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## FINAL ENROLLMENT EVENTS FOR FREE ASSISTANCE WITH 2023 ACA COVERAGE

**Greenville, N.C.** – Access East has four final enrollment events scheduled over the next two weekends, to provide free help to insurance seekers still needing coverage for 2023.

Enrollment-event details appear in the box at right.



Open Enrollment (OE) for 2023 Affordable Care Act (ACA) health-insurance plans closes Jan. 15.

Access East Certified Marketplace Navigators' enrollment assistance includes help in choosing the best, most cost-effective 2023 health-insurance plan for consumers and their families on the federal Health Insurance Marketplace, and to determine if financial assistance is available to help pay for coverage, as it continues to be for most North Carolinians.

Navigators are grant-funded, and provide impartial assistance, receiving no commissions regardless of which insurance plan a consumer might choose.

Consumers have several options in scheduling one-on-one Navigator enrollment help: in person, by phone, or by WebEx or Zoom. To schedule a Navigator appointment, call (252) 847-3027 or toll-free (877) 755-5438, or visit www.NCNavigator.net.

Masks are required for all in-person assistance, both for Navigators and consumers.

SCHEDULED ENROLLMENT EVENTS Walk-ins accepted, though appointments encouraged.

- ♦ Jan. 7 | Saturday
- ♦ Jan. 8 | Sunday
- ♦ Jan. 14 | Saturday
- ♦ Jan. 15 | Sunday

All enrollment events are from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Access East offices, 2410 Stantonsburg Drive (Stanton Square Shopping Center), Greenville.

## BRING WITH YOU TO ENROLLMENT EVENTS:

- Social Security numbers for every family member, or document numbers for legal immigrants
- 2. Employer name(s) and phone number(s)
- 3. Income information for every member of a household who is working, or who has income and needs coverage
- 4. Information about any health insurance any household member might have

## REGULAR OFFICE HOURS FOR ASSISTANCE

ACA Open Enrollment runs through Jan. 15, 2023. Free Navigator assistance is available weekdays during that time; appointments are required:

- ♦ Mondays, Wednesdays: 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
- ◆ Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays: 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

As with previous years, consumers who chose a plan for 2022 will *still* need to choose one again during this OE, or risk being automatically enrolled in a new plan for 2023 that may not adequately meet their needs.

The local ACA Certified Navigators Program (<a href="www.accesseast.org/aca-home/">www.accesseast.org/aca-home/</a>) is one of several health-related programs that make up the nonprofit <a href="Access East">Access East</a>, which primarily coordinates patient-focused, provider-driven health care for the Medicaid and uninsured populations across 34 eastern North Carolina counties.