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# Helping Clients Understand Tax Filing and Health Coverage

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# Roadmap of today's webinar



### WHAT DO TAXES HAVE TO DO WITH HEALTH COVERAGE?

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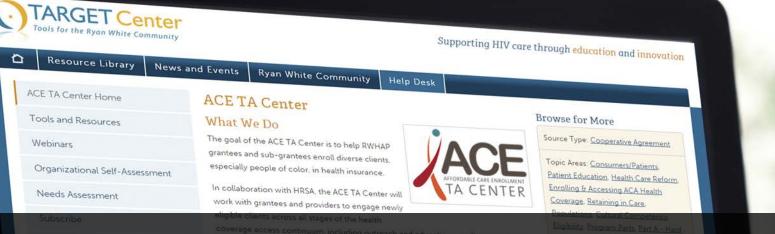






### **Today's presenters**





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# Have you had to educate your clients about tax requirements in the past?

- Yes
- No
- N/A





# What is the most challenging part of helping clients understand how health coverage impacts tax filing?

- They don't know they need to file
- Helping them find tax filing help
- Explaining new IRS forms
- Reconciling tax credit payments
- Other





# What do taxes have to do with health coverage?



# Tax filing and health coverage

- 1. Provide proof of coverage
- Reconcile tax credits for individuals who had Marketplace health coverage and received an Advance Premium Tax Credit (APTC)

### **Proof of health coverage**

# Client must prove they had health coverage during the last year when filing their tax return.

### **Documentation includes:**

- IRS information forms (1095-A, 1095-B, 1095-C)
- Insurance cards
- Explanation of benefits
- Statements from your insurer
- W-2 or payroll statements reflecting health insurance deductions,
- Records of advance payments of the premium tax credit
- Statements indicating that you, or a member of your family, had health care coverage.



Source: https://www.irs.gov/

### Premium Tax Credit (PTC)

# A **tax credit** to lower the cost of insurance **premiums** for Marketplace coverage.

Persons in Household (100% FPL)		Max Income for CSR (250% FPL)	Max Income for PTC (400% FPL)	
1	\$11,770	\$29,425	\$47,080	
2	\$15,930	\$39,825	\$63,720	
3	\$20,090	\$50,225	\$80,360	
4	\$24,250	\$60,625	\$97,000	
5	\$28,410	\$71,025	\$113,640	
6	\$32,570	\$81,425	\$130,280	
7	\$36,730	\$91,825	\$146,920	
8	\$40,890	\$102,225	\$160,360	

# PTC



# Two ways to get PTCs

### In advance

- Have some or all of the credit paid in advance directly to the insurer
- The client pays a lower monthly premium
- In most cases, RWHAP clients are required to take the APTC

### After filing taxes

- Clients get a lump sum when they file their federal income tax
- Client pays full monthly premium



# Who needs to file a return?

Individuals who receive advance premium tax credits (APTCs) **must file a tax return**!

Clients who did not receive an APTC may still be eligible for the credit, but will need to file a return to find out.



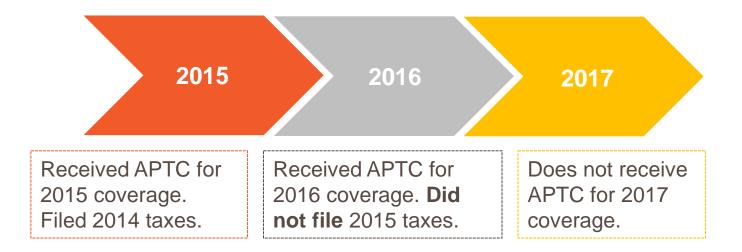
# **APTCs & Open Enrollment**

# Why would a client receive an APTC one year but not the next?

- Change in income or household may make client ineligible for an APTC.
- Client did not file taxes for a tax year when they received an APTC.
- Client did not check box on application allowing Marketplace to use information from other groups, such as the IRS.



### **Reconcile Advance Premium Tax Credits**





### My client received an APTC in 2016. Why didn't they receive an APTC in 2017?

- Change in income or household may make client ineligible for an APTC
- Client did not file taxes in 2016 for 2015 tax year
- Client did not check box on application allowing Marketplace to use information from other groups, such as the IRS



# **Cost Sharing Reductions**

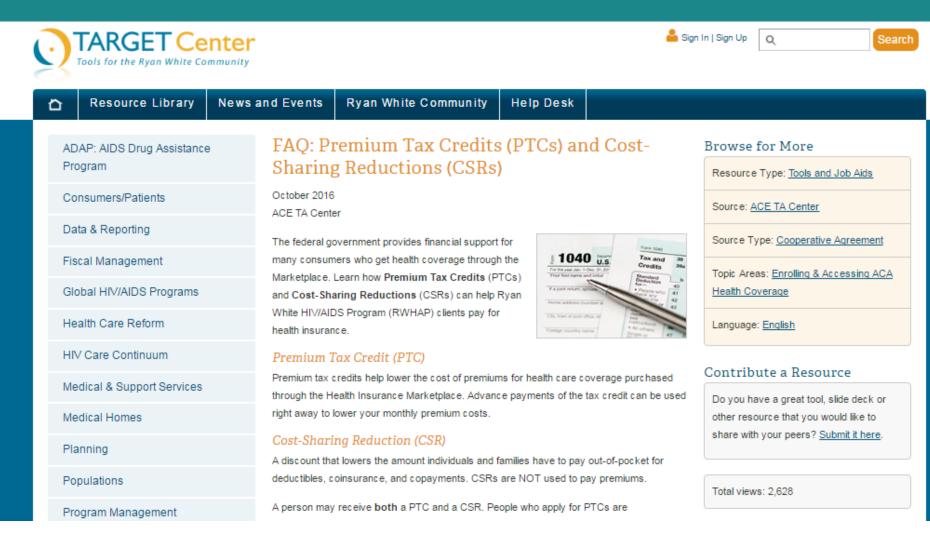
- Given in the form of discounts
- Reduces deductibles, copays, and coinsurance – no reimbursements necessary



**CSR** 

 CSRs are not connected to taxes

# FAQ: PTCs and CSRs



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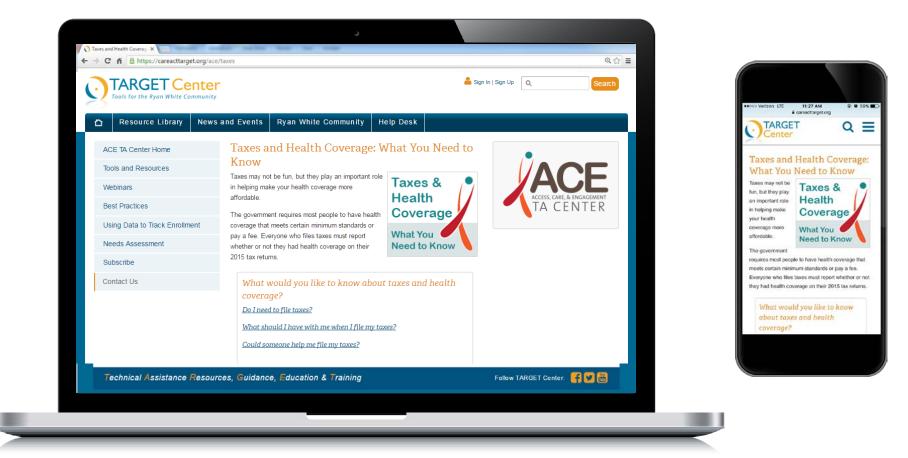
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# Taxes and Health Coverage: What You Need to Know

Taxes may not be fun, but they play an important role in helping make your health coverage more affordable.

The government requires most people to have health coverage that meets certain minimum standards or pay a fee. Everyone who files taxes must report whether or not they had health coverage on their 2016 tax returns.



What would you like to know about taxes and health coverage?

Do I need to file taxes?

What should I have with me when I file my taxes?

Could someone help me file my taxes?

### "Do I need to file taxes?"

You may need to file taxes depending on whether you had health coverage, and the type of health coverage you had last year.

How did you get health coverage last year?

- <u>I enrolled through the Health Insurance Marketplace, such</u> <u>HealthCare.gov or my state's marketplace website.</u>
- I had other coverage, such as Medicaid, Medicare, or employer coverage.
- <u>I did not have health coverage.</u>

### Not sure what type of coverage you have?

If you live in Arkansas or New Hampshire, you may not know if you have health coverage through the Marketplace or Medicaid. If you are unsure, look for IRS Form 1095 in the mail. This form provides information about the type of coverage you have.

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## **Taxes and Health Coverage: Health Insurance Marketplace**

### **Taxes and Health Coverage**

### What you need to know if you enrolled through the Health **Insurance Marketplace**

Taxes may not be fun, but they play an important role in helping make your health coverage more affordable. This fact sheet helps you understand what you need to know about filing your taxes if you enrolled in a health plan via the Health Insurance Marketplace, such as HealthCare.gov or your state's marketplace website.

### Did you choose to get a premium tax credit when you enrolled in coverage?

Premium tax credits help lower the cost of coverage purchased through the Health Insurance Marketplace for people with incomes that qualify. Premiums are the monthly bill you pay for health insurance. The premium tax credit can work in two ways:

- Get it now. Get the credit each month you have Marketplace coverage. This is called an advanced premium tax credit. The Marketplace sends the money directly to your health insurance company, and you pay a lower monthly premium.
- Get it later. You pay the total premium every month. but you get a refund on your taxes after the calendar year is over.

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Most individuals with a household income between 100 and 400% of the Federal Poverty Level are eligible for a tax credit, but the exact amount of the credit will depend on your income. You apply for the premium tax credit when you apply for coverage in the Marketplace. In the application, you must give the Marketplace permission to collect your tax data from the IRS every year. That

information will be used to calcula assistance you qualify for.

### If you got a premium tax cr when you enrolled in cover in 2015:

 You must file a federal tax re The Marketplace uses your tax to make sure that you got the amount of financial help based household size and income. reconciliation. If you had cove not file and reconcile tax credi be able to get premium tax cre

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called 'My Plans.'

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### What you need to know before filing taxes

You will receive IRS Form 1095-A (Health Insurance Marketplace Statement) in the mail from the Marketplace that shows your health coverage and the amount you received in advance premium tax credits each month, if any. If Form 1095-A was lost, never received, or is incorrect, you can contact the Marketplace directly for a copy.

You should wait to file your taxes until you receive IRS Form 1095-A, which should arrive in early February.

### If you got a premium tax credit when you enrolled in coverage:

- File IRS Form 8962 (Premium Tax Credit) with your taxes to make sure you got the correct amount of financial help.
- Use IRS Form 1095-A to help you fill out IRS Form 8962

### What to do if you had a short gap in coverage (less than three consecutive months)

You will need to file IRS Form 8965 (Health Coverage Exemptions). Most Americans are required to have health insurance or pay a fee, but if you only had a short gap in coverage, you are exempt from the fee.

### If you did NOT get a premium tax credit when you enrolled in coverage:

- File IRS Form 8962 (Premium Tax Credit) with your taxes to see if you qualify for a 2015 premium tax credit
- Use IRS Form 1095-A to help you fill out IRS Form 8962.



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## Taxes and Health Coverage: Medicaid or Employer Coverage

### Taxes and Health Coverage

### What you need to know if you had non-Marketplace coverage, such as Medicaid, Medicare, or employer coverage

Everyone who files taxes must report whether or not they had health coverage on their 2015 tax returns. This fact sheet helps you understand what you need to know about filing taxes if you had Medicaid, Medicare, an employer-provided plan, or other health coverage last year.

### What counts as other health coverage

Other health coverage designated by the government as "minimum essential coverage" may include:

- Employer-provided health plans
- Medicaid
- Medicare Part A
- TRICARE
- VA coverage

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### Check your mail

You should receive IRS Form 1095-B (Health Coverage) or 1095-C (Employer-Provided Health Insurance Coverage) from your health insurance company or the government agency that provided your health coverage. You do NOT need file this form with your taxes, but may choose to keep it for your regente

If you haven't received either form your taxes and check the box on I 1040 indicating you had coverage

What to do if you had

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consecutive months)

You will need to file IRS Form 896

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TAXES AND HEALTH COVERAGE

### What you should have with you when you file taxes

### Health coverage information

You will likely have received IRS Form 1095-B (Health Coverage) or 1095-C (Employer-Provided Health Insurance Coverage). You do NOT need to file this form with your taxes, but may choose to keep it for your records.

### Income and tax information for the tax year

- 1. W-2 forms from all employers
- 2. Unique Exemption Certificate Number or ECN if you applied for an exemption from the Marketplace
- 3. Information about any self-employment income
- 4. Unemployment compensation
- 5. Social Security benefits

### Information for each household member

- 1. Social security numbers
- If you do not have a valid social security number, bring an Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN). This is a 9-digit number that you can request and receive from the IRS.
- 2. Dates of birth

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## **Taxes and Health Coverage:** No Health Insurance

### **Taxes and Health Coverage**

### What you need to know if you did not have health coverage last year

The government requires most people to have health coverage that meets certain minimum standards or pay a fee. Everyone who files taxes must report whether or not they had health coverage on their 2015 tax returns. This fact sheet helps you understand what you need to know about filing taxes if you did not have health coverage last year.

### The fee for not having health coverage

If you didn't have coverage last year, you may have to pay a fee unless you qualify for an exemption. You may qualify for an exemption if no affordable coverage is available to you, you have a short gap in coverage during the year, or if you meet other criteria, outlined below.

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### TAXES AND HEALTH COVERAGE

### Exemptions from health coverage

### Health coverage

- · You were uninsured for less than three consecutive months of the year
- · You lived in a state that didn't expand its Medicaid program but you would have gualified if it had

### Affordability and income The lowest-priced coverage at

cost more than 8.05% of your · Your income is below the level a tax return (see the table belo

### 2015 Filing Requireme (Source: IRS)





### married, filing separately

- qualifying widow(er) with dependent child
- \*If you didn't live with your spouse

### How can I find out if qualify for an exemption? Use the HealthCare gov online exemption too

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### TAXES AND HEALTH COVERAGE Immigration status

· You are a certain type of non-citizen or not lawfully present

### Hardship

- You were homeless
- · You were evicted or were facing eviction or foreclosure
- · You received a shut-off notice from a utility company
- You experienced domestic violence
- You experienced the death of a family member
- You filed for bankruptcy
- · You had medical expenses you couldn't pay
- You experienced unexpected increases in expenses due to caring for an ill, disabled or aging family member

### Incarceration

- · You are incarcerated
- Group membership
- · You were a member of a federally recognized tribe · You are a member of a recognized religious sect with
- objections to insurance





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How do I apply for the exemption? When you file your taxes, fill out

IRS Form 8965 (Health Care Exemptions) to apply for the exemption If you have a unique Exemption

Certificate Number from the Marketplace, you can use it on IRS Form 8965 when you file your taxes.

### ncome was at least \$4,000, you



# Tax reconciliation for people with Marketplace QHPs



### Advance Premium Tax Credit (APTC) Life Cycle

### **Step One: Marketplace Application**

- Demonstrate financial eligibility for APTC in application to Marketplace
- Individuals may apply for *advance* premium tax credit based on projected annual income

Dates: November 1 – January 31

### **Step Two: Report Income Changes**

- Report changes in income to Marketplace that will impact APTC amount
- Report changes in tax household size that will impact APTC amount

Dates: January 1 – December 31 (tax year)

### **Step Three: File Your Federal Taxes!**

- Individuals receiving APTC MUST file federal taxes for year in which they
  received the tax credit
- IRS will determine if individual received the right amount APTC throughout year **Dates: By April 15**

# **Tax Forms Relevant to ADAPs**

Tax Form	Description		
Form 1095-A	Form generated by the Marketplace and sent to anyone receiving APTC		
Form 1095-B	Form sent by the insurer to the insured verifying individual had coverage		
Form 1095-C	Form sent by employer to the employee verifying whether the individual had coverage		
Form 8962	Addendum to tax return documenting APTC reconciliation		
Form 8965	Addendum to tax return documenting any exception to the requirement to have minimum essential coverage		

# Putting it Together: Determining if There was an APTC Under or Overpayment

**The 1095-A:** Tells you how much the individual actually received in APTCs throughout the year (by month)

Part III Household Information					
Month	A. Monthly Premium Amount	B. Monthly Premium Amount of Second Lowest Cost Silver Plan (SLCSP)	C. Monthly Advance Payment of Premium Tax Credit		
21 January					
22 February					
23 March					
24 April					

# Putting it Together: Determining if There was an APTC Under or Overpayment

**The Form 8962:** Tells you how much the individual should have received in APTCs according to MAGI-based income on tax return and allows for calculation of any overpayment or underpayment

24	Total premium tax credit. Enter the amount from line 11(e) or add lines 12(e) through 23(e) and enter the total here	24	
25	Advance payment of PTC. Enter the amount from line 11(f) or add lines 12(f) through 23(f) and enter the total here	25	
26	Net premium tax credit. If line 24 is greater than line 25, subtract line 25 from line 24. Enter the difference here and on Form 1040, line 69; Form 1040A, line 45; or Form 1040NR, line 65. If you elected the alternative calculation for marriage, enter zero. If line 24 equals line 25, enter zero. Stop here. If line 25 is greater than line 24, leave this line blank and continue to line 27.	26	REFUND OWED TO INDIVIDUAL
Part	III Repayment of Excess Advance Payment of the Premium Tax Credit		
27	Excess advance payment of PTC. If line 25 is greater than line 24, subtract line 24 from line 25. Enter the difference here	27	
28	Repayment limitation (see instructions)	28	
29	Excess advance premium tax credit repayment. Enter the smaller of line 27 or line 28 here and on Form 1040, line 46; Form 1040A, line 29; or Form 1040NR, line 44	29	LIABILITY OWED TO IRS
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# **Putting it Together: The 1040**

### Line 46 on IRS Form 1040 indicates excess premium tax credits a person owes to the IRS

	38	Amount from line 37 (adjusted gross income)
Tax and	39a	Check I You were born before January 2, 1950, Blind. Total boxes
Credits		if: U Spouse was born before January 2, 1950, I Blind. J checked ► 39a
oreulis	b	If your spouse itemizes on a separate return or you were a dual-status alien, check here 39b
Standard	40	Itemized deductions (from Schedule A) or your standard deduction (see left margin)
Deduction for—	41	Subtract line 40 from line 38
People who	42	Exemptions. If line 38 is \$152,525 or less, multiply \$3,950 by the number on line 6d. Otherwise, see instructions
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mot ations.	47	Add lines 44, 45, and 46

Payments	64	Federal income tax withheld from Forms W-2 and 1099 64			
	65	2014 estimated tax payments and amount applied from 2013 return	65		
lf you have a qualifying	66a	Earned income credit (EIC)	66a		
child, attach	b	Nontaxable combat pay election 66b			
Schedule EIC.	67	Additional child tax credit. Attach Schedule 8812	67		
/	68	American opportunity credit from Form 8863, line 8	68		
	69	Net premium tax credit. Attach Form 8962 69			
	70	Amount paid with request for extension to file			
	71	Excess social security and tier 1 RRTA tax withheld 71			
	72	Credit for federal tax on fuels. Attach Form 4136			1
	73	Credits from Form: a 🔄 2439 b 🔄 Reserved c 🔄 Reserved d 📃	73		Ī
	74	Add lines 64, 65, 66a, and 67 through 73. These are your total payments			74
Refund	75	If line 74 is more than line 63, subtract line 63 from line 74. This is the amount you overpaid 75			75
	76a	Amount of line 75 you want refunded to you. If Form 8888 is attached, check here			76a
Direct deposit?	► b	Routing number	ype:	Checking 📃 Savings	
See	► d	Account number			
instructions.	77	Amount of line 75 you want applied to your 2015 estimated tax >	77		

Line 69 on IRS Form 1040 indicates net premium tax credit (i.e., amount owed to the taxpayer as refund)

# Repayment Amounts Are Capped

Income	Single filers	All other filers
< 200% FPL	\$300	\$600
At least 200% FPL and < 300% PFL	\$750	\$1,500
At least 300% FPL and < 400% FPL	\$1,275	\$2,550
400% FPL and greater	N/A	N/A



# **HRSA/HAB Guidance**

### HRSA/HAB PCN 14-01

In the event of APTC tax refund to the client	In the event of APTC liability owed to the IRS by the client	
Grantees must "vigorously pursue" any exc premium tax credit a client receives from t IRS upon submission of federal tax return	Grantees may cover client tax liabilities associated with an overpayment of the premium tax credit.	
Recovered premium tax credit refunds are considered program income; grantees mus use recovered refunds in the Health Insura Premium and Cost-sharing Assistance serve category in the grant year when it's receive	The payment to the IRS must be made from funds available in the year when the tax liability is due	
Helpful Tip: include the client's name, SSN, tax year, and portion of tax liability to which the Ryan White/ADAP payment should be designated		Grantees must develop processes to coordinate payments directly to IRS ( <i>payments to clients are prohibited</i> ) and may only pay the amount directly attributed to the reconciliation of the premium tax credits

# Individuals who didn't receive a PTC should still file taxes!

If you did NOT get a premium tax credit when you enrolled in coverage:

You may still be eligible for a tax credit, but you must file your federal tax return for that year to find out.

- If your income decreased during the year, you may be eligible for a federal tax refund now (even if you were not eligible for the tax credit when you applied for coverage).
- Filing a federal tax return with IRS Form 8962 is the only way you'll find out if you are eligible for a premium tax credit for that year.



# Putting it into practice



# **Case Study 1: Taxpayer Charlene**





# Charlene

- When Charlene applied for 2016 Marketplace coverage with advance premium tax credits (APTC) in December of 2015, her annual income was \$27,000 (~230% FPL)
  - Charlene gets \$2,136 in APTC/annually
- BUT, Charlene changed her job mid-way through the year and failed to report this to the Marketplace
  - When Charlene files her taxes for the 2016 tax year, her annual income ends up being \$11,000 (95% FPL)
    - Note: Charlene lives in a non-Medicaid expansion state
  - **Special rule**: because Charlene was eligible for APTCs when she applied, she is actually owed a refund (her expected contribution is 2% of her annual income)
  - Charlene is entitled to APTC of \$3,888/annually

Charlene will get a refund from the IRS in the amount of \$1,752

 If Charlene is an ADAP client, and ADAP had been paying her premiums throughout the year, ADAP is entitled to the IRS refund

## **Determining Refund Amount**

### **IRS Form 8962**

24	Total Premium Tax Credit: Enter the amount from line 11E or add lines 12E through 23E and enter the total here .	24	
25	Advance Payment of PTC: Enter the amount from line 11F or add lines 12F through 23F and enter the total here .	25	
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28	Repayment Limitation: Using the percentage on line 5 and your filing status, locate the repayment limitation amount in the instructions. Enter the amount here	28	
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## **Case Study 2: Taxpayer Carlos**







- When Carlos applied for 2016 Marketplace coverage with advance premium tax credits (APTC) in December of 2015, his annual household income was ~\$47,000 (295% FPL)
  - Carlos' tax household (of two) gets \$6,132 in APTC/annually
- BUT, Carlos played the slots in Maryland and won \$6,000. He did not report this additional income to the Marketplace
  - When Carlos files his taxes, his annual income ends up being ~\$53,000 (332% FPL)
  - Carlos' tax household was actually entitled to \$4,452 in APTC/annually

#### Carlos must repay the IRS \$1,680

 ADAP may be able to help with Carlos' portion of the overpayment if Carlos is an ADAP client



## Determining Overpayment Amount

#### **IRS Form 8962**

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## **Taxpayer Xavior**

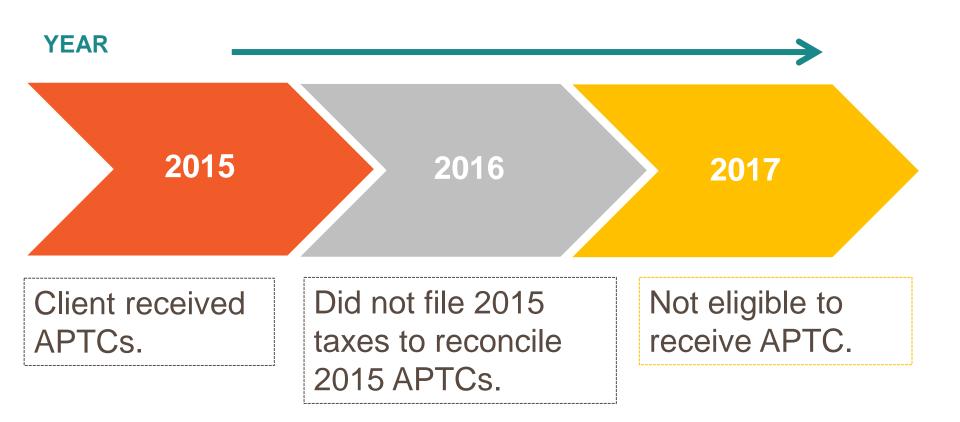




# What If a Client Does Not File Taxes?

- When Xavior applied for 2016 Marketplace coverage with advance premium tax credits (APTC) in December of 2015, his annual income was \$27,000 (~230% FPL)
  - Xavior gets \$1,995 in APTC/annually
- Xavior refused to file his 2016 taxes
- A person is not eligible for APTC if HHS notifies the Marketplace that an individual did not file taxes.
- Xavior does not immediately lose his APTCs (and he never loses his Marketplace eligibility); with extensions, Xavior can file his taxes any time during the Open Enrollment period and be eligible for APTCs for the 2017 plan year
  - If he does not file his federal taxes, Xavior will be ineligible for APTCs when he goes to re-enroll in a 2017 plan

## **Future eligibility for APTCs**







## Taxes and other health coverage or no coverage



# Individuals who had other health coverage last year

#### "Do I need to file taxes?"

You may need to file taxes depending on whether you had health coverage, and the type of health coverage you had last year.

#### How did you get health coverage last year?

- <u>I enrolled through the Health Insurance Marketplace, such</u> <u>HealthCare.gov or my state's marketplace website.</u>
- <u>I had other coverage, such as Medicaid, Medicare, or employer</u> <u>coverage.</u>

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<u>I did not have health coverage.</u>

# Individuals who had other health coverage last year

- Clients covered by other health insurance including Medicaid, Medicare, Tricare or insurance through their employer should file taxes
- Check the box on line 61 on IRS Form 1040 indicating they had coverage.

# Individuals who did not have health coverage last year

- Clients uninsured for all or part (more than 3 consecutive months)
  - May be eligible for an exemption from coverage
- If NOT eligible for the exemption for coverage
  - May have to pay a fee



## Exemptions from health coverage



### **Exemptions from health coverage**

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Get Coverage	Change or Update Your	Plan Get Answ	ers -	Search		SEARCH
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HealthCare.gov/exemptions-tool

## **Exemptions from health coverage**

- Uninsured for less than 3 months
- Living in a non-Medicaid expansion state
- Plan affordability
- Income threshold
- Immigration status
- Incarceration
- Hardships

## **Exemptions from health coverage**

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### IRS Form 8965 Health Coverage Exemptions

# Uninsured individuals who do not qualify for an exemption

#### 2014, 2015, 2016, and 2017 Annual Payment Amounts

	Year 2014	Year 2015	Year 2016	Year 2017
Percentage amount	1% of income above filing threshold*	2% of income above filing threshold*	2.5% of income above filing threshold*	2.5% of income above filing threshold*
Flat dollar amount**	\$95 per adult \$47.50 per child Family maximum: \$285	\$325 per adult \$162.50 per child Family maximum: \$975	\$695 per adult \$347.50 per child Family maximum: \$2,085	\$695 per adult \$347.50 per child Family maximum: \$2,085

Your payment amount is capped at the cost of the national average premium for a bronze level health plan available through the Marketplace. For 2016, the annual national average premium for a bronze level health plan available through the Marketplace is \$2,676 per year (\$223 per month) for an individual and \$13,380 per year (\$1,115 per month) for a family with five or more members.

\* Filing Threshold: The minimum amount of gross income an individual of your age and with your filing status (e.g., single, married filing jointly, head of household) must make to be required to file a tax return.

\*\*After year 2016, the flat dollar amounts are based on the 2016 amounts plus an inflation adjustment..



## HealthCare.gov tax tool

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Learn ab	out the <b>premium tax credit</b> or the <mark>affordabi</mark>	lity exemption.		

HealthCare.gov/tax-tool

## Walking through the IRS Forms

IRS Form	Purpose	Origin
<u><b>1095-A</b></u> - Health Coverage through the Marketplace	Verifies type and period of coverage for the prior year, premiums paid, and advance tax credits given.	IRS Form sent by the Marketplace
8962 – Premium Tax Credit	Reconciles projected APTC with actual PTC due to client.	IRS Form
8965 – Health Coverage Exemptions	Report any exemptions to waive the penalty. Calculate the penalty due, if applicable.	IRS Form
<u>1040</u> – U.S. Individual Income Tax Return	Individual/family tax filing document	IRS Form



# Which of the following will <u>not</u> qualify as an exemption from health coverage?

- Unaffordable compared to income
- Homeless
- Uninsured January-April 2016
- All of the above
- None of the above





# Which of these IRS Forms provides proof of health coverage?

- a) IRS Form 1095-A
- b) IRS Form 8962
- c) IRS Form 8965
- d) IRS Form 1040
- e) All of the above
- f) None of the above



# Additional information clients need to file taxes

#### "What should I have with me when I file taxes?"

Bring these documents with you when you file your taxes.

#### Health coverage information

If you had Marketplace coverage and got an advance premium tax credit (or plan to claim the credit when you file):

 You will need <u>IRS Form 1095-A</u> @(Health Insurance Marketplace Statement) to help you complete and file <u>IRS Form 8962</u> @ (Premium Tax Credit)

If you had other coverage, such as Medicaid, Medicare, or employer coverage:

You will likely have received <u>IRS Form 1095-B</u> @ (Health Coverage) or <u>1095-C</u> @ (Employer-Provided Health Insurance Coverage). You do NOT need to file this form with your taxes, but may choose to keep it for your records.

#### Income and tax information for the tax year

- W-2 forms from all employers
- · Information about any self-employment income





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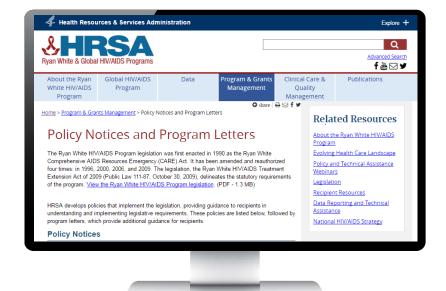
## Assistance filing taxes

- Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) programs (<u>https://irs.treasury.gov/freetaxprep/</u>)
- Access to free tax filing software for people with incomes below \$64,000 (IRS.gov/FreeFile)
- Assistance through some RWHAP or their partners

## Policy Clarification Notice (PCN) #16-02

## Other Professional Services

Services for income tax preparation to assist clients in filing Federal tax returns that are required for all individuals receiving premium tax credits



# Want to help clients stay covered throughout the year?

ACE TA Center's resources to educate Ryan White Program staff and clients on how to maintain coverage.



- Stay Covered All Year Long (for clients)
- SEP Fact Sheet (for Ryan White program staff) Updated December 2015



## Stay Covered All Year Long

Now that you've enrolled in health insurance, make sure you keep it.

Health insurance is important because it covers all your health needs, such as HIV medications and care, free preventive care, hospital stays, and substance use and mental health services. This guide covers what you need to do to stay covered throughout the year and renew for next year.

Pay premiums on time \_\_\_\_\_ 2 Report income and household changes \_\_\_\_\_ 4 What to do it you lose coverage \_\_\_\_\_ 6

#### TIP

Even if you have health insurance, stay in touch with your Ryan White Program case manager. S/he can help make sure you stay enrolled in ADAP and have access to financial help for insurance and Ryan White Program services like transportation and housing support.



## Coming soon tool for clients! Stay Covered All Year Long

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### Special Enrollment Periods

#### Can I enroll in a Marketplace health insurance plan outside of Open Enrollment?

Sometimes you experience a big life change that also changes your health coverage needs—like having a child, losing your job, or losing your health coverage. Usually Open Enrollment is the only time you can sign up for a new health insurance plan through the Health Insurance Marketplace (e.g., HealthCare.gov) or change your current plan. But if you have a big life change—or "life event"—you may qualify for a Special Enrollment Period.

A Special Enrollment Period lets you enroll in a new health plan or change your plan outside of Open Enrollment. You may also qualify for a Special Enrollment Period if something happened during Open Enrollment that prevented you from getting the right coverage. This is called a "special circumstance." See the full list of life events and special circumstances on the next two pages.

#### TIP

If you think you may be eligible for a Special Enrollment Period, or if you have any changes to your income, household size, or health coverage, you should report this information as soon as possible. Talk with an enrollment assister or Ryan White Program case manager, or contact the Marketplace Call Center at 1-800-318-2596.



ACE Tool Special Enrollment Period Fact Sheet



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## Now on the TARGET Center

 ACE TA Center Community Forums (https://careacttarget.org/forums



 Submit questions, then discuss with ACE experts and each other!



## **Needs Assessment Reminder!**

Let us know how we can help you enroll clients in health coverage and build your organization's health literacy.

http://survey.jsi.com/s3/ace2017



Deadline: Tuesday, March 7



## **Questions?**



## Thank you for joining us!

### **Please complete the evaluation!**

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