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## Deadline to submit individual major medical applications extended to December 23, 2013

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Assurant Health has made the decision to extend the deadline for accepting applications for individual major medical plans with January 1, 2014 effective dates past our original deadline of December 15, 2013.

The new deadline is December 23, 2013 and only paper applications will be accepted. You must run and print a quote, then fax it in with the paper application. Electronic applications for January 1 effective dates through [assuranthealthsales.com](http://assuranthealthsales.com) will not be available.

Here's what to do:

- 1) Run and print a quote for a January 15, 2014 effective date. Cross out the January 15, 2014 effective date and make a note on the quote that you are requesting a January 1, 2014 effective date.
- 2) Download a paper application from Find a Form on [assuranthealthsales.com](http://assuranthealthsales.com). The applicant must fill out all information, request an effective date of January 1, 2014, and **must sign the application**.
- 3) Fax both the paper application and the printout of the quote to Assurant Health. Fax information can be found on the tip sheet in the application packet. ***Applications must be received by Assurant Health no later than December 23, 2013.***

### Applications that have already been submitted for a January 15 effective date cannot be modified

Applications already submitted for a January 15, 2014 effective date cannot be modified to a January 1, 2014 effective date. However, in cases of necessity, an applicant may submit a new application for a January 1 effective date and request a withdrawal of the prior application. It is critical that instructions are followed precisely or the applicant may be subject to billing for two policies. In addition to the steps above, the applicant must write on the new application, near the signature line, a request that their prior application for a plan with a January 15 effective date be terminated/withdrawn. It is critical that this statement be included at the signature line. In Illinois, the applicant must also initial this statement on the new application.

All other Affordable Care Act eligibility requirements for applicants still apply as they did on December 15, 2013.