

## PART A: General Information

When key parts of the health care law take effect in 2014, there will be a new way to buy health insurance: the Health Insurance Marketplace. To assist you as you evaluate options for you and your family, this notice provides some basic information about the new Marketplace and employment-based health coverage offered by your employer.

#### What is the Health Insurance Marketplace?

The Marketplace is designed to help you find health insurance that meets your needs and fits your budget. The Marketplace offers "one-stop shopping" to find and compare private health insurance options. You may also be eligible for a new kind of tax credit that lowers your monthly premium right away. Open enrollment for health insurance coverage through the Marketplace begins in October 2013 for coverage starting as early as January 1, 2014.

#### Can I Save Money on my Health Insurance Premiums in the Marketplace?

You may qualify to save money and lower your monthly premium, but only if your employer does not offer coverage, or offers coverage that doesn't meet certain standards. The savings on your premium that you're eligible for depends on your household income.

#### Does Employer Health Coverage Affect Eligibility for Premium Savings through the Marketplace?

Yes. If you have an offer of health coverage from your employer that meets certain standards, you will not be eligible for a tax credit through the Marketplace and may wish to enroll in your employer's health plan. However, you may be eligible for a tax credit that lowers your monthly premium, or a reduction in certain cost-sharing if your employer does not offer coverage to you at all or does not offer coverage that meets certain standards. If the cost of a plan from your employer that would cover you (and not any other members of your family) is more than 9.5% of your household income for the year, or if the coverage your employer provides does not meet the "minimum value" standard set by the Affordable Care Act, you may be eligible for a tax credit.<sup>1</sup>

**Note:** If you purchase a health plan through the Marketplace instead of accepting health coverage offered by your employer, then you may lose the employer contribution (if any) to the employer-offered coverage. Also, this employer contribution -as well as your employee contribution to employer-offered coverage- is often excluded from income for Federal and State income tax purposes. Your payments for coverage through the Marketplace are made on an after-tax basis.

#### How Can I Get More Information?

For more information about your coverage offered by your employer, please check your summary plan description or contact

The Marketplace can help you evaluate your coverage options, including your eligibility for coverage through the Marketplace and its cost. Please visit **HealthCare.gov** for more information, including an online application for health insurance coverage and contact information for a Health Insurance Marketplace in your area.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> An employer-sponsored health plan meets the "minimum value standard" if the plan's share of the total allowed benefit costs covered by the plan is no less than 60 percent of such costs.

## PART B: Information About Health Coverage Offered by Your Employer

This section contains information about any health coverage offered by your employer. If you decide to complete an application for coverage in the Marketplace, you will be asked to provide this information. This information is numbered to correspond to the Marketplace application.

3. Employer name			4. Employer Identification Number (EIN)		
University of Florida			59-6002052		
5. Employer address 903 West University Avenue		6. Employer phone number 352-392-2477			
7. City 8.		8.	State	9. ZIP code	
Gainesville		FL		32601	
10. Who can we contact about employee health coverag	e at this job?				
UFHR-Benefits, M-F 8am-5pm Eastern time (	for GatorCare health	)			
11. Phone number (if different from above)	12. Email address benefits@ufl.edu				

Here is some basic information about health coverage offered by this employer:

•As your employer, we offer a health plan to:

All employees. Eligible employees are:

Some employees. Eligible employees are:

Eligible full-time or part-time employees for the GatorCare health plan include the following classifications: College of Medicine Clinical Faculty and Residents/Housestaff/Interns; College of Veterinary Medicine Residents and Interns; College of Dentistry Residents; Postdoctoral Associates; and Graduate Assistants on appointments. Academic Faculty, TEAMS, and USPS employees may only participate in the GatorCare health plan if the enrollment includes coverage of a gualified domestic partner.

#### •With respect to dependents:

We do offer coverage. Eligible dependents are:

Eligible dependents include: Spouse or qualified Domestic Partner; Childen through age 26 (natural, adopted, step, foster, legal guardianship and qualified domestic partner's children); Disabled children over age 26 who are incapable of self-sustained employment and dependent for financial support; and a Dependent's newborn child for 18 months after birth, or until the eligible dependent parent no longer qualifies as a dependent, whichever comes first.

	We	do	not	offer	coverage.
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If checked, this coverage meets the minimum value standard, and the cost of this coverage to you is intended to be affordable, based on employee wages.

\*\* Even if your employer intends your coverage to be affordable, you may still be eligible for a premium discount through the Marketplace. The Marketplace will use your household income, along with other factors, to determine whether you may be eligible for a premium discount. If, for example, your wages vary from week to week (perhaps you are an hourly employee or you work on a commission basis), if you are newly employed mid-year, or if you have other income losses, you may still qualify for a premium discount.

If you decide to shop for coverage in the Marketplace, **HealthCare.gov** will guide you through the process. Here's the employer information you'll enter when you visit **HealthCare.gov** to find out if you can get a tax credit to lower your monthly premiums.

The information below corresponds to the Marketplace Employer Coverage Tool. Completing this section is optional for employers, but will help ensure employees understand their coverage choices.

13. Is the employee currently eligible for coverage offered by this employer, or will the employee be eligible in the next 3 months?
<ul> <li>Yes (Continue)         <ol> <li>13a. If the employee is not eligible today, including as a result of a waiting or probationary period, when is the employee eligible for coverage?(mm/dd/yyyy) (Continue)</li> <li>No (STOP and return this form to employee)</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
14. Does the employer offer a health plan that meets the minimum value standard*? ☐ Yes (Go to question 15) ☐ No (STOP and return form to employee)
<ul> <li>15. For the lowest-cost plan that meets the minimum value standard* offered only to the employee (don't include family plans): If the employer has wellness programs, provide the premium that the employee would pay if he/ she received the maximum discount for any tobacco cessation programs, and didn't receive any other discounts based on wellness programs.</li> <li>a. How much would the employee have to pay in premiums for this plan?</li> <li>b. How often? Weekly Every 2 weeks Twice a month Monthly Quarterly Yearly</li> </ul>
If the plan year will end soon and you know that the health plans offered will change, go to question 16. If you don't know, STOP and return form to employee.
16 What change will the employer make for the new plan year?

• An employer-sponsored health plan meets the "minimum value standard" if the plan's share of the total allowed benefit costs covered by the
plan is no less than 60 percent of such costs (Section 36B(c)(2)(C)(ii) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986)

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The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (ACA, or the federal law known as Health Care Reform) requires that you must be informed of the following information:

- About the existence of the Marketplace;
- That you may be eligible for a premium tax credit or cost-sharing reduction if the employer's plan does not meet certain requirements;
- That if you purchase coverage through the Marketplace, that you may lose the employer contribution toward the cost of the employer-sponsored coverage and that all or a portion of the employer's contribution may be excludable for federal income tax purposes;
- Include contact information for the Marketplace and an explanation of appeals rights.

### The Marketplace Notice must be given to all employees even if:

- You currently have employer-sponsored coverage;
- Waived coverage or have coverage elsewhere;
- If you are full-time, part-time and/or seasonal;
- If you are a COBRA participant.

You are hereby provided with a completed Marketplace Notice and support information to further your understanding of the existence of the Marketplace.

If you have any questions or concerns please to contact your benefits office.

By providing your signature below, you hereby accept of receipt of the Marketplace Notice and support materials. In addition, you hereby acknowledge awareness of the existence of the Marketplace as an alternative option for health care coverage.

Employee (Print Name)

**Employee Signature**