



**Report from the Maryland Health Benefit Exchange  
about Maryland Health Connection,  
the state-based health insurance marketplace**

BALTIMORE (August 29, 2014) — Enrollment activities are beginning as Maryland Health Connection prepares for a new and improved website for the second open enrollment period this fall.

**Renewals outreach campaign kicks off**

Outreach efforts will begin in the coming weeks to encourage all Marylanders covered by qualified health plans through Maryland Health Connection in 2014 to re-enroll for 2015 coverage by applying through [www.MarylandHealthConnection.gov](http://www.MarylandHealthConnection.gov) during open enrollment.

By reapplying, Marylanders will be able to choose from a broad array of 2015 plans, including plans from a new carrier. Consumers will also have the opportunity to enter their most current household and income information and determine their eligibility for financial assistance for 2015. We encourage Marylanders interested in quality and affordable coverage to see new plan offerings and rates for 2015.

**Enrollment activities**

We remind Marylanders enrolled in Medicaid or qualified health plans through Maryland Health Connection that they should report certain life and income changes to Maryland Health Connection. Examples include getting married or divorced, having a child or adopting a child, and certain changes in income.

Some of these changes may allow you to enroll in coverage through Maryland Health Connection or change plans outside of the annual open enrollment period, and may change the coverage or savings you're eligible for. [Learn more on our website.](#)

Marylanders can enroll year round in Medicaid or the Maryland Children's Health Insurance Program by applying online at <https://www.marylandsail.org> or by visiting a local [connector entity](#), [health department](#) or [Department of Social Services](#).

Marylanders who are interested in buying health insurance or need to complete or change an existing application may visit a [navigator or insurance broker](#). You can enroll in a qualified health plan or change plans before Nov. 15 if you have [special circumstances](#) like getting married, having a baby or losing other health coverage.

Enrollment in Medicaid, MCHP and qualified health plans is also available through our Consumer Support Center at 1-855-642-8572 (TTY 1-855-642-8573).

The next report will be September 26, 2014.

## Enrollment Data

As of August 23, 78,666 individuals have enrolled in qualified health plans.<sup>1</sup> As of August 27, 2014, 355,281 individuals have gained Medicaid coverage in 2014 and remain active in Medicaid. This includes the 95,889 PAC enrollees who were automatically converted on January 1, 2014 to full Medicaid coverage.

We have begun reporting the net changes in Medicaid enrollment. This figure takes into account that individuals lose Medicaid coverage because of changes in household, age and income, as well as redeterminations. Compared to December 31, 2013, the net change in Medicaid enrollment as of August 27, 2014 is +262,737.

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<sup>1</sup> QHP enrollment is unduplicated enrollment minus cancellations of existing policies. In the special enrollment period, changes in circumstances can lead to redetermination of eligibility and cancellation of QHP coverage. As a result, this month, there was a slight decline in net enrollments.