## Proposed CMS Program Integrity Rule

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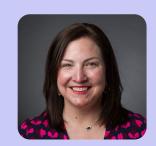
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# Oscar's Education & Training Plan



## Oscar's education plan to keep brokers informed and provide actionable recommendations

#### Throughout the year, Oscar will provide:

Additional deep-dive webinars into enhanced tax credit expiration and CMS provisions and how to best navigate

Email series with actionable recommendations brokers can take to mitigate the impact of these regulations

One-pagers on available plan options to guide members to the best plan for them

Broker portal enhancements to proactively identify members who may be impacted by these changes

Select in-person trainings and dedicated webinars throughout the summer and fall



## Upcoming events

June 10: Release Oscar's Essential Guide to the Proposed **CMS Program Integrity Rule & Broker Checklist Essential Guide to the Proposed CMS Program Integrity Rule** oscar

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## Overview of ACA Regulatory Environment



## Refresher: Enhanced tax credits still set to expire on Dec. 31, 2025 unless Congress acts

- If you need a refresher, see Oscar's Federal Policy Updates You Should Know webinar from April 22
- Whether the enhanced tax credits will be renewed is currently uncertain
  - Three possible vehicles:
    - Current budget reconciliation negotiations
    - Continuing resolution by Sept 30, 2025
    - Another "must-pass" bill



### What's new: CMS Final Program Integrity Rule is under review with OMB



#### WHAT IS IT?

The first major individual market rule from the Trump Administration in the president's second term.

Focused on preventing fraud, waste, and abuse, reducing adverse selection, and increasing affordability.





#### Brokers will need to understand these new rules, if finalized, to:

- Ensure their members remain eligible for ACA plans & APTC.
- Properly communicate these changes to their members.
- Minimize the potential impact on their book of business.





#### You are in the right spot.

This training will help you understand key provisions and recommended actions to take now and during OEP.

Stay close to Oscar's future educational content to remain informed.



## Timeline for Reconciliation passage & adoption

ESTIMATED DATE	TIMELINE SUMMARY
MID-MAY	Committee markups in Congress
LATE MAY - EARLY JUNE	House passed bill, moves to Senate
JUNE - JULY/AUGUST	Senate markups, compilation, and vote
JUNE - JULY/AUGUST	Final votes in both chambers, if passed, Trump signs bill and it becomes law
AUGUST	Congress in recess from 8/2 - 9/1

## Deep-Dive into Key Proposed CMS Provisions & Recommended Actions



### Introduction to key provisions in CMS rule

KEY CMS PROPOSED PROVISIONS	EFFECTIVE DATE <sup>1</sup>	
Changing income eligibility checks (DMIs)	Effective soon after adoption	
Ending SEP for 150% FPL members	Effective soon after adoption	
Shortening OEP to 11/1 - 12/15	OEP 2026	
Reverting FTR process to 1 year	OEP 2026	
\$0 members who auto-renew and fail to verify eligibility would be subject to a \$5/month premium	OE 26' for 1/1/26+ effective dates for FFM states OE 27' for 1/1/27+ effective dates for SBE states	

<sup>1.</sup> Effective dates are based on original CMS proposed rule from March 2025.



# Changes to Income Eligibility Checks (DMIs)

Proposed Effective Soon After Adoption



## Proposed changes to income eligibility checks

#### There are three major proposed changes to eligibility checks:

New data matching issue audits for members attesting to income above 100% FPL, when trusted data sources show income below 100% FPL.\*

Exchanges may now require additional information when no tax return is available.

Removal of the automatic 60-Day extension for a DMI.\*



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<sup>\*</sup>Deep-dives on following slides.

## Process flow of an income-driven DMI - Triggering a DMI\*

CMS confirms Sue's 2024 income was above 100% FPL – NO DMI

Sue submits prospective 2026 income that is above 100% FPL (>\$15.7K").

CMS checks trusted data sources (e.g., IRS, SSA) to confirm Sue's income.

CMS data sources show Sue's 2024 income was less than 100% FPL (<\$15.7K) – DMI IS TRIGGERED



## Process flow of an income-driven DMI -Resolving a DMI\*

CMS data sources show Sue's 2024 income was less than 100% FPL (<\$15.7K) -

**DMI IS TRIGGERED** 

Sue receives "temporary eligibility", and is notified that she needs to provide supporting documentation.



Sue has 90 days from receiving this notice to provide documentation.

She will receive multiple notices from the EDE/exchange via email/text to correct.

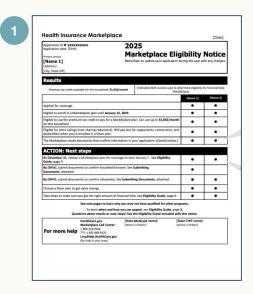
Sue is no longer automatically granted the automatic 60-day extension.

Sue's broker should also be notified of the DMI and can assist her - but details regarding the DMI will vary by EDE. Oscar does not get this info.

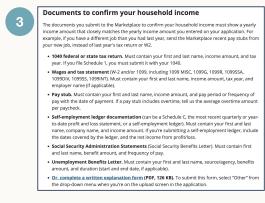
### Compiling income verification documents

CMS has several resources to help identify which documents can be used to verify prospective income.

- CMS will provide the member with information on which documents they can submit to verify their prospective income in their eligibility notice. See different <u>eligibility</u> determination notices from CMS.
- 2. The CMS Guide to Confirming Your Income Information provides helpful examples on how to verify prospective income.
- CMS also lists <u>potential documents to</u> confirm your income on their website.









## Preparing to help members resolve DMIs

#### What can brokers do now?

- Have existing members gather key documents
- Start early because of the potential shortened
   OEP window

#### What can brokers do during OEP?

- Inform members of proposed 90-day window
- Provide CMS resources that list eligible verification documents

#### **Helpful Resources for Resolving DMIs**



CMS Guide to Confirming Your Income Information

Potential Documents to Confirm Income, Immigration, and Citizenship from CMS

**Example Eligibility Determination Notices from CMS** 



## Ending SEP for 150% FPL MMs

Proposed Effective Soon After Adoption



## Ending monthly SEP for members at or below 150% FPL



#### What is the proposed provision?

**Effective soon after adoption:** Members at or below 150% FPL would no longer be eligible for monthly SEP, for all exchanges.

#### How does it impact me and my members?

150% FPL members would no longer be able to change carriers and plans monthly.

#### What should I do about this proposal?

Educate 150% FPL members that they may lose this enrollment option, and help members to enroll during OEP or via eligible SEPs.

#### **How will Oscar help?**

Provide awareness to the removal of this enrollment method. Advocate that brokers communicate this proposed change to their 150% FPL members.



## Shortening OEP to 11/1-12/15

Proposed Effective OEP 2026 (Fall 2025)



## Shortening OEP to 45 days, beginning on 11/1 and ending on 12/15 (vs 1/15)

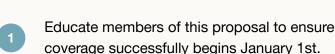
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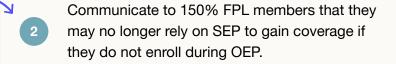
**Effective for OE26 (11/1/2025):** OEP would now run from 11/1 to 12/15.

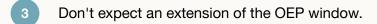
#### How does it impact me and my members?

Members would have a much shorter time to make plan decisions.

#### **Considerations for brokers**











# Revert Failure to File and Reconcile (FTR) Process to 1 Year

Proposed Effective OEP 2026 (Fall 2025)



## Revert Failure to File and Reconcile (FTR) process to 1 year



Remind members to file taxes and Form 8962 for each year they received APTC, before the end of OEP.

#### What is the proposed provision?

**Effective for OEP 2026:** If a member does not file their income taxes for tax year 2023 or 2024, and received APTC in those years, they would be given an FTR status.

#### How does it impact me and my members?

If a member does not resolve their FTR status by the end of OEP, they would lose APTC for PY26, starting on 1/1/26.

#### How will Oscar help?

Oscar will not know if a member has an FTR status. However, we will communicate to members the importance of filing taxes to maintain APTC.





# \$5 Premium for Auto-Renewed MMs

Proposed Effective 1/1/2026 for FFM states Proposed Effective 1/1/2027 for SBE states

## Fully subsidized, passively renewed members may have a \$5 monthly fee



**Effective 1/1/26¹:** Members auto-renewing (or passively renewing) into a \$0 plan who do not verify APTC eligibility would face a \$5 monthly fee until confirmed.

#### How does it impact me and my members?

Fully subsidized members would need to reconfirm their subsidy eligibility or risk a \$5/month fee. Once CMS confirms eligibility, full APTC would be reinstated going forward.



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- Inform members with \$0 plans about this proposal.
- Emphasize the need to actively update and confirm their subsidy eligibility during OEP.
- Be prepared to assist members in updating eligibility (<u>Citizenship</u> and <u>Immigration</u> documents lists from CMS).

#### How will Oscar help? (More details in the following section)

We are working behind the scenes to make these administrative tasks easier on our broker partners.

1. Effective 1/1/2026 for FFM states; 1/1/2027 for SBE states.

Walking through the \$5 monthly premium, if finalized\*\*

#### OPTION 1\*

Mark takes no action Jan - Mar & pays \$5 each month.

Mark submits documents in Mar and from Apr on he owes \$0.

25'

Mark lives in Florida.

He pays \$0 for his Bronze Elite plan.

FALL 25'

Mark does not choose a new plan for 2026.

Mark doesn't update his income or verify subsidy eligibility on hc.gov.

JAN 26'

Mark is still eligible for a \$0 plan.

Mark owes \$5 every month until he verifies his subsidy eligibility.

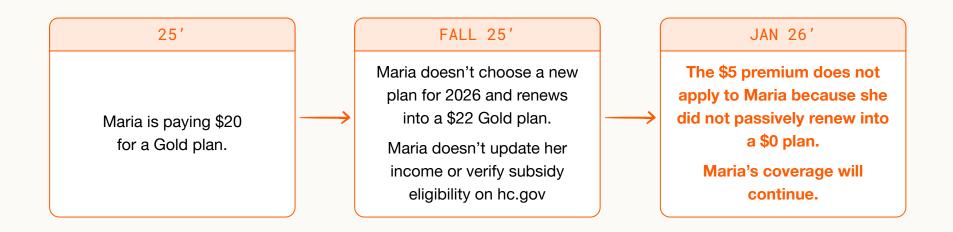


Mark takes no action and does not pay the \$5 premium for three months.

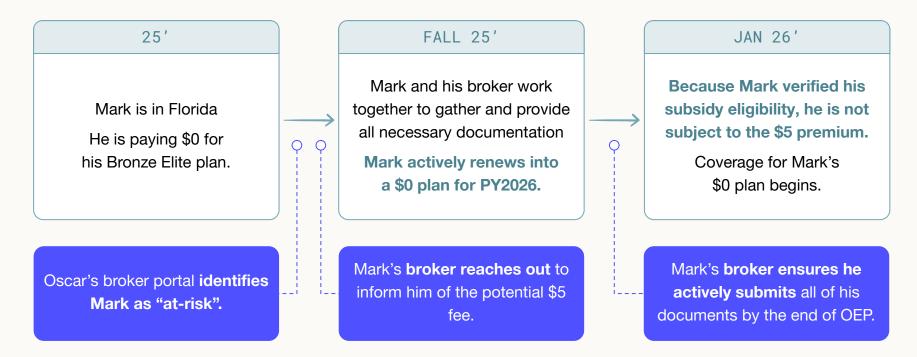
His coverage is terminated.



## Walking through the \$5 monthly premium, if finalized\*



### How Oscar and his broker can help Mark



## **Broker Portal Enhancements**



### Enhancements to Oscar's Broker Portal

ENHANCEMENT	DESCRIPTION	TIMING
Knowledge center	<ul> <li>A one-stop shop for all of Oscar's regulatory education and training content, including webinar recordings, FAQs, one-pagers, etc.</li> </ul>	Late Summer
Newsfeed	<ul> <li>A "what's coming next" feed highlighting upcoming trainings, webinars, and critical deadlines.</li> </ul>	Late Summer
At-risk member flags	<ul> <li>Flag members likely facing large premium increases (if enhanced tax credits are not extended).</li> <li>Flag members auto-renewed into \$0 plans who may face a \$5 premium and need active confirmation.</li> </ul>	Prior to OEP
Guided workflows	<ul> <li>Provide clear plan selection strategies based on projected premium increases and member characteristics.</li> <li>Provide recommendations to ensure members retain eligibility and APTC (e.g., "Confirm eligibility for these members facing a \$5 premium).</li> </ul>	Prior to OEP



# Next Steps and Upcoming Education Events



### Broker checklists to ensure a successful OEP

#### **Broker checklist for existing members** Reach out to members prior to the beginning of OEP and start the conversation early. Let your members know all of the potential documentation to pull together ahead of time. Income verification: List of potential income verification documents from CMS. Citizenship or Immigration: List of potential confirmation documents from CMS. Tax filings: Remind members to file taxes

for each year they received APTC.



#### Broker checklist for new members



- Ask prospective member to gather a list of documents so you can ensure the smoothest enrollment possible.
- Inform prospective members of all the potential documentation to pull together ahead of time.
  - Income verification: List of potential income verification documents from CMS.
  - Citizenship or Immigration: List of potential confirmation documents from CMS.
  - Tax filings: Remind members to file taxes for each year they received APTC.



### What brokers can do now

## ACTION ITEMS Complete broker checklist for existing and new members (see previous slide). ~ Reach out to your Oscar sales executive with any additional questions. Sign up for future Oscar webinars (see next slide for details). Update your member contact info in Oscar's broker portal (e.g., address, email). Pay attention to your email for upcoming content & breaking news



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