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Columbia Valley Community Health Hosting Health Care Enrollment Events *Free enrollment assistance navigating the WA State Health Benefit Exchange*

Tuesday, February 11, 2014: **Wenatchee, WA:** [Columbia Valley Community Health](http://www.cvch.org) (CVCH) will host a series of enrollment events for anyone who needs assistance enrolling in the state healthcare exchange, known as the [Washington HealthPlanFinder](http://www.wahealthplanfinder.com). These Saturday enrollment events will be held from 9am to 4pm at the following locations in Chelan, Wenatchee and Waterville:

- Saturday, February 15: Waterville School District Building, 200 E. Birch St, Waterville, WA
- Saturday, February 22: CVCH Wenatchee Clinic, 600 Orondo Ave, Wenatchee, WA
- Saturday, March 8: CVCH Chelan Clinic, 317 E Johnson, Chelan, WA
- Saturday, March 15, 22 and 29: CVCH Wenatchee Clinic, 600 Orondo Ave, Wenatchee, WA

This community service is free and open to anyone, not just patients of CVCH. **Marlen Mendez**, Outreach Manager at CVCH, is heading up these efforts and wants people to know help is available before the March deadline.

"We know it's been frustrating to navigate the healthcare exchange application process and the *Apple Health renewal process," Mendez said, "but CVCH is here to help community members through it. If you haven't started the application or you've started the process at home and got stuck, we're here to help! The last day to enroll is March 31st so take advantage of our community events in order to have the peace of mind that your family is covered." (**The Washington State Health Care Authority has changed the name of Medicaid to Apple Health.*)

Trained in-person assistors from CVCH will help individuals through the enrollment process. This assistance will be available on a walk-in basis. Individuals enrolling are required to bring the following information:

- Identification Documentation (ID Card, Green Card, Naturalization Certificate or US Passport)
- 2012 or 2013 Tax Return
- Social Security Cards for everyone applying
- Dates of Birth for everyone included on 2012 or 2013 taxes

If any of this information is missing, individuals will not be able to complete the enrollment process. The Washington healthcare exchange is an online marketplace where users can compare and enroll in quality health insurance plans.

For more information about this enrollment event, please contact [Marlen Mendez](mailto:Marlen.Mendez@cvch.org), Outreach Manager at CVCH, at 509.661.3623.



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About Columbia Valley Community Health

[Columbia Valley Community Health](#) is a Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) that offers medical, dental, behavioral health, pharmacy, WIC and outreach services to everyone in Chelan and Douglas Counties. Their mission is to provide access to improved health and wellness with compassion and respect for all.

Established in 1972, CVCH is now an industry leader and was the first in the Pacific Northwest to achieve the Joint Commission's Primary Care Medical Home certification. CVCH serves over 24,000 patients a year between all of its departments and locations in Wenatchee, East Wenatchee and Chelan.

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