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Nevada Legislators to join Nevada Health Link to remind residents to enroll in Qualified Health Plans from November 1 through December 15

WHAT: Members of the Nevada State Senate and Assembly, including Majority Floor Leader Teresa Benitez-Thompson and Senator Ben Kieckhefer, as well as Assemblywoman Sarah Peters, will join leadership from [Nevada Health Link](#), the state's health insurance exchange, to remind consumers of Open Enrollment for Plan Year 2020 and encourage consumers to explore options to secure a Qualified Health Plan that provides the ten essential health benefits mandated by the Affordable Care Act (ACA). These benefits include maternity and newborn care, mental health, preventive care, and pediatric dental care. Nevadans who don't qualify for Medicaid, Medicare or don't have insurance through their employer are eligible to enroll for insurance through Nevada Health Link. Many Nevadans are eligible for subsidies and tax credits, available only through Nevada Health Link. These subsidies can offset the cost of insurance.

Brief remarks will include helpful information for consumers on how to navigate NevadaHealthLink.com, which is now a fully operational State Based Exchange (SBE) since it no longer relies on the Federal Health Insurance Marketplace, HealthCare.gov.

According to a recent report from the Guinn Center, there are nearly 400,000 people who are uninsured in the state, ranking Nevada the sixth highest in the nation for the uninsured population. While the numbers are staggering, Executive Director Heather Korbolic and the Exchange, along with the support of members of the Nevada State Legislature, continue to lead the country on state-based efforts to reduce the uninsured populations and close the gap in our State.

WHEN: Thursday, Nov. 7, 10 a.m.

WHERE: Nevada State Legislative Building, front steps outside
401 S Carson Street, Carson City, 89701

WHO: Assemblywoman Teresa Benitez-Thompson, representing Assembly District 27
Senator Ben Kieckhefer, representing Senate District 16
Assemblywoman Sarah Peters, representing Assembly District 24
Heather Korbolic, Executive Director, Silver State Health Insurance Exchange

MORE: Open Enrollment for Plan Year 2020 started on Nov. 1 and runs through Dec. 15, 2019 on the Exchange's new SBE enrollment and eligibility platform at NevadaHealthLink.com. Nevada Health Link always encourages consumers to use the free assistance of a licensed enrollment professional by calling 1-800-547-2927 or by visiting [NevadaHealthLink.com](#). Subscribe to Nevada Health Link's [Blog](#) and [YouTube](#) channel, like them on [Facebook](#) or follow on [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#).

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