Power of Pooling:

Addressing One of Your County's Biggest Budget Items



County Risk Sharing Authority

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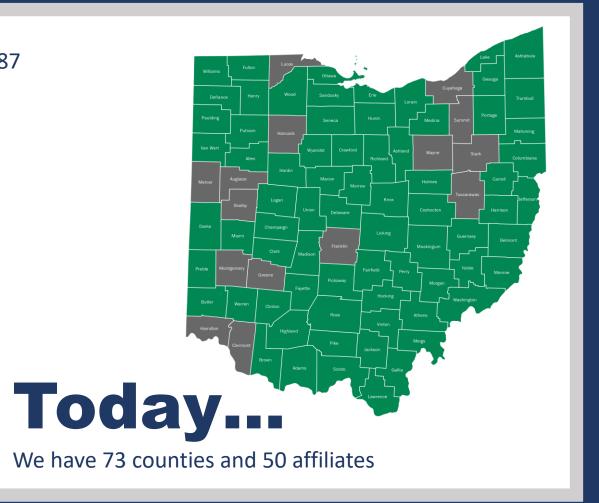
History of Pooling

Pooling started in Ohio ✓ 1986 (ORC 2744.08/1)





CORSA started with 9 brave counties in 1987



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Mission:

The County Risk Sharing Authority's (CORSA) mission is to provide members with comprehensive property and liability coverage and high-quality risk management services at a stable and competitive cost.

Vision:

To be the leader in providing Ohio counties with exceptional value, service and protection of assets.



Why Government Entities Should Share Risk "Pooling" ✓ Bulk Purchasing Power
 ✓ Spreading Risk
 ✓ More Advantageous for Underwriting
 ✓ Member Owned and Governed
 ✓ Broad Coverage
 ✓ Stable/Competitive Market





Pools have sustained excellent financial performance, generated coverage innovations and helped focus public entities on risk management as an operational priority.

- ✓ Strong Financial Position
- ✓ Shared Accountability
- ✓ Tailored Coverage
- ✓ Risk Management
- ✓ Retention
- ✓ Claims Handling



Coverage Provided thru Pooling -Otherwise, Unaffordable Independently

✓ Law Enforcement Liability (Jail and Road)
 ✓ Abuse and Molestation
 ✓ Public Officials
 ✓ Fleet



Benefits of Member Owned Pool

- ✓ Dividends
- ✓ Safety Grants
- ✓ Specialized Training Opportunities
- ✓ Custom Policies and Procedures
- ✓ Free Legal HR/Employment Advice



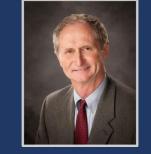
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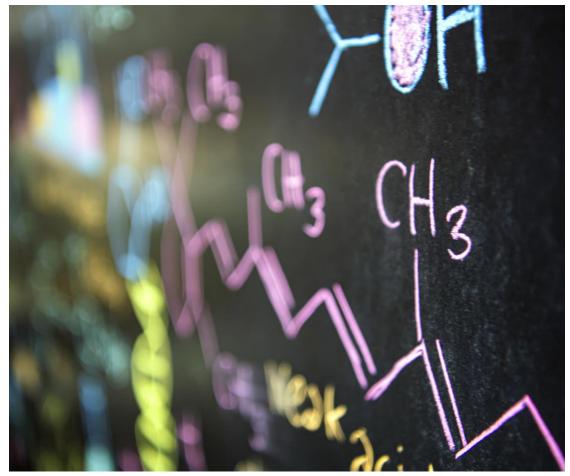
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Pooling Defined

Insurance pooling refers to the practice of combining the risks of multiple individuals or entities into a single pool. This pooling of risks allows participants to share the financial burden of potential losses, making insurance coverage more accessible and affordable for everyone involved

- Joint Powers Authorities
- Trusts
- Mutuals
- Risk Retention Groups
- Self-Insurance Authorities
- Assigned Risk Pools



Types of Government Entities

- Cities
- Counties
- K-12 Schools
- Higher Education
- Transit

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- Public Utilities
- Airports & Port Authorities
- Special Districts



Pooling-Centric States



- California
- Washington
- Wisconsin
- New Jersey
- Florida
- Missouri

- Texas
- Illinois
- Michigan
- Ohio
- Pennsylvania
- North Carolina

Pools vs Individual Entities

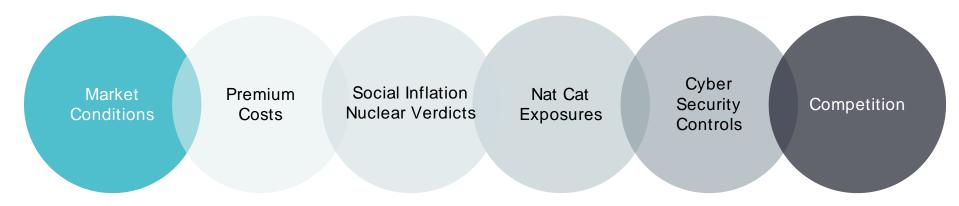
- Governance more like corporations than public entities
- Pool clients understand insurance and risk management
- Procurement process is generally less cumbersome
- Invested in long term relationships
- Not typically commodity buyers
- Deal size
- Level of service



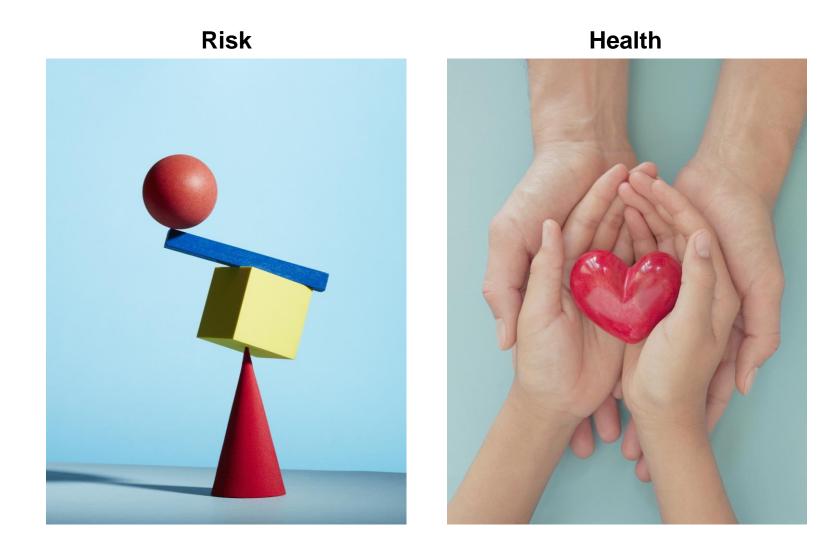
Top Risk Concerns Facing Public Sector and Pooling Organizations

| Cyber-Attacks | Damage to | Workforce | Inflation and |
|-------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|
| and Data Breaches | Reputation | Shortages | Economic Concerns |
| 01 | 02 | 03 | 04 |
| Political | Regulatory and | Failure to Innovate or Meet | Emerging Risks – A.I. |
| Risk | Legislative Changes | Customer Needs | |
| 05 | 06 | 07 | |

+ Pools...



Coverage Offered





CEBCO – Basic Elements for Success

- 1) The association has been in existence long enough to establish itself as a viable entity. Five years is a reasonable time-period.
- 2) Was not formed solely to purchase group benefits.
- 3) Member groups have strong loyalty to the association. Evidence of this is that the association provides a meaningful level of member services, such as central purchasing, advertising, financial assistance, lobbying and/or publications that keep member firms up-to-date on the activities of the association.
- 4) An executive director and office staff who are willing to commit time and resources to the program.
- 5) An interest in a uniform plan of benefits, although some options to meet the needs of its members is generally acceptable.
- 6) Enough employees in the plan to be experience rated or self-insured.
- 7) The association members are all located in one city, or at least one geographic region.
- 8) Member groups have realistic expectations about what group purchasing can achieve.



Why Consortium Plans Fail

- 1) Lack of enough of the basic elements.
- 2) Operates as a Purchasing Group instead of a Consortium.
- 3) Failure to keep current and evolve as conditions change.
- 4) Informal or poorly designed underwriting rules, lack of structure.
 - 1) Risk magnets.
- 5) Lack of discipline—failure to stick to the fundamentals.
- 6) Poor financial management, such as failure to hold adequate reserves.
- 7) Lack of checks and balances.
- 8) Offer too many plan design options, or allow members to design their own, or allow too many exceptions to standard plan designs, or customizes a "deal" with each member organization.
- 9) "Buy the business" or "investment pricing" to attract new groups into the program.
- 10) Excessive focus to sell to more groups can lead to compromises on rating and underwriting principals.
- 11) A commodity offering:
 - 1) Compete on price for the same benefit package.
 - 2) Nothing unique; no differentiators.
- 12) Offering terms and conditions outside what the regular market offers, such as:
 - 1) Multi-year rate guarantees.
 - 2) Renewal rate caps.

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Thank You

