About HCSF

As the preferred partner for strategic and community-based planning in Miami-Dade and Monroe counties, the Health Council of South Florida (HCSF) is committed to assisting with efficient and effective implementation of the Affordable Care Act in our community.

Mission

To be the source of unbiased health and quality of life data and analysis; the preferred partner for quality program planning, management, evaluation, and community services; the facilitator of collaboration and partnerships in Miami-Dade and Monroe counties; and the trusted champion for ethical and targeted healthcare policy at the local, state, and national levels.

Vision

To be the organization of choice that drives integration, collaboration and engagement for improved health and wellness in the communities we serve.

For more information about the HCSF, please call the Health Council Team at 305-592-1452 or visit our website at www.miamidadematters.org/ACA

For more information on the Affordable Care Act and Health Insurance Marketplace or to book an appointments with a Certified Application Counselor, please contact the Health Council of South Florida at (305) 592-1452.

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THE HEALTH INSURANCE MARKETPLACE AND YOU

Older Adults

Who Qualifies

For Individuals 65 years or older

The Health Insurance Marketplace does not offer benefits for people with Medicare. The Marketplace is for people who are under the age of 65 and uninsured, underinsured, or looking for additional insurance options. If you are over the age of 65 and already have Medicare, you will not be subject to penalties.

If you are 55-64 years old

People who are uninsured, underinsured, or do not have access to affordable health care should review their options in the Health Insurance Marketplace.

While you await Medicare, review your options in the Marketplace. Depending on your income, you may obtain cost assistance to help pay for your Marketplace plan premium and out of pocket costs. The Marketplace will screen you for your eligibility in the Marketplace as well as Medicaid.

Learn more about Medicare and the Health Insurance Marketplace, please visit, www.healthcare.gov.

Benefits of Health Insurance

No one plans to get sick or hurt, but most people will require medical care at some point. Health coverage helps pay for these costs and protects you from very high expenses.

Plans available in the Health Insurance Marketplace (and most other plans) provide free preventative care, like vaccines and check ups. They also cover some costs for prescription drugs.

Required Documentation

When you applying for coverage in the Health Insurance Marketplace, you will need to provide some information about yourself and your household:

- Income
- Current insurance
- Household size

The following information is also required:

- Social Security number (SSN)
- Date of Birth
- Paystub, W-2 forms, or other information about your family's income
- Policy/member numbers for any current health coverage
- Information about any health coverage available through your employment

Fore more information on Medicare, please visit www.medicare.gov

Deadlines

The Health Insurance Marketplace open enrollment period for 2014 ends on **March 31, 2014**. If you miss the deadline, the next open enrollment will begin November 15, 2014 and will run through February 15, 2015.

Contacts

For additional information about the Affordable Care Act and Health Insurance Marketplace, please visit www.healthcare.gov or call 1-800-318-2596.

Residents of Miami-Dade County can visit the Miami Matters website at www.miamidadematters.org/ACA.

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