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New Mexico Health Insurance Exchange Special Enrollment Begins Today

*BeWellnm Provides Uninsured New Mexicans with
Special Opportunity to Find Affordable Health Insurance Coverage*

Albuquerque, N.M. (February 15, 2021) – BeWellnm, the New Mexico Health Insurance Exchange, announces today the beginning of the special enrollment period for the New Mexico Health Insurance Exchange which ends on May 15, 2021. The special three-month reopening of the Affordable Care Act (ACA) insurance marketplace provides uninsured New Mexicans with a new opportunity to find affordable coverage.

“BeWellnm encourages all uninsured New Mexicans to begin the enrollment process as soon as possible because of the limited amount of time to find comprehensive, affordable health insurance options. People who have lost job-based insurance during the pandemic or remain uninsured may not realize that they are now eligible to enroll in the marketplace beginning today,” said Maureen Manning, director of communication and outreach for beWellnm.

“With more than 56,000 uninsured New Mexicans who qualify for significant premium reductions, are you one of them? Having the security of health insurance coverage may be more affordable than you think. BeWellnm is the only place where you can get financial assistance to provide you with low-cost or no-cost insurance, and free local help to explore your options. If you are considering enrolling in health insurance, call 1-833-862-3935 for assistance or visit beWellnm.com and schedule a virtual appointment. You could be covered by March 1st, so sign up now. All plans cover the 10 essential benefits such as doctor visits, hospital stays, maternity care, emergency room care, prescriptions, and more,” said Manning.

Federal law and regulations provide protections against preexisting condition exclusions in health insurance coverage. Health plans must permit New Mexicans to enroll regardless of health status, age, gender, or other factors that may predict the use of health services. With the special enrollment period beginning today, the New Mexico health insurance companies participating in the beWellnm marketplace include:

- Ambetter from Western Sky Community
- Blue Cross and Blue Shield of New Mexico
- Friday Health Plans
- Molina Health Care of New Mexico
- True Health New Mexico

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Financial help is also available to New Mexicans who qualify. A premium subsidy helps pay for health insurance, and the amount is based on income, family size and other related factors.

The beWellnm team of certified navigators, enrollment counselors, agents, brokers and staff services are free. They are always available to help those in need review and explain their health insurance options through telephone assistance or virtual appointments at (833) 862-3935 or online by visiting beWellnm.com.

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About beWellnm, New Mexico's Health Insurance Exchange

BeWellnm was created to help individuals and small businesses get access to affordable health insurance plans. BeWellnm helps consumers compare health insurance plans and choose the plan that works best for their health needs and budget. BeWellnm also helps individuals determine whether they are eligible for premium assistance and if so, at what level. Through beWellnm for Small Business, small businesses are able to purchase competitively priced health insurance plans and offer their employees the ability to choose from an array of plans. Enrollment Counselors and insurance agents are available throughout the state to help with signing up for health insurance.

To find more information on beWellnm, New Mexico's Health Insurance Exchange, visit www.beWellnm.com or call us at 1-833-ToBeWell.