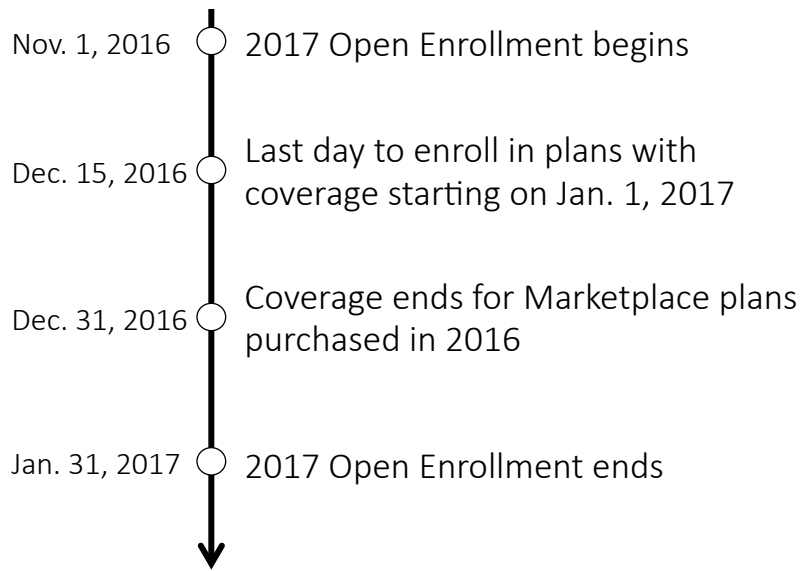


# 2017 Open Enrollment 101: enrollment period runs from Nov. 1, 2016 to Jan. 31, 2017

## Important dates and information for Obamacare Open Enrollment 2017



**Special enrollment period**

- Once the 2016 Open Enrollment Period ends, individuals may enroll in or change their Health Insurance Marketplace plan if a life event qualifies them for the Special Enrollment Period
- Qualifying life events include: losing health insurance, getting married, having a child, moving to a new zip code

**Things to know about the Health Insurance Marketplace**

1. The Marketplace is for people who do not receive health insurance from an employer, Medicare, Medicaid, CHIP, or another source of qualifying coverage
2. Savings on the healthcare exchanges depend on a beneficiary's household income for the year; an income estimate will determine whether a household qualifies for a premium tax credits that lowers a plan's monthly premium
3. There are four options to apply for coverage: online, by phone, with in-person help and with a paper application
4. Those without health insurance may have to pay a fee, which in 2016 was the higher of either 2.5% of a household's income, or \$695 per adult

Sources: HealthCare.gov

# 2017 Open Enrollment 101: what information is necessary to apply for coverage in the health exchanges?

## Health Insurance Marketplace application checklist

- Information about household size and who in a household needs coverage
- Home and mailing address for everyone applying for coverage
- Social Security numbers for everyone applying for coverage
- Information about the professional helping you apply
- Document information for legal immigrants
- Information on how you file taxes
- Employer and income information for every member of your household
- Best estimate for household income in 2017
- Policy numbers for current health insurance plans covering household members
- Completed “Employer Coverage Tools” for all eligible job-based plans
- Notices from current plan that include your plan ID, if you have or had health coverage in 2016

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