

Get Covered

Access to Affordable Health Insurance is coming soon...

The new health care plans will be available January 2014.

You can pre-enroll in a plan starting in October 2013.



What This Means for You:

- Starting January 1, 2014, the Affordable Care Act requires most people to have health insurance*. Those who do not have health insurance by March 31, 2014 may have tax penalties applied to their income taxes.
- Health Insurance can be purchased through the health insurance marketplace. In California, this is called Covered California.
- Income tax credits or subsidies are available for:
 - Single adults with annual income up to \$45,960
 - Families with annual income up to \$94,200 for a family of four
 - Income tax credit or subsidy depends upon family size & income

How to get all of the information you need to enroll:



By Phone

Covered California
1-800-300-1506



Online

Covered California
www.coveredca.com



In Person

You may meet with:

- An Employment Resource Specialist at Social Services
- An insurance agent of your choice at their office
- A Health Coverage Enrollment Assister

***If you are receiving Medi-Cal or Medicare, you have health insurance.**

<p>When does enrollment begin?</p>	<p>“Pre-Enrollment” begins on October 1, 2013. Beginning this date you can apply online, by telephone or in one of our offices. <u>Earliest eligibility would begin is January 1st 2014.</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>www.coveredca.com</u> or call 1-800-300-1506.</p> <p>“Open enrollment” will begin January 1, 2014 and end on March 31, 2014. During this time you can apply and be evaluated for health coverage. If you are eligible under our current Medi-Cal rules, your Health Coverage will begin in the month in which you applied. If you qualify for Health Coverage under the new rules as part of the Affordable Care Act, <u>and</u> your application is accepted and paid for by December 15, 2013, your coverage will begin January 1, 2014.</p>
<p>What is the difference between current Medi-Cal and the new Health Coverage?</p>	<p>The current Medi-Cal coverage available today follows rules regarding eligibility for families with children, pregnant women, as well as aged, blind and disabled individuals. To apply for these programs, there may be more information and verification required to qualify, such as property. If you or a family member needs medical help now, this is the way to go. If you are eligible now, you will remain eligible when the new rules begin in January. You will not have to reapply.</p> <p>Starting in January 2014, the rules under the Affordable Care Act will be simplified and more people will be eligible. Medi-Cal will be expanded to cover adults with low income, who do not have children and there is no property limit. Income is determined using tax rules, and if your income exceeds the Medi-Cal limit, your family may qualify for tax credits to help with buying health insurance coverage.</p>
<p>My family is currently eligible to Medi-Cal. Do I need to do a new application?</p>	<p>Persons who are currently eligible to Medi-Cal will still be eligible to Medi-Cal after January; you don’t need to complete a new application for Health Coverage. If you have a change to report or when your renewal is due in 2014, we will request additional information about your tax household and your consent for electronic verification to determine the type of Health Coverage you are eligible for under the new Affordable Care Act rules.</p>
<p>I am currently receiving CalFresh. Do I need to make a new application for Medi-Cal/Health Coverage?</p>	<p>To be evaluated for Medi-Cal/Health Coverage you will need to make a separate application. If you qualify for Medi-Cal under the current rules, your coverage will start in the month in which you applied. Starting October 1st, if you are not eligible to Medi-Cal under the current rules, we will evaluate you for coverage under the new ACA rules and, if your application is accepted (complete) <u>and</u> paid for on or before December 15th, your coverage will begin January 1, 2014. The website where you can submit your application or phone number where you can apply is:</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>www.coveredca.com</u> or call 1-800-300-1506</p> <p>You may also apply in one of our offices throughout the county (addresses below)</p>
<p>Do I need to be a citizen or legal resident?</p>	<p>For the new programs under the Affordable Care Act, you need to meet the requirements for citizens and legal residents to qualify for Health Coverage. However undocumented individuals may still be eligible for pregnancy related and emergency Medi-Cal services.”</p>
<p>Where can I apply? Apply online</p>	<p>Applying online can be done at: <u>www.coveredca.com</u></p>
<p>Apply by phone <u>or</u> in person</p> <p>We have offices throughout the county; if you choose to apply in person, select the office closest to where you live.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Call Covered CA directly at 1-800-300-1506</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Local Office Phone Numbers - Business Hours: 8:00 am – 5:00 pm</u></p> <p>Arroyo Grande – 1086 Grand Ave, Arroyo Grande, CA 93420.....474-2000</p> <p>Atascadero – 9415 El Camino Real, Atascadero, CA 93422.....461-6000</p> <p>Nipomo – 681 W. Tefft Street Suite 1, Nipomo, CA 93444.....931-1800</p> <p>Paso Robles – 406 Spring Street, Paso Robles, CA 93446.....237-3110</p> <p>San Luis Obispo – 3433 S. Higuera Street, San Luis Obispo, CA 93403.....781-1600 or 1-800-834-3002</p>