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**COVID-19 treatment, diagnosis and vaccines included
in all Nevada Health Link plans**
Open Enrollment ends at 11:59 p.m. Jan. 15, 2021 – three more days remaining

(CARSON CITY, NV) – With only three days remaining in Open Enrollment for 2021 health coverage, [Nevada Health Link](#), the online health insurance marketplace operated by the state agency, the Silver State Health Insurance Exchange (Exchange), reminds Nevadans that all plans include access to COVID-19 related diagnosis and treatment, including COVID-19 vaccines when they become available.

“As people continue to take measures to protect themselves, their families and their surrounding communities from the spread of the Coronavirus, we want to remind Nevadans who purchase a plan through Nevada Health Link that COVID-19 diagnosis, treatment and vaccinations will be included and covered in all plans offered through Nevada Health Link. Coverage of our comprehensive plans also includes the 10 essential health benefits mandated by the Affordable Care Act,” said Janel Davis, communications officer, Silver State Health Insurance Exchange. “There is no need to buy additional insurance for COVID coverage, despite what some are fraudulently promoting. The January 15th deadline for Open Enrollment is just around the corner, and we urge anyone who is uninsured or underinsured to contact Nevada Health Link today.”

The Exchange has aligned with the Nevada Division of Insurance (DOI) and the Nevada Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) to update communities statewide about how, where and when a COVID-19 vaccine will be available. Last year, the [DOI passed both emergency and permanent regulations](#) to ensure there would be no out-of-pocket costs to insured Nevadans for COVID-19 testing, treatment and vaccines. People who are insured and are charged for COVID-related services should report the case to the Nevada Insurance Commissioner and the case may be referred for investigation.

Nevada Health Link is the **only** place consumers can qualify for subsidies to help offset the cost of monthly premiums, and four out of five Nevadans who purchase a plan on Nevada Health Link qualify for financial assistance (tax credits). The [ten essential health benefits](#) also include hospitalization, prenatal and newborn care and lab services. Consumers who enroll on or before Jan. 15 will have coverage effective on Feb. 1, 2021.

Exchange plans are ideal for those who do not qualify for Medicare or Medicaid but still need financial assistance; those who do not have employee-sponsored health insurance, including independent contractors and gig workers; and anyone seeking comprehensive, quality and affordable plans. Anyone who believes they may qualify for Nevada Medicaid benefits can apply at accessnevada.dwss.nv.gov/.

For more information, visit NevadaHealthLink.com or call 1-800-547-2927. Methods to enroll in health insurance include virtual and contactless assistance in various languages, including Spanish, Tagalog and Mandarin, via telephone and online, or in-person, for those who prefer it. The Call Center is open 9am to 5pm PST, seven days a week, through January 15. The call center will offer special extended hours and remain open until 11:59pm PST January 14 and 15.



About Nevada Health Link

[Nevada Health Link](#) is the online insurance marketplace operated by the Silver State Health Insurance Exchange (Exchange), which was established per *Nevada Revised Statutes* (NRS) in 2011 by the State of Nevada and began operations in 2013 on the belief that all Nevadans deserve access to health insurance. In 2019, the Exchange transitioned away from the federal marketplace, HealthCare.gov and became a fully operational State Based Exchange (SBE), in time for its seventh Open Enrollment Period (OEP). Nevada Health Link connects eligible Nevada residents to budget-appropriate health and dental coverage and is the only place where qualifying consumers can receive federal tax credits to help cover premium costs. Subscribe to Nevada Health Link's [Blog](#) and [YouTube](#) channel, like them on [Facebook](#) or follow on [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#). 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](#).