

## **New Mexico's State Based Health Insurance Exchange (NMHIX) Not Impacted by King v. Burwell Decision**

*beWellnm continues to offer tax credits to New Mexicans that purchase insurance through Healthcare.gov*

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Today, the United States Supreme Court ruled in favor of the Administration that health insurance tax credits will continue to be available to residents of states that are using HealthCare.gov, including New Mexico.

The Supreme Court's long discussion and Congress's intense debate on this important topic illustrates just one of the many the benefits of having a State-Based Exchange and the foresight of our state legislature when it passed enabling legislation establishing the New Mexico Health Insurance Exchange in 2013.

Of the many benefits of being a State-Based Exchange includes the ability to conduct local outreach to targeted populations in a culturally and linguistically appropriate manner. New Mexico has higher than national average reduction in the uninsured, which is down [4.9% in 2014](#) from 2013 – higher than the national average of 3.5%.

“With our State's geographically, culturally and linguistically diverse population, a locally operated Exchange makes sense for New Mexico,” said Amy Dowd, CEO of beWellnm. “With the assistance of our network of more than 500 local agents, brokers and enrollment counselors across the state, beWellnm has helped more than 53,000 New Mexicans find the health coverage that works for them and their families. We will continue to ensure that all New Mexicans have access to high-quality, affordable health coverage and to provide access to the tax credits that help make that coverage more affordable.”

States like Pennsylvania and Delaware are already following the New Mexico State-Based Exchange model of a local exchange educating and serving the state's consumers, while leasing the technology from the Federal Government.