CMS Snapshot
January 12-19, 2023

Delivered to you by the Partner Relations Group in the Office of Communications
All releases below are from 2pm Thursday, January 12 through 2pm Thursday, January 19, 2023

News Releases

*January 12- Biden-Harris Administration Proposes Restoring Protections for Beneficiaries of Federally Funded Social Services. Today, nine federal agencies are further advancing President Biden’s call for religious freedom and equity for all by proposing a new rule to restore religious liberty protections for beneficiaries of federally funded social services, such as job training and job search assistance, academic enrichment opportunities, and housing services. These protections were rescinded by the previous Administration.

*January 13- New HHS Report Shows Gains in Health Coverage Under Biden-Harris Administration from 2019 to 2021. Administration policies helped increase coverage among younger adults, Latino individuals, American Indian/Alaska Native, and non-English speaking adults. Today, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) issued a new report showing that Biden-Harris Administration efforts were linked to large gains in health insurance coverage of Americans between 2019 and 2021. The Biden-Harris Administration has made expanding access to health insurance and lowering health care costs for America’s families a top priority, and under its leadership, the national uninsured rate reached an all-time low early in 2022.

*January 17- CMS Announces Increase in 2023 in Organizations and Beneficiaries Benefiting from Coordinated Care in Accountable Care Relationship. Today, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) announced that three innovative accountable care initiatives will grow and provide higher quality care to more than 13.2 million people with Medicare in 2023. More than 700,000 health care providers and organizations will participate in at least one of the three initiatives – the Medicare Shared Savings Program and two CMS Innovation Center accountable care model tests.

*January 17- Biden-Harris Administration Unveils National Strategy to Advance Equity, Justice and Opportunity for Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander Communities. Today, the White House Initiative on Asian Americans, Native Hawaiians, and Pacific

For more information, please email partnership@cms.hhs.gov
Islanders (WHIAANHPI) convened federal government officials and community leaders to mark the release of the Biden-Harris Administration’s first-ever National Strategy to Advance Equity, Justice, and Opportunity for Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander (AA and NHPI) Communities.

*January 18- Biden-Harris Administration Takes Additional Steps to Strengthen Nursing Home Safety and Transparency. As part of the continuing efforts under President Biden’s initiative to improve nursing home transparency, safety and quality, and accountability, today the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), through the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), announced new actions to reduce the inappropriate use of antipsychotic medications and to bring greater transparency about nursing home citations to families.

**Blogs**

*January 12- Last chance: Open Enrollment ends soon! There are only a few days left to get health coverage for 2023. Open Enrollment for Marketplace health plans ends January 15. Act now to enroll in health coverage that meets your needs and budget. Coverage starts February 1.

*January 16- Open Enrollment is over: What are your options? If you missed the January 15 deadline for Marketplace coverage for 2023, you may still have options. You might qualify for a Special Enrollment Period, or you can apply for health coverage through Medicaid or the Children’s Health Insurance Program (CHIP).

*January 17- National Human Trafficking Prevention Month. By: Rachel Levine, M.D., Assistant Secretary for Health (ASH). Summary: Every January, we shine a spotlight on the toll human trafficking takes on individuals, families and communities. Every January, we acknowledge National Human Trafficking Prevention Month and shine a spotlight on the toll human trafficking takes on individuals, families, and communities. More than 27 million people experience human trafficking globally and cases have been reported in every state and territory in the U.S.

For more information, please email partnership@cms.hhs.gov