

FACT SHEET

American Indians and Alaska Natives



Special Benefits for Eligible Members of Tribes

The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act includes information specific to American Indians and Alaska Natives. This fact sheet describes what American Indians and Alaska Natives can expect when they consider buying a health insurance plan from Covered California™. American Indians and Alaska Natives are also encouraged to apply for Medi-Cal at any time.



Certain American Indians and Alaska Natives can buy a health insurance plan through Covered California or qualify for Medi-Cal, and receive some benefits, such as those described to the right.

American Indians and Alaska Natives are not required to purchase insurance, as most other Americans are. There will be no penalty for American Indians or Alaska Natives who do not have health insurance.

American Indians and Alaska Natives can buy or change health insurance plans once a month through Covered California if they would like.

No health care expenses, depending on income —

American Indians and Alaska Natives who earn less than about \$66,000 for a family of four will not have to pay certain out-of-pocket costs, such as copays, if they buy their insurance through Covered California.

No costs for medical care from many doctors and hospitals —

There is no cost for any American Indian or Alaska Native for any item or service received directly through the federal Indian Health Service, through tribes, through tribal organizations, through urban American Indian organizations or through organizations that have a contract to deliver medical services locally.

Ability to buy insurance anytime — American Indians and Alaska Natives can buy or change health insurance plans once a month through Covered California if they would like.

For more information on Covered California, visit www.CoveredCA.com or call (800) 300-1506.



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