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MARYLANDERS HAVE JUST 10 DAYS TO GET HEALTH COVERAGE STARTING JAN. 1

Shop and enroll in a health plan for coverage in January

(BALTIMORE) — Marylanders have two weeks left to enroll in health coverage that begins Jan. 1, 2022 on the state's health insurance marketplace, Maryland Health Connection.

This year, open enrollment through Maryland Health Connection runs a month longer than in recent years. Maryland residents can enroll in a private health insurance plan until Jan. 15, 2022. Those who enroll by Dec. 31, 2021, will have coverage beginning Jan. 1, 2022. Anyone who enrolls during the first two weeks of January will have coverage beginning Feb. 1, 2022.

“New federal and state laws offer financial help for those who did not qualify in the past,” said Michele Eberle, executive director of the Maryland Health Benefit Exchange. “More than three-quarters of those who already have enrolled qualified for savings on their 2022 plans.”

There is also a new state subsidy to lower costs for enrollees between 18 and 34. More than 45,000 young adults have enrolled in private coverage for 2022 since Nov. 1. And two-thirds of them have qualified for the additional subsidy to lower their monthly bills about \$36 on average.

This enrollment period is for private health plans only. Those who qualify for Medicaid may enroll any time of year.

Shop and enroll online at [MarylandHealthConnection.gov](https://www.marylandhealthconnection.gov) or with our mobile app. For free help from a navigator or broker, visit <https://www.marylandhealthconnection.gov/find-help/> or call Maryland Health Connection at 855-642-8572.

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[Maryland Health Connection](#) (MHC) is the state-based marketplace for Marylanders to shop

and enroll in health insurance, as well as determine eligibility for Medicaid and other assistance programs. It is the only place where Marylanders can access financial help such as tax credits to make coverage more affordable.