

**Maryland FAQs related to 1095-B as posted on Maryland Health Connection Website:**  
<https://www.marylandhealthconnection.gov/taxes/#1095B>

**What is Form 1095-B?**

Form 1095-B is an IRS tax form that serves as proof that you or members of your household met the Affordable Care Act requirement to have health coverage.

If anyone in your household was enrolled in Medicaid or the Maryland Children's Health Program (MCHP) through Maryland Health Connection in 2015, you will receive a new tax form, Form 1095-B. The Form 1095-B will be mailed to you by Jan. 31, 2016, and will arrive in the mail by early February 2016.

You should review Form 1095-B to be sure the information is correct, and then save the form with your other important tax documents.

You do not need to send this form to the IRS when filing your 2015 taxes, if you file taxes. If you file taxes for 2015, you will check a box on your tax return to indicate you had health coverage for that year.

**When will I get Form 1095-B?**

The Form 1095-B will be mailed to you by Jan. 31, 2016, and will arrive in the mail by early February 2016.

**Why do I need Form 1095-B?**

Under the Affordable Care Act, most people are required to have health coverage that meets certain minimum standards, or else they may pay a penalty for being uninsured. The Form 1095-B is proof that you meet this requirement.

For the 2015 tax year, you will check a box on your tax return, if you file taxes, to indicate you had health coverage.

**What if the information on Form 1095-B is not correct?**

If any information is incorrect on your Form 1095-B, such as names, last four digits of Social Security Numbers (SSNs), dates of coverage, or which individuals in your household were enrolled, call Maryland Health Connection's consumer support center at 1-855-642-8572 (TTY: 8753).

**Can my tax preparer call Maryland Health Connection with questions about the Form 1095-B on my behalf?**

No; we cannot accept calls from a tax preparer on your behalf due to privacy reasons. Tax preparers are encouraged to take advantage of the information prepared by the IRS to support tax preparers and their understanding of the Affordable Care Act (ACA).

**Does Form 1095-B affect my state taxes?**

No; it affects only your federal taxes.

**I am married and I file separately from my spouse. Will we both receive form 1095-B?**

We will send the Form 1095-B to the person listed as head of household. You can request an additional copy of Form 1095-B from your spouse or through Maryland Health Connection by calling us at 1-855-642-8572 (TTY: 1-855-642-8573).

**My spouse and I both were enrolled in Medicaid or had other health coverage during 2015 but then divorced. Will we both receive Form 1095-B?**

We will send Form 1095-B to the person listed as head of the household at the end of the year. You can request an additional copy of Form 1095-B from your spouse or through Maryland Health Connection by calling us at 1-855-642-8572 (TTY: 1-855-642-8573).

You should also be sure to update your information with Maryland Health Connection. Marriage or divorce is a qualifying life event that allows you to enroll in or change Qualified Health Plan coverage outside of the annual Open Enrollment period.

**I got two copies of Form 1095-B for my family, and one is marked as corrected. Which should I use?**

You should use the version of Form 1095-B that has been updated with your most current information when completing your taxes. You should keep both copies in a safe place with the rest of your tax information.

**I am a parent of a foster child, but I did not receive a Form 1095-B for my child. What should I do?**

You may need to contact your local Department of Social Services (DSS) office; they may have the form. You also may not have received a Form 1095-B based on your household composition.