



# Broker News

December 9, 2015

## Broker Webinar Series

### Enrolling Clients from your Broker Account

Tuesday, December 15, 2015: 1:00-2:00pm ET

Webinar Link: *click on*— [Join WebEx meeting](#)

Webinar Meeting Number: 735 673 516

Phone Line: 1-877-668-4493, Access code: 735 673 516

## Individual and Families Deadline

The last day for Individuals and Families to enroll in January 1, 2016 coverage is Tuesday, December 15, 2015. Please make sure your clients are aware of this date and enroll before the deadline.

## Small Business Doctor Directory

The DC Health Benefit Exchange Authority (DCHBX) recently announced the launch of the DC Health Link SHOP Doctor Directory 1.0, available in Beta on [DCHealthLink.com](http://DCHealthLink.com). DC Health Link's SHOP Doctor Directory now makes it easier for small businesses and their employees to search for doctors by name, location, specialty, and determine which qualified health plans (QHPs) those doctors accept.

DC Health Link's SHOP Doctor Directory is powered by Consumers' CHECK-BOOK and allows customers to search all small group DC Health Link health insurance plans to find the plans in which their doctor participates. Additionally, the directory helps customers who are enrolled and are looking for a participating doctor. To search, a customer simply goes to [DC Health Link's SHOP Doctor Directory](#), enters their zip code, a doctor's last name or specialty, and instantly they will see a list of doctors and the insurance plans they accept. Additional filters are available for customers to further narrow their searches.

Prior to the all health plan doctor directory, customers had access to directories on each health insurance company's websites. DC Health Link's SHOP Doctor Directory 1.0 is the latest consumer decision support tool to be added to [DCHealthLink.com](http://DCHealthLink.com). Prior to open enrollment for individuals and families, DC Health Link added an all plan doctor directory (English and Spanish language) and DC Health Link Plan Match for individual marketplace customers. Plan Match helps customers make more informed decisions.

## ENROLLMENT DEADLINES

### Small Business Market:

#### Initial Groups

#### JAN 1 Coverage Effective Date:

- ◆ DEC 10— Last day to complete employee open enrollment period
- ◆ DEC 14 — Last day to pay first premium

#### Initial Groups

#### FEB 1 Coverage Effective Date:

- ◆ JAN 1— Last day to complete the employer application
- ◆ JAN 10— Last day to complete employee open enrollment period
- ◆ JAN 12 — Last day to pay first premium

*Note: First premium payment can only be made after employee open enrollment closes.*

### Individuals and Families

#### JAN 1 Coverage Effective Date:

- ◆ DEC 15— Last day to complete enrollment and select a plan