



# First Friday Forum

August 5, 2021

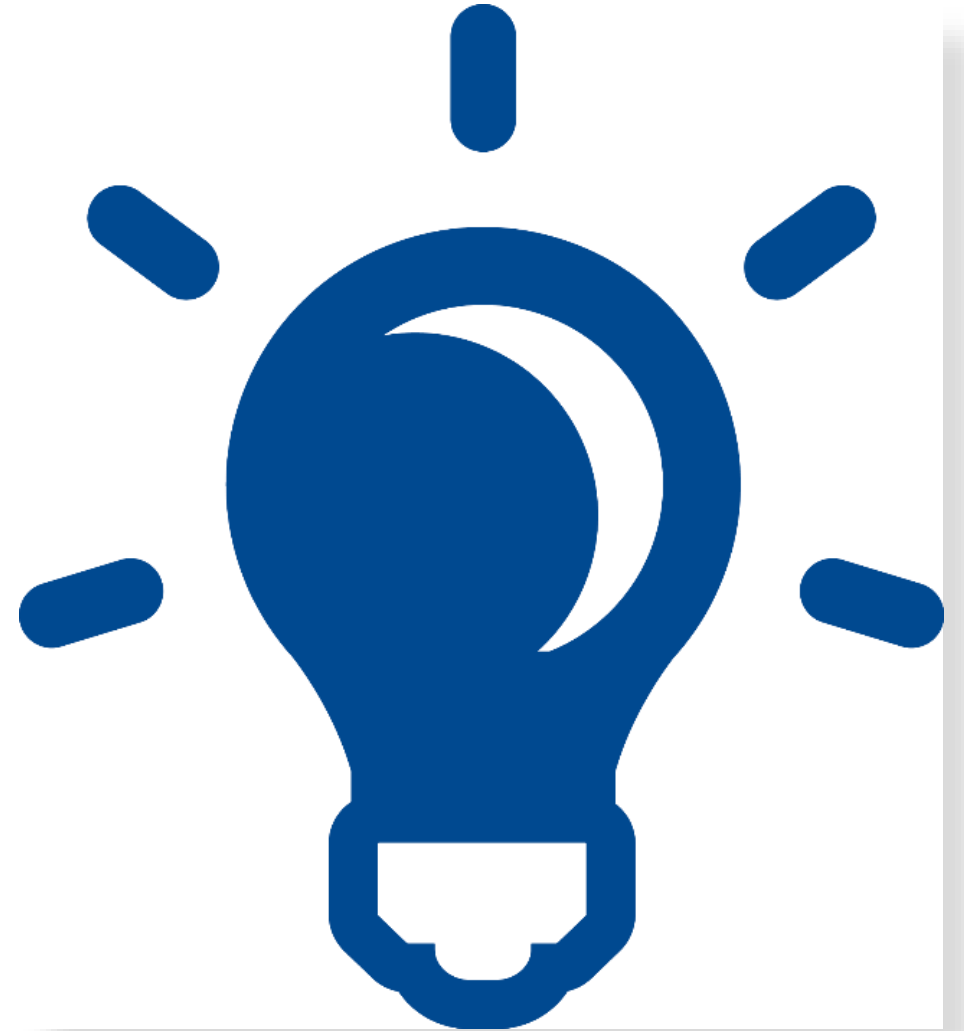
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# Question for the Month

What do you need to do with the authorization code when you log in to *Washington Healthplanfinder*?

Bonus question:

What action do you need to complete after each *Washington Healthplanfinder* system update before logging into *Washington Healthplanfinder*?



# Answer to Question of the Month

What do you need to do with the authorization code when you log in to *Washington Healthplanfinder*?

**Remove the blank space at the end of the code.**

Bonus question:

What action do you need to complete after each *Washington Healthplanfinder* system update before logging into *Washington Healthplanfinder*?

Clear you cache/cookies and close out of your browser. Restart your computer and type in the *Washington Healthplanfinder* URL:  
<https://www.wahealthplanfinder.org/>



# Public Health Emergency Special Enrollment Period

- ENDS August 15<sup>th</sup>
- This will NOT be extended



# American Rescue Plan Act – end dates

Assistance	Dates
Expanded Advanced Premium Tax Credits for 2021 & 2022	December 31, 2022* *Unless Congress extends
COBRA 100% Subsidy	Ends September 30, 2021
Unemployment Monthly Premium Assistance* *Client only needs one week UI in 2021	Ends December 31, 2021

# Child care Worker Sponsorship Program

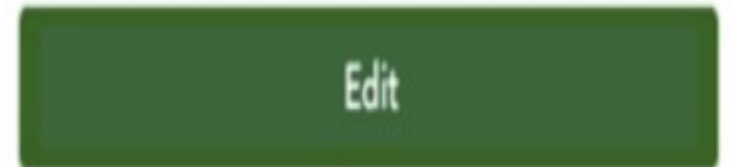
- Yakima Neighborhood Health Services (YNHS)
  - [ccnavi@ynhs.org](mailto:ccnavi@ynhs.org)
  - (509) 574-0826
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- All child care worker sponsorship recipients must be enrolled by YNHS

# Federal Tax Information (FTI)

- This is the required five-year consent that allows Washington Healthplanfinder to verify income using federal resources
- A banner appears on apps that need this permission renewed
- When permission is not updated:
  - Tax credits will not automatically be applied at renewal
  - May lose eligibility for Washington Apple Health



Edit your authorization so we can renew your coverage next year with tax credits.



# Updating FTI Consent

- When the customer has other changes to report they can update the consent on the E-sign page when they submit their application
  - For example: Address/email change, HH composition update, income, health coverage, tax filing status....
- If no other changes they can update consent on the “My Profile” page under renewal information button



# Updating FTI Consent

HOME EN ESPAÑOL LANGUAGE HELP CUSTOMER SUPPORT

washington healthplanfinder  
click. compare. covered.

DASHBOARD Sign Out

### Coverage details

ACCOUNT HOME PAYMENTS MY HOUSEHOLD DOCUMENT CENTER MY PROFILE

Update other details by selecting "Report a Change" from your Account Home.

Account Information	Contact Information
USERNAME GUIDENL97	NOTIFICATION PREFERENCE PAPERLESS (BY EMAIL)
PASSWORD *****	<b>Renewal Information</b>
EMAIL ADDRESS GUIDENL97@HBEUAT.MAILRAJATOR.COM	AUTHORIZATION TO VERIFY TAX RETURN DO NOT RENEW TAX CREDITS

# Carrier Week, 2021

- October 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>
- Between the hours of 9am and 2pm
- Mark your calendars – more information to come

# Navigator In-service Days

- What's new for 2022? Making a difference is what WE do!!
- Hold the dates: October 12<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>
- 9 am to 1pm





87 days until Open Enrollment 9!!

OE begins November 1, 2021, and ends on January 15, 2022

# Questions???



# Appendix



# Additional Resources for Income Support

- Coronavirus FAQs:
  - <https://www.wahbexchange.org/new-customers/coverage-basics/coronavirus-faqs/>
- American Rescue Act Plan FAQs:
  - <https://www.wahbexchange.org/new-customers/coverage-basics/american-rescue-plan-faqs/>
- Reporting Unemployment Income:
  - <https://www.wahbexchange.org/reporting-unemployment/>
- KFF calculator for 2021 APTC and net premiums under the American Rescue Plan:
  - <https://www.kff.org/interactive/subsidy-calculator/>
- KFF calculator for 2021 APTC and net premiums before the American Rescue Plan:
  - <https://www.kff.org/interactive/subsidy-calculator-2021-before-covid-relief/>
- GetInsured calculator for the impact of the broad-based PTC increase:
  - <https://mypremiumsubsidy.com/screener/american-rescue-plan.html#/>

# If I am eligible for employer-sponsored insurance, am I eligible for the new premium savings under ARPA?

- If you are eligible for employer-sponsored health insurance with a premium that costs less than 9.83% or less of your household income, then you will not be eligible for premium tax credits (Note: ARPA did not fix the 'family glitch').
- If you are eligible for employer-sponsored health insurance that is more expensive, you may be eligible for enhanced tax credits under the American Rescue Plan



# How does COBRA coverage compare to *Washington Healthplanfinder* coverage?

- The biggest drawback with COBRA is usually the cost for laid-off workers, which can be thousands of dollars a month. ARPA addresses this through September.
  - More information at: <https://www.dol.gov/agencies/ebsa/laws-and-regulations/laws/cobra/premium-subsidy>
- Those who lose their employer sponsored coverage can keep their current doctors and health-care providers through COBRA. If someone has already met their deductible for the year, maintaining workplace insurance could be an affordable option.
  - When your COBRA assistance runs out, you may be eligible for a special enrollment period to enroll in coverage through *Washington Healthplanfinder*.
- Those who lose employer coverage can also find a plan on *Washington Healthplanfinder*
  - Will likely qualify for free or very low-cost coverage through *Washington Healthplanfinder* **especially if they** collected unemployment insurance during at least 1 week in 2021.
  - Can search available plans by preferred health care provider.
  - Can enroll in silver plan – with minimal premium and low out-of-pocket expenses.
  - As a result, options through *Washington Healthplanfinder* plan may be a better deal



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