# The Affordable Care Act (Obamacare – Health Care Reform – Health Insurance Marketplace)

Introduction

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#### Who Is It For?

- \* Individuals who have no health insurance
- \* Individuals who don't have adequate health insurance

- Ability to purchase
   affordable health insurance
- Low-cost and free plans are available for those who qualify – based on income

You must have an e-mail address and your social security number to enroll online

#### What Do The Plans Have To Cover?

- \* Visits to the doctor
- \* Hospitalizations
- \* Preventive care
- \* Prescriptions
- Maternity Care
- \* Emergency Room Care



You cannot be denied coverage because of an existing condition

#### **Essential Benefits**

- Ambulatory services
- \* Emergency services
- Hospitalization
- Maternity and newborn care
- Mental health and substance use disorder services
- Prescription drugs
- Rehabilitative and habilitative services
- Laboratory services

- Preventive care and chronic disease management
- Pediatric services, including oral and vision care



#### When Can I Enroll?

- \* OCTOBER 1, 2013 Marketplaces are scheduled to be open for enrollment
- \* **DECEMBER 15, 2013** The last day to enroll and have coverage that begins on January 1, 2014
- \* January 1, 2014 Insurance coverage begins for those signed up by December 15
- \* MARCH 31, 2014 The enrollment period closes for 2014. If you have a life changing event such as marriage, birth of a child, etc., you will be able to change your options. Otherwise, you must wait until the next enrollment period if you want to make changes.

#### What If I Can't Afford It?

## You might be able to get financial help to pay for a health insurance plan.

- \* Income <400% of poverty</p>
  - \* 400% of poverty = \$44,680 for a single adult, \$92,200 for a family of four
  - Must not have an offer of job-based coverage
  - Refundable, advance-payment federal tax credit
    - \* You do not have to wait until you file taxes to get the tax credit—it can be applied to the cost of the coverage when you enroll
    - \* Pays a portion of consumer's monthly premium

### How Much Will Coverage Cost?

- \* Varies based on the individual and income
- \* Based on a sliding fee scale for people who's income is <400 FPL

Income	Percent of income required to pay toward premiums
Up to 133% of poverty	2%
133-150% of poverty	3-4%
150-200% of poverty	4-6.3%
200-250% of poverty	6.3-8.05%
250-300% of poverty	8.05-9.5%
300-400% of poverty	9.5%

#### Example #1

- \* 30 year old single female
- \* \$30,000 annual income
- \* 261% federal poverty guidelines
- \* Premium no more than 8.369% of income
  - \* \$2,510.70 a year
  - \* \$209.22 a month

#### Example #2

- \* 40 year old man
- \* Married with 2 children
- \* \$50,000 annual income
- \* 212% federal poverty guidelines
- \* Premium no more than 6.72% of income
  - \* \$3,360 a year
  - \* \$280 a month

#### **Cost Comparison**

#### **Annual Premium**

- \* 30 year old single female
  - **\*** \$2,510.70
- \* 40 year old family man
  - \* \$3,360.00

#### **Healthcare Without Insurance**

- \* Broken arm
  - **\*** \$7,500
- 3-day hospital stay
  - **\*** \$30,000

# Is The Enrollment Process The Same For Everyone?

- \* The enrollment process varies by state.
- \* Some states have chosen to host their own marketplaces, other states have chosen to tie in to the federal site.
- \* Michigan has chosen to tie into the federal program.

You can enroll at www.healthcare.gov

#### Questions?

For more information:

www.healthcare.gov
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