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[Portal Open for January 1 Groups](#)

DC Health Link is now displaying rates for groups with January 1, 2019 effective dates. Brokers can start building employer benefit packages for clients with this effective date immediately.

[Special Eligibility Rules for January 1 Groups](#)

In order to offer coverage through the SHOP Marketplace, employers must:

- Contribute at least 50% of the premium towards the reference plan; and
- Meet a minimum participation level of 2/3 of eligible employees (including valid waivers)

However, these requirements are waived for employers who apply during a special annual open enrollment period at the end of each year for coverage starting on January 1st. That is, during this open enrollment period the minimum contribution and participation requirements are waived. Please note that the requirement for at least one non-owner employee to enroll still applies.

[Individual Market Open Enrollment Events](#)

Throughout the upcoming Open Enrollment Period, DC Health Link will be sponsoring a series of "one-touch" events where Individual Market consumers will be able to learn about their coverage options and enroll on the spot. We invite brokers who are interested in participating in one or more of these events to RSVP using the link below.

[OE6 One-Touch Event RSVP Form](#)

[DC Health Link Training Available](#)

Our team is available to visit brokers' offices to provide in-person training on navigating the DC Health Link portal. Whether your staff could benefit from refreshers on general functionality or learn how to get faster resolution on inquiries by submitting cases via the Contact Form, we can schedule a visit that works for you. If you're interested in hosting us, click on the link below.

Did you know that we already visit all General Agencies 1-2 times a month? If you have urgent or routine small group market cases, your assigned General Agency is your one-stop shop to help you resolve issues with the full backing of the DC Health Link Trained Experts Team. What's more, each General Agency has an assigned representative on our team who is responsible for addressing their inquiries. Call your GA today!

[Expert Training Request Form](#)

[NAHU 2018 Training is now available](#)

The National Association of Health Underwriters 2018 training is now active on their website. Please click the link below to go to the training.

[DC Health Link Broker Training](#)

[Open Enrollment Dates for Individual Market](#)

The Executive Board of the DC Health Benefit Exchange Authority voted unanimously to add a Special Enrollment Period to the upcoming Open Enrollment Period, meaning that Open Enrollment in the District of Columbia will begin November 1, 2018 and will continue through January 31, 2019. As in the past, Individual market consumers must enroll by December 15 for coverage effective January 1, by January 15 for coverage effective February 1, and by January 31 for coverage effective March 1.

[Click here for information on the new Individual Responsibility Requirement](#)

[Enrollment Deadlines](#)

[Individual Market](#)

November 1, 2018 - January 31, 2019

- January 1 Effective date - Last day to enroll 12/15/2018
- February 1 Effective date - Last day to enroll 1/15/2019
- March 1 Effective date - Last day to enroll 1/31/2019

[Small Business Marketplace](#)

Initial Groups

December 1 Coverage Effective Date

- November 1 — Last day to complete initial employer application
- November 10 — Last day of employee open enrollment period; invoices are available in the employer's account the first business day after employee open enrollment closes
- November 13 — Last day to pay initial premium

Renewal Groups

December 1 Coverage Effective Date:

- November 5 — Last day to complete employer renewal application
- November 13 — Last day of employee open enrollment period

Premium Payments — Continue to pay monthly invoice as received by mail and also available online in employers' accounts

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