

A look at the week's most recent employee benefits & announcements

IN THE NEWS THIS WEEK

February 2, 2015

Martin Speaks

It's tax time! What is already a stressful time of year will be further complicated this year due to some changes in the process necessitated by the ACA. [AmeriHealth](#) and [Horizon](#) have released broker briefs about the marketplace forms (1095-As) that will be going out from the marketplace itself (not the carrier) to all members enrolled through the marketplace. The IRS has created a [great page](#) that reviews some of the new requirements with regard to reporting coverage, claims exemptions, reconciling premium tax credits and making individual shared responsibility payments.

Employers and carriers are not required to report for 2014. Those reports will be due early 2016 reporting on coverage offered and purchased during 2015.

We have held many in person seminars on the topic of reporting around the state in January. In case you missed it (or want a refresher!), please join us at one of the upcoming webinars on this topic.

February 19th at 2:30 PM

[Register Here](#)

February 26th at 9 AM

[Register Here](#)

For more information or if you have any questions, please reach out to brokersupport@martinins.com

LEGISLATIVE NEWS

Draft Employer Reporting Forms Released

Employers with 50 or more full-time equivalent employees are required to report detailed information about the coverage offered to each of their employees to both the IRS and each individual employee. Draft forms and instructions have been released. The first required reports are due in early 2016 and will reflect information from 2015. It is very important that your clients work now to update their systems to collect this required information. Please note that this provision applies to all employers with 50 or more full-time equivalents, even if they also qualify for a transitional relief with regard to penalties.

CIGNA's Informed on Reform has released a great informational broker brief on the reporting requirements to assist brokers. [Read More.](#)

Please contact us for assistance in understanding and complying with this new requirement.

CARRIER UPDATES

AmeriHealth New Tax Form for Individuals with Coverage from the Marketplace

Starting this month, the Marketplace will issue the 1095A tax form to individuals who purchased coverage through the Health Insurance Marketplace. If your customers or anyone in their household enrolled

Upcoming Events

HRINJ Broker Seminar

Next month, we will be hosting a broker seminar with Health Republic Insurance of NJ focusing on the 2015 enhanced services and product updates, broker commission schedule, and the unique value they can bring to you and your clients!

Wednesday, February 4th

10 AM- 12 PM
9:30 AM Registration

[REGISTER HERE ▶](#)

Introducing the New Aetna AHLIC Medicare Supplement!

To introduce the rollout of this product, we will be holding a series of webinars, hosted by Greg Etchison, Regional Vice President of Aetna Senior Supplemental Insurance.

The webinars will be held [Tuesday February 10th at 10:00 am](#)

[Thursday February 12th at 2:00 pm.](#)

For more information, please contact Matthew Pang at mpang@martinins.com

in a health plan through the Marketplace, they will receive the new form in the mail, and include it when filing their 2014 tax return. [Read More.](#)

Horizon BCBS of NJ Public Sector Broker Incentive Program

Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield of New Jersey is pleased to announce a special broker incentive program for all public sector new medical, dental and vision sales with effective dates of April 2015 through August 2015. [Read More.](#)

Health Republic Insurance of NJ Join Us in Welcoming New Members

Health Republic has introduced three new members to their sales team, John Alba, Betty Marie Jones, and Sylvia Striano. Their contact information is in the broker brief below and they are ready and available to help you immediately! [Read More.](#)

Horizon BCBS of NJ Insurance Coverage Reporting Requirement

Horizon BCBS has released some information regarding the reporting requirements around the 1095-A forms. Horizon BCBS is not required to provide any information for the 2014 tax year. Horizon BCBS will begin reporting in 2016 for the 2015 tax year, where applicable. Only individuals who enrolled through the Health Insurance Marketplace for coverage in 2014 will receive Form 1095-A from the Federal government. [Read More.](#)

UHC/Oxford NJ Individual Marketplace Tools You Can Use

Now that Open Enrollment is well underway, UHC/Oxford is supplying some easy reference tools to better understand the UHC individual plans offered through the NJ FFM. [Read More.](#)

Horizon BCBS of NJ FAQ Member Tools

Horizon has easy-to-use and resourceful Member Online Services, available 24 hours a day, seven days a week for their members. For answers to frequently asked questions, members can simply go to HorizonBlue.com/FAQs. [Read More.](#)

Aetna Health Reform Weekly: Senate Bill Would Repeal the Individual Mandate

In this week's Aetna Health Reform Weekly, legislation was introduced last week to repeal the Affordable Care Act's Individual Mandate. [Read More.](#)

NJAHU Register Today! Capitol Conference 2015 February 23-25

NAHU is hosted its annual Capitol Conference February 23rd - 25th at the Hyatt Regency in Washington D.C. Don't miss out on this great conference full of great speakers and great information! [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

[UHC/Oxford Deadline Extensions, 2015 Q2 Rates and Product Updates](#)

[UHC Oxford February Deadline Extended](#)

[AmeriHealth NJ April 2015 Renewals Posted to your Dashboard](#)

[Last Chance to Register! Health Republic Insurance of NJ Broker Seminar](#)

IMPORTANT DEADLINES AND REMINDERS

New Business and Conversion Deadlines

Stay up to date and prepared with all the upcoming conversion and new business deadlines with the major SEH carriers in NJ. [Click Here.](#)

2015 Marketplace Registration Links

Don't forget to get set up with the carriers and MIG to sell through the Marketplace for 2015. See below for more details!

Save the Date! CJAHU March Madness Event.

Special Guest Speakers include Joan Fusco, Director & Education at Savoy Associates, John Sarno, Executive Director of the Employer's Association of NJ, and Scott Wham, In-house council for Kistler Tiffany.

CE Credits and Prize giveaways will be included!

**March 12,
2015**

9:30 AM- 3 PM

[Register HERE](#)

Cost is \$20 for members and \$60 for non-members

**Hilton Garden Inn, 50
Raritan Center
Drive, Edison, NJ 08837**

[2015 AmeriHealth IHC Portal Registration Link](#)

[2015 Horizon BCBS of NJ Marketplace Registration Link](#)

[2015 UHC/Oxford Marketplace Registration](#)

[Health Republic of NJ Licensing](#)



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