 2019



All years include placements with inceptions dates January 1 through April 1



### PROPERTY MARKET OVERVIEW - MULTIFAMILY

#### **Multifamily Trends**

#### Cause

- Attritional losses primarily driven by lender requirements
- Wood frame construction highly susceptible to loss (i.e., fire, water, wind)
- US moving migration patterns; coastal sates exposed to earthquakes and hurricanes

#### **Commercial Real Estate Property Trends**

- Lower attritional losses and better construction
- 16.1% average rate increase 2019 YTD for Real Estate and Hospitality

#### **Effect**

- Several Property markets have exited the class of business entirely
- Lloyds business review reduced availability of capacity for the class
- Implementation of Severe Convective Storm modeling
- Underwriting discipline has increased
- Rates are up 20 to 100%+
- Insured retentions have increased dramatically
- Non-Physical Damage coverages are being heavily scrutinized



## PROPERTY OVERVIEW - as of MAY 2020

#### Pandemics & Property Insurance

#### Marsh and COVID19 Claims Data

- 3155 claims reported year-to-date
  - 30.24% (or 954) HealthCare industry
  - 11.79% (or 372) Real Estate industry
  - 57.97% (or 1,829) All other industries
  - 41.05% of all claims are Property related predominantly claiming Business Interruption loss and Extra Expenses

#### Coverage Availability

(Marsh Proprietary Coverage – *PathogenRX*)

- Covers Outbreaks, Epidemics, and Pandemics
- Can be tailored to metrics triggers
- Loss of gross profits, revenue and extra expenses
- Tailored to provide coverage for specific expenses, geographies, types of disease, or portions of a calendar year
- Risk modeling capabilities by Metabiota

#### **Beware of Exclusions**

- NMA 5393 (Lloyds of London); absolute communicable disease exclusion
- Anti-concurrent causation language

#### **Future Issues**

- COVID19 claims will continue to erode market capital and place greater burden on underwriters to write profitable business
- Reduced premium volume due to reduced exposures will a similar effect



## Casualty Insurance

Insurance Marketplace and Pandemic Discussion



# CASUALTY INSURANCE MARKETPLACE - MULTIFAMILY

#### Primary Liability

- Habitational continues to be the most challenging occupancy with average rates increasing faster than any other RE segment.
- Clients are experiencing a wide range of results depending on individual risk characteristics.
- There is a very narrow market for admitted Guaranteed Cost solutions. Accounts with excellent loss experience, adequate retentions, and good controls are seeing mid to high single digit rate increases.
- Accounts with challenging losses and/or inadequate retentions may see much higher rate and retention increases.

#### **Excess Liability**

- Facilities designed for small portfolios offering significant blocks of capacity have struggled to fill out programs and are seeking significant rate increases
- Lead umbrella insurers have largely reduced capacity to \$10M.
- Higher minimum attachment points (\$2M) are now being mandated by many major lead umbrella insurers
- Carriers in excess layers are also increasing premium making towers expensive to fill out.
- Significant premium increases are expected to continue: 25% to 100% plus.



## CASUALTY INSURANCE - PANDEMIC ISSUES

- Uncertainty will continue to pressure rates;
- Introduction of Communicable Disease Exclusions (Current policies silent and carrier interpretation of terms and condition varies);
- Current claim activity not significant mainly notice only;
- Future Claim activity Potential exists for increased litigation:
  - WC many states have legislated coverage to take effect:
  - Liability states not currently limiting liability;
- Risk Mitigation techniques:
  - CDC Guidelines, OSHA standards, waivers.



## Casualty Insurance

# Pandemic Risk Solution Discussion



# CREATING RISK MANAGEMENT TOOLS TO MANAGE PANDEMICS

Businesses need access to a risk transfer mechanism that mitigates BI related issues resulting from pandemics.

- We are seeing strong demand from clients to address pandemic risks.
- Marsh & McLennan has engaged with White House, US Treasury, Congress and relevant trade, business and industry associations on a potential pandemic risk solution.
- Discussions with top commercial lines carriers in US.



# GLOBAL EPIDEMIC THREATS: DEADLY, COSTLY, INCREASINGLY FREQUENT

In just the last two decades, more than 400 human disease outbreaks have been recorded, including at least seven events that cost \$1 billion or more, according to Metabiota.

Several intensifying trends have increased the likelihood of pandemics, including:



Global travel & connectivity



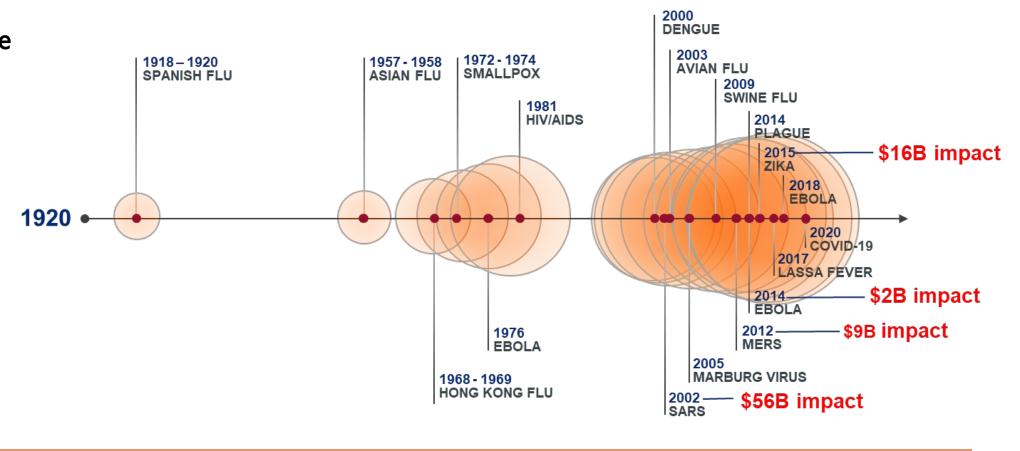
Urbanization



Land use changes



Incursion into the natural environment

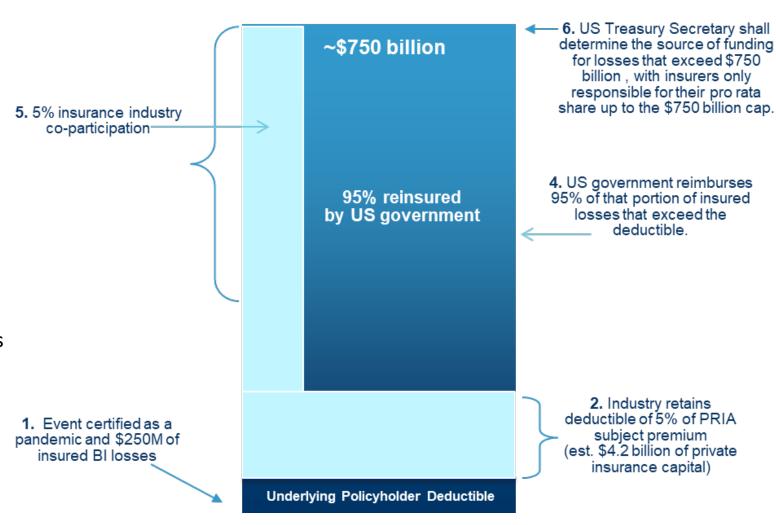




## POTENTIAL SOLUTION MODELED AFTER TRIA

- **Term:** Minimum 10 years
- Trigger: (1) Declared pandemic by the US CDC.
- Policyholder Coverage: Stand-alone product that would include ~3-6 Months of Business Interruption (BI), which includes wage continuance coverage that responds in event of pandemic.
- Policyholder Deductible: 15 days of Business Interruption
- Insurance Company Deductible: An insurer's deductible is proportionate to its size, equaling 5% of an insurer's annual direct earned premiums for the commercial property of insurance specified in program.
- Federal Reinsurance Program: Once the 5% deductible have been met, the federal government would cover 95% of each insurer's losses above it's deductible until the amount of aggregate losses to the facility total \$750 billion, the program maximum liability.
- Maximum Program Liability: After \$750bn in aggregate losses, there is no federal government coverage and no requirement that insurers provide coverage.

#### **Potential Structure**





# PANDEMIC RISK INSURANCE PROGRAM - WHY NOW?

#### A pandemic risk insurance program will serve vital national interests:

- Accelerate Recovery by Reducing Uncertainty
  - Moving forward, lenders and equity markets will seek assurance that companies have protection against prospective pandemic risk.
  - The pace of recovery will depend on the nature and degree of confidence in the marketplace.
  - Financial Protection Against Future Pandemics
    - A pandemic risk insurance facility will absorb some of the initial financial shock of a pandemic
    - Insurance coverage enables businesses to retain employees and meet financial obligations through the peak of uncertainty.
- Bend the Risk Curve
  - Insurance creates the right economic incentives to drive change in society.
  - It is critical that we act now to harness risk management to build a more resilient US economy.



# EXAMPLES OF STAKEHOLDER ACTIONS TO BEND THE RISK CURVE

The path to recovery hinges not only on our ability to get the current coronavirus under control, but also requires safeguards and risk mitigation measures to combat future pandemics.

#### Resilience

Insurance creates the right economic incentives to drive change in society. Bending the risk curve requires alignment between insurers, the private sector, and the government to drive risk management



#### **PPP Framework**

The basic framework of a pandemic risk insurance program would be to structure a risk sharing model between policyholders, insurers and the federal government

#### Federal Government

Drive preparedness and reduce exposure by monitoring, responding, and enacting effective intervention measures in real time.

#### Policyholders

Develop digital infrastructure and BCP plans for pandemic disruptions. Manage supply chain exposures and embrace digital solutions, incl. telemedicine to maintain a healthy workforce that can operate remotely.

#### Insurance Industry

Incentivize risk preparedness and reward effective resiliency measures implemented by policyholders.

Maintain dynamic actuary models that quantify rapidly evolving exposures.



## **SUMMARY**

- COVID-19 is having devastating social and financial consequences across the United States, highlighting significant vulnerabilities in the health and financial security of our country.
- Businesses of all sizes and in all sectors are impacted by the current crisis; the frequency of disease outbreaks is
  on the rise; and there is no current or possible private insurance solution.
- Development of a public-private partnership with the right incentives for all parties is the only option to mitigate future economic impact of pandemics and accelerate economic recovery from COVID-19.
- Immediate action from government, insurance carriers and policyholders is required to secure a pandemic solution.
- This document sets out initial considerations on the design of such solutions, based on Marsh & McLennan's leading expertise on public-private partnerships, to support discussions with policymakers and stakeholders.

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