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## OPEN ENROLLMENT AND RENEWALS FOR THE 2026 PLAN YEAR

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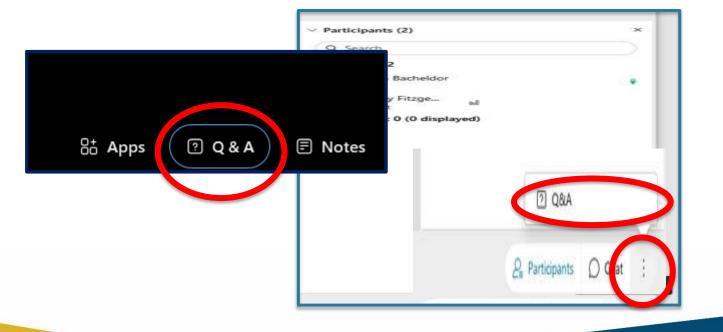
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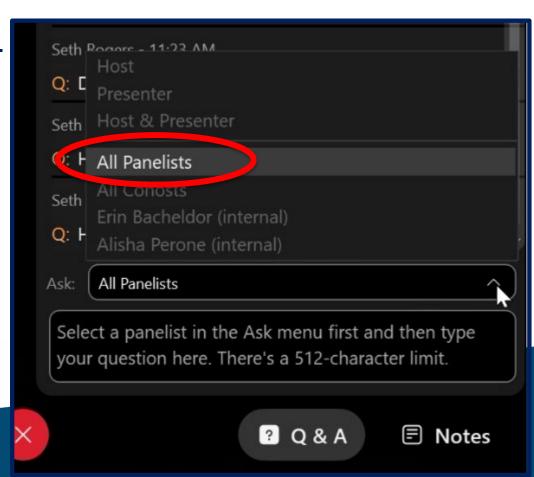


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We'll take questions at the end of today's presentation.





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- "The Webinar was exceptional, especially the mini trainings that were sent prior to the training with slides, that we can refer to at a later date."
- "The information on homelessness addresses, domestic violence and Authorized Representatives were very helpful."

### **TODAY'S PRESENTATION**



### <u>Introductions</u>

Alicia Neznek Director, Bureau of Consumer Assistance and Training

### <u>Panelists</u>

Jason Carey Chief Marketing Officer, NY State of Health

Andrea Heidelmark Assistant Director, Bureau of System Quality Assurance and Business Requirements

Kelvin Sapp Deputy Director, Communications, Outreach & Marketing, NY State of Health

Sonia Sekhar Deputy Director, NY State of Health

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### TODAY'S AGENDA



### Open Enrollment and Renewals

- Open Enrollment for Qualified Health Plans
- Important Dates
- The Three Standard Types of Renewals
- Individual Eligibility for Those Who are Due to Renew
- NY State of Health Email, Text, and WhatsApp Messages
- NY State of Health Communication Tools
- Using the Assistor Dashboard



# Open Enrollment For Qualified Health Plans (QHPs) For the 2026 Plan Year

### **OPEN ENROLLMENT**



### <u>Annual Open Enrollment – Plan Year 2026</u> <u>Begins November 1, 2025</u> Ends January 31, 2026

- NY State of Health expects to renew coverage for over 1 million members and enroll new people into coverage during Open Enrollment.
- Details about 2026 plan options will be released in early October.
- Enrollment in Medicaid, the Essential Plan and Child Health Plus is open all year.

### IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2026 OPEN ENROLLMENT AND RENEWALS



Date	Action		
October 1, 2025	2026 plans will appear on the Compare Plans and Estimate Costs Tool (Anonymous Plan Search Tool) for browsing.		
By November 1, 2025	<ul> <li>Renewal Notices will be mailed.</li> <li>These notices are sent to individuals eligible for renewal of their:</li> <li>Qualified Health Plans (QHPs) including subsidized and Full Pay QHPs.</li> <li>Medicaid, Child Health Plus, and Essential Plan coverage ending on 12/31/2025.</li> <li>Annual renewal noticed for Medicaid, Child Health Plus, and Essential Plan will be sent on a rolling schedule.</li> </ul>		
November 1, 2025	Open Enrollment begins for <u>new</u> applicants.		
November 16, 2025	<ul> <li>2026 QHP Renewals Begin.</li> <li>Renewing consumers may enroll/renew in a QHP.</li> <li>Consumers can update their account if needed and enroll in a plan for coverage starting on January 1, 2026.</li> </ul>		
<b>December 15, 2025</b>	Deadline to enroll for January 1, 2026 coverage.		
January 31, 2026	Open Enrollment closes for QHPs.		

### IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2026 OPEN ENROLLMENT AND RENEWALS



Individuals enrolling in coverage <u>for the first time</u> during Open Enrollment should review their coverage start date carefully.

For	When Enrollment is Completed	Coverage Begins
New Application	November 1 - December 15	January 1, 2026
New Application	December 16 - January 15	February 1, 2026
New Application	January 16 – January 31	March 1, 2026

### APTC LEVEL REMINDER



The Inflation Reduction Act is currently providing enhanced tax credits for Qualified Health Plan consumers through the end of 2025.

- As of today 9/24/2025, these expanded tax credits have not yet been extended by Congress. If they are not extended, APTC will no longer be available to consumers over 400% FPL in 2026.
  - If the enhanced tax credits are extended beyond 2025, we will notify Assistors ASAP with updated information and an updated version of the chart below.
- The applicable percentage that determines a consumer's expected contribution towards the cost of their health insurance has increased from last year.

Annual Household Income		Expected Premium Contribution		
% of FPL	Income Amount*	% of Income		Monthly Dollar Amount**
>250% - <u>&lt;</u> 300%	\$39,125 – \$46,950	8.44% - 9.96%	\$3,302 – \$4,676	\$275 - \$390
>300% - <u>&lt;</u> 400%	\$46,950 - \$62,600	9.96%	\$4,676 - \$6,235	\$390 - \$520
>400%	>\$62,600	No Longer Eligible for APTC		

<sup>\*</sup>for a household of one (1) based on 2025 FPLs (Used for 2026 QHP Eligibility)

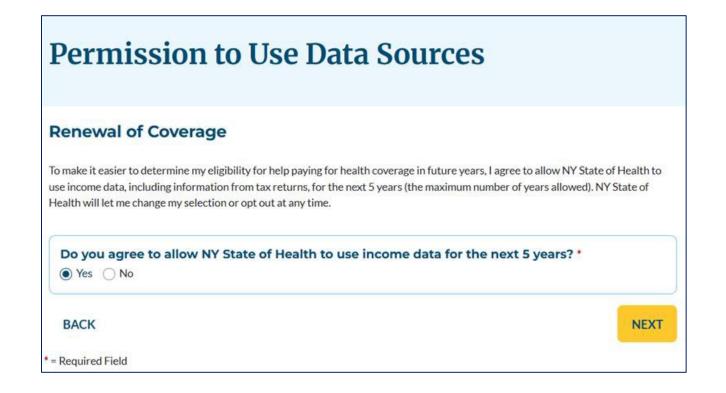
<sup>\*\*</sup>dollar amounts are if consumer purchased the second lowest cost silver plan



# Three Types of Renewals

### RENEWAL OF COVERAGE QUESTION





Permission to Use Data Sources				
enewal of Coverage				
make it easier to determine my eligibility for help paying for health coverage in future years, I agree to allow NY State of Health to e income data, including information from tax returns, for the next 5 years (the maximum number of years allowed). NY State of ealth will let me change my selection or opt out at any time.				
Do you agree to allow NY State of Health to use income data for the next 5 years? *				
Yes  No				
give permission for my eligibility for help paying for health insurance to be renewed for a period of: *				
4 years				
3 years 2 years				
1 year				
✓ Don't use tax data to automatically renew my eligibility for help paying for health coverage. I understand that NY State of Health will need to access tax data when I renew on my own.				
Selecting this option may impact your ability to get help paying for health coverage at renewal.				
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Required Field				

### THREE TYPES OF RENEWALS



- 1. Automatic Renewal With Auto-Enrollment
  - No action required.
- 2. Automatic Renewal Without Auto-Enrollment
  - Action required: Consumer must select and enroll in a plan.
- 3. Manual Renewal
  - Action required: Consumer must update their application.

### AUTO-ENROLLMENT



- Consumers will have their eligibility renewed using verified income from the consumer, along with state and federal data sources.
  - Consumer-documented income must have been verified by the Marketplace within the past five (5) months.



### For members renewing a QHP:

- Consumers will receive a notice by November 1<sup>st</sup> with 2026 premium information, including the APTC applied (if applicable).
  - No action is needed if the consumer agrees with the information in their notice.
  - The notice will list the income used which determines the amount of APTC the consumer is eligible for, in the section titled "How We Made Our Decision."
  - If the consumer does <u>not</u> agree with the automatic renewal determination, they may update their application.
    - □ Updates can be made starting 11/16/2025 and must be completed by 12/15/2025 to ensure no interruption of coverage for 1/1/2026.
- Enrollment into the plan (if the same plan is available in 2026) will be automatically completed by the Marketplace.

### AUTOMATIC RENEWALS WITH AUTO-ENROLLMENT, CONTINUED



It is renewal time and NO ACTION is required for the following individuals:

Sam Smith Marketplace ID: HX0012365859

CHANGE IN ELIGIBILITY:

You qualify for premium tax credit to help pay for your health insurance coverage, effective **January 01, 2026**. Your tax credit amount for **2026** is **\$430.00** per month.

You can apply all or part or none of this credit to your monthly bill.

**Product:** Ambetter from Fidelis Care Silver Enhanced, Silver, NS, INN, Fidelis Care HBX Network, Dep 25, Family Vision, Free Telemedicine Program, Family Dental

Start Date: January 01, 2026

NO ACTION REQUIRED:

Your health insurance coverage has not changed. We re-enrolled you into the same product that you had before. Contact your insurance company if you have questions about covered services or providers.

If you want to make a change, you must do so between **November 16, 2025** and **December 15, 2025**. See the section of this notice, "*How and When to Make Changes to Your Account or Coverage.*"

### AUTOMATIC RENEWALS WITH AUTO-ENROLLMENT, CONTINUED



#### How and When to Make Changes to Your Account or Coverage

Follow the steps below -

- IF ... NY State of Health has requested that you complete the renewal process by updating some information (for example, pick a health plan or update information in your application);
- IF ... Anything has changed in your life that may affect your health insurance coverage or financial assistance;
- IF ... You are enrolled in a plan and want to see if you have other coverage options.
- **Step 1.** Go to <a href="https://www.nystateofhealth.ny.gov">www.nystateofhealth.ny.gov</a> and log into your account.

OR

Contact a Navigator or Certified Application Counselor. These individuals, located at a community-based organizations and health plans, are trained to help you understand your health insurance coverage options and enroll in coverage. If you already are enrolled in a plan, you can also call your health plan for assistance.

Step 2. Make changes for you and/or your household members. You need to make the changes between **November 16**, 2025 and **December 15**, 2025 to see what you qualify for on January 01, 2026.

Below are some events in your life or a household member's life that could affect what health insurance coverage you are re-enrolled in, who is covered, or how much you pay. Tell us if:

- You move
- Your income changes (only if you are receiving financial assistance)
- You get access to or enroll in the New York State Health Insurance Program (NYSHIP)
- Your eligibility for health insurance from a job changes
- The cost of your health insurance premium from a job changes
- Your household changes. For example, you marry/divorce, become pregnant, or have a child; adopt a child, or a child is placed for adoption with you
- · You become qualified for other health insurance
- There is a change in full-time student status (if applicable to application members)
- There is a change in immigration status
- You change how you plan to file your taxes. For example, you will claim new dependents (only if you are receiving financial assistance)

If you do not report changes within 30 days and they affect your ability to get government help with insurance costs, you may have to pay back some or all of the subsidies you received.

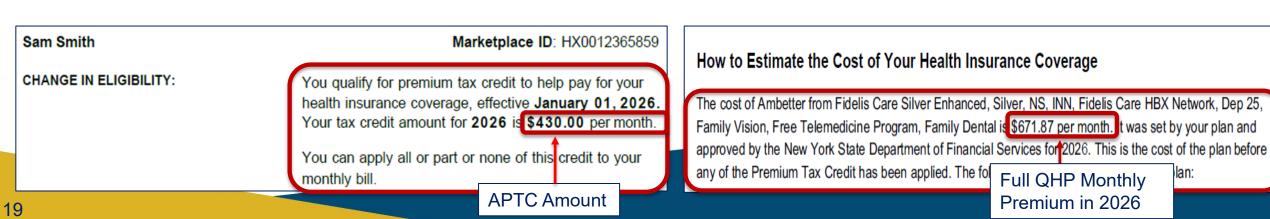
### AUTOMATIC RENEWALS WITH AUTO-ENROLLMENT, CONTINUED



Individuals who were automatically renewed and enrolled in a subsidized QHP for 2026 should read their notice carefully. This information may include their APTC amount and their Full QHP premium which both could have changed from last year.

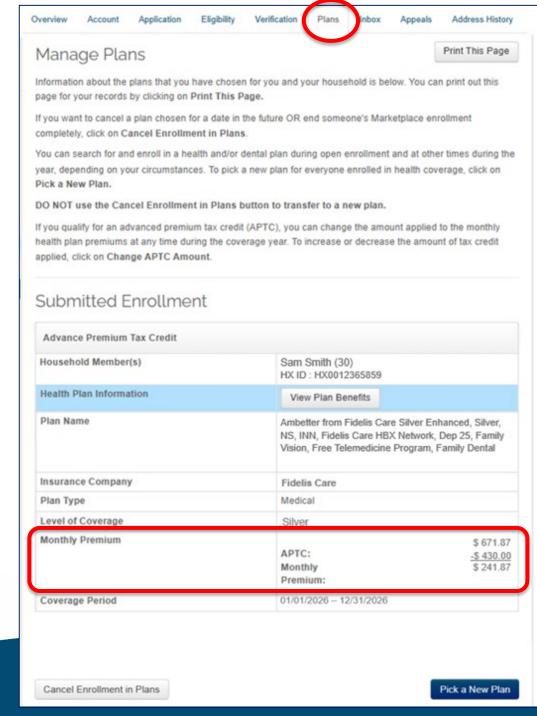
#### APTC Amount Changes for the Next Coverage Year:

- If a consumer is automatically renewed and the amount of APTC that they are eligible for is more than they
  were eligible for in the previous year, the same amount of APTC will be applied.
  - o If the consumer would like to apply that higher APTC amount, help them to access their Plans Tab to do this.
- If the consumer is automatically renewed and eligible for **less** APTC in the upcoming coverage year (and they applied 100% of the amount to their premium last year), then 100% of the revised APTC will be applied in 2026.



Assistors helping consumers who were automatically renewed with auto-enrollment <u>must take extra steps to help the consumer understand their premium responsibility, if any, in 2026</u>.

- On the Consumer's "Plans" tab, review their monthly premium total, minus their APTC amount (being applied monthly) to show their premium responsibility for January.
- The premium and the APTC amounts may have changed from the previous year's amounts. Please make sure the consumer sees this.



Assistors can help the consumer access and review their enrollment notice which includes their "Coverage Information".

Here, the consumer is given the:

- Plan Premium Full Cost of the QHP
- Tax Credit APTC being applied to the premium.
- Consumer Premium Contribution Responsibility Amount





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Sam Smith 3 Second Street Albany NY 1221

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November 19, 2025 Account ID: AC0012121212

### IMPORTANT NOTICE ABOUT YOUR PLAN ENROLLMENT

Dear Sam Smith,

This notice concerns your health insurance through NY State of Health as of November 18, 2025.

If any of the enrollment information listed below is not correct, please call us right away.

ENROLLED IN A INDIVIDUAL PLAN WITH PREMIUM TAX CREDITS:

Plan Name: Ambetter from Fidelis Care Silver Enhanced, Silver, NS, INN, Fidelis Care HBX Network, Dep 25, Family Vision,

Free Telemedicine Program, Family Dental

Insurance Company: Fidelis Care Level of Coverage: Silver

Plan Type: Medical with Dental

Member(s)

Coverage Information

Sam Smith

Marketplace ID: HX001236585

Plan Premium: \$671.87 per month Your Tax Credit: \$430.00 per month Your Premium: \$241.87 per month

Annual Deductible: \$350

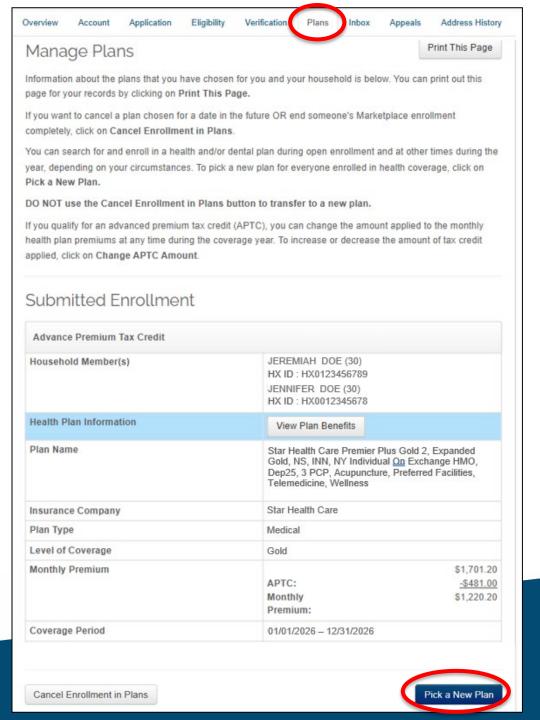
Enrollment Start Date: January 01, 2026

Your advance premium tax credit will be applied to your monthly premium starting on January 01, 2026.

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Assistors helping consumers who were automatically renewed with auto-enrollment must take extra steps to help the consumer understand their premium responsibility in 2026.

- If the consumer wants to change their plan, you can help them do this by clicking on "Pick a New Plan".
- This button will be available through the end of Open Enrollment.





https://info.nystateofhealth.ny.gov/arpavideo

Select the "Plans" tab from the Account Dashboard. Click the "Change APTC Amount" button under "Submitted Enrollment" On the Plan Selection Introduction Page, click "Next" On the "Plan Selection Dashboard" click the "Review Plan Selections" button Jo Bernat -Advanced Premium Tax Credit Up to \$144.40/Month or \$1732.80/Year may be applied to qualifying plan purchases. \*\*If your employer helps you pay for health coverage through the Marketplace, you should subtract the amount you get from your employer from your tax credits. Learn more: https://HealthCare.gov/help/qsehra To change the amount of APTC applied, check and edit the box at the bottom of the page, and click the "Confirm Plan Selections" button \$100.28 Receive confirmation of the change

### AUTO-ENROLLMENT AUTO-ENROLLMENT



### Action Required: Consumer must select and enroll in a plan.

#### This could happen because:

- The consumer became newly eligible for a QHP.
- The consumer's program eligibility changed, and the current plan does not offer a plan in the new program.
- The consumer's current plan will no longer be offered in NY State of Health for the upcoming year.





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October 17, 2025 Account ID: AC0000012345

### Stay Covered! Complete the Renewal for Health Coverage Today!

It's time for you and/or members of your household to renew your health insurance coverage through NY State of Health, The Official Health Plan Marketplace. This letter contains important information about renewing your health insurance coverage.

It is important that you take the steps for each person listed in this notice. To **renew coverage** for members you must **update your NY State of Health application between November 16, 2025 and December 15, 2025**. You may lose your coverage if you do not finish your renewal **ON TIME**. If you miss the deadline to pick a new health plan, you are at risk of not having health insurance coverage for the upcoming year.

Log in at <u>www.nystateofhealth.ny.gov</u> to complete your renewal before your current health insurance coverage ends.

#### It is renewal time for the following individuals an ACTION IS REQUIRED:

Pam Smith

Marketplace ID: HX2222222222

CHANGE IN ELIGIBILITY:

You qualify for a **premium tax credit** to help pay for your health insurance coverage, effective **January 01**, **2026**. Your tax credit amount for **2026** is **\$216.00** per month.

#### **ACTION REQUIRED:**

Please choose a health plan between **November 16**, **2025** and **December 15**, **2025** for the next coverage year. Your coverage will not begin until you choose a plan.

To pick a health plan, see the section of this notice, "How and When to Make Changes to Your Account or Coverage."

You must update the information in your application for members in your household prior to picking a plan.

### MANUAL RENEWALS



- Consumers need to be manually renewed when NY State of Health is unable to automatically renew them based on data sources.
- Consumers due to renew for January coverage MUST update information on or before 12/15/2025 in order to remain enrolled for 1/1/2026.
- Consumers who do not update their information may have a gap in their QHP coverage.
  - MA/CHPlus/EP-eligible consumers may still complete a late renewal after 12/15/2025.

### MANUAL RENEWALS, CONTINUED



Contact us for questions or to find in-person he

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( 1-855-355-5777 (TTY: 1-800-662-1220)



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Log in at <u>www.nystateofhealth.ny.gov</u> to complete your renewal before your current health insurance coverage ends.

#### ACTION IS REQUIRED to the following individuals to renew their health

Peter Smith

Marketplace ID: HX0000000000

Based on the information from federal and state sources, we cannot make a decision about whether you qualify for financial help paying for your health insurance coverage.

Please update the information on your NY State of Health account by **December 15**, **2025** so we can make an appropriate decision.

NOTE: If you miss this deadline, you are at risk of losing your health insurance coverage and if applicable, any financial assistance.

Be aware that you may be able to buy a health plan at NY State of Health at full cost. See the section of this notice titled "How and When to Make Changes to Your Account or Coverage."



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Please update the information on your NY State of Health account by **December 15, 2025** so we can make an appropriate decision.

NOTE: If you miss this deadline, you are at risk of losing your health insurance coverage and if applicable, any financial assistance.

#### How We Made Our Decision

Peter Smith Marketplace ID: HX0000000000

We need more information to complete your renewal for health insurance through NY State of Health. Log in at <a href="https://www.nystateofhealth.ny.gov">www.nystateofhealth.ny.gov</a> or call us to get started to update the information in your account.

The last day to renew your health insurance coverage is **December 15, 2025**. You may lose health insurance coverage for you or your household members if you do not complete your renewal.



## Individual Eligibility For Those Who Are Due to Renew

### INDIVIDUAL RENEWAL PROCESSING



If any household member needs to be manually renewed, NY State of Health will automatically renew the remaining household members (who can be automatically renewed).

- Accounts that have some household members able to be automatically renewed (with or without auto-enrollment)
  and others that need to be manually renewed will be labeled as "Admin & Manual" renewals on the Assistor
  Dashboard.
  - Doing this will increase the number of household members who can be automatically renewed and prevent loss of coverage or gaps in coverage, while still requiring action from household members, as needed.
  - A renewal notice will be sent that gives the renewed household member their updated eligibility, and it will also specify who in the household still needs to take action, and by when.
  - Please note: In an account where one (1) or more household members are able to be automatically renewed without auto-enrollment and another household member needs to be manually renewed, the household members who need to pick a plan will not be able to do so until the manual renewal has been completed.



Contact us for questions or to find in-person help:



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Log in at <a href="https://www.nystateofhealth.ny.gov">www.nystateofhealth.ny.gov</a> to complete your renewal before your current health insurance coverage ends.

#### ACTION IS REQUIRED for the following individuals to renew their health coverage:

Peter Smith

Marketplace ID: HX0000000000

Based on the information from federal and state sources, we cannot make a decision about whether you qualify for financial help paying for your health insurance coverage.

Please update the information on your NY State of Health account by **December 15, 2025** so we can make an appropriate decision.

NOTE: If you miss this deadline, you are at risk of losing your health insurance coverage and if applicable, any financial assistance.

Be aware that you may be able to buy a health plan at NY State of Health at full cost. See the section of this notice titled "How and When to Make Changes to Your Account or Coverage."

#### It is renewal time for the following individuals and ACTION IS REQUIRED

Pam Smith Marketplace ID: HX2222222222

CHANGE IN ELIGIBILITY: You qualify for a premium tax credit to help pay for

your health insurance coverage, effective January 01, 2026. Your tax credit amount for 2026 is \$216.00 per

month.

This tax credit is shared with the following household

member(s): Peter Smith and Pam Smith.

You can apply all or part or none of this credit to your

monthly bill.

You can also get help paying your share of out-of-pocket costs like the deductible - what you must pay before your health plan begins to help pay - or copayments due at the time of service. You must enroll in a Silver Level

health plan to get this benefit.

ACTION REQUIRED: Please choose a health plan between November 16,

2025 and December 15, 2025 for the next coverage year.

Your coverage will not begin until you choose a plan.

To pick a health plan, see the section of this notice, "How and When to Make Changes to Your Account or

Coverage."

You must update the information in your application for members in your household prior to picking a plan.

It is NOT time for the following individuals to renew:

Marketplace ID: HX11111111111

**Baby Smith** 

NO CHANGE IN ELIGIBILITY: You qualify for Child Health Plus at a cost of \$60.00 per

month, per child, effective January 01, 2026.

INSURANCE DETAILS: Insurance Company: Fidelis Care

Program: Child Health Plus

NO ACTION REQUIRED: You will get a notice before your coverage ends letting

you know that it's time to renew your coverage.

### **RULES ON APTC**



Consumers who are found ineligible for tax credits in 2026 due to missing information about their federal taxes should refer to their notice for more information on what to do next to see if they may qualify for APTC. Missing federal tax information could be for one of the following reasons:

- The consumer reported that they do not plan to file a federal tax return.
- The consumer is married and reported that they will file taxes separately from their spouse.
- Advance payments of the premium tax credit were made to their health insurance company to reduce their premium costs within the past year. However, NY State of Health cannot confirm that the APTC was reconciled for that year.

Under federal regulation, consumers may be found ineligible for tax credits in 2026 if they have failed to file or reconcile their APTC that they have received in the past.

### **APTC RECONCILIATION**



The amount of APTC a consumer receives each month in 2026 is based on their estimated 2026 income that they entered into their application.

The actual amount of Premium Tax Credits (PTC) a consumer is eligible for, is determined when the consumer files their 2026 taxes in early 2027. It is based on their <u>actual</u> 2026 income.

Beginning in Tax Year 2026, all individuals who receive excess APTC (meaning their total PTC from IRS Form 8962 is LESS than their advance PTC that they already received) they will be required to repay **all** of the excess tax credits in the form of higher taxes or a smaller refund.

- Previously, there was a repayment cap that varied based on household income (up to 400% FPL).
- Starting in tax year 2026, there will no longer be a repayment cap.

### **APTC RECONCILIATION**



### No APTC Repayment Cap under 400% FPL in Tax Year 2026

While this will apply to plan year 2026 enrollments, consumers will not feel the effect of this change until early 2027 when they file their 2026 taxes. Assistors should make consumers aware of this now, during this year's Open Enrollment period and during all of 2026.

When consumers are reporting their estimated income for PTC purposes:

 Assistors must remind consumers eligible for APTC to report changes in their income (especially if the consumer's income goes up) in their application ASAP. Doing this will adjust the amount of APTC they are eligible for the following month, and they will be less likely to owe money back at tax time.

### **AFFORDABLE COVERAGE IN 2026**



### Employer Health Insurance Affordability Calculator | NY State of Health

\*This tool will be updated for 2026 by the start of Open Enrollment (11/1/2026).

- In 2026, if the employee has an offer of employee-only coverage that is considered affordable (costs them less than 9.96% percent of household income), the employee will not qualify for financial help, but their family members may still be eligible for financial help.
- If the employee must pay more than 9.96% of household income towards the premium for a family plan, the plan is considered unaffordable, and the employee's family members may qualify for financial assistance.

If you as an Assistor, help the consumer to use this calculator and if it shows that they or their family members may qualify for financial help, you may assist them in one of two ways:

- 1. Assist them in calling customer service (1-855-355-5777) to be evaluated further for financial help.
- 2. Assistors can also send the case on an encrypted account review spreadsheet to: Assistor.Cases@health.ny.gov.



# NY State of Health Open Enrollment and Renewal Email Messages

### **OEP & RENEWAL EMAIL MESSAGES**





IT'S TIME TO RENEW YOUR HEALTH INSURANCE



Es momento de renovar su seguro médico

### A "Today's the Day to Renew" email will be sent on November 16:

- To QHP consumers who need to manually renew, for their coverage to continue as of January 1, 2026.
- To inform consumers that the renewal period has started and to encourage them to act between November 16, and December 15, 2025.
- Will be sent in both English and Spanish.

# **OEP & RENEWAL EMAIL MESSAGES**





TAKE THE NEXT STEP - ENROLL TODAY



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A "Reminder to Pick a Plan" email message will be sent throughout Open Enrollment beginning in mid-November:

- During Open Enrollment to new or renewing consumers who have a QHP determination for 2026 but have yet to pick a plan.
  - Renewing consumers who are receiving these emails have already received their renewal notice and have yet to enroll in a plan.
- Will be sent in both English and Spanish.

# **OEP & RENEWAL EMAIL MESSAGES**





### A "Reminder to Renew" email message will be sent in early December:

- To QHP consumers who need to manually renew for January 1, 2026 coverage, but have yet to complete their renewal.
- Encourages consumers to review the renewal notice that they have already received and to take action by December 15, 2025.
- Will be sent in both English and Spanish.

# **OEP & RENEWAL EMAIL MESSAGES**





DON'T MISS OUT ON 2026 COVERAGE



NO DEJE PASAR SU COBERTURA DE 2026

"Deadline Reminder" email messages will be sent in mid-December, mid-January, and late January:

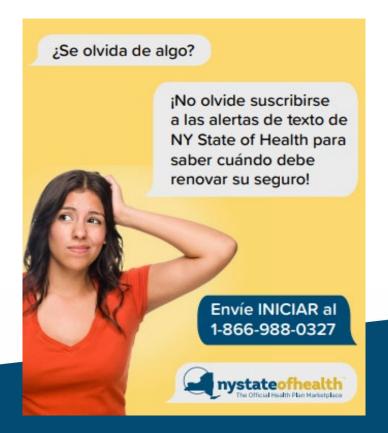
- To QHP consumers who need to manually renew for 2026 coverage but have yet to complete their renewal, as well as new applicants who have been determined eligible but have not yet enrolled.
- Encourages consumers to take action by December 15 (in the mid-December message), January 15 (in the mid-January message), or January 31 (in the late January message).
- Will be sent in both English and Spanish.

## **TEXT MESSAGES**



Assistors should also encourage consumers to watch for text alerts so they can receive updates and enrollment reminders.





# WHATSAPP MESSAGES



# Assistors should be aware that NY State of Health uses WhatsApp for messaging to consumers.



- WhatsApp is a free messenger app for smartphones and tablets that lets consumers make video, voice calls, and send messages through the app directly.
- WhatsApp uses Wi-Fi and doesn't require a cellular network.

Assistors should let consumers know that NY State of Health can send messages via WhatsApp and encourage them to download the App if they would like to begin receiving messages through this channel!



# NY State of Health Communication Tools

# **OUTREACH TOOL KIT**



# https://info.nystateofhealth.ny.gov/OutreachToolKit

### The Outreach Tool Kit features:

- NY State of Health Educational Materials
  - Materials You Can Distribute
    - Rack Cards, Posters, Fact Sheets, At-a-Glance Cards
    - Ordering, Printing, Co-Branding
    - https://info.nystateofhealth.ny.gov/ordermaterials
  - Enrollment Tools to Help Consumers
    - How-to Videos, Plan Comparisons, Cost Estimator, Provider Look-Up Tool

### Outreach Tool Kit

Welcome to the NY State of Health Outreach Tool Kit. This page includes resources for certified enrollment assistors who enroll New Yorkers into health coverage, as well as partner organizations that share information about NY State of Health and encourage New Yorkers to enroll.



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Share these through email, link to them on your website, or order printed versions to distribute.

\*includes program details and income eligibility guidelines for Medicaid, Child Health Plus, Essential Plan, and Qualified

Health Plans

Rack Cards

Posters

Mail Inserts

NY State of Health Programs At a Glance

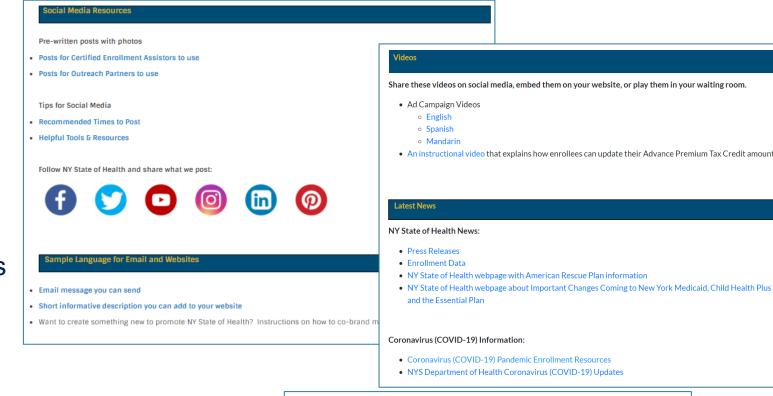
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# **OUTREACH TOOL KIT, CONTINUED**



# https://info.nystateofhealth.ny.gov/OutreachToolKit

- NY State of Health Promotional Resources
  - Social Media Posts with Images
  - Advertising Campaign Videos
  - Email Messages
- Stay Informed with the Latest News
  - Important Reminders
  - Press Releases
  - Enrollment Data



Plan Selection Resources

Find a Navigator here
 Find other Enrollment Assistors here

 How to Find Doctors or Hospitals Working with Health Plans

Dental Plan Comparison Tool
 Videos on How to Compare Plans
 Training Webinars for Consumers

Share these on your website, by email, or on social media

Premium Estimator Tool: compare plans and estimate financial help
 Contact information for Enrollment Assistors, who provide free enrollment help:

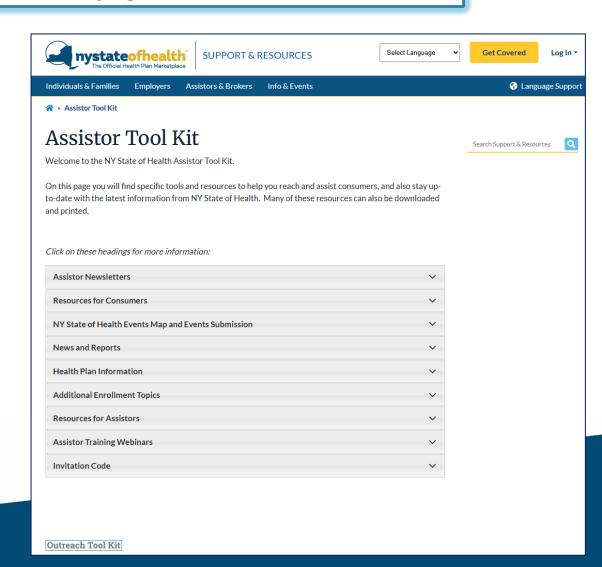
# **Assistor Tool Kit**



# https://info.nystateofhealth.ny.gov/AssistorToolKit

### The Assistor Tool Kit features:

- Specific tools and resources to help you reach and assist consumers (e.g., Plans by County tool, videos, health plan customer service phone numbers)
- Links to stay up-to-date with the latest information from NY State of Health (e.g., press releases and published reports)





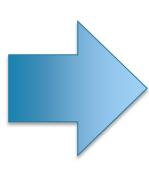
# Using the Assistor Dashboard

How can an
Assistor tell if a
consumer on their
Dashboard needs
to be renewed?

# MY PROFILE TAB AND RENEWAL REMINDER NOTICES

### **Account Preferences**

- ☐ Hide Profile from All Searches
- ☐ Hide Profile from Public Search
- Send me Client Renewal Reminder Notice



If you have questions about this notice, please contact: Assistor.Cases@health.ny.gov.



Erin Test 1 Main Street Albany NY 12205

> November 16, 2025 Account ID: AC0000000000

#### Dear Erin Test.

Thank you for enrolling individual clients on NY State of Health. You are receiving this notice to alert you of individuals, on your dashboard, that are due to renew their health coverage. Note that most individuals must update their application by the 15th of month to renew their coverage. Included in this notice, please find a listing of Account IDs for households with one or more members due to renew within the next 45 days through NY State of Health.

The information included in this notice is believed to be accurate and is for general information purposes only. While every effort has been made to ensure an accurate report, NY State of Health provides no guarantee regarding the accuracy of this report, therefore accepts no liability what so ever for any information subsequently proved incorrect.

If you have questions or need assistance, please contact NY State of Health at 1-855-355-5777 or <a href="https://www.nystateofhealth.ny.gov">https://www.nystateofhealth.ny.gov</a>. There is no charge for these services.

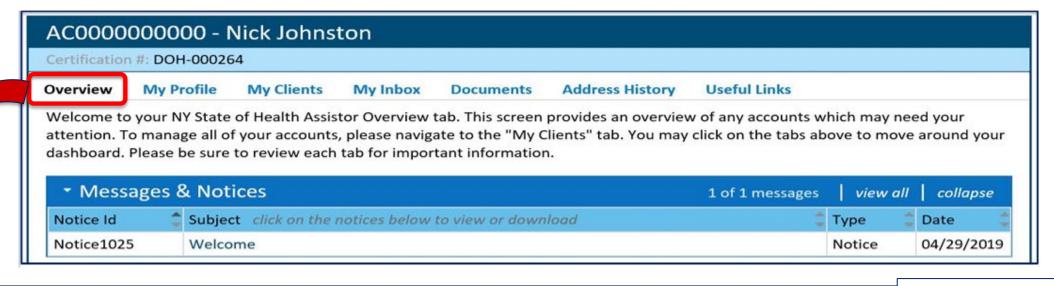
If you need this information in a language other than English, or you need assistance reading this letter we can help you. Call 1-855-355-5777 (TTY - English: 1-800-662-1220; TTY - Spanish: 1-877-662-4886).

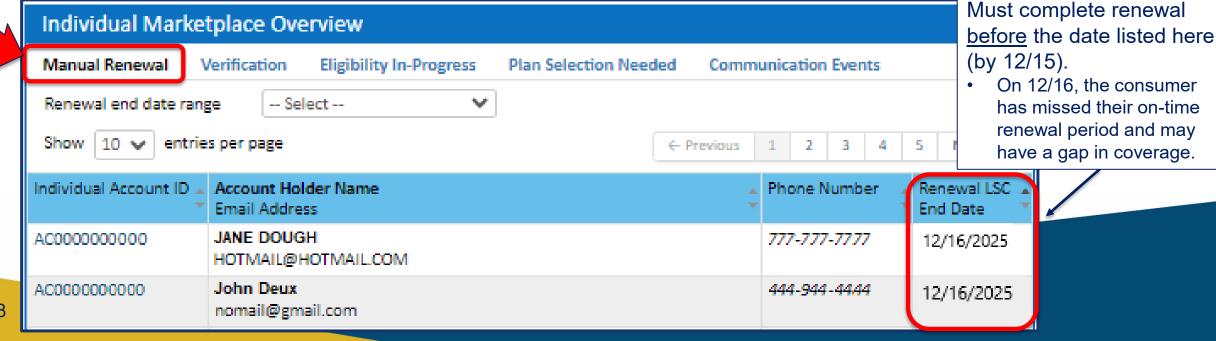
Sincerely, NY State of Health

Account ID	Coverage End Date	Renewal Status
AC0000000000	12/31/2025	Manual
AC000000001	12/31/2025	Admin & Manual
AC0000000002	12/31/2025	Admin & Manual
AC000000003	12/31/2025	Admin
AC000000004	12/31/2025	Admin

# OVERVIEW AND MANUAL RENEWAL TAB







### RENEWAL REMINDERS

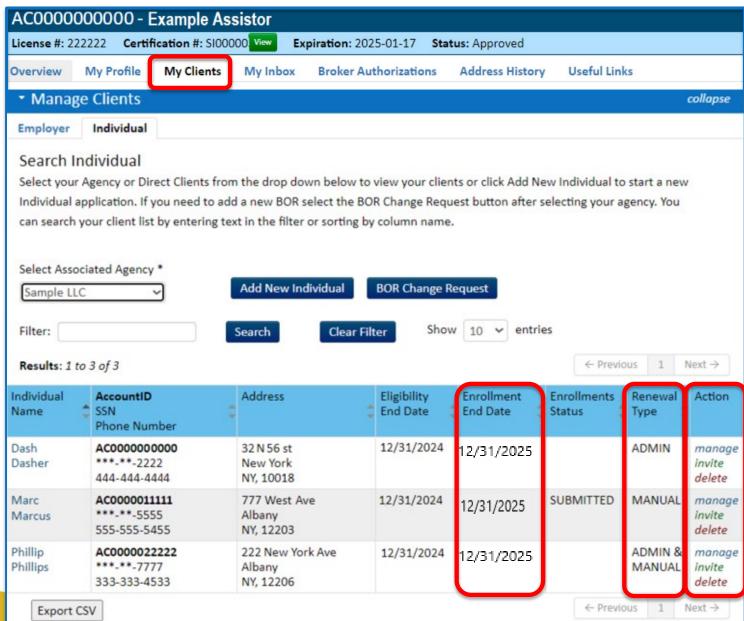


### **Items for Assistors to remember:**

- Only consumers that you are currently authorized to help (consumers on your Dashboard) who are due to renew, will appear on these lists.
- Assistors should check all tabs of the "Individual Marketplace Overview" section
  of their Dashboard regularly, or even daily, to take action on the accounts as they
  appear.
- Once the renewal has been completed, the consumer's account will disappear from the "Manual Renewal" tab of your Dashboard but will continue to be accessible on the "My Clients" tab while you are authorized to assist them.
- Don't assume: Anytime an Assistor is helping a consumer update or renew their application they should review every single question that has been previously answered and make sure the consumer's previously listed answer hasn't changed. If it has, they must update the account with the new information.

### MY CLIENTS TAB AND ENROLLMENT END DATE







# QUESTIONS?



# **EMAIL CONTACTS**



### **All Assistors**

- If you have general Assistor training questions, or questions about this specific training, please send them to: <a href="mailto:Eligibility.Training.Support@health.ny.gov">Eligibility.Training.Support@health.ny.gov</a>.
- If you have a case-specific question that you have already discussed with your supervisor or program manager, the issue should be submitted on an encrypted Account Review Spreadsheet to: <u>Assistor.Cases@health.ny.gov</u>.
- If you need help with your Assistor Account or Oversight Manager Account, or if your agency needs to report staff changes, please send an email to: <a href="mailto:Assistor.Admin@health.ny.gov">Assistor.Admin@health.ny.gov</a>.

### **Navigators Only**

- When Navigator Agencies are submitting contract documents (vouchers, annual packet documents, consumer story submissions, site schedules, etc.) and related questions to the New York State Department of Health, please send them to: <a href="mailto:Navigator.Admin@health.ny.gov">Navigator.Admin@health.ny.gov</a>.
  - CC your Navigator Contract Manager
- When Navigator Agencies are submitting media approval requests, and educational and marketing material approval requests to the New York State Department of Health, please send them to: <a href="mailto:Navigator.Media@health.ny.gov">Navigator.Media@health.ny.gov</a>.
  - CC your Navigator Contract Manager

## RECERTIFICATION PROCESS



- All Assistors and Assistor Oversight Managers who are registered or completed the online Assistor Certification Training by <u>10/31/2025</u> will be required to view the recertification webinars. The material included in each webinar is a supplement to what was provided during the in-person and online courses.
  - https://info.nystateofhealth.ny.gov/SpringTraining.
- Keep track of the date you watched the live webinar or the video for each of this year's recertification webinars.
- Provide your dates to your supervisor so they can complete the Recertification Report.

# THANK YOU FOR JOINING US!



- Please complete the survey:
  - Evaluation of Webinar: 2025 Open Enrollment and Renewals
- As always, watch for the video and materials to be posted to: <a href="http://info.nystateofhealth.ny.gov/SpringTraining">http://info.nystateofhealth.ny.gov/SpringTraining</a>.

# **Next Recertification Training:**

Stay tuned and watch your emails!

