

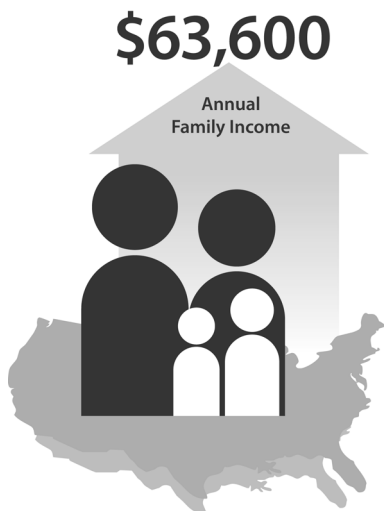
Need Free Or Low-Cost Health Insurance? Three Steps To Find Out If You're Eligible

(NAPSA)—Of the 47 million uninsured in the U.S., it's estimated that nearly 30 percent are eligible for free or low-cost government programs but are not aware of them or signed up. The non-profit Foundation for Health Coverage Education has launched the "Coverage For All" campaign to educate the uninsured about their health coverage options. If you or someone you know needs health coverage, here are three simple, free resources you have to find out if you are eligible:

1. You can get answers by calling the toll-free U.S. Uninsured Help Line at (800) 234-1317. The U.S. Uninsured Help Line provides live, one-on-one assistance and is staffed 24/7 with friendly information specialists and interpreters who speak multiple languages, provide basic screening for both public and private health coverage, help callers identify their potential options and connect them to health coverage representatives to sign up for coverage.

2. Go online at www.coverageforall.org to access the five-question Health Insurance Eligibility Quiz, which provides visitors with a customized profile of all public and private health coverage options in the U.S. for which family members may qualify.

3. "The Health Care Options Matrix" (available for all 50 states) is a brochure that outlines public and private health coverage options, including type of coverage, eligibility and monthly costs. The brochure is also useful for front-line workers helping the uninsured find coverage, such as schools, human resource depart-



**A family of four may qualify
for a public-sponsored
health coverage program** 

ments, social workers and health care professionals. Your state's Matrix can be downloaded by going to www.coverageforall.org.

"A family of four can make up to \$63,600 a year in many states and still be eligible for health insurance coverage through public funded programs," said Phil Lebherz of the nonprofit organization. "There are programs for women who are pregnant, people who've had their COBRA run out, and state insurance pools for those with preexisting medical conditions."

If you or someone you know needs health insurance, the Foundation for Health Coverage Education's "Coverage For All" campaign may be able to help. Call the U.S. Uninsured Help Line, funded by the Anthem Blue Cross Foundation, at (800) 234-1317 or visit www.coverageforall.org.