



## Enroll Palm Beach Newsletter

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### **HHS Releases Marketplace Rate Snapshot for Florida**

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services released a rate snapshot of health insurance marketplace rates for plans offered in Florida that shows there will be a 1.20% increase for second lowest cost silver plans offered in 2016. Click here for full article.

### **Fact Sheet: Outlining the 2016 Resources for the Marketplace:**

Consumer Improvements at HealthCare.gov is available here -

<https://www.cms.gov/Newsroom/MediaReleaseDatabase/Fact-sheets/2015-Fact-sheets-items/2015-10-23.html>

**Attached:** Social Media digital content for 2016 Open Enrollment

### **10 million people expected to have Marketplace coverage at end of 2016**

HHS aims to sign up more than 1 out of every 4 uninsured consumers eligible for coverage

U.S. Health and Human Services (HHS) Secretary Sylvia M. Burwell announced today that she expects 10 million individuals to be enrolled in coverage through the Health Insurance Marketplaces and paying their premiums – so-called effectuated coverage – at the close of 2016.

Click link for more details: <http://www.hhs.gov/news/press/2015pres/10/20151015a.html>

### **Medicare Open Enrollment Started**

Individuals with Medicare can shop for high quality health and drug plans

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) announced the beginning of the Medicare Open Enrollment period where people with Medicare can shop for a Medicare Advantage (MA) or Prescription Drug Plan (PDP) for 2016. The Medicare Open Enrollment period happens every year from October 15 through December 7.

Click the link for details: <https://www.cms.gov/Newsroom/MediaReleaseDatabase/Press-releases/2015-Press-releases-items/2015-10-15.html> Contact our local community partners to assist individuals apply for benefits such as Your Aging Disability Resource Center-SHINE, AARP for additional resource.

### **5 Messages Consumer need to hear: Time to Get Covered!**

- Financial help is available to help lower your insurance cost
- In person enrollment help is available
- Coverage help protects your health and wallet
- New plans and prices are available
- Fines for not having coverage –it's going up this year!

### **Upcoming Trainings**

#### **DCF Office of Economic Opportunity Community Partner Training**

The next training will take place on November 5, 2015. This training is for new partners, new staff, or any staff needing a refresher. Subject: Overview of ESS Programs and Application.

Date: November 5, 2015. Time: 9am- noon.

Location: 111 S Sapodilla Ave, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor/Conference Room 1, West Palm Beach, FL.

Please email Teresa Janeczek at [Teresa.Janeczek@myflfamilies.com](mailto:Teresa.Janeczek@myflfamilies.com) to reserve your spot.

