

Enrollment Guidelines for the VACE/BCBSVT Program

The following is the process each group must complete in order to be in the VACE/BCBSVT HealthCare Plan.

- All groups must have membership in good standing with a chamber of commerce that is a member of Vermont Association of Chamber of Commerce Executives.
- All businesses must be located physically in Vermont, however, employees from another state can elect coverage.
- The group must supply VACE with ONE of the following as proof of business:
 - Most recent Quarterly Wage Report that was submitted to the Vermont Department of Employment and Training
 - Schedule C or other tax return
 - Federal Tax forms which demonstrate bona fide self-employment

All information will be held in confidence.

If above information is not available please contact VACE.

- Income Guidelines - To be in the VACE plan you must be a full time active business. Gross income must exceed premium amounts for a 12 month period.
- The group must supply VACE with proof of prior insurance if applicable.
- Employers need to complete Enrollment Agreement, including:
 - Business information (address, contact person, phone number)
 - Choosing probationary period for new employees or rehires, (length of time you want employee to wait before they are eligible for insurance)
 - and choosing plan(s) for the group
- All groups with more than 10 employees must complete a census report, proving that 75% of eligible employees are participating. Groups with 10 or fewer must show 50% participation.
 - Eligible Employees include the following:
 - Full-time employees working at least 17.5 hours per week or employers definition of full time.
 - Eligible Dependents include the following:
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 - Employees legal spouse (including civil unions); domestic partners;
 - Children to age 26

Important Change for 2012: Employees who are covered under their spouse's insurance policy are now considered as part of the calculation for participation.

- An Enrollment/Change form must be completed and signed by each employee, even if the employee is refusing coverage.

Any questions with enrollment please call VACE (802) 229-2231 or e-mail at vacehealth@vtchamber.com.