**Report from the Maryland Health Benefit Exchange
about Maryland Health Connection,
the state-based health insurance marketplace**

BALTIMORE (June 27, 2014; **UPDATED July 3**) — Maryland has surpassed 72,000 enrollments in qualified health plans through Maryland Health Connection, and more than 300,000 Marylanders have gained Medicaid coverage in 2014. As of May 31, 2014, there are 372,517 total enrollments.

Please note qualified health plan enrollments by county were updated on July 3, 2014. In the final verification process, a number of enrollments were properly attributed to Wicomico County from Washington County. A revised map is below.

Enrollment Activities

Medicaid and MCHP enrollment are year round. Marylanders can apply online at MarylandHealthConnection.gov or by visiting a local connector entity, health department or department of social services. They also can apply by calling our Consumer Support Center at 1-855-642-8572 (TTY 1-855-642-8573).

Marylanders can enroll in qualified health plans before Nov. 15 only if they have special circumstances like getting married, having a baby or losing other health coverage. Also, Marylanders who currently have COBRA continuation coverage may qualify to enroll in a plan through Maryland Health Connection until July 15, 2014.

Marylanders who think they may qualify to buy a plan now should apply by calling our Consumer Support Center, 1-855-642-8572 (TTY 1-855-642-8573), or visiting a navigator or insurance broker.

Other life events that may allow Marylanders to enroll in coverage through Maryland Health Connection outside of the annual open enrollment period include becoming ineligible for Medicaid or MCHP; turning 26 years old if an individual is enrolled in a family health plan; and certain errors or exceptional circumstances, which are reviewed on a case-by-case basis.

Consumers also should report other changes that may not affect their eligibility for coverage, such as corrections to name, date of birth, or Social Security Number.

The next report will be July 31, 2014.

Enrollment Data

As of May 31, 300,310 individuals have gained Medicaid coverage in 2014 and remain active in Medicaid. This includes the 95,889 PAC enrollees who were automatically converted on January 1, 2014 to full Medicaid coverage.

 As of May 31, 72,207 individuals have enrolled in a qualified health plan.

Qualified health plan enrollments by the numbers (as of May 31, 2014):

By Gender
        Male: 33,116 (45.9%)
        Female: 39,091 (54.1%)

By Age
        Younger than 18: 2,199 (3%)
        18-25: 6,249 (8.7%)
        26-34: 13,178 (18.3%)
        35-44: 13,370 (18.5%)
        45-54: 17,011 (23.6%)
        55-64: 18,253 (25.3%)
        65 and older: 1,947 (2.7%)

By Metal Level
        Catastrophic: 429 (0.6%)
        Bronze: 20,425 (28.3%)
        Silver: 38,712 (53.6%)
        Gold: 8,635 (12%)
        Platinum: 4,006 (5.5%)

By Insurance Carrier
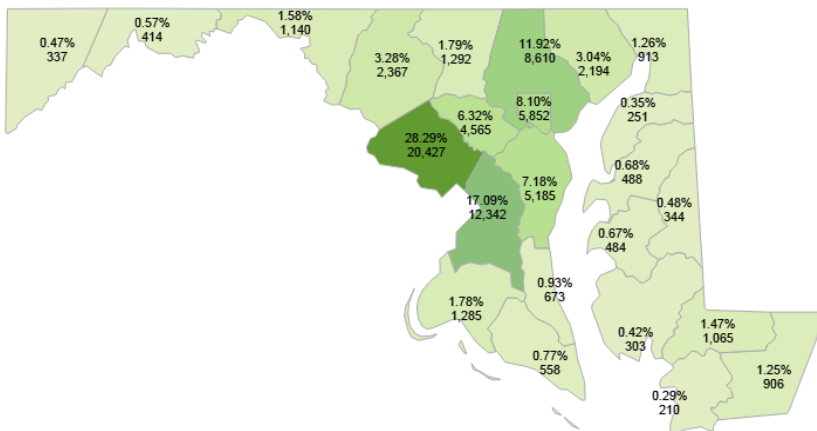   CareFirst: 67,800 (93.9%)
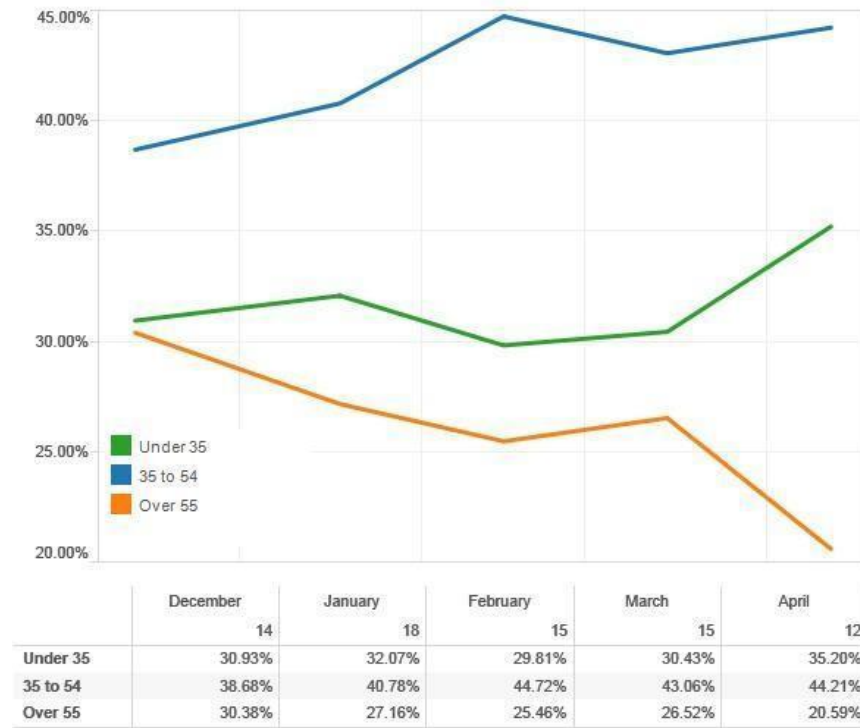   Kaiser: 3,560 (4.9%)
        Evergreen: 525 (0.7%)
        United: 322 (0.4%)

*Maryland Qualified Health Plan Enrollments by County, as of May 31 **(Updated July 3, 2014)***

County	%	Count
Allegany	0.57%	414
Anne Arundel	7.18%	5,185
Baltimore City	8.10%	5,852
Baltimore County	11.92%	8,610
Calvert	0.93%	673
Caroline	0.48%	344
Carroll	1.79%	1,292
Cecil	1.26%	913
Charles	1.78%	1,285
Dorchester	0.42%	303
Frederick	3.28%	2,367
Garrett	0.47%	337
Harford	3.04%	2,194
Howard	6.32%	4,565
Kent	0.35%	251
Montgomery	28.29%	20,427
Prince George's	17.09%	12,342
Queen Anne's	0.68%	488
Somerset	0.29%	210
St Mary's	0.77%	558
Talbot	0.67%	484
Washington	1.58%	1,140
Wicomico	1.47%	1,065
Worcester	1.25%	906

Maryland Qualified Health Plan Enrollments by Age Over Time

	December	January	February	March	April
	14	18	15	15	12
Under 35	30.93%	32.07%	29.81%	30.43%	35.20%
35 to 54	38.68%	40.78%	44.72%	43.06%	44.21%
Over 55	30.38%	27.16%	25.46%	26.52%	20.59%

Source: MHBE Enrollment Data, as reported to CMS, 2013-2014

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