

# Special Enrollment Period



## Fact Sheet

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## What is Special Enrollment?

Special enrollment is a time outside of the open enrollment period when you can sign up for or change your current health coverage. You can get a special enrollment if you have certain life events, like having a baby, moving to a new area, or losing other health coverage.

### Qualifying Life Event

- Moving to new area with different insurance options
- Losing health coverage
- Getting married
- Giving birth, adoption, or placement of a child
- Losing a dependent
- Becoming a U.S. citizen
- Getting out of jail
- Gaining tribal membership
- Gaining or losing health insurance premium tax credits (for current customers only)
- Other special circumstances

### Not a Qualifying Life Event

- Canceling your health coverage
- Losing coverage for not paying your monthly bill
- Losing coverage that does not meet "minimum essential coverage"
- Finding out your doctor is not covered through your insurance plan

For these events, you will need to wait for the next open enrollment to sign up for coverage through *Washington Healthplanfinder*.

Some Washington residents can enroll year round:

- People who qualify for Washington Apple Health (Medicaid)
- American Indians/ Alaska Natives
- People whose employer offers coverage through *Washington Healthplanfinder Business*

**Your special enrollment period lasts 60 days from the date of the qualifying life event.**

## See if You Qualify!

Go to [www.wahealthplanfinder.org](http://www.wahealthplanfinder.org).

- New customers: create an account to get started!
- Returning customers: select Report a Change from your dashboard.



If you need help, contact our Customer Support Center at 1-855-923-4633 or contact a navigator or broker.

