Marketplace Insurance – Special Enrollment Period

The Open Enrollment period for 2017 health coverage ended January 31, 2017; however, some people will still be able to sign up and get coverage using a Special Enrollment period. If you have certain changes in your life like having a baby, getting married, or losing health coverage – you may qualify for a Special Enrollment Period.

"Health insurance plans in the Marketplace can be very affordable," explains Andy Michalka, Health Care Navigator/Case Manager at Aroostook County Action Program (ACAP). A family of two can make up to $64,080.00 and still receive a Premium Tax Credit to help pay insurance premiums. There were 79,407 Maine residents enrolled or re-enrolled in a plan during open enrollment this year."

ACAP is part of the Community Action Navigator Consortium and is a partner in a statewide network of certified Health Insurance Marketplace Navigators. Navigators can provide free in-person assistance to help you apply for and enroll in coverage through the marketplace. We are not affiliated with any insurance company so we provide fair and unbiased advice. Navigators can help you access programs that could lower your monthly health premiums and out-of-pocket costs and understand the options available to you. Your private information is protected and we will never share it with anybody.

If you don’t have qualifying health coverage in 2017, you may be required to pay a fee. If you think you qualify for a Special Enrollment Period or you just have questions about the Health Insurance Marketplace, call Andy Michalka at (207) 764-3721 or e-mail him at amichalka@acap-me.org.

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