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Pete Ricketts, Governor

Preview Health Plans Prior to November 1 Open Enrollment

Lincoln, NE (October 29, 2018) – Consumers shopping for individual health insurance can now go to healthcare.gov to preview 2019 plans and prices before Open Enrollment begins, according to a federal government announcement. As in previous years, window shopping lets consumers browse plans without logging in, creating an account, or filling out the official application. Starting November 1, consumers can log in to HealthCare.gov and CuidadodeSalud.gov or call 1-800-318-2596 to fill out an application and enroll in a 2019 Exchange health plan.

The federal government also announced that healthcare.gov has been redesigned and will filter agents and brokers by their minimum years of participation on the federal exchange. A consumer will also be able to search for a specific agent or broker by entering a first or last name. The "Find Local Help" tool allows consumers to search by city and state or ZIP code to see a list of local people and organizations that are able to help them enroll in coverage.

The Department would also encourage individuals seeking coverage to visit with an agent or broker to explore all options available in the marketplace for themselves and their families.

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