

Affordable Care Act Information

The Open Enrollment period for 2015 ACA Health Insurance coverage is November 15, 2014 to February 15, 2015.

Health Insurance Community Events

Local nonprofit group [Affordable Care Act Volunteers of Monroe County](#) is hosting recurring health insurance community events at the Library. Learn about health insurance options under the new healthcare law with tailored one-on-one sessions answering the question: *What's in it for you and your family??* and meet with one of their trained Navigators to sign up or renew your health insurance.

Sign up by Phone or get Information about Events

Call the [Healthcare.gov](#) call center 24 hours a day to sign up by phone (800) 318-2596. To find out about local events to help you get covered, call Cover Monroe at (812) 269-2991. Upcoming sessions are in the box to the left.

Where can I get answers about the Affordable Care Act?

The ACA website, [Healthcare.gov](#) is the easiest place to start. The website maintains two areas that provide answers to frequently asked questions:

- The [Healthcare.gov blog](#)
- The [Healthcare.gov "Get Answers" page](#)

How does the Affordable Care Act affect me?

If you already have health insurance, you do not have to do anything due to the new health care law. If you are uninsured or do not get insurance through your job or Medicare, the Health Insurance Marketplace may be for you.

If you do not know how the new law affects you, use the [Health Law Helper](#).

The [Health Law Helper](#) is a free, accurate, and unbiased informational tool designed for individuals. You will not be required to give your name or any contact information.

What assistance does the Library offer?

At the Library you can:

- Get assistance finding relevant, reliable information on insurance and health topics
- Use technology (computers, Internet, printing) to find information and complete applications on your own
- Find information about Marketplace navigators who can help you sign up for a plan
- Attend public information sessions (listed in the sidebar to the left)

I want more information. For instance, how much is the new law going to cost me?

For reliable, detailed information about the Affordable Care Act, visit the [Kaiser Family Foundation's](#) website on health reform. The Kaiser Family Foundation website provides accurate information for consumers, including the very useful [Health Insurance Subsidy Calculator](#).

You may also try these useful links:

- [Ten Ways to Get Ready for the Health Insurance Marketplace](#)¹⁴
- [Four Steps to Getting Covered in the Health Insurance Marketplace](#)¹⁵
- [Indiana Health Insurance Consumer Help](#)¹⁶ (from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services)
- [Get Ready to Apply](#)¹⁷ (tips and checklists from Healthcare.gov)
- [Healthcare.gov Glossary](#)¹⁸ (explains concepts such as premiums, deductibles, how much a plan will cost overall)

I'm ready to enroll. What do I need?

You will need the following paperwork in order to enroll at the [Health Insurance Marketplace](#) .:

- ? Social Security numbers (or document numbers for legal immigrants)
- ? Birth dates of family members
- ? Pay stubs, W-2 forms, or "Wage and Tax Statements"
- ? Policy numbers for any current health insurance
- ? Information about any health insurance the family could qualify for from an employer

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Links

- [1] <https://mcpl.info/getinfo/affordable-care-act-information>
- [2] <https://www.meritone.org>
- [3] <https://www.healthcare.gov/>
- [4] <https://www.healthcare.gov/blog/>
- [5] <https://www.healthcare.gov/get-answers/>
- [6] <https://www.healthcare.gov/help/>
- [7] <https://kff.org/health-reform/>
- [8] <https://kff.org/interactive/subsidy-calculator/>
- [9] <https://www.healthcare.gov/blog/10-ways-to-get-ready-for-the-health-insurance-marketplace/>
- [10] <https://www.healthcare.gov/blog/4-steps-to-getting-covered-in-the-health-insurance-marketplace/>
- [11] <https://www.cms.gov/CCIIO/Resources/Consumer-Assistance-Centers/in.html>
- [12] <https://www.healthcare.gov/apply-and-enroll/get-ready-to-apply/>
- [13] <https://www.healthcare.gov/glossary/>