



Montana ACA Outreach and Enrollment Summit -

The Montana Primary Care Association is hosting the first annual Montana Outreach and Enrollment Summit. The Summit is a hands-on training opportunity for those working on outreach and enrollment with the new Health Insurance Marketplace. Attendees will receive up-to-date training on best practices for outreach, enrollment, health insurance literacy, working with special populations, and more. This training is open to all Montana assisters, and attendees will have the opportunity to meet other assisters in their region and plan together for Open Enrollment 2.



Registration: \$80, includes lunch and dinner on October 7th and breakfast and lunch of October 8th. [Click here to register...](#)

Lodging: A block of rooms at the Holiday Inn has been set aside for the Summit. To reserve a room call (406) 443-2200 and ask for the "Montana Primary Care Association" room block.

Agenda: The Summit will begin at 11am on Tuesday October 7th and end at 3pm on Wednesday October 8th.

Workshops and breakout sessions include:

- ❖ Strategies for meeting the increased demand of Open Enrollment 2
- ❖ Best practices for doing outreach and enrollment in Indian Country
- ❖ In-reach strategies to reach and enroll all eligible patients
- ❖ Health Insurance Literacy
- ❖ Earned media 101
- ❖ Breakout sessions by experience level

Guest presenters include:

- ❖ The Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services
- ❖ The Office of the Commissioner of Securities and Insurance
- ❖ Billings Area Indian Health Service
- ❖ Enroll America

Tobacco Cessation Products: Now No Co-Pay with Medicaid Prior Authorization -



Effective immediately, there will be no copayment assessed on tobacco cessation products. This change only applies to the copayment; therefore, all tobacco cessation products continue to require a prior authorization.

The Request for Drug Prior Authorization Form is available on the [Forms](#) page of the Montana Medicaid Provider Information website.

Contact Information: If you have any questions regarding this provider notice, please contact Dave Campana, R.Ph., at 406-444-5951 or dcampana@mt.gov, Katie Hawkins at 406-444-2738 or khawkins@mt.gov, or the Medicaid Drug Prior Authorization Unit at 406-443-6002.

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Breastfeeding at Work Resource -

Office of Women's Health Releases Breastfeeding at Work Resource: The federal HHS Office of Women's Health released [Supporting Nursing Moms at Work: Employer Solutions](#). The online searchable resource includes stories and photos of 200 businesses in 29 states representing all 22 major industry sectors as well as 28 short videos featuring a wide array of businesses in eight states across the country.



Many state MCH programs and their partners are leading the way on implementing the [breastfeeding benefits](#) and [workplace accommodation](#) requirements of the ACA.

2013 National Profile of Local Health Departments -



The National Association of City & County Health Officials has released the 2013 edition of "The National Profile of Local Health Departments", a nationwide study investigating relevant topics on local public health infrastructure and practice. Information on governance, finance, workforce, and public health activities are available on local health departments.

A summary of local health departments providing select maternal and child health services is provided in Chapter 6. [View PDF](#)

How the ACA is Changing Public Health Practice -

A [recent issue of Northwest Public Health](#) takes a look at how the practice of public health is being changed by health care reform as a result of the Affordable Care Act (ACA).

The issue looks at community health needs assessments conducted by hospitals in King County, Washington; competing ACA ballot initiatives in Montana; innovative ways to improve birth outcomes in Multnomah County, Oregon; and how the decision not to expand Medicaid is affecting residents of Alaska and Idaho.

It also includes information about how tribal communities are responding to the ACA rollout and what Wyoming is doing to connect public health and health care.

