



IN THE NEWS THIS WEEK

Week of June 26th

UPCOMING EVENTS

Dear Valued Broker,

Within this Instant Recall, you will find a summary of this week's most recent employee benefits changes, carrier announcements, and industry news. We hope you enjoy!

HEADLINE

Will Oscar Return to NJ in 2018?

This is the question to which brokers can't wait to find out the answer. As you probably remember, Oscar once offered very competitive small group and individual rates and plan designs in the Garden State, but this came to a halt at the end of 2016.

We're learning that Oscar has filed for approval from New Jersey regulators, and they hope to once again offer competitive, quality products in 2018. You may click the following links to check out what [Bloomberg](#) and [Forbes](#) have to say about Oscar's filing.

If the new filing is approved, New Jersey Oscar members will have access to a strong regional network through QualCare, which is comprised of over 65 leading hospitals and 20,000 physicians. Some Oscar for Business plans will also include access to our New York network.

Stay tuned for an update in the fall as we provide additional detail as this exciting news unfolds!

If approved, the proposed service area will include the following counties:

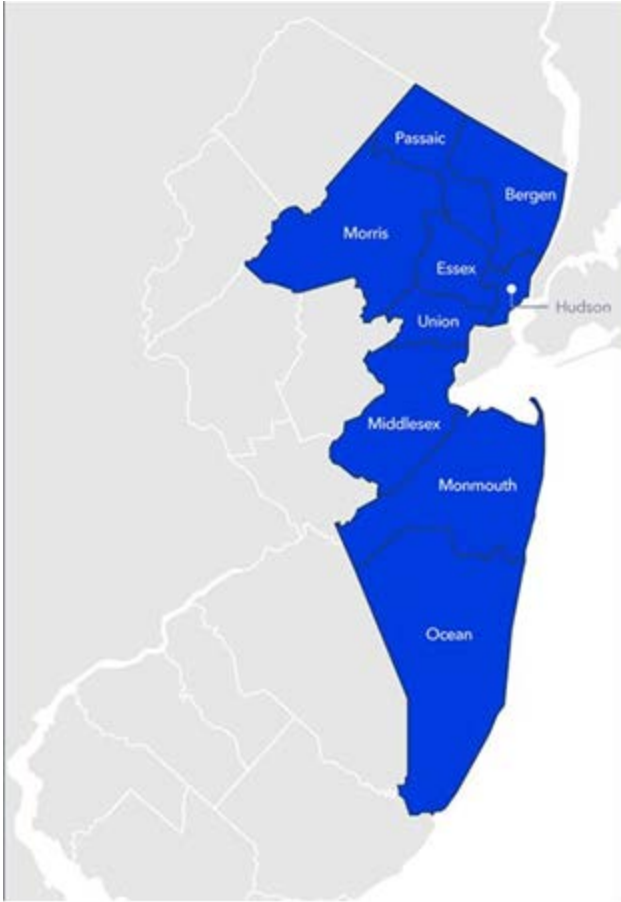
Horizon Webinars: CMS Audit Training

Presentations will include an overview of the qualified health plan certification standards, the application and certification process, quality reporting and marketplace survey and qualified health plan oversight.

June 28, 11-12 pm
[Click here to register](#)

June 28, 1-2 pm
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June 29, 1-2 pm
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TWEET OF THE WEEK



Kaiser Family Found @KaiserFamFound · Jun 24

Our experts compiled a detailed summary of the Senate's repeal/replace bill. Compare with current law kaiserf.am/2sA4zGI #BCRA

How Does the Senate's **Better Care Reconciliation Act** Approach:

- Subsidies for People with Individual Market Plans
- States' Role in Regulations
- Medicaid
- Women's Health
- Medicare

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[Click Here to Compare Proposals to Replace the Affordable Care Act](#)

CARRIER UPDATES

NAHU - CMS Launches SEP Verification Program

On June 23, 2017 the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) announced the launch of the special enrollment period (SEP) pre-enrollment verification program that will be conducting pre-enrollment verification of eligibility of applicants applying for exchange coverage through applicable SEPs.

Beginning on June 23, 2017, consumers newly enrolling in Marketplace coverage through a SEP due to a move or loss of qualifying coverage (also called minimum essential coverage) will be required to submit documents to confirm their SEP eligibility before they can begin using their coverage. After they submit their application, they'll get an Eligibility Determination Notice (eligibility notice) with a list of documents they can send to provide this confirmation.

CMS also released an [updated chart](#) of the SEPs available to consumers. The chart will be posted to RegTap.

For more information on SEP pre-enrollment verification notices, [click here](#).

OCA - Contribution Billing

Effective August 1, 2017, OCA will automatically post employee contributions. OCA will continue to provide the contribution reports on a monthly basis. Employers will now ONLY notify OCA if there are any changes to those contributions. This will result in a more efficient and timely process for employers and their employees. **For employers with FSAs, the 1st payroll report for each plan year will still be required to be confirmed.**

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HHS.Gov - Secretary Price Applauds Senate Proposal to Repeal and Replace Obamacare

Health and Human Services Secretary Tom Price, M.D. issued a statement on June 22, 2017 in support of the Senate's proposal to protect patients, bring down the cost of insurance coverage, and expand healthcare choices.

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Healthcare.Gov - June 2017 News for Agents & Brokers

- Save Yourself Time in 2018- Register Today
- Upcoming Special Enrollment Period Pre-Enrollment Verification Process
- Now Available: Webinar Slides to Help You Assist Consumers
- Consumer Action Needed: Initial Medicaid/CHIP PDM Warning Notices Sent
- New Guidance Regarding the Direct Enrollment Process for 2018
- New Data on Race, Ethnicity, and Language Preference in the Marketplace
- Health Insurance Options for College Graduates

- SHOP Marketplace Corner

[Read More](#)

MARTIN UP-TO-THE-MINUTE

We have summarized the top announcements from the carriers and Martin to keep you up-to-the-minute with the news and happenings in the industry! Check out what's happening below.

[AmeriHealth July Renewals Posted to Your Dashboard](#)

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[Horizon July Renewals Posted to Your Dashboard](#)

[Horizon August Renewals Posted to Your Dashboard](#)

[Horizon September Renewals Posted to Your Dashboard](#)

[Oxford July Renewals Posted to Your Dashboard](#)

[Oxford August Renewals Posted to Your Dashboard](#)

IMPORTANT DEADLINE AND REMINDERS

Stay up-to-date and prepared with all the upcoming new business and conversion deadlines with the major SEH carriers in NJ.

[Click here](#) for 2017 Horizon BCBSNJ deadlines

[Click here](#) for 2017 AmeriHealth deadlines

Please visit our [Events](#) page for a complete list of all new and retention business deadlines.

2017 INDIVIDUAL REGISTRATION LINKS

[2017 Gorman Sentinel Elite \(Horizon\)](#)

[2017 Litmos \(AmeriHealth\)](#)

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