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Open Enrollment for Individual Health Insurance Plans Ends December 15

Lincoln, NE (December 4, 2018) – The Nebraska Department of Insurance reminds Nebraskans that open enrollment for individual health insurance plans sold on the federally facilitated marketplace (“FFM” or “health insurance exchange”) ends December 15. Individuals who haven’t yet started shopping for insurance are encouraged to do so as soon as possible. Access is available at www.healthcare.gov or through a participating insurance agent.

Director of Insurance, Bruce Ramge, recommends that people who need health insurance for themselves or their families talk to their insurance agent to look at the options available to them. For some locations, there are new plans available on the FFM from Medica. Some association members may also have been advised of options from their association. Those plans may be of interest to individuals who do not necessarily qualify for a premium subsidy or who want to explore additional options for their health insurance needs.

Director Ramge suggests that premium costs not be the only factor used when looking at policies. “Individuals shopping for a plan should make sure the doctors they select and facilities they use are in the health plan network, and also take into consideration other costs such as deductibles, co-payments and co-insurance,” said Ramge.

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