



## CMS Snapshot

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### News Releases

\*November 16- [CMS Notifies Additional Individuals Potentially Impacted by MOVEit Data Breach](#). As part of an ongoing investigation into the May 2023 data breach of Progress Software's MOVEit Transfer software on the corporate network of Maximus Federal Services, Inc. (Maximus Federal Services), a contractor to the Medicare program, the Center for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) has learned of additional individuals whose personally identifiable information (PII) may have been compromised among files maintained by Maximus Federal Services. As a result, this week, CMS and Maximus Federal Services are sending letters to 330,000 current people with Medicare who may have been impacted, notifying them of the breach and explaining actions being taken in response.

\*November 17- [CMS Roundup \(Nov. 17, 2023\)](#). Today, the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) provides an at-a-glance summary of news from around the agency.

\*November 17- [Statement by HHS Secretary Xavier Becerra on President Biden's Intent to Appoint Dr. W. Kimryn Rathmell as Next Director of the National Cancer Institute](#). Today, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Secretary Xavier Becerra issued the following statement in response to President Biden's announcement that he intends to appoint Dr. W. Kimryn Rathmell to be the next Director of the National Cancer Institute (NCI).

\*November 20- [HHS' Office for Civil Rights Settles HIPAA Investigation of St. Joseph's Medical Center for Disclosure of Patients' Protected Health Information to a News Reporter](#). *St. Joseph's Medical Center provided a national media outlet access to COVID-19 patients' protected health information.* Today, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Office for Civil Rights (OCR) announced a settlement with Saint Joseph's Medical Center for potential violations of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) Privacy Rule. Saint Joseph's Medical Center is a non-profit academic medical center in New York that provides a full range of health care services. The settlement involved the impermissible disclosure of COVID-19 patients' protected health information to a national media outlet.

\*November 21- [More than 4.5 Million Select Affordable Health Coverage in ACA Marketplace Coverage Since Start of Open Enrollment Period](#). *With four out of five people eligible for coverage at \$10 or less per month, the Biden-Harris Administration urges everyone to visit [HealthCare.gov](#) and sign up for high-quality, affordable health care.* ACA Marketplace National Enrollment [Snapshot](#). Approximately 4.6 million people have selected an Affordable Care Act (ACA) Health Insurance Marketplace plan since the 2024 Marketplace Open Enrollment Period (OEP) opened on November 1. This represents activity through November 18 (Week 3) for the 32 states using HealthCare.gov and through November 11 (Week 2) for the 17 states and the District of Columbia with State-based Marketplaces (SBMs).<sup>[1]</sup> Total plan selections include 920,000 people (20% of total) who are new to the Marketplaces for 2024, and 3.7 million people (80% of total) who have active 2023 coverage and returned to their respective Marketplaces to renew their coverage or select a new plan for 2024.

## Fact Sheet

\*November 21- [Marketplace 2024 Open Enrollment Period Report: National Snapshot](#). The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) reports that nearly 4.6 million Americans have signed up for 2024 individual market health insurance coverage through the Marketplaces since the start of the 2024 Marketplace Open Enrollment Period (OEP) on November 1.

## Blog

\*November 16- [Reflecting on Cybersecurity Awareness Month](#). By: [Melanie Fontes Rainer](#), Director for Office for Civil Rights (OCR). Summary: OCR's Director's reflections on October cybersecurity awareness month and on OCR's enforcement of the HIPAA Privacy, Security and Enforcement Rules. As the Director of the Office for Civil Rights (OCR) at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), I am proud of my team's work towards increasing cybersecurity awareness last month, and in fact, every month. OCR enforces the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act's (HIPAA) Privacy, Security, and Enforcement Rules to protect individuals' health information private and secure.