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# Time is Running Out for Nevadans to Get Health Insurance Coverage by January 1 on NevadaHealthLink.com

#### WHAT:

With Open Enrollment going on now through Nevada's official health insurance marketplace known as <a href="NevadaHealthLink.com">NevadaHealthLink.com</a>, there are less than two weeks left for Nevadans to get coverage starting the first of the new year. Nevadans must enroll in a plan by 11:59 p.m. on December 31, 2024, for their health insurance coverage to be effective starting January 1, 2025.

Those who don't enroll by December 31 will still have a chance to enroll in coverage through January 15, 2025, however, those who enroll between January 1 and January 15, 2025, will have coverage beginning February 1, 2025.

Open Enrollment began on November 1 and since then, over 30,000 Nevadans have actively enrolled in a plan, with 15,236 being new to enroll on Nevada Health Link.

The Open Enrollment Period is the only time of year Nevadans can freely enroll in a health insurance plan through NevadaHealthLink.com without experiencing a qualifying life event, such as getting married, having a baby or moving.

Cost savings continue to be available, with nearly 9 in 10 enrollees utilizing financial assistance (tax credits) to lower the cost of their monthly premiums. Nearly half pay a net premium of \$100 or less per month for their coverage. Nevada Health Link is the **ONLY** place Nevadans can receive federal tax credits (subsidies) to help offset the cost of monthly premiums.

## WHERE:

Nevadans can visit <u>NevadaHealthLink.com</u> to explore up to **141 Qualified Health Plans through eight brand-name, private insurance carriers** (the number of plans available varies by county) offered on the marketplace.

Nevadans can also seek **free enrollment assistance** from licensed enrollment professionals using the "Find Local Assistance" tool on the website or by calling **1-800-547-2927**. Local brokers and navigators are available in every county to help answer questions, find coverage, and enroll in a plan. Assistance is available over the phone or in person, in multiple languages.

### WHEN:



Nevadans have until **December 31, 2024** at 11:59 p.m. to enroll in a plan in order to get coverage beginning January 1, 2025.

For Nevadans who enroll between **January 1** and **January 15, 2025**, coverage will begin February 1, 2025.

#### WHO:

Nevada Health Link is ideal for individuals without employer-sponsored health insurance, such as freelancers or gig economy workers; individuals whose employer-sponsored health insurance costs more than 9.02% of their household income; individuals who do not qualify for Medicare (65+) or Medicaid (income-based); and new residents of Nevada.

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# **ABOUT NEVADA HEALTH LINK**

NevadaHealthLink.com is Nevada's online health insurance marketplace for qualified and affordable health plans. NevadaHealthLink.com is operated by the state agency, the Silver State Health Insurance Exchange, and is the only place where qualifying consumers can receive federal tax credits to help lower the costs of monthly premiums. The state-based marketplace offers over 140 different plan options across eight health insurance carriers. Nevada Health Link also partners with multiple dental carriers and offers vision plans through VSP. Nevada Health Link is ideal for those who do not qualify for Medicare or Medicaid and do not have employersponsored health insurance. Open Enrollment Period runs from November 1 through January 15. Outside of the Open Enrollment Period, Nevadans who have experienced a Qualifying Life Event (QLE) such as loss of insurance, getting married or divorced, moving or having a baby, can qualify for a Special Enrollment Period. For Nevadans who are not renewed for Medicaid benefits during the redetermination process, qualifying accounts will automatically be transferred to Nevada Health Link. For more information, visit NevadaHealthLink.com; subscribe to Nevada Health Link's YouTube channel; like us on Facebook or follow on Twitter, Instagram and TikTok. Nevada Health Link encourages consumers to use the free assistance of a licensed enrollment professional by calling 1-800-547-2927 or by visiting NevadaHealthLink.com.