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**NH Insurance Department: Residents Will Have Health Plan Choices in 2016**  
5 Health Insurance Companies, 4 Dental Carriers File to Offer Plans on Marketplace

**CONCORD, NH** – The New Hampshire Insurance Department announces that state residents will have a variety of health insurance options to choose from in 2016.

At the close of the April 15 deadline for filing 2016 plans, five health insurance companies had submitted applications to offer plans on New Hampshire's federally facilitated Health Insurance Marketplace in 2016. Four companies had applied to offer stand-alone dental plans.

"For 2015, New Hampshire residents had a range of health insurance companies, plans, and provider networks to choose among," said New Hampshire Insurance Commissioner Roger Sevigny. "I'm pleased that in 2016, they'll likely have just as many, if not more, options. Choice is good for consumers and good for competition."

Health insurance companies that submitted applications to offer plans through the 2016 Marketplace include: Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield of New Hampshire, Harvard Pilgrim Health Care of New England, Community Health Options, Minuteman Health, and Ambetter from NH Healthy Families, offered by Celtic Insurance.

While some health insurance plans will include dental coverage, New Hampshire residents also will be able to choose among a variety of distinct dental plans. Four companies will offer stand-alone dental plans on the Marketplace: Anthem, Delta Dental, Dentegra Insurance Company, and Guardian Life Insurance Company.

New Hampshire is a partnership state, which means that the state is responsible for reviewing plans proposed for sale on the federally facilitated New Hampshire Health Insurance Marketplace and deciding whether to recommend them for final approval by the federal government. Open enrollment for 2016 plans will start November 1, 2015.

In June, the Department will host public information sessions detailing the health care provider networks likely to be available to New Hampshire residents in 2016 through the various health insurance plans offered on the Marketplace.

The New Hampshire Insurance Department's mission is to promote and protect the public good by ensuring the existence of a safe and competitive insurance marketplace through the development and enforcement of the insurance laws of the State of New Hampshire. For more information, visit [www.nh.gov/insurance](http://www.nh.gov/insurance).

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