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Open Enrollment Starts November 1!

The Connect for Health Colorado Open Enrollment Period is right around the corner! Open Enrollment kicks off November 1, 2016 and ends January 31, 2017. All current Marketplace Medical and Dental plans will end by December 31, so enroll in a new plan or renew your current one by December 15 for a plan that starts January 1, 2017.

OPEN ENROLLMENT 2017
IMPORTANT DEADLINES

NOVEMBER 1st
Open Enrollment begins. You can apply for financial assistance and get health coverage through Connect for Health Colorado.*

DECEMBER 15th
Deadline in order to have coverage that begins on January 1st.

VISIT
WWW.COLORADO.GOV/PEAK
WWW.CONNECTFORHEALTHCO.COM

APPLY
BOULDER COUNTY ASSISTANCE SITE
303-441-1000
healthcoverage@bouldercounty.org

CONTACT

Don't miss the opportunity to enroll in free or low-cost health insurance. KEEP YOURSELF AND YOUR FAMILY HEALTHY.

* There is no enrollment period to apply for Medicaid and CHP+. Enrollment for these programs takes place year-round.
What You Should Know

Be Proactive - Start Browsing for Plans on Connect for Health Colorado's Website!

Visit the Connect for Health Colorado site at www.ConnectForHealthCO.com

Here's what to expect in mid-October:

- You will be able to preview and browse all 2017 health plans and prices available in your area. You will be able to start shopping for your 2017 plan on November 1.
- You will receive information from Connect for Health Colorado and your insurance company that will indicate whether you can renew your current plan.
  - If your plan is being offered in 2017 and we have been able to verify your financial assistance (tax credit), you won't need to do anything; you will be automatically renewed on December 15 for 2017 coverage. You always have the option to shop for a different plan if you choose. Although your plan benefits may not have changed, you should check to confirm that your providers are still in the plan's network and that your medication prescriptions are still covered.
  - If your plan is not available or we have been unable to estimate your tax credit, you may need to report a life change or reapply for financial assistance. This will allow you to choose and purchase a new 2017 plan.

Do you qualify for a tax credit? Financial assistance is available for those eligible - find out if you qualify for savings with Connect for Health Colorado's Savings Calculator

Not sure where to start? Here are some things to keep in mind when shopping for a plan:

- Check if your provider or hospital is covered by the plan's provider network. Seeing an out-of-network provider is more costly. To find out if your doctor is in-network you can use the "Find a Provider" tool on ConnectForHealthCo.com's plan comparison page or directly visit the plan's website.
- If you have prescriptions check the plan's formulary to determine how they are covered.
- Compare the deductibles and out-of-pocket costs. It's helpful to know which covered benefits don't apply to the deductible. Also keep in mind that lower premiums often correlate to higher out-of-pocket costs when obtaining covered medical services.
- Check if you qualify for a Cost Share Reduction. This additional benefit applies only to Silver Level plans but can help significantly reduce your out-of-pocket expenses like deductibles, co-pays and co-insurance.

The Latest on Health Insurance Assistance

Many Plans Are Available

According to the Colorado Division of Insurance (CDOI) there will be 56 plans offered on the individual exchange this year by 4 health insurance carriers for Boulder County residents in 2017.

Marketplace Insurance Carriers Entering/Leaving

For the coming year the Marketplace will offer fewer carriers and fewer plans. A new addition for 2017 is the insurance provider Bright Health Plans. Humana and UnitedHealthCare will no longer be offering plans for 2017 while Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield is reducing the number of plans it offers by eliminating its PPO (Preferred Provider Organization) plan for individuals.

Premiums Increasing, Tax Credits May Help Compensate
Premiums will be increasing this year by an average of 20.4% for the individual market, or those not receiving insurance through an employer. This percentage of premium increase may be higher or lower depending on where an individual lives and their age.

Customers who are receiving tax credits may actually see their premium decrease by an average of 11%, as the tax credits will adjust to reflect the change in premium prices.

**Health Coverage Guides are Available to Help!**

Need to enroll or re-enroll? Boulder County's Health Coverage Guides offer free and in-person assistance by appointment. If you would like to shop in the Connect for Health Marketplace or need help understanding available plans or financial assistance please schedule an appointment with a Health Coverage Guide by simply calling 303-441-1000 or sending an email to HealthCoverage@bouldercounty.org.

Last year Boulder County's Connect for Health Colorado Assistance Site provided over 1,000 appointments to households seeking enrollment assistance. Don't delay, book your appointment today!

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Open Enrollment 2017 Reaches Halfway Point

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2016/2017 Open Enrollment Hits the Halfway Point

At this, the halfway point for Open Enrollment 2017, more than 144,000 Coloradans have selected health coverage through the state health insurance Marketplace, a rate 18 ahead of signups one year ago, according to new data just release by Connect for Health Colorado.

Although the deadline for enrollment in coverage beginning January 1, 2017 has passed, there is a special enrollment period for customers who are losing coverage because their health plans are no longer offered. Additionally, customers who began an application prior to December 15, 2016 and experienced enrollment delays may be eligible for a January 1, 2017 start date for their health insurance. As always, Colorado’s Medicaid program, Health First Colorado, is available year-round to people who qualify.

Connect for Health Colorado News
Special Enrollment Period for Customers Losing Insurance Plans

Customers who are losing their health plans because they are no longer an option through Connect for Health Colorado (including Humana, United, Anthem PPO, and Rocky Mountain Health Plans outside of Mesa County) will have until
December 31, 2016 to enroll in new coverage with a January 1, 2017 effective date.

They will also have more time to enroll in health coverage. Even though Open Enrollment ends on January 31, 2017, because these customers are experiencing a life change event (the loss of their qualified health plan), a special enrollment period is available to them that begins January 1, 2017 and lasts for 60 days.

Please note that customers enrolling now for January 1 coverage may experience a delay in receiving welcome materials, insurance cards and in processing plan selections. Also, customers enrolling now for January 1 coverage should pay their first month's premium and call their health insurance company to confirm their enrollment before they seek care.

Additional Time for Customers Who Experienced Delays

Again, generally speaking, December 15, 2016 is the deadline for enrolling in health insurance with a January 1, 2017 start date. However, if an enrollment was in process by the deadline but was delayed for one of the reasons listed below, Connect for Health Colorado will continue working to help ensure coverage begins on January 1st.

If a customer (or his or her coverage guide or broker) was delayed in enrolling in a new plan by December 15th, there is a process by which an alternative coverage start date can be requested (for example January 1, 2017).

In the "Purchase & Enroll User Agreement" section of the application, there is an area near the bottom where the applicant can check a box that says "I wish to request an alternative start date." The applicant then needs to provide one of the following reasons for the delay:

- My insurance company is no longer offering plans in 2017
- Technical error that occurred
- Delayed eligibility determination
- Long hold time with the Customer Service Center
- Other unforeseen circumstance out of my control

Please understand this information will be reviewed in considering the request for an
Alternative start date. Requesting an alternative start date will ensure that the customer's enrollment information is sent to the health insurance company with the correct coverage start date. In this case however, a customer will likely not receive his or her health insurance card until well after the coverage is in effect. This process may also change the amount owed to the health insurance company. If a start date is needed as soon as possible due to medical need, please call a Customer Service Center representative at 1-855-752-6749.

**Boulder County Assistance Site News**

**Open Enrollment Event**

Boulder County’s Connect for Health Colorado Assistance Site will host one more open enrollment event from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, January 28, 2017 at our Longmont office (the St. Vrain Community Hub) at 515 Coffman Street.

Customers can walk in and get help from start to finish with enrollment. No appointments needed. We'll have eligibility technicians on hand to help troubleshoot cases as well as our Health Coverage Guides and additional support staff. We’re also planning a resource fair to provide information and referrals to additional supports such as the Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP), Low-income Energy Assistance Program (LEAP), Healthy Communities and more. Please help us get the word out! Here is a link to the flyer; feel free to print and distribute this.

In the meantime, there are several ways to reach us:

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- Email healthcoverage@bouldercounty.org
- Fill out the online electronic form

**Appointments**

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Health First Colorado News
Colorado's Medicaid Program is now called Health First Colorado

Did you know that Colorado's Medicaid program is now called Health First Colorado? While the name and look of Colorado Medicaid have changed, member eligibility, benefits, and providers remain the same. Learn more about Health First Colorado here. You can also review the Member Handbook.

Do you have a primary care provider?
Your primary care provider, also called a PCP, is your main health care doctor, physician assistant or nurse
practitioner. When you choose a PCP, you choose a person to help you with health care decisions. This is important because once you build a relationship with a doctor, you might feel more comfortable asking questions and bringing up health concerns.

You can ask your PCP about how to use preventive services. Your PCP can also help you understand your risk for things like diabetes, high blood pressure or obesity and give you advice on what you can do to prevent them.

If you do not have a primary care provider yet, visit the Find a Doctor page to find a provider who accepts Health First Colorado.

**New Pharmacy Option for Health First Colorado Members**

Health First Colorado members now have the option to receive maintenance medications through the mail without having to apply for mail delivery! If you are prescribed maintenance medications to treat a chronic condition, your doctor can prescribe up to a 100 day supply of your medication (new or refilled prescriptions).

All you need is a valid prescription for a maintenance medication. The prescription must be filled by a pharmacy that is both enrolled with Health First Colorado and offers mail order delivery. Ask your pharmacy if you can get your maintenance medications through the mail.

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Over the last few weeks, there has been a lot of talk about health care. What remains constant is that it is important to continue to protect your and your family's health and financial future. Broken bones, disease and other chronic conditions can happen at any time. Most are treatable and in some cases preventable if you have access to care and health insurance.

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Connect for Health Colorado News

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Health Care News
Health First Colorado Members Begin Receiving IRS 1095-B Forms

The Colorado Department of Health Care Policy and Financing has begun sending Health First Colorado (Colorado's Medicaid program) members IRS Tax Form 1095-B as proof of health insurance for the 2016 tax year. IRS Tax Form 1095-B is a federal tax document that includes information about the months during 2016 in which Health First Colorado members and others in their household were enrolled in qualifying health coverage as required under the Affordable Care Act. Finish reading the press release here.
Health First Colorado has posted a set of frequently asked questions regarding the 1095-B Form. The questions and answers explain who should expect to receive the forms, how they can be used, and how to file a 2016 tax return with or without the forms.

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Health Insurance Sign-ups Still Possible in Certain Circumstances

Although open enrollment for health coverage through the Connect for Health Colorado marketplace is over for 2017, you can still get insurance in certain circumstances!

1) If you started the enrollment process before 6:00 p.m., Friday, February 3, 2017, your application will be processed, your eligibility for tax credits evaluated, and you will be able to enroll in health coverage.

2) If you experience a qualifying life change event, you
may be able to enroll or change your health coverage outside of Open Enrollment as long as you act within 60 days of the event. Qualified life change events include:

- Birth of a baby, adoption of a child or placement of a child for foster care
- Change in marital status
- Move to a new permanent address in your state
- Changes in your income that affect the financial assistance you qualify for
- Change of tribal status
- Become a U.S. citizen
- Leaving incarceration
- Change of dependency status of someone on your plan
- Death of a covered member of your household
- Turning 26 and aging off your parent's plan
- Starting/ending AmeriCorps service
- Incorrectly or inappropriately enrolled in a health plan for some reason that is not due to an error or omission on the part of Connect for Health Colorado
- Violation of the contract you had with your health insurance carrier
- Loss of an exemption to purchase health insurance coverage
- Change in affordability of employer-sponsored insurance
- Loss of minimum essential coverage

3) If you qualify for Health First Colorado (Colorado's Medicaid Program) or the ChildHealth Plan Plus (CHP+). Neither program is subject to Open Enrollment which means that you can apply at any time during the year.

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**Connect for Health Colorado News**

**No changes to the state's Marketplace**

While there is uncertainty around the future of expanded health coverage in Colorado and nationwide, it's important to remember that there have been no changes to the state's Connect for Health Colorado Marketplace. If you currently have health insurance through the state's Connect for Health Colorado Marketplace, nothing has changed for you. We do not expect there to be changes in the near future, nor do we expect the Marketplace to be shut down by the Colorado legislature (as has been proposed by some lawmakers).

**Insurance Plans Will be Honored**

Insurance plans sold for 2017 will not be canceled mid-year, as long as you pay your monthly premiums on time.
Federal Changes are Uncertain

At this time it is unclear what, if any, changes may take place at the federal level related to health insurance marketplaces such as Connect for Health Colorado and the new health insurance provisions put in place by the Affordable Care Act. Connect for Health Colorado has successfully worked within rapidly changing federal and state regulations in the past and will continue to work with partners, stakeholders, and legislators as any changes to the Affordable Care Act are proposed or implemented.

Commitment to Supporting You and Your Family

Connect for Health Colorado and the Boulder County Assistance Site remain committed to supporting our health coverage clients with respect and serving all those who seek our help. We believe it is extremely important to protect the health and financial future of yourself and your family. Health insurance can ensure access to both preventive care and emergency support, and can help you avoid financial difficulties in the event of a health crisis.

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