

# Insight Newsletter

Important Bi-Weekly Updates for  
kynectors during Special Enrollment



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Special Enrollment Period End Date Extended to August 15, 2021

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## KEY DATES

**Special Enrollment End Date**  
August 15, 2021

**Planned HealthCare.gov  
Maintenance Schedule**  
Sunday, March 28, 2021  
(12:00am-7:00am EST)

**Expanded Eligibility and  
Lower Premiums on  
HealthCare.gov**  
Begins April 1, 2021

## HELPDESK NUMBERS

**Professional Service Line**  
(855) 326-4650

**Department for  
Medicaid Services**  
(855) 446-1245

**Call Center (Public)**  
(855) 459-6328

**Self Service Portal (SSP)  
Helpdesk**  
(844) 407-8398

**Federal Health Insurance  
Marketplace (FFM)**  
(800) 318-2596  
Passcode: 502-999-9999

**KHBE Email**  
[KHBE.Program@ky.gov](mailto:KHBE.Program@ky.gov)



## American Rescue Plan Resources

The American Rescue Plan (ARP), also referred to as the COVID-19 Relief Plan, has many important provisions that will impact Kentuckians, especially as it relates to health coverage. KHBE included a summary of several of those provisions in last week's newsletter, but given how broad and complex the ARP is we thought it would be beneficial to gather and organize a list of ARP resources in one easy-to-access location. The following resources will likely address any questions you might have about the law:

- **CMS ARP [Fact Sheet](#) and HHS ARP [Fact Sheet](#)** - Fact sheets from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) and the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), both provide a thorough overview of the ARP's healthcare impacts but from differing perspectives.
- **State Health & Value Strategies (SHVS) Webinars** - SHVS is a program of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation housed at Princeton University. Below are links to two very informative SHVS webinars focused on different parts of the ARP's health coverage provisions. Both the slides and the webinar recordings are available.
  - [The American Rescue Plan: An Overview of Private Insurance Provisions](#)
  - [The American Rescue Plan: An Overview of Medicaid Provisions and State/Local Relief](#)
- **Center on Budget and Policy Priorities (CBPP) ARP [Town Hall](#)** - *Health Reform: Beyond the Basics* is a project of the CBPP and they hosted an ARP-focused town hall earlier this week. The first 33 minutes of the webinar are dedicated to the ARP's impact on health insurance and includes some helpful examples, the Q&A at the end is worth reviewing.
- **National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL) [APR Overview](#)** - This website provides a more thorough review of the ARP, covering much more than just the health coverage components of the law. It also happens to be one of the easiest to read and navigate sites we have found while still being comprehensive.



## Social Media Sharing

As the kynect Facebook and Twitter accounts continue to post about the Special Enrollment Period, and now about the [American Rescue Plan](#), KHBE would like to remind kynector organizations to please share those posts using your social media.



## Did You Know?

According to HHS, under the American Rescue Plan, over **35,000** uninsured Kentuckians will be newly eligible for tax credits to help pay their insurance premiums!



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