AFFORDABLE CARE ACT (ACA) INFORMATION Healthcare.gov

KEY POINTS:

New Jersey (and PA) has decided to use the **Federally-facilitated Marketplace**.

Individuals wanting to explore coverage options will go to **Healthcare.gov**, **the Health Insurance Marketplace** to find information and enroll.

ENROLLING

Enrollment period is October 1, 2013 to March 31, 2014.

If you enroll by December 15, 2013, insurance goes into effect on January 1, 2014. Thereafter, enrollment will be yearly from October 15 to December 7.

Enroll at www.healthcare.gov, by phone 1-800-318-2596, or by mail.

Getting Ready to Enroll:

https://www.healthcare.gov/how-can-i-get-ready-to-enroll-in-the-marketplace/ Checklist of what you will need to apply:

https://www.healthcare.gov/downloads/MarketplaceApp_Checklist_Generic.pdf

Four steps to enroll:

- 1. Create Account
- 2. Apply need information about income and family members (see checklist).
- 3. Pick plan compare qualified health plans
- 4. Enroll

There is a **toll-free hotline** for assistance – **1-800-318-2596**, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. (TTY: 1-855-889-4325) Help available in English and 150 other languages.

Healthcare.gov has a **Live Chat** button on screen.

FINDING IN-PERSON HELP:

Grant funded Navigators provide assistance to people signing up for insurance both online and in print.

For the South Jersey area, the **Center for Family Services** will provide trained navigators. Contact information: 877-922-2377 or www.centerffs.org

Camden County Area health centers offering enrollment assistance:

Camcare Health Corporation, 817 Federal St, Camden, NJ, 856-541-8217 Project Hope, 622 Cooper St, Camden, NJ, 856-541-6092

GENERAL INFORMATION

How does the health care law protect me:

https://www.healthcare.gov/how-does-the-health-care-law-protect-me/

Timeline of ACA law:

https://www.healthcare.gov/timeline-of-the-health-care-law/

MedlinePlus Insurance (frequent updates on ACA)

http://www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/healthinsurance.html

National Libraries of Medicine ACA resources:

http://guides.nnlm.gov/mar_aca

MEDICAID

The Affordable Care Act includes an expansion of Medicaid. Not every state is participating in the expansion of Medicaid. **New Jersey is participating**. Medicaid enrollment will be coordinated with health care enrollment so individuals who qualify for Medicaid will be directed to information about it within the Heathcare.gov site.

Status of State Action on the Medicaid Expansion Decision (Kaiser Family Foundation):

http://kff.org/medicaid/state-indicator/state-activity-around-expanding-medicaid-underthe-affordable-care-act/

For questions about New Jersey Medicaid, call 1-800-356-1561.

NJ Medicaid office for Camden County: Camden County Board of Social Services Althea R. Wright Administration Building 600 Market Street Camden, NJ 08102 856-225-8800

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