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Open enrollment for health coverage ending soon

Two public events planned to provide help with health insurance enrollment

SARASOTA. FL – The deadline for enrollment in the Health Insurance Marketplace for coverage this year is Jan. 31, 2017. Enrollment is easy and most people qualify for monthly savings. Certified Application Counselors and Navigators are available to assist you with understanding your 2017 health coverage options at health insurance enrollment events. The south county event is a partnership with Venice Regional Bayfront Health.

SARASOTA

Tuesday, Jan. 10, 11 a.m.–3 p.m. North Sarasota Library 2801 Newtown Blvd.

VENICE

Thursday, Jan. 12, 4–8 p.m. Venice Regional Bayfront Health 540 The Rialto



Reservations are strongly encouraged to ensure adequate staffing. Call 941-961-8575 to make an appointment.

<u>Click here</u> for more information on how individuals who are uninsured can get free help in reviewing health plan options and cost estimates in less than 10 minutes.

When you apply for coverage or renew on the Health Insurance Marketplace, you will need to provide some information about you and your household. This includes income, any insurance you currently have, and some additional items.

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Please bring the following to the enrollment events:

- State or federally issued identification information for all members of your family to include age, social security numbers, or legal permanent resident/green card or visa numbers.
- Income for all family members because you will have to estimate your 2017 family income to get your financial assistance (pay stub or tax forms, or other documents showing income.)
- Information about insurance offered through your job or your spouse's job. This information, including how much it costs for a single plan is needed, even if you and your spouse are not enrolled in that plan.

For more local information, visit <u>www.sarasotahealth.org</u> or call 941-861-2900.

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