

# #MiCoverage and the 2021 Special Enrollment Period



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## **DIFS**

#### **DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES**

- Regulates MI insurance and financial services industries.
- Serves as a consumer protection agency and promotes the availability of sound and secure insurance and financial services.
- Offers free help to anyone looking for assistance with their health insurance.







## Why Do I Need Health Insurance?

- Provides financial protection in case of accident or sickness.
- Provides access to free preventive care which can help prevent disease.
- Can lower medical costs even before you meet your deductible.

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#### How Do I Get Health Insurance?

- Just get started: you have options to get affordable health coverage!
- Special Enrollment Period runs February 15 May 15
- No wrong way to begin:
  - HealthCare.gov during current Special Enrollment
    Period or Open Enrollment
  - Michigan.gov/MiBridges to apply for Medicaid
  - Healthcare.gov/screener for Special Enrollment Periods

#### Michigan.gov/HealthInsurance



#### Will I Be Able to Afford Health Insurance?

During Open Enrollment 2020: 90% of enrollees got subsidies and 75% are paying less than \$50 per month for coverage!

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### What If I Need Help?

- There is free, local enrollment help available!
- Visit HealthCare.gov/Find-Assistance or call 800-318-2596:
  - Navigators
  - Agents
  - Assisters
- Visit Michigan.gov/MiBridges or call 855-789-5610 for Medicaid, Healthy Michigan Plan, and other assistance





## **Special Enrollment Period Reminders**

- Special Enrollment Period Ends: May 15
- Coverage begins the 1st of the month after you enroll
- Contact DIFS with Questions: 877-999-6442 or Michigan.gov/HealthInsurance





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## **Future Opportunities**

- Open Enrollment 2021
- Special Enrollment Period:
  - Birth or adoption
  - Death in the household
  - Marriage
  - Divorce or legal separation
  - Moving to a new zip code or county
  - Losing qualifying health insurance
  - FEMA emergency
  - Leaving incarceration





#### **Consumer Assistance**

- Website
- Publications/Guides
- Town Halls:
  - March 18 at 11:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.
- Tips on shopping for insurance
- File a complaint or appeal
- Report fraud



Michigan.gov/HealthInsurance



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# Community and Task Force Support

- Get the word out to communities
- Host a health insurance town hall
- Connect Michiganders with the resources they need at Michigan.gov/HealthInsurance







## Michigan Department of Insurance and Financial Services

877-999-6442 Michigan.gov/healthinsurance