

# Enhanced Direct Enrollment: A Broker's How-To Guide

Our partnership with Stride Health lets you easily guide your clients to shop on-exchange Oscar plans and make first payments right from the Broker Portal.

Whether you're enrolling a new client or renewing a plan for a member, this quick guide shows you exactly how to get your clients covered with Oscar in 2025. Let's go!

### What is Enhanced Direct Enrollment?

The Enhanced Direct Enrollment (EDE) is a digital enrollment tool that's here to empower you to grow your book of business with a faster enrollment experience.

The process is designed to be quick, simple, and easy for you to guide your clients to shop on-exchange Oscar plans straight from the Broker Portal.

# With EDE you can:



Apply for subsidies on your clients' behalf without having to visit healthcare.gov.



Make client payments straight from the Broker portal.



Simplify the way you renew your Oscar clients — switching to a different plan to better suit their needs is easy and quick.



# **Initiations**

### **Getting started**

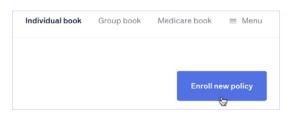
- 1. Log into your Broker Account at **business.hioscar.com**
- 2. Click to enter your Individual book
- 3. Select Enroll New Policy
- 4. Enter your client's details

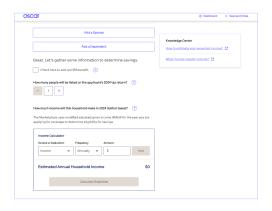
# View and select from available plans

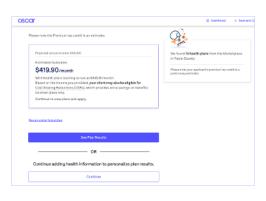
- 1. To **create a quote** simply scroll down the screen to continue through the enrollment steps.
- 2. Once complete, you will be presented with two options: "See Plan Results" and "Continue adding health information to personalize plan results."
- 3. You will now see a count of available plans on the right of the page.

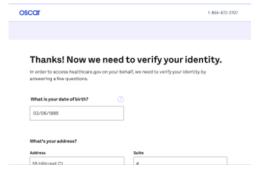
#### **Broker verification**

- 1. You'll only need to complete the broker verification once. So, skip this section if you've done this before.
- 2. Review your basic information
- 3. Enter your FFM username (this ID was created when you completed the FFM registration and training at portal.cms.gov.)
- 4. Verify your identity
- 5. Continue with the enrollment process when identity verification is complete











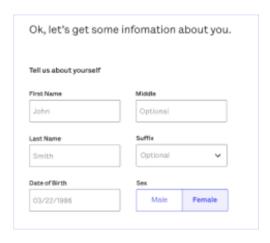
### Starting the application

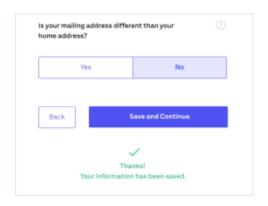
- 1. To continue the application process, attest that you've received permission from your client to enroll on their behalf, and that you've verified their identity.
  - a. If your client has an existing
    Marketplace application, you can select their existing application
  - b. If your client doesn't have an existing Marketplace application, there'll be an option to start a new application
- 2. Select the applicable coverage state and year
- 3. Enter your client's information
  - a. This includes your client's demographic, income, and other eligibility information for all members of the household
- 4. Download Eligibility Results
- 5. Marketplace will automatically determine if your client is eligible to enroll in Marketplace coverage and if they're eligible for a subsidy

# Congrats! You've enrolled in an Oscar Plan!

- Now: Use the payment link provided to enter and submit your client payment information using the same details they used to enroll
- 2. Encourage your clients to create an online account.
- 3. Encourage your clients to activate their account.

All done! Now you can return to your Broker Portal to enroll more clients!









# Renewals

# **Getting started:**

- Log into your Broker Account at business.hioscar.com
- 2. Click to enter your Individual book
- 3. Lookup your renewing client
- 4. Choose **explore other plans**, if renewal details are available

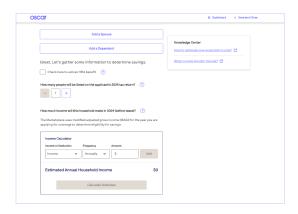
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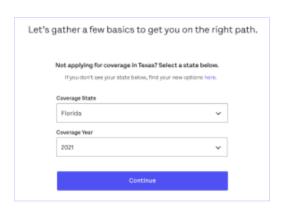
# Starting the renewal application

- 1. Search the Marketplace for the member's existing application.
  - a. If your renewing client is enrolled in an on-exchange plan, they may already have an existing Marketplace application you can select
  - b. If your renewing client is enrolled in an off-exchange plan and would like to enroll in an on-exchange plan, you'll need to start a new application and follow the steps in the **Initiations** section above.
- 2. To continue the application process, attest that you've received permission









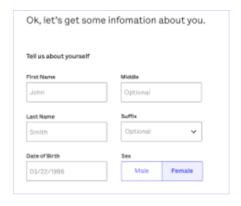


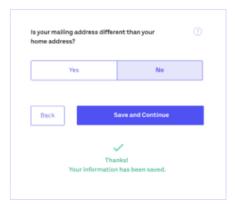
from your client to enroll on their behalf, and that you've verified their identity. Note: If there's an existing application, most demographic information should be pre-filled

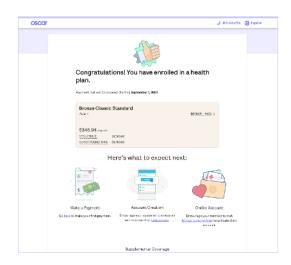
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- 4. Enter your client's information. This includes your client's demographic, income, and other eligibility information for all members of the household
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# Supporting Clients to Self-Enroll via Oscar

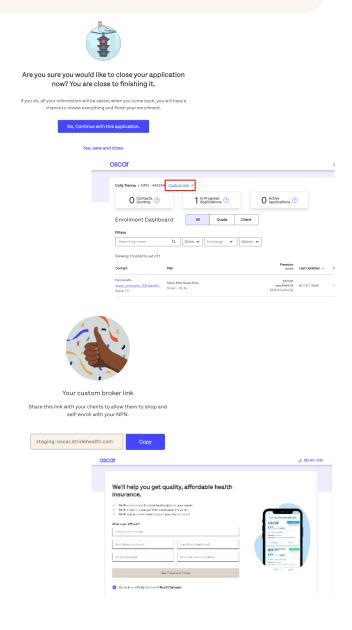
Post July 2024, CMS will restrict agents or brokers from making changes to a consumer's FFM enrollment unless they are already associated with it. Unassociated or 'new' agents must conduct a three-way call with the consumer and the Marketplace Call Center or to direct the consumer to submit the change themselves through HealthCare.gov or via our Portal Link.

### What does this mean for you?

- For unassociated or new agents, additional steps are required to update a consumer's enrollment, even with their consent.
- Attempting to terminate a plan without association via an EDE will result in an error message like "We can't update the consumer's policy right now. Call the marketplace call center at 1-800-318-2596 with the consumer on the line for a 3-way call and ask a representative to update the consumer's coverage."

Not to worry, here's how to support your client to easily self enroll through **Oscar's Member Portal:** 

- If you are enrolling a client on an EDE platform and encounter the error message, save and close your application.
- Open your Oscar broker dashboard and copy your custom Oscar Broker Stride link. Email this link to your client, along with a reminder of their selected plan and ask them to enter their contact details - this will add them to your broker dashboard.
- Guide your client to answer all questions (zipcode, demographic information, household size and income) so they can view and select plans.





- 4. Clients must create or log into their Oscar account to continue their application.\* They should electronically sign in to receive Marketplace eligibility results **and** submit the enrollment under your NPN.
- 5. After your client has submitted an enrollment, you can refresh your dashboard and assist with any post-enrollment tasks like uploading documents or making a payment.

\*Most of the client's Oscar account information will be saved from the broker application you initially started.

