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New Income-Based Special Enrollment Period for Health Insurance Marketplace

TOPEKA, KS — Kansans may have a new way to sign up for Marketplace coverage in 2022. New information released on income-based special enrollment.

There is a new Special Enrollment Period (SEP) now available on <u>HealthCare.gov</u> for people with lower incomes. Those eligible for this SEP can enroll in a plan or switch plans *at any time during the year*, without having to experience a <u>qualifying life event</u>.

Eligibility for the new SEP is based on a person's household income. Their annual income must be between 100-150% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL), which is \$12,880 - \$19,320/year for a household of 1, and \$26,500 - \$39,750/year for a household of 4. A full chart of FPL guidelines for larger family sizes can be found here.

Starting around March 18th, people whose income is between 100-150% FPL will <u>automatically</u> get the SEP when they submit a <u>HealthCare.gov</u> application, **but Cover Kansas Navigators can assist prior to this date**.

To discuss your eligibility, please visit <u>GetCoveredKansas.org</u> or call toll-free **866-826-8375**. Navigators are available for free year-round and are unbiased, certified professionals.

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