



## **BEACH CITIES HEALTH DISTRICT OFFERS COVERED CALIFORNIA™ APPLICATION ASSISTANCE**

*Residents and employees of Hermosa Beach, Manhattan Beach and Redondo Beach can get assistance from Beach Cities Health District at no cost; enrollment for Covered California is open now*

### **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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**REDONDO BEACH, Calif.** (December 1, 2021) – Residents and employees of Hermosa Beach, Manhattan Beach and Redondo Beach have access to free assistance with Covered California enrollment – the state’s implementation of the Affordable Care Act – through Beach Cities Health District (BCHD). Open enrollment, a time when individuals and families can explore and purchase health insurance policies for 2022, is now open until January 31, 2022. If you have a qualifying life event, you may also enroll in Covered California outside of regular open enrollment.

Even if a person or family only needs coverage for a few months, residents can look to Covered California throughout the year for your health insurance needs. By law, coverage can no longer be dropped or denied, even if the patient has a pre-existing medical condition or becomes sick.

BCHD has a team of certified enrollment counselors ready to assist residents and families in applying for health insurance or simply reviewing their available health insurance options.

For assistance with Covered California, please call (310) 374-3426 and press option 1. All interested parties are also asked to have the following on hand:

- Name/birth date of each person being enrolled
- Social Security number of each enrollee
- Most recent income tax filings or annual income account
- Current health coverage status, if any

Please visit [bchd.org/covered-california-medical](http://bchd.org/covered-california-medical) for more information or call (310) 374-3426 and press option 1.

### **About Beach Cities Health District**

Beach Cities Health District (BCHD), the 2021 Association of California Healthcare Districts’ “District of the Year,” is a healthcare district focused on preventive health and serves the communities of Hermosa Beach, Manhattan Beach and Redondo Beach. Established in 1955 as a public agency, it offers an extensive range of dynamic health and wellness programs, with innovative services and facilities to promote health and prevent diseases across the lifespan. BCHD also operates AdventurePlex, a health and fitness facility where kids play their way to good health, and the Center for Health & Fitness, a comprehensive fitness center that is the only Medical Fitness Association-certified facility in California. Visit [www.bchd.org](http://www.bchd.org) or call (310) 374-3426 for more information

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