

QCX LLC d/b/a Polymarket US

VIA CFTC PORTAL

Mr. Christopher J. Kirkpatrick  
Office of the Secretariat  
Commodity Futures Trading Commission  
Three Lafayette Centre  
1155 21st Street NW  
Washington, DC 20581

Re: QCX LLC – Class Certification under 17 C.F.R. § 40.2(d) for **United States Health Statistic Contracts (USHSCD)**

Dear Mr. Kirkpatrick:

QCX LLC d/b/a Polymarket US (“Polymarket US” or the “Exchange”), a designated contract market registered with the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (the “Commission” or “CFTC”), hereby certifies, pursuant to Section 5c(c) of the Commodity Exchange Act (the “CEA”) and 17 C.F.R. § 40.2(d), a class of swaps for listing on the Exchange (the “Class”). The Exchange intends to list the Class no earlier than September 30, 2026.

#### **Previously Certified Product**

On September 28, 2026, the Commission received the Exchange’s self-certification under 17 C.F.R. § 40.2(a) of United States Health Statistic Contracts (USHSC) (the “Previously Certified Product”). The Previously Certified Product specifies the pricing source, formula, procedures, and methodology used to determine reference values and payment obligations for the Class.

#### **Class Description and Common Settlement Methodology**

Each particular swap within the Class is an event contract based on the reported value of {metric} for {period}. Each swap will be governed by the terms and conditions of the Previously Certified Product. Each swap within the Class will use the NCHS at the CDC and the same source hierarchy, formula, procedures, and methodology as the Previously Certified Product. The values assigned to {metric}, {period}, {condition}, and {value} may vary among swaps within the Class and will be specified by the Exchange before listing.

#### **Certifications**

The Exchange certifies that each swap within the Class: (i) is based upon an excluded commodity specified in § 40.2(d)(1); (ii) uses an identical pricing source, formula, procedure, and methodology for calculating reference prices and payment obligations, which are identical to those of the Previously Certified Product; (iii) is denominated and settled in United States dollars; and (iv) complies with the CEA and Commission regulations. The Exchange further certifies that it concurrently posted notice of the pending certification and a public copy of this submission on its website. Please contact me using the information below if you have any questions regarding this notice.

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September 28, 2026  
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**Attachment A: Terms & Conditions**  
**UNITED STATES HEALTH STATISTIC CONTRACTS (USHSC)**

**Product Name:** Will {metric} for {period} be {condition} {value}?

**Category:** Macroeconomics

**Type:** Event Contract

Capitalized terms used, but not defined herein, have the meanings ascribed to them in the QCX LLC d/b/a Polymarket US (the “Exchange” or “PMUS”) Rulebook. “Contract Terms” means the specific parameters applicable to each Contract available for trading on the Exchange.

**Size:** Each Contract has a notional size of \$1.00.

**Minimum Tick:** The Minimum Tick size for the Contract will not be less than \$0.001, and not be greater than \$0.01.

**Position Accountability Level:** The Position Accountability Level will be \$25,000 of notional exposure.

**Position Limits:** No position limits apply.

**Margin:** Margin is 100% of the at-risk amount.

**Issuance:** Contracts may be listed by the Exchange at any time. Contract iterations will be issued on an as-needed basis at the discretion of the Exchange.

**Settlement Amount:** The Settlement Amount is \$1.00 per Contract, payable in accordance with the Payout Condition.

**Expiration Value:** The Expiration Value is the value of the Underlying as documented by the designated Source at Expiration.

**Underlying**

The Underlying for each Contract is the reported value of {metric} for {period}. Any instructional examples set forth in these Terms & Conditions (the “Product Specifications”) or in the Contract Terms are provided for convenience only, are non-exhaustive, and are not intended to limit the scope of the applicable definitions or criteria.

**Parameters**

- **{metric}:** The recurring data series published by the National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS) at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) that determines the Contract Outcome. {metric} must be a recurring data series published in one of the following releases and no other: the National Vital Statistics Reports; Births: Provisional Data; the Vital Statistics Rapid Release series; or the National Health Interview Survey Early Release program.
- **{period}:** The reporting period, or range of reporting periods, for which the value of {metric} is measured.
- **{condition}:** The comparison operator by which the reported figure for {metric} is compared to {value}. The condition will be one of the following, and no other: “above” (strictly greater than), “below” (strictly less than), “at least” (greater than or equal to), “at most” (less than or equal to), “between” (greater than or equal to a specified lower bound and less than or equal to a specified upper bound), or “exactly” (equal to). If the reported figure for {metric} falls exactly on a boundary between two ranges, the Contract will settle in favor of the range for which that figure is the inclusive lower boundary.
- **{value}:** The numerical threshold, or, where the condition is “between,” the pair of numerical bounds, against which the reported value of {metric} for {period} is compared to determine the Contract Outcome, expressed either in the units in which the Source reports {metric}, or as the value of {metric} for another specified period.

**Sources**

The Exchange will serve as the Source Agency for all Contracts. In determining the Contract Outcome for each Contract, the Exchange will reference the following source hierarchy (collectively, the “Sources”):

- **Primary Source:** The NCHS at the CDC.

The Exchange may designate additional or substitute Sources. All instructions on how to access the Underlying data via the designated Source will be made available to market participants. The Source hierarchy is designed to produce reliable, publicly verifiable settlement data that is resistant to manipulation or premature disclosure. QCX LLC d/b/a Polymarket US is not affiliated with, and has no ownership interest in or control over, any of the Sources enumerated herein.

**Expiration Date and Time**

Unless otherwise provided in the Payout Condition, the Expiration Date will be the earlier of: (i) the day of the release of the qualifying data by the designated Source; or (ii) a date specified in the Contract Terms. The Expiration Time will be 11:59:59 PM ET on the Expiration Date, or such other time as specified in the Contract Terms. As provided for by 10.3 and 10.4 of the Rulebook, if any circumstances arise that would prevent a Contract's value from being determined accurately at Expiration, including but not limited to delayed data from a relevant source, the Exchange may adjust the Expiration Date.

#### **Last Trading Date and Time**

The Last Trading Date and Time will be the same as the Expiration Date and Time, unless otherwise specified in the Contract Terms, or unless the Contract Outcome Review Process (Rule 10.4 of the Rulebook) is initiated. Note: for these Contracts, the Contract Terms will generally specify a Last Trading Date and Time at the conclusion of {period}, which precedes the Expiration Date and Time, because the designated Source publishes the qualifying data after {period} concludes.

#### **Settlement Date and Time**

The Settlement Date and Time will be no later than the day after the Expiration Date, unless otherwise specified in the Contract Terms, or unless the Contract Outcome Review Process is initiated.

#### **Payout Condition**

Contracts pay out if the Payout Condition is met. The Payout Condition for the Contract is met if the value of {metric} for {period} is {condition} {value}. The Payout Condition is evaluated as follows:

- **Data:** If {period} refers to a single reporting period, the Payout Condition is met if the value of {metric} reported by the Primary Source for the specific reporting period stated in the Contract Terms is {condition} {value}. If {period} refers to a range of reporting periods, the Payout Condition is met if the value of {metric} reported by the Primary Source for any reporting period within the range stated in the Contract Terms is {condition} {value}.
- **Designated Release Identification:** The Expiration Value for each reporting period will be the reported figure for {metric}, as first published by the Source for that period. Revisions to that figure published after Expiration will not affect the Contract Outcome, except as provided under the Data Source Error provision.
- **Precision:** The Payout Condition is evaluated using the level of precision utilized by the Source to report the relevant data, including any units, rounding, or truncation.
- **Data Source Error:** If the Source publishes an otherwise-qualifying Expiration Value that is clearly erroneous and the result of technical or operational error, or unauthorized interference with the Source or its data, the Exchange will postpone settlement until the earlier of a corrected Expiration Value being made available, or seven (7) calendar days after the originally scheduled Settlement Date and Time. If a corrected Expiration Value is made available within that period, the Exchange will use the corrected value to determine the Contract Outcome. If no corrected Expiration Value is made available within that period, the Exchange will initiate the Contract Outcome Review Process.
- **No Data by Expiration:** If {period} refers to a single reporting period and the Source has not published the {metric} figure for {period} by Expiration, the Contract will settle based on the most recently available release of {metric} published by the Source. If {period} refers to a range of reporting periods, and the Source has not published the {metric} figure for all reporting periods within {period} by Expiration, the Contract will settle based on the {metric} figures for reporting periods within {period} published as of Expiration. If the Source announces that no figure for {period} will be published, or discontinues {metric}, the Exchange will initiate the Contract Outcome Review Process.
- **Final Settlements:** Once an outcome has been determined by the Exchange in accordance with the objective criteria set forth herein, such determination will be final and will not be subject to appeal or revision for purposes of settlement.

In the event of a dispute as to whether the Payout Condition has been met, the Exchange will resolve such dispute in accordance with the procedures set forth in the PMUS Rulebook.

#### **Eligibility**

In addition to the Source Prohibition, and the general prohibition against trading on material nonpublic information in violation of a pre-existing duty, the Exchange will institute additional prohibitions for trading the Contract. Persons under 18 years of age are not permitted to create Polymarket US accounts. The following individuals will be prohibited from trading:

- Current and former employees, officers, directors, contractors, and consultants of the Source with access to the data used to settle the Contract prior to its publication;
- Participants in any pre-release lock-up, embargo, or advance-access arrangement for the data used to settle the Contract;
- Ultimate beneficial owners of entities with advance access to, or the ability to influence, the Contract or the data used to determine it; and
- Household members and immediate family of all of the above.

#### **Modifications**

Before Settlement, the Exchange may initiate the Contract Outcome Review Process. If any event or any circumstance which may have a material impact on the reliability or transparency of a Contract's Sources or the Underlying related to the Contract

arises, the Exchange retains the authority to designate a new Source and Underlying for that Contract and to change any associated Payout Condition and Contract Terms after the first day of trading.