

#### Health Insurance Marketplace Coverage

Enclosed you will find a notice titled "Health Insurance Marketplace Options and Your Health Coverage." Under the rules of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (commonly known as "health care reform"), Kforce is required to provide you this notice, which contains information about the health insurance marketplace that offers health care coverage options to individuals.

Created as a result of the health care reform law, the health insurance marketplace is a "one-stop shop" that individuals can use to shop for, compare, and buy individual health insurance policies. Each state has a marketplace – some states have their own, while others rely on the federal government to run theirs.

Since the marketplace opened you may regularly find advertisements in your mailbox from insurance companies promoting the plans they are selling through the marketplace. As a result, you'll need to determine what coverage option makes the most sense for your particular situation.

If you have coverage through Kforce's plan or your spouse's employer plan, you may want to stick with it. Employer-sponsored plans (like ours) are often paid in part by the employer. Employers do not, however, contribute toward the cost of coverage purchased through the marketplace. Some individuals may be eligible for federal subsidies for coverage purchased through a marketplace, but only if their income is below a certain threshold and they are not eligible for employer-sponsored coverage that meets affordability and coverage standards.

We encourage you to carefully compare all the options available to you, including coverage details as well as cost. If you would like more information about the marketplace, marketplace premium subsidies, or health care reform in general, please visit **healthcare.gov**.

# Health Insurance Marketplace Coverage Options and Your Health Coverage

## **PART A: General Information**

Since key parts of the health care law took effect in 2014, there is an additional way to buy health insurance: the Health Insurance Marketplace. To assist you as you evaluate options for you and your family, this notice provides some basic information about the Marketplace and employment-based health coverage.

#### What is the Health Insurance Marketplace?

The Marketplace is designed to help you find health insurance that meets your needs and fits your budget. The Marketplace offers "one-stop shopping" to find and compare private health insurance options. You may also be eligible for a tax credit that lowers your monthly premium right away. Open enrollment periods for health insurance coverage through the federal Marketplace and state-run Marketplaces that use the federal enrollment website (www.healthcare.gov) generally take place from November 1 through December 15 of each year for coverage that will start on or after the first day of the new calendar year. Open enrollment dates may vary if you reside in a state with a state-run Marketplace that does not use www.healthcare.gov for enrollment. Outside of the open enrollment periods, you can only enroll in or change coverage if you qualify for a Special Enrollment Period as a result of certain life events.

#### Can I Save Money on my Health Insurance Premiums in the Marketplace?

You may qualify to save money and lower your monthly premium, but only if you do not have employment-based coverage, or you are offered employment-based coverage that doesn't meet certain standards. The savings on your premium that you're eligible for depends on your household income.

# Does Employment-Based Health Coverage Affect Eligibility for Premium Savings through the Marketplace?

Yes. If you have an offer of employment-based health coverage that meets certain standards, you will not be eligible for a tax credit through the Marketplace and may wish to enroll in your employment-based health plan. However, you may be eligible for a tax credit that lowers your monthly premium, or a reduction in certain cost-sharing, if you are not offered employment-based coverage, or you are offered employment-based coverage that does not meet certain standards. If the cost of an employment-based plan that would cover you (and not any other members of your family) is more than 9.61% of your household income for the year 2022, or if the employment-based coverage provided does not meet the "minimum value" standard set by the Affordable Care Act, you may be eligible for a tax credit.<sup>1</sup>

Note: If you purchase a health plan through the Marketplace instead of accepting employment-based health coverage, then you may lose the employer or plan sponsor contribution (if any) to the employment-based coverage. Also, this employer or plan sponsor contribution - as well as your employee contribution to employment-based coverage - is often excluded from income for Federal and State income tax purposes. Your payments for coverage through the Marketplace are made on an after-tax basis.

#### **How Can I Get More Information?**

For more information about your employment-based coverage, please check your summary plan description or contact the Customer Solutions Center at customersolutionscenter@kforce.com or 866.807.5074.

The Marketplace can help you evaluate your coverage options, including your eligibility for coverage through the Marketplace and its cost. Please visit HealthCare.gov for more information, including an online application for health insurance coverage and contact information for a Health Insurance Marketplace in your area.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> An employment-based health plan meets the "minimum value standard" if the plan's share of the total allowed benefit costs covered by the plan is no less than 60 percent of such costs (Section 36B(c)(2)(C)(ii) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986)

HEALTH INSURANCE EXCHANGES BY STATE  where to find more information				
STATE	EXCHANGE TYPE	WEBSITE	TELEPHONE	
Alabama	Federal	www.healthcare.gov/families	(800) 318-2596	
Alaska	Federal	www.healthcare.gov/families	(800) 318-2596	
Arizona	Federal	www.healthcare.gov/families	(800) 318-2596	
Arkansas	Federal	www.healthcare.gov/families	(800) 318-2596	
California	State	www.coveredca.com	(800) 300-1506	
Colorado	State	www.connectforhealthco.com	(855) 752-6749	
Connecticut	State	http://www.ct.gov/hix/	(855) 805-4325	
Delaware	Federal	www.healthcare.gov/families	(800) 318-259	
	State	http://www.choosehealthde.com/	` '	
District of Columbia	State	www.hbx.dc.gov	(202) 715-757	
Florida	Federal	www.healthcare.gov/families	(800) 318-259	
Georgia	Federal	www.healthcare.gov/families	(800) 318-259	
Hawaii	Federal	www.healthcare.gov/families	(800) 318-259	
Idaho	State	www.yourhealthidaho.org	(855) 944-324	
Illinois	Federal	www.healthcare.gov/families	(800) 318-2596	
	State	www2.illinois.gov	(866) 311-111	
Indiana	Federal	www.healthcare.gov/families	(800) 318-259	
Iowa	Federal	www.healthcare.gov/families	(800) 318-259	
Kansas	Federal	www.healthcare.gov/families	(800) 318-259	
Kentucky	State	www.kynect.ky.gov	(855) 306-895	
Louisiana	Federal	www.healthcare.gov/families	(800) 318-259	
Maine	Federal	www.healthcare.gov/families	(800) 318-259	
Maryland	State	www.marylandhealthconnection.gov	(855) 642-857	
Massachusetts	State	www.mahealthconnector.org	(877) 623-676	
Michigan	Federal	www.healthcare.gov/families	(800) 318-259	
Minnesota	State	www.mn.gov/hix	(855) 366-787	
Mississippi	Federal	www.healthcare.gov/families	(800) 318-259	
Missouri	Federal	www.healthcare.gov/families	(800) 318-259	
Montana	Federal	www.healthcare.gov/families	(800) 318-259	
Nebraska	Federal	www.healthcare.gov/families	(800) 318-259	
Nevada	State	www.nevadahealthlink.com	(800) 547-292	
New Hampshire —	Federal State	www.healthcare.gov/families https://coveringnewhampshire.org/	(800) 318-259 (866) 311-1119	
New Jersey	State	www.nj.gov/getcoverednj	(833) 677-101	
New Mexico	State	www.bewellnm.com	(833) 862-393	
New York	State	https://info.nystateofhealth.ny.gov/	(855) 355-577	
North Carolina	Federal	www.healthcare.gov/families	(800) 318-259	
North Dakota	Federal	www.healthcare.gov/families	(800) 318-259	
Ohio	Federal	www.healthcare.gov/families	(800) 318-259	
Oklahoma	Federal	www.healthcare.gov/families	(800) 318-259	
Oregon	State	www.rieauricare.gov/rarrilles www.coveroregon.com	(855) 268-376	
Pennsylvania	State	https://pennie.com/	(844) 844-804	
Rhode Island	State	www.healthsourceri.com	(855) 683-675	
South Carolina	Federal	www.healthcare.gov/families	(800) 318-259	

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South Dakota	Federal	www.healthcare.gov/families	(800) 318-2596	
Tennessee	Federal	www.healthcare.gov/families	(800) 318-2596	
Texas	Federal	www.healthcare.gov/families	(800) 318-2596	
Utah	Federal	www.healthcare.gov/families	(800) 318-2596	
Vermont	State	https://info.healthconnect.vermont.gov/	(855) 899-9600	
Virginia	Federal	www.healthcare.gov/families	(800) 318-2596	
Washington	State	www.wahealthplanfinder.org	(855) 923-4633	
West Virginia	State	www.healthcare.gov/families	(800) 318-2596	
Wisconsin	Federal	www.healthcare.gov/families	(800) 318-2596	
Wyoming	Federal	www.healthcare.gov/families	(800) 318-2596	

### SOURCE:

http://www.cms.gov/cciio/Resources/Fact-Sheets-and-FAQs/state-marketplaces.html https://www.healthcare.gov/what-is-the-marketplace-in-my-state/http://kff.org/health-reform/state-indicator/health-insurance-exchanges/