Every year, large claims are more frequent and costly than ever before. Combined with the dramatic rise in specialty drug costs, a self-funded hospital’s exposure to risk is rising.

The IHA Trust program allows Iowa self-funded hospitals to pool their specific excess loss coverage to help mitigate the increased exposure to large claims.

The program includes:
- Specific excess deductible choices of $40K, $60K, $75K, $100K, $125K
- An annual, overall renewal will be delivered, which will be split into 3 bands based on loss experience: low, middle, and high (this follows the format of the highly successful IHA Fully Insured Trust)
- Aggregate excess loss coverage is still individually underwritten
- Hospitals are allowed to keep their current plan designs or customize new ones
- Self-Funded Trust members receive a reduced Wellmark Administrative fee for participating in the program
- Requires a three year commitment or a penalty applies *

* Self-Funded IHA participating hospitals with pooled specific excess loss coverage agree in the Wellmark Administrative Services Agreement and the Stop Loss Policy to remain in the pooled arrangement for at least three years. If a participating hospital terminates prior to the third year, then they will be subject to early termination fees equal to administrative fees payable for one year if terminated after the first year or administrative fees payable for six months if terminated after the second year. However, in any given year the overall IHA specific excess loss renewal rate change exceeds 10%, the early termination fees will be waived.