

1095-A Tax Form Talking Points

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Form 1095-A: Health Insurance Marketplace Statement

Background

This year Pennie will provide customers who were enrolled in coverage in 2021 their 1095-A tax forms in January 2022. Customers will use the 1095-A form when they file their 2021 taxes. These forms will be sent electronically to customers' secure Pennie inboxes. Those who wished to receive only paper mail will be sent their tax form through U.S. postal mail.

What is the 1095-A tax form?

The 1095-A tax form has the information you need to financially balance the advanced premium tax credits you received in a given tax year. If you received these tax credits, they were applied to lower your monthly health insurance premiums. Use the 1095-A form to complete Form 8962 to reconcile the income you *actually* made with the amount of tax credit subsidies you received from the federal government. This helps you file an accurate tax return.

Why did I receive the 1095-A tax form?

We are sending you this document because you or a family member were actively enrolled in health insurance through Pennie for all or part of 2021.

What do I do with the 1095-A tax form?

If you received advance premium tax credits (APTC) to help lower your monthly premium payment, you **MUST** file a federal tax return and complete Form 8962: Premium Tax Credit to calculate the actual amount of total tax credits you should have received. (Form 8962 is available from the IRS at www.irs.gov/aca or from your tax preparer.) Form 1095-A provides the information you will need to fill out Form 8962, such as who in your family had health insurance each month during the year, how much you paid for insurance, and the amount of tax credit that was sent to your health plan to help pay your monthly premium.

I was also enrolled in coverage in 2020. Why didn't get a 1095-A tax form from Pennie last year?

This is the first year Pennie is distributing the 1095-A tax form. Last year you would have received this form from healthcare.gov.

Additional FAQs

What if my Form 1095-A has incorrect information?

It is important to understand that the 1095-A will reflect your enrollment information from 2021, and if there is an error, it may take time to coordinate with your health plan to ensure your enrollment history is correct. Please contact us as soon as possible to share what you feel is incorrect, as it may take up to 30 days to complete research and correction. The Pennie Call Center can be reached at 1-844-844-8040.

What if I didn't receive advance tax credits?

If you enrolled in coverage through Pennie but did not receive advance premium tax credits, you may complete Form 8962 to determine if you are eligible to receive a premium tax credit. The law allows you to take the tax credit in advance or when you file your federal taxes—it's your choice. You can also choose to take part of the credit in advance and receive any balance when you file your taxes.

What if I received a larger amount of tax credits than I should have, but I can't pay it back?

If you received too much in advance tax credit, the law limits the maximum payback for most people. The amount you must pay back to the IRS is based on your final income—the lower your income, the lower the amount of the payback. When you complete Form 8962, you will find out if a maximum payback amount applies to you. If you are entitled to a larger tax credit than you received in advance, you will receive the full amount as part of your refund.

The maximum payback amounts help protect you from incorrect estimates, changing circumstances and mistakes. If you do find that you owe money this year, Pennie can work with you now to help avoid this happening again next year. You can call us at **1-844-844-8040** to learn more.

What if I received tax credits but don't file a return?

Pennie reports all tax credits to the IRS. Failure to file is a very serious matter and may impact your eligibility to receive tax credit in the following year.

Do I need Form 1095-B if I had Medicaid coverage in 2021?

Yes. Form 1095-B, for healthcare coverage provided for one or more family members in the Medicaid program will be mailed out for tax year 2021 as you need it to complete your state tax return.

How to Get Help: IRS and Tax Preparers

The IRS has developed helpful information on how the Affordable Care Act (ACA) may impact your federal tax return. Please visit www.irs.gov/aca for an extensive list of questions and answers and other resources you may find useful. You can also call the IRS at 1-800-829-1040.

For more information on Pennie and the 1095 Tax Form, visit <https://pennie.com/learn/1095form> or call the Pennie Call Center at 1-844-844-8040.