



## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Webinars: IRS Letter 226J & QSEHRAs**

January 9th: 9 AM

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January 16th: 1 PM

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## IN THE NEWS THIS WEEK

### Week of January 1st

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

### Open Enrollment Marketplace Snapshot for 2018

Open Enrollment for the 2018 year ran from 11/1- 12/15 for a January 1st effective date. During Open Enrollment, 8,743,642 people selected plans on the HealthCare.gov platform. (This snapshot does not include plan selections from State-based Exchanges. Below is a snapshot of enrollment activity via HealthCare.gov for November 1 - December 23:

- 2,460,431 people who selected plans were new Marketplace consumers.
- 6,283,211 people who selected plans were consumers renewing coverage.
- HealthCare.gov had 19,316,192 unique users.
- 7,039,530 calls were received by the Call Center.

To view the entire snapshot, please [click here](#).

### Horizon BCBS Webex: Small Group Portal Enhancements

Date: January 24, 2018

Time: 11:00AM - 12:00PM EST  
Small Group Broker Portal Enhancements

Presented by: Horizon BCBSNJ  
[Registration Link: SMG Broker Portal Enhancements January 24, 2018 11am](#)

Date: January 24, 2018

Time: 1:00PM - 2:00PM EST  
Small Group Broker Portal Enhancements

For more information, please reach out to [brokersupport@martinins.com](mailto:brokersupport@martinins.com)

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## TWEET OF THE WEEK



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## CARRIER UPDATES

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### Horizon BCBS- Doylestown Hospital

Beginning January 1, 2018, Doylestown Hospital, located in Doylestown, Pennsylvania, will join the Horizon Hospital Network. This agreement allows Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield of New Jersey members to access care at an in-network level of

benefits and get the most for their benefits, while keeping their out-of-pocket costs low. As always, Horizon encourages members to use network hospitals. Members have a choice of network hospitals throughout New Jersey and nearby in Pennsylvania and Delaware.

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### **APEHP- Employer Reporting Vital Information**

Employer Reporting forms are being sent to groups enrolled in the Affiliated Physicians & Employers Health Plan. Employers enrolled in the Affiliated Physicians and Employers Health Plan (APEHP), a self-insured MEWA Health Plan, will be required to file the IRS Employer Reporting Section 6055/6056. This reporting intends to determine that an individual has acquired or has been offered Minimum Essential Coverage from their employer as required by the Affordable Care Act.

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### **CIGNA - Latest on the Tax Reform Impact on ACA**

Throughout 2017, Republican Congressional leaders have focused on repealing, replacing or modifying the Affordable Care Act (ACA). Their efforts are ongoing and are expected to continue into 2018.

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### **APEHP - 2018 ACA Taxes**

Effective January 1, 2014, the Affordable Care Act (ACA) created an annual fee on certain health insurance providers often referred to as Health Insurer Fee (HIF). This fee was suspended for 2017. As of January 1, 2018 the HIF will be effective again. These fees are built into your current healthcare fees and not listed as an additional charge on your monthly healthcare invoice. You do not need to take any action. APEHP will file these fees on your behalf.

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### **Oscar - Holiday Deadline Extension for Small Groups**

Oscar has extended the small group deadlines to Monday, January 8th to complete applications for January 1 small group coverage. You can find all of their small group enrollment resources on the [broker resource page](#) - just filter by market on the top right corner of the webpage.

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### **Gente - ACA Reporting Deadlines are Delayed**

The IRS has just released notice 2018-06 announcing a delay in the deadlines for 1094 and 1095 reporting for 2017. Similar to last year, the IRS is making an accommodation to employers to prepare their forms. The filings are still due to the IRS as per the original deadline.

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## **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.

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

[Aetna Announces Plan N Rate Adjustments](#)

## **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 2018 Horizon BCBSNJ deadlines

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

## 2018 INDIVIDUAL REGISTRATION LINKS

[2018 Gorman Sentinel Elite \(Horizon\)](#)

[2018 Litmos \(AmeriHealth\)](#)

[2018 Oscar Producer Onboarding](#)

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