Navigator/CAC Statewide Webinar

February 3, 2021, 12:30 p.m.

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During the webinar, please use the “chat” feature in the lower right-hand corner to submit questions!
Special Enrollment Period

- Following the Biden administration announcement of a nationwide special enrollment period, MNsure will also reopen for a three-month open enrollment period.

- The SEP is for uninsured Minnesotans, or those currently enrolled outside of MNsure. (No re-shopping for those currently enrolled through MNsure.)

- The SEP begins Tuesday, February 16 and ends Monday, May 17. (Note the slightly different dates from the federal SEP.)

- Coverage will begin on the first day of the month following sign-up date. For example, Minnesotans who sign-up for coverage in February will have a March 1 start date, sign-ups in April will have a May 1 start date, and those who sign up by May 17 will have a June 1 coverage start date.
Additional pandemic aid and QHPs

- Economic stimulus payment:
  - Individuals with income up to $75,000 ($150,000 for joint returns) will receive a payment of $600, plus $600 per qualifying child, with the amount being incrementally reduced to zero for individuals with higher levels of income.
  - This payment is not considered taxable income and consumers should not include it when reporting their income.
  - These payments will not be used when reconciling advanced premium tax credit (APTC) eligibility.
Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation (FPUC)

- Temporary $300 supplement to unemployment insurance (UI) benefits available through March 14, 2021.

- FPUC payments do not count as income for Medical Assistance (MA) applicants or enrollees. Regular UI benefits continue to count as income for MA.
  - FPUC payments and regular UI payments retained after the month of receipt count as an asset for MA applicants and enrollees with an asset limit.

- FPUC payments and regular UI benefits count in a person’s projected annual income (PAI) for MinnesotaCare applicants and enrollees, advance premium tax credits (APTC) and cost-sharing reductions (CSR).
‘Income information from Electronic Sources’ screen: *If any unemployment income shown includes a $300/week supplemental payment, please remove your unemployment income and then answer “Yes” to having other income. The $300/week supplemental payment should not be included on this page. You will include it on the “Annual Income” page later in the application.*
‘Enter Income Details’ screen: *Do not include your $300/week supplemental payment in the amount of unemployment benefits you enter in the “Amount” section of this page. You will include it on the “Annual Income” page later in the application. Report all other unemployment compensation, including the $100/week Mixed Earner Unemployment Compensation supplemental payment, if you received that payment.*
‘Annual Income’ screen: *If you received unemployment income that included a supplemental payment of $300/week, add it to your projected annual income for 2021. Choose “No” for the question “Is this what you expect applicant’s annual income to be?” and update the amount. Include the $300/week supplemental payment, all other unemployment income, and any other income you will receive in 2021. Do not include the recovery rebate (stimulus payment) received in 2021.*
Other Announcements…

- Reminder that MNsure will be closed on Monday, February 15 in observance of Presidents’ Day. That includes the Contact Center, Assister Resource Center and Broker Service Line.

- Annual Assister Open Enrollment survey coming later this month!
Thank You for Attending!

To submit questions via chat, click on the “chat” bubble image on the bottom of your screen to access this feature.