



Barry-Eaton District Health Department

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Health Insurance Marketplace Open Enrollment begins Nov. 1st

Open enrollment for health insurance on the Marketplace runs November 1– December 15, 2018. Consumers have until December 15 to renew their coverage or enroll in a plan in order for their coverage to begin on January 1, 2019.

There are five ways to apply:

1. Online at <https://www.healthcare.gov/>. If you are new to HealthCare.gov you will need to create an account. If you already have an account, just log in.
2. By phone. Call the Marketplace Call Center at 1-800-318-2596. You can ask a question, start or finish an application, have a customer service representative help you with an application, review your choices, and enroll in coverage.
3. In person with help from a Certified Application Counselor or Navigator. Assistors in your community with special Marketplace training can help you fill out an application and enroll. Visit <https://www.healthcare.gov> and search by your city or ZIP code to see a list of local people and organizations who can help you apply, pick a plan, and enroll.
4. Through an agent or a broker. Agents and brokers help you apply and enroll. (You pay no more with an agent or broker; however, some may sell only certain companies' plans.)
5. By mail. Fill out and mail in a paper application. You'll get eligibility results in the mail within 2 weeks. Create an online account or use the Marketplace Call Center to enroll. Download a paper application and instructions at <https://www.healthcare.gov>.

The Barry-Eaton District Health Department (BEDHD) has Certified Application Counselors available who can help you fill out an application and enroll. If you would like in-person assistance, call (269) 945-9516 (Barry) or (517) 543-2430 (Eaton) to make an appointment.

BEDHD would also like to remind residents about the following:

- Anyone who already has coverage through the Healthy Michigan Plan, Medicaid, or MICHild must renew at least every year; they can look for information in the mail from the Michigan Department of Human Services about renewal.
- Anyone with coverage through the Marketplace can keep their plan or shop for a new one.
- **Renewal must take place between November 1, 2018 and December 15, 2018, so it's important to not delay.**
- Anyone lacking health insurance must get covered.
- Those who are uninsured should review options, check to see how much financial help is available, and choose the coverage that meets their needs and fits their budget.