## OKLAHOMA FAQ'S For 2022 Coverage Year

ACA Individual Health Insurance Open Enrollment & Special Enrollment Periods (SEP) (Not Medicare Eligible )

- Special Enrollment Period (SEP) is a 60-day period that is available to those who meet eligibility such as loss of health coverage. This 60-day period is your opportunity to buy coverage. Otherwise, you will have to wait for the next Annual Open Enrollment Period, Nov.1<sup>st</sup> through Jan. 15<sup>th</sup>. If you want coverage without lapse, be sure to visit www.healthcare.gov by the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month and before your current coverage ends. If your SEP overlaps with the Annual Open Enrollment Period, you may take advantage of your SEP to start your coverage BEFORE January 1<sup>st</sup> but you will have to re-enroll by December 15<sup>th</sup> for coverage to start by January 1<sup>st</sup>. Visit www.healthcare.gov and select Special Enrollment Period on the Home Page.
- Everyone's coverage runs on a calendar year basis and everyone has to re-enroll during the Annual Open Enrollment Period which begins every November 1<sup>st</sup> even if you just applied during your Special Enrollment Period (SEP). The deadline for coverage effective January 1<sup>st</sup> is December 15<sup>th</sup>. If you miss that deadline, you have until January 15<sup>th</sup> for coverage effective February 1<sup>st</sup>. Visit www.healthcare.gov and select Open Enrollment Period on the Home Page. www.healthcare.gov.
- For INCOME you will need to indicate your UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION and any other sources of income. Not all income is counted but all must be disclosed. In your packet is a flyer from OHCA that tells you what sources of income are considered and is used federally as well. You don't have to enroll your spouse if he/she already has coverage just include his/her income. But to be eligible for federal subsidies you must file a joint tax return for the coverage year and list all taxable household members even if coverage is not needed for them.
- Special Enrollment Period (is only for 60 days after you meet eligibility criteria such as loss of health coverage) and Open Enrollment Period is every November 1<sup>st</sup> through Jan 15<sup>th</sup>. <u>www.healthcare.gov</u>. The following are the issuers<sup>1</sup> you may select from:
  - Medica will offer options both ON and OFF the Exchange in all 77 counties;
  - BCBSOK will offer options both ON and OFF the Exchange in all 77 counties;
  - CCOK, Bright Health, Oscar Health and UHG are offered in limited counties;
  - **NEW in 2022 coverage year!!** Ambetter and Friday Health Plans, also in limited counties.

<sup>1</sup>Issuers are subject to change annually and offer many types of plans that may vary from year to year. It is your responsibility to re-enroll to keep your coverage continuous, however, the same plan you had one year may not be available the next year. *\* Federal Poverty Level (FPL) and program eligibility has changed due to Medicaid Expansion effective 7.1.2021.* Revised October 2021

- Advanced Premium Tax Credits (APTCs) only applies to ON Exchange plans when applicants meet income qualifications:
  - Some applicants may not have any premium to pay after the APTCs are applied.
  - **Important:** If your income or family member's income changes during the time in which you are enrolled, your APTC's may change. You must make income and other changes through your account on www.healthcare.gov.
  - Applies to 139% Federal Poverty Level and up. For 2021 & 2022, there is no income cap.
- Cost Sharing Reduction payments (CSRs) only applies to ON Exchange plans when applicants meet income qualifications. CSRs help applicants pay their deductibles, copays and co-insurance payments by reducing or eliminating them:
  - **Important**: If your income or family member's income changes during the time in which you are enrolled, your CSR's may change. You must make income and other changes through your account on www.healthcare.gov.
  - Applies to 139%\*-250% Federal Poverty Level and 139%-300% Federal Poverty Level for Native Americans.
- Other health plans available (not an all inclusive listing) that are NOT ACA compliant and will allow issuers to underwrite and/or exclude coverage for pre-existing conditions among other restrictions:
  - Short Term Limited Duration Health policies regulated by OID
  - Disease Specific policies regulated by OID
  - Limited Benefit or Indemnification policies regulated by OID
  - Discount Plans NOT regulated by OID
  - Health Care Share Ministry Plans NOT regulated by OID

Note: Information is current and is subject to change due the uncertainty in changes to the federal law. Special protections under Federal Law are granted to Native Americans, please see your Tribal Administration Office or www.healthcare.gov. \* Federal Poverty Level (FPL) and program eligibility has changed due to Medicaid Expansion effective 7.1.2021. Revised October 2021