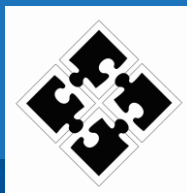


CRC Informs



MNSURE OPEN ENROLLMENT HAS STARTED!

MNsure Open Enrollment has started, but what does that really mean?

Who is affected by Open Enrollment?

Open enrollment is the time of year when we can enroll or change plans in the MNsure Marketplace or the private health insurance market. Employers offering insurance and the Medicare system also have open enrollment periods each year.

Households with Medical Assistance and MNcare can enroll ANY time during the year – so open enrollment doesn't affect them.

Open Enrollment Dates: November 1 – December 22!

During open enrollment, if a consumer qualifies for either a subsidized or unsubsidized MNsure Qualified Health Plan, they must select from the options available through MNsure and enroll through MNsure. Their insurance coverage will begin

January 1, 2021.



What is a MNsure Navigator?

- A MNsure Navigator is a person who has been trained to help with the application for health insurance in the Marketplace (MNSURE) in Minnesota.
- A Navigator will walk through the application with you, help you understand your program eligibility and next steps, and serve as your advocate.
- Community Resource Connections (CRC) is the home of your local MNsure Navigators. We are ready to help! **Give us a call at 218-333-0880.**

WHAT IS A MNSURE BROKER?

A MNsure broker is a licensed insurance agent certified with MNsure to provide information and guidance on plan selection in the Marketplace.

MNsure brokers and navigators work together as a team to provide you, the consumer, with the best possible experience.

Navigators specialize in completing the MNsure application and Brokers specialize in plan selection.

Find a broker here:

<https://www.mnsure.org/help/find-assister/find-broker.jsp>



Blackduck and Kelliher Food Program

Since June, Community Resource Connections has been partnering with the Bemidji Food shelf to deliver around 45 boxes of non-perishable food to people over 60 in the Blackduck area each month!

We recently received a **Title III grant** through the Area Agency on Aging (a CARES Act funding resource), and can now expand our coverage area. We will be serving around 120 people over age 60 in Northern Beltrami County during the months of November and December!

This program is in addition to the boxes that some receive as part of the Nutrition Assistance Program (NAPS) program. We are so excited to partner with the **Bemidji Community Food Shelf** and the **Area Agency on Aging** to reduce hunger in broader Beltrami County!

If you know of a Senior (over age 60) in Northern Beltrami County that is in need of additional food resources have them give our Blackduck Service Access Specialist, Ruth Anne Anderson, a call at 218-835-5768 to see if they might qualify for this, or other income eligible resources.



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COVID-19 TEST AT HOME

STAY SAFE MN

Minnesota is proud to offer free at-home COVID-19 saliva testing for people who believe they need to be tested, with or without symptoms.

These tests are currently available to Minnesotans who live in:

Aitkin County
Becker County
Beltrami County
Carver County
Cook County
Crow Wing County
Dakota County
Douglas County

Itasca County
Kandiyohi
County
Kittson County
Le Sueur County
Lyon County
Mower County
Nobles County
Otter Tail County

Pennington County
Pine County
Red Lake Nation
Rock County
Steele County
Swift County
Wilkin County
Wright County

You can order a test online that will be shipped to your home, along with a prepaid package to return it.

Find out more about how to order the test here: [COVID-19 at home testing](#)



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CHAP: COVID-19 Housing Assistance Program

To get started

call: 211 OR

1-800-543-7709

or 651-291-0211

Or apply online:

<http://211unitedway.org/>

This program is managed by United Way Minnesota, based in the Twin Cities, not your local United Way.

Or text: Text “MNRENT”

or “MNHOME” to

898-211

Find out more here:

<http://www.mnhousing.gov/sites/np/covid19housingassistanceprogramFAQ>

Still need help? Call Community Resource Connections
at 218-333-0880.