



## Ventura County Health Care Agency

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### **Ventura County Health Care Plan will not offer health insurance through Covered California for the 2014 Year**

[Ventura, CA] The Ventura County Health Care Plan (VCHCP) will not be providing health insurance coverage through Covered California for the 2014 year. We have worked closely with Covered California staff and leadership in arriving at this decision and they will allow VCHCP to apply as an insurance provider for 2015. Covered California is supportive of our decision and encourages VCHCP's future participation in the exchange.

This decision reflects ongoing analysis of enrollment projections, start-up costs and certain factors whose outcome and impact are difficult to predict.

Ventura County residents who purchase Blue Shield or Anthem Blue Cross insurance through Covered California will have access to the Ventura County Medical Center (VCMC) medical system, including Ventura County Medical Center, Santa Paula Hospital and over 30 medical clinics and a comprehensive set of specialty services.

Ventura County Health Care Plan remains committed and supportive of Covered California. We stand firmly as a partner with Covered California and their efforts to bring affordable care to California residents.

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