



WATCH THE MAIL **FOR AN IMPORTANT TAX DOCUMENT**



Dear HealthSource RI Customer:

In the coming weeks, you will receive an important tax document from HealthSource RI (HSRI) that you will need to use to complete your federal income tax return. The tax document is called Form 1095-A and it will be sent to you by January 31, 2015. A copy of this information will also be given to the IRS.

Why Form 1095-A is Important

Form 1095-A is a tax document (like a W-2) that you will need to complete your 2014 federal tax return. Form 1095-A provides most of the information you need to complete Form 8962. You **MUST** file Form 8962 with your 2014 tax return if one of the following applies to you or your family:

- The monthly cost of your health insurance through HSRI was reduced in the form of advance premium tax credits (APTC), OR
- You did not receive an APTC during the year but you are eligible for a premium tax credit (PTC) and want to claim the entire credit when you file your 2014 federal tax return

Remember, federal law allows you to take an estimated tax credit during the year to reduce the cost of your monthly premium. You also have the option to take the full credit after the year ends – the choice is yours, each year. In 2014, most people took advantage of the tax credits over the course of the year to reduce their monthly premium.

If you took advance tax credits for any part of 2014, you must file a federal tax return and complete Form 8962, even if your income is below the filing limits. To complete the form, you will first need to determine how much in tax credits you received in advance. This amount was calculated based on estimated household income information that you provided to HealthSource RI. Next, you will need to compare this advanced credit to the amount you are actually eligible to receive based on final income information that you will use to complete your taxes.

If you received too little over the course of 2014, you will get the rest back when you file your taxes. If you received too much, you will need to pay back the difference when you file your taxes, either in the form of a reduced refund or an amount due with your federal filing.

Form 1095-A is only issued for health plans purchased through a state-based exchange like HealthSource RI or the federal marketplace, known as healthcare.gov. This is because individuals and families must purchase insurance through an Exchange in order to be eligible for premium tax credits.

You will receive more than one Form 1095-A if you or your family enrolled in more than one qualified health plan. Form 1095-A is not issued for Catastrophic plans, Medicaid or HSRI SHOP coverage obtained through your employer because consumers may not claim tax credits for these plans.

Who to Contact for Help

If you would like more information, the IRS has easy-to-understand information available at www.irs.gov/aca or you can call the IRS at 1-800-829-1040. If you have questions about Form 1095-A, Form 8962 or premium tax credits, your tax preparer may be able to best help you. You may also visit the “Help during Tax Season” section of our website, which can be found at www.healthsourceri.com.

Once you receive your Form 1095-A and have had a chance to review it, you can call HealthSource RI at 1-855-408-1344 if you think there has been a mistake. We urge you to complete the Form 8962 before calling because it will assist HealthSource RI in providing you the help you need.

Additional helpful information will be sent with Form 1095-A. For now, watch the mail for this important document and do not start your 2014 federal tax return until you have received Form 1095-A.