New Health Coverage for Arizonans



Starting on October 1, Arizonans will be able to enroll in affordable, comprehensive health plans through Arizona's health insurance marketplace. Coverage begins on January 1, 2014.

THE **FACTS**

1,033,000 Arizonans will be able to receive financial help for health in annual help for help for health in annual help for hel financial help for health insurance.

This includes:



463,000

estimated to be eligible for coverage through the expanded **Medicaid** program 570,000

estimated to be eligible for premium tax credits through the marketplace

PRE-EXISTING CONDITIONS WILL BE COVERED

2,794,000



Arizonans with pre-existing conditions can no longer be turned down or charged more for coverage.

YOUNG ADULTS BENEFIT THE MOST

29%

29 percent of uninsured Arizonans are ages 18-34.

Young adults are the age group most likely to be uninsured, because they are more likely to be unemployed or to earn low wages that make health coverage unaffordable. Therefore, they stand to gain the most.

For example, looking only at the financial help provided by the new premium tax credits, one-third of eligible individuals in Arizona will be ages 18-34 (approximately 188,000 young adults). Furthermore, since young adults earn disproportionately lower wages, they will receive larger premium tax credits than their older counterparts, who generally earn higher wages.



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THOSE WITH THE GREATEST NEED WILL GET THE MOST HELP

3 CASE STUDIES

Medicaid will provide comprehensive coverage to the lowest-income residents (those with incomes up to 138 percent of poverty—\$15,856 for an individual or \$26,951 for a family of three).

The Andersons: **family of three**

Annual income: **\$23,000** (about 120% of poverty)

The Andersons apply for coverage through the marketplace. Based on their income, they are enrolled in Medicaid.

Starting on January 1, they will **receive comprehensive health coverage** at little or no cost.

Premium tax credits will make coverage affordable for those with incomes up to 400 percent of poverty—\$45,960 for an individual or \$78,120 for a family of three.

The Johnsons: family of three

Annual income: \$29,000 (about 150% of poverty)

Estimated marketplace premium: \$8,250*

Price for the Johnsons:

An income-based tax credit will ensure that the Johnsons pay only 4 percent of their income, approximately **\$1,172 (\$98 a month)**, for coverage.

Size of tax credit:

The remainder of the premium will be covered by a tax credit of **\$7,078**.



The Robinsons: family of three

Annual income:

\$39,000 (about 200% of poverty)

Estimated marketplace premium: \$8,250*

Price for the Robinsons:

An income-based tax credit will ensure that the Robinsons pay only 6.3 percent of their income, approximately **\$2,461** (\$205 a month), for coverage.

Size of tax credit:

The remainder of the premium will be covered by a tax credit of **\$5,789**.

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ENROLLMENT INFORMATION







▶ Starting on October 1, Arizonans can:

Apply for financial help, **compare** health plan options, and **enroll** in the plan of their choice through Arizona's health insurance marketplace. Coverage begins on January 1. **Visit healthcare.gov or call 800-318-2596.**

▶ Today, Arizonans can:

Get questions answered 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Call 800-318-2596 or live chat at **healthcare.gov** (CuidadoDeSalud.gov for Spanish speakers).

Translators for more than 150 other languages are available at **800-318-2596**.

Learn about the marketplace and create a marketplace account.

Learn more about how to get health coverage through the marketplace and set up an account to prepare for enrollment at healthcare.gov.

IN-PERSON HELP

Throughout Arizona, **in-person assistance will be available** to help people enroll in coverage. Organizations that have received grants to operate in-person assistance programs include, but are not limited to:



Arizona Association of Community Health Centers www.aachc.org

Arizona Board of Regents www.azregents.edu

Arizona's Community Health Centers www.bphc.hrsa.gov/outreachandenroll ment

Campesinos Sin Fronteras, Inc. www.campesinossinfronteras.org

Greater Phoenix Urban League, Inc. www.gphxul.org

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AFFORDABLE CARE ACT PROGRESS

Since the Affordable Care Act passed, Arizonans have already experienced many gains that have made health coverage and care more accessible and affordable.

69,000

Approximate number of young adults in Arizona who have gained insurance by staying on their parents' health plans until they turn 26.

423,981

Arizonans who received rebates totaling \$18,711,067 from their insurance companies in 2012 because those companies failed to spend at least 80-85 percent of their premium dollars on health care.

434,397

Medicare beneficiaries in Arizona who received at least one cost-free preventive service—such as an annual check-up, mammogram, or bone mass measurement—in 2012.

65,267

Medicare Part D beneficiaries in Arizona who received discounts on brand-name drugs in 2012 while in the coverage gap known as the "doughnut hole," with an average \$689 in savings per beneficiary.

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