

## Important information for COFA Islanders

### Tax filing requirement

If you received advanced premium tax credits in 2018 and you do not file taxes, you won't get tax credits in the future. If this happens, you cannot qualify for COFA Islander Health Care. If you did get advanced premium tax credits in 2018, make sure you have filed taxes for that year, even if you did not have any income.

When filing your taxes, make sure that you are filing the correct forms with your tax return:

1. **1095-A form:**

Sent to you by Washington Healthplanfinder. If you have not received this form, you may also retrieve the form online in the message center from your Washington Healthplanfinder account. For more information regarding this form, visit

<https://www.wahbexchange.org/current-customers/your-1095-a-statement/>

2. **8962 form:** Found on the IRS website:

<https://www.irs.gov/forms-pubs/about-form-8962>

Free help filing your tax return may be available in your area. Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program provides free tax help. Call 1-800-906-9887 or visit <https://www.irs.gov/individuals/free-tax-return-preparation-for-you-by-volunteers> for more information.

You can also call the Clear Hotline Information at 1-888-201-1014 with your tax questions.

To file your taxes electronically, visit <https://www.irs.gov/filing/free-file-do-your-federal-taxes-for-free> for more information or contact a tax professional for help filing a tax return.