



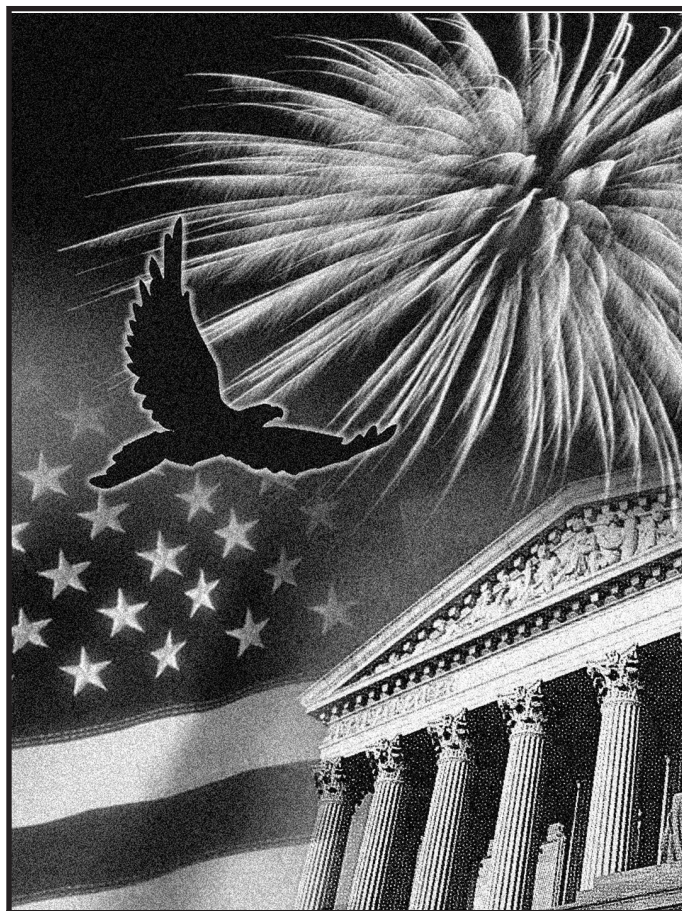
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# Premium Tax Credit (PTC)

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## Future Developments

For the latest information about developments related to Pub. 974, such as legislation enacted after it was published, go to [www.irs.gov/pub974](http://www.irs.gov/pub974).

## What's New

**Information reporting about employer offer of coverage (Form 1095-C).** If you or someone in your household was an employee in 2015, the employer may have sent you a Form 1095-C, Employer-Provided Health Insurance Offer and Coverage. Part II of the Form 1095-C indicates whether the employer offered health insurance coverage and, if so, includes information about the offer. If you purchased health insurance coverage for 2015 through a Marketplace and wish to take the PTC, this information may assist you in determining whether you are eligible for the PTC. However, you do not need to wait to receive this form to file your return. You may rely on other information received from your employer. If you do not wish to claim the premium tax credit for 2015, you do not

need the information in Part II. See [Minimum Essential Coverage](#), later, for information about how to use Form 1095-C.

**Health coverage tax credit (HCTC).** The HCTC is a tax credit that is calculated based on a percentage of health insurance premiums for coverage of eligible taxpayers and their qualifying family members. The HCTC and the PTC are different tax credits that have different eligibility rules. For 2015, if you were an eligible trade adjustment assistance (TAA) recipient, alternative TAA recipient, re-employment TAA recipient, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation pension payee, or qualifying family member, you may be able to take the HCTC for health insurance purchased through a Marketplace. However, you cannot take the HCTC for health insurance purchased through a Marketplace for coverage in tax year 2016. If you think you may be eligible for the HCTC, see Form 8885 and its instructions or visit [www.irs.gov/HCTC](http://www.irs.gov/HCTC) before completing Form 8962.

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## Reminder for 2016

**Report changes in circumstances when you re-enroll in coverage and during the year.** If advance payments of the premium tax credit (APTC) are being made for an individual in your [tax family](#) (defined later) and you have had certain changes in circumstances (see the examples below), it is important that you report them to the Marketplace where you enroll. Reporting changes in circumstances promptly will allow the Marketplace to adjust your APTC to more accurately reflect the PTC you are estimated to be able to take on your tax return. Adjusting your APTC when you re-enroll in coverage and during the year can help you avoid owing tax when you file your tax return. Changes that you should report to the Marketplace include the following.

- Changes in household income.
- Moving to a different address.
- Gaining or losing eligibility for other health care coverage.
- Gaining, losing, or other changes to employment.
- Birth or adoption.
- Marriage or divorce.
- Other changes affecting the composition of your tax family.

For more information on how to report a change in circumstances to the Marketplace, visit [www.HealthCare.gov](http://www.HealthCare.gov) or your State Marketplace website.

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## Introduction

This publication covers the following general topics.

- What is the premium tax credit (PTC)?

- Who must file Form 8962.
- Who can take the PTC. (See [Figure A—Can You Take the PTC](#), later.)
- Additional information to help you determine if your health care coverage is minimum essential coverage.

This publication also provides additional instructions for taxpayers in the following special situations.

- Taxpayers who take the PTC and who are filing a separate return from their spouses because of domestic abuse or spousal abandonment.
- Taxpayers who need to calculate PTC and APTC for a policy that covered an individual not lawfully present in the United States.
- Taxpayers who are filing a tax return but who cannot take the PTC because they are not claiming any personal exemptions.
- Taxpayers who need to determine the applicable second lowest cost silver plan (SLCSP) premium.
- Taxpayers who need to allocate policy amounts because one qualified health plan covers individuals from three or more tax families in the same month.
- Taxpayers who married during the tax year and want to use an alternative PTC calculation that may lower their taxes.
- Self-employed taxpayers who wish to take the PTC and the self-employed health insurance deduction.

**Reminder:** If you need health coverage, visit [www.HealthCare.gov](http://www.HealthCare.gov) to learn about health insurance options that are available for you and your family, how to purchase health insurance, and how you might qualify to get financial assistance with the cost of insurance.

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**Tax questions.** If you have a tax question not answered by this publication, check IRS.gov and *How To Get Tax Help* at the end of this publication.

**Questions about Form 1095-A, Health Insurance Marketplace Statement.** If you or a member of your tax family was enrolled in a qualified health plan through a Marketplace in 2015, you should have received a Form 1095-A by early February 2016. Contact your Marketplace if you do not receive a Form 1095-A or if you have questions about the accuracy of your Form 1095-A.

## Useful Items

You may want to see:

### Publication

- 535** Business Expenses (Self-employed individuals may need to see chapter 6.)

### Form (and Instructions)

- 1095-A** Health Insurance Marketplace Statement
- 1095-B** Health Coverage
- 1095-C** Employer-Provided Health Insurance Offer and Coverage
- 8885** Health Coverage Tax Credit
- 8962** Premium Tax Credit (PTC)

See [How To Get Tax Help](#), near the end of this publication, for information about getting publications and forms.

## What is the Premium Tax Credit (PTC)?

**Premium tax credit (PTC).** The PTC is a tax credit for certain people who enroll, or whose family member enrolls, in a qualified health plan offered through a Marketplace. The credit provides financial assistance to pay the premiums for the qualified health plan by reducing the amount of tax you owe, giving you a refund, or increasing your refund amount. You must file Form 8962 to compute and take the PTC on your tax return.

**Advance payment of the premium tax credit (APTC).** APTC is a payment made during the year to your insurance provider that pays for part or all of the premiums for a qualified health plan covering you or an individual in your tax family. Your APTC eligibility is based on the Marketplace's estimate of the PTC you will be able to take on your tax return. If APTC was paid for you or an individual

in your tax family, you must file Form 8962 to reconcile (compare) this APTC with your PTC. If the APTC is more than your PTC, you have excess APTC and you must repay the excess, subject to certain limitations. If your PTC is more than the APTC, you can take the difference as a tax credit on your tax return, which will reduce your tax payment or increase your refund by the difference.

**Note.** The Marketplace determined your eligibility for 2015 APTC using projections of your income and your number of personal exemptions when you enrolled in a qualified health plan. If this information changed during 2015 and you did not promptly report it to the Marketplace, the amount of APTC paid may be substantially different from the amount of PTC you can take on your tax return. See *Report changes in circumstances when you re-enroll in coverage and during the year*, earlier, for changes that can affect the amount of your PTC.

## Who Must File Form 8962

You must file Form 8962 with your income tax return (Form 1040, Form 1040A, or Form 1040NR) if any of the following apply to you.

- You are taking the PTC.
- APTC was paid for you or another individual in your [tax family](#).
- APTC was paid for an individual (including you) for whom you told the Marketplace you would claim a personal exemption and neither you nor anyone else claims a personal exemption for that individual. See *Individual you enrolled for whom no taxpayer will claim a personal exemption under Lines 12 through 23—Monthly Calculation* in the Form 8962 instructions.

If any of the circumstances above apply to you, you must file an income tax return and attach Form 8962 even if you are not otherwise required to file. You must use Form 1040, Form 1040A, or Form 1040NR.



*If you are filing Form 8962, you cannot file Form 1040EZ, Form 1040NR-EZ, Form 1040-SS, or Form 1040-PR.*

If someone else enrolled an individual in your tax family in coverage, and APTC was paid for that individual's coverage, you must file Form 8962 to reconcile the APTC. You need to obtain a copy of the Form 1095-A from the person who enrolled the individual.



*If you are claimed as a dependent, the person who claims you will file Form 8962 to take the PTC and, if necessary, repay excess APTC for your coverage. You do not need to file Form 8962.*



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## Who Can Take the PTC

You can take the PTC for 2015 if you meet the conditions under (1) **and** (2) below.

1. For at least one month of the year, all of the following were true.
  - a. An individual in your [tax family](#) was enrolled in a [qualified health plan](#) offered through the Marketplace on the first day of the month.
  - b. That individual was not eligible for minimum essential coverage for the month, other than coverage in the individual market. An individual is considered eligible for minimum essential coverage for the month only if he or she was eligible for every day of the month (see [Minimum Essential Coverage](#), later).
  - c. The portion of the [enrollment premiums](#) (described later) for the month for which you are responsible was paid by the due date of your tax return (**not** including extensions).
2. You are an [applicable taxpayer](#). To be an applicable taxpayer, you must meet all of the following requirements.
  - a. For 2015, your [household income](#) is at least 100% but no more than 400% of the Federal poverty line for your family size (see *Line 4* in the Form 8962 instructions). However, having household income below 100% of the Federal poverty line will not disqualify you from taking the PTC if you meet certain requirements described under *Household income below 100% of the Federal poverty line* under *Line 6*, in the Form 8962 instructions.
  - b. No one can claim you as a dependent on a tax return for 2015.
  - c. If you were married at the end of 2015, generally you must file a joint return. However, filing a separate return from your spouse will not disqualify you from being an applicable taxpayer if you meet certain requirements described under [Married taxpayers](#), later.

You are not entitled to the PTC for your own health coverage for any period during which you are not lawfully present in the United States.

For additional requirements and more details, see [Applicable taxpayer](#), later.

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## Terms You May Need To Know

**Tax family.** For purposes of the PTC, your tax family consists of the individuals for whom you claim a personal exemption on your tax return (generally you, your spouse with whom you are filing a joint return, and your dependents). Your personal exemptions are reported on your

Form 1040 or Form 1040A, line 6d, or Form 1040NR, line 7d. Your family size equals the number of individuals in your tax family (including yourself). If no one, including you, claims a personal exemption for you, and you indicated to the Marketplace when you enrolled that you would claim your own personal exemption, see [Individuals Filing a Tax Return and Claiming No Personal Exemptions](#), later.

**Household income.** For purposes of the PTC, household income is the modified adjusted gross income (modified AGI) of you and your spouse (if filing a joint return) (see *Line 2a* in the Form 8962 instructions) plus the modified AGI of each individual in your [tax family](#) whom you can claim as a dependent and who is required to file an income tax return because his or her income meets the income tax return filing threshold (see *Line 2b* in the Form 8962 instructions). Household income does not include the modified AGI of those individuals whom you claim as dependents and who are filing a 2015 return only to claim a refund of withheld income tax or estimated tax.

**Modified AGI.** For purposes of the PTC, modified AGI is the AGI on your tax return plus certain income that is not subject to tax (foreign earned income, tax-exempt interest, and the portion of social security benefits that is not taxable). Use Worksheet 1–1 and Worksheet 1–2, in the Form 8962 instructions, to determine your modified AGI.

**Taxpayer's tax return including income of a dependent child.** A taxpayer who includes the gross income of a dependent child on the taxpayer's tax return must include on Worksheet 1–2 the child's tax-exempt interest and the portion of the child's social security benefits that is not taxable.

**Coverage family.** Your coverage family includes all individuals in your [tax family](#) who are enrolled in a [qualified health plan](#) and are not eligible for [minimum essential coverage](#) (other than coverage in the individual market). The individuals included in your coverage family may change from month to month. If an individual in your tax family is not enrolled in a qualified health plan, or is enrolled in a qualified health plan but is eligible for minimum essential coverage (other than coverage in the individual market), he or she is not part of your coverage family. Your PTC is available to help you pay only for the coverage of the individuals included in your coverage family.

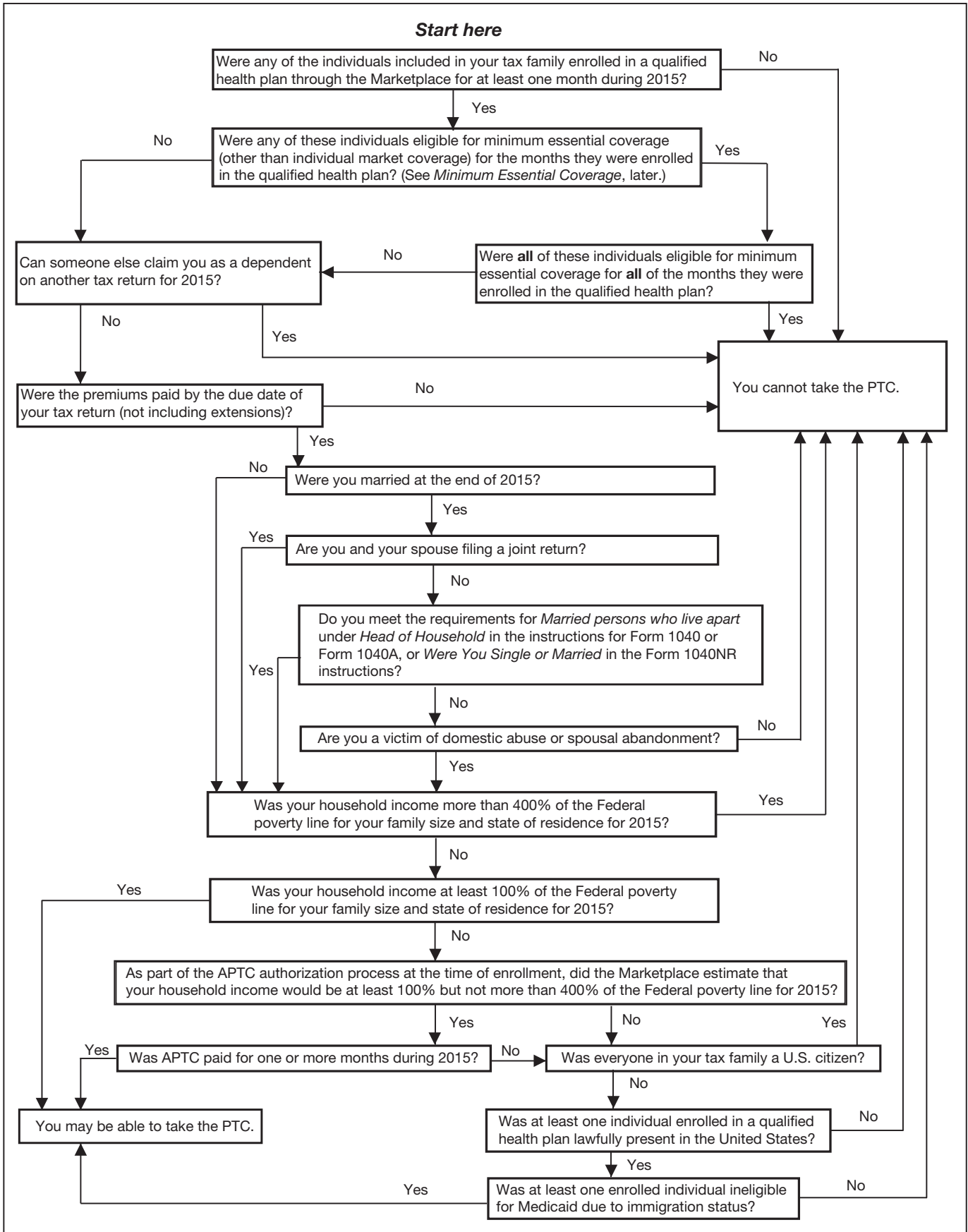
**Monthly credit amount.** The monthly credit amount is the amount of your tax credit for a month. Your PTC for the year is the sum of all of your monthly credit amounts. Your credit amount for each month is the lesser of:

- The [enrollment premiums](#) (described next) for the month for one or more [qualified health plans](#) in which you or any individual in your [tax family](#) enrolled; or
- The amount of the monthly [applicable second lowest cost silver plan SLCSPP premium](#) (described below) less your [monthly contribution amount](#) (described below).

To qualify for a monthly credit amount, at least one individual in your tax family must be enrolled in a qualified

## Figure A. Can You Take the PTC?

**Note.** Use this flowchart to help determine whether you can take the PTC. But do not rely on this flowchart alone. Be sure you read *Who Can Take the PTC*, earlier.



health plan on the 1st day of that month. Generally, if coverage in a qualified health plan began after the 1st day of the month, you are not allowed a monthly credit amount for that month. However, if an individual in your tax family enrolled in a qualified health plan in 2015 and the enrollment was effective on the date of the individual's birth, adoption, or placement for adoption or in foster care, or on the effective date of a court order placing the individual with your family, the individual is treated as enrolled as of the first day of that month. Therefore, the child may be a member of your tax family and coverage family for the entire month for purposes of computing your monthly credit amount.

**Enrollment premiums.** The enrollment premiums are the total amount of the premiums for the month for one or more [qualified health plans](#) in which any individual in your [tax family](#) enrolled. Form 1095-A, Part III, column A, reports the enrollment premiums.

You are not allowed a monthly credit amount for the month if any part of the enrollment premiums for which you are responsible that month has not been paid by the due date of your tax return (not including extensions). Premiums another person pays on your behalf are treated as paid by you.

If your share of the enrollment premiums is not paid, the issuer may terminate coverage. The termination is generally effective no sooner than the second month of nonpayment. For any months you were covered but did not pay your share of the premiums, you are not allowed a monthly credit amount.

**Applicable SLCSPP premium.** The applicable SLCSPP premium is the second lowest cost silver plan premium offered through the Marketplace where you reside that applies to your [coverage family](#) (described earlier). The SLCSPP premium is not the same as your enrollment premiums, unless you enroll in the applicable SLCSPP. Form 1095-A, Part III, column B, generally reports the applicable SLCSPP premium. If no APTC was paid for your coverage, Form 1095-A, Part III, column B, may be wrong or blank or may report your applicable SLCSPP premium as -0-. If you had a change in circumstances during 2015 that you did not report to the Marketplace, the SLCSPP premium reported on Form 1095-A in Part III, column B, may be wrong. In either case you must determine your correct applicable SLCSPP premium. See *Missing or incorrect SLCSPP premium on Form 1095-A*, under *Line 10* in the Form 8962 instructions.

**Monthly contribution amount.** Your monthly contribution amount is used to calculate your monthly credit amount. It is the amount you would be responsible for paying as your share of premiums each month if you enrolled in the applicable SLCSPP. It is not based on the amount of premiums you paid out of pocket during the year. You will compute your monthly contribution amount in Part I of Form 8962.

**Qualified health plan.** For purposes of the PTC, a qualified health plan is a health insurance plan or policy purchased through a Marketplace at the bronze, silver, gold, or platinum level. Throughout this publication, a qualified

health plan is also referred to as a policy. Catastrophic health plans and separate dental plans purchased through the Marketplace, and all plans purchased through the Small Business Health Options Program (SHOP) are not qualified health plans for purposes of the PTC. Therefore they do not qualify a taxpayer to take the PTC.

**Applicable taxpayer.** You must be an applicable taxpayer to take the PTC. Generally, you are an applicable taxpayer if your household income for 2015 (described earlier) is at least 100% but not more than 400% of the Federal poverty line for your family size (provided in Tables 1-1, 1-2, and 1-3, in the Form 8962 instructions) and no one can claim you as a dependent for 2015. In addition, if you were married at the end of 2015, you must file a joint return to be an applicable taxpayer unless you meet one of the exceptions described in *Married taxpayers*, later.

For individuals with household income below 100% of the Federal poverty line, see *Household income below 100% of the Federal poverty line* under *Line 6*, in the Form 8962 instructions.

**Individuals who are incarcerated.** Individuals who are incarcerated (other than pending disposition of charges, for example awaiting trial) are not eligible to enroll in a qualified health plan through a Marketplace. However, these individuals may be applicable taxpayers and take the PTC for the coverage of individuals in their tax families who are eligible to enroll in a qualified health plan.

**Individuals who are not lawfully present.** Individuals who are not lawfully present in the United States are not eligible to enroll in a qualified health plan through a Marketplace. They cannot take the PTC for their own coverage and are not eligible for the repayment limitations in Table 5 (see the Form 8962 instructions) for APTC paid for their own coverage. However, these individuals may be applicable taxpayers and take the PTC for the coverage of individuals in their tax families, such as their children, who are lawfully present and eligible to enroll in a qualified health plan. For more information about who is treated as lawfully present for this purpose, visit [healthcare.gov](http://healthcare.gov). See [Individuals Not Lawfully Present in the United States Enrolled in a Qualified Health Plan](#), later, for more information on reconciling APTC when an unlawfully present person is enrolled individually or with lawfully present family members.

**Married taxpayers.** If you are considered married for federal income tax purposes, you must file a joint return with your spouse to take the PTC unless one of the two exceptions below applies to you.

You are not considered married for federal income tax purposes if you are divorced or legally separated according to your state law under a decree of divorce or separate maintenance. In that case, you cannot file a joint return but may be able to take the PTC on your separate return. See Pub. 501, Exemptions, Standard Deduction, and Filing Information.

Even if you are considered married for federal income tax purposes, you may be eligible to take the PTC without

filing a joint return if one of the two exceptions below applies to you. If Exception 1 applies, you can file a return using head of household or single filing status and take the PTC. If Exception 2 applies, you are treated as married but can take the PTC with the filing status of married filing separately.

**Exception 1—Certain married persons living apart.**

You may file your return as if you are unmarried and take the PTC if one of the following applies to you.

- You file a separate return from your spouse on Form 1040 or Form 1040A because you meet the requirements for *Married persons who live apart* under *Head of Household* in the instructions for Form 1040 or Form 1040A.
- You file as single on your Form 1040NR because you meet the requirements for *Married persons who live apart* under *Were You Single or Married?* in the instructions for Form 1040NR.

**Exception 2—Victim of domestic abuse or spousal abandonment.** If you are a victim of domestic abuse or spousal abandonment, you can file a return as married filing separately and take the PTC if you meet all of the following.

- You are living apart from your spouse at the time you file your 2015 tax return.
- You are unable to file a joint return because you are a victim of domestic abuse (described next) or spousal abandonment (described below).
- You check the box on your Form 8962 to certify that you are a victim of domestic abuse or spousal abandonment.

**Domestic abuse.** Domestic abuse includes physical, psychological, sexual, or emotional abuse, including efforts to control, isolate, humiliate, and intimidate, or to undermine the victim's ability to reason independently. All the facts and circumstances are considered in determining whether an individual is abused, including the effects of alcohol or drug abuse by the victim's spouse. Depending on the facts and circumstances, abuse of an individual's child or other family member living in the household may constitute abuse of the individual.

**Spousal abandonment.** A taxpayer is a victim of spousal abandonment for a tax year if, taking into account all facts and circumstances, the taxpayer is unable to locate his or her spouse after reasonable diligence.

**Married filing separately.** If you file as married filing separately and are not a victim of domestic abuse or spousal abandonment (see [Exception 2—Victim of domestic abuse or spousal abandonment](#) under [Married taxpayers](#) above), then you are not an applicable taxpayer and you cannot take the PTC. You generally must repay all of the APTC paid for a qualified health plan that covered only individuals in your tax family. If the policy also covered at least one individual in your spouse's tax family, you generally must repay half of the APTC paid for the policy. See *Line 9*, in the Form 8962 instructions. However, the amount of APTC you have to repay may be limited. See *Line 28*, in the Form 8962 instructions.



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## Minimum Essential Coverage

Under the health care law, certain health coverage is called minimum essential coverage (MEC). You generally cannot take the PTC for an individual in your tax family for any month that the individual is eligible for minimum essential coverage, except for [coverage in the individual market](#), defined below. Minimum essential coverage includes:

- Coverage under health plans offered in the individual market (including qualified health plans).
- Most coverage through government-sponsored programs (including Medicaid coverage, Medicare parts A or C, the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP), certain benefits for veterans and their families, TRICARE, and health coverage for Peace Corps volunteers).
- Most types of employer-sponsored coverage.
- Grandfathered health plans.
- Other health coverage designated by the Department of Health and Human Services as minimum essential coverage.

**TIP** *Minimum essential coverage does not include coverage consisting solely of excepted benefits. Excepted benefits include stand-alone vision and dental plans, workers' compensation coverage, and coverage limited to a specified disease or illness. You may have any of these types of coverage and also get the PTC for your coverage in a qualified health plan.*

For more information on what is minimum essential coverage, see [www.irs.gov/Affordable-Care-Act/Individuals-and-Families/Individual-Shared-Responsibility-Provision](http://www.irs.gov/Affordable-Care-Act/Individuals-and-Families/Individual-Shared-Responsibility-Provision).

**Note.** Your minimum essential coverage may be reported to you on Form 1095-A, Form 1095-B, or Form 1095-C.

## Expatriate Health Plans

In general, an expatriate health plan is certain health insurance coverage that is offered to foreign nationals who are temporarily assigned for work in the United States, United States residents who are temporarily working outside of the United States, and certain non-employees (such as students and missionaries) who reside outside of the United States. To qualify, the health insurance coverage generally must offer a minimum level of benefits in the region in which the covered individual is temporarily located and be offered by a qualifying expatriate health insurance issuer. An expatriate health plan is considered employer-sponsored coverage for a primary insured who receives it through his or her employer (and for that employee's covered dependents). It is considered coverage in the individual market for any other primary insured.

## Individual Market Plans

A health plan offered in the individual market is health insurance coverage provided to an individual by a health insurance issuer licensed by a state, including a qualified health plan offered through the Marketplace. Even though these plans are MEC, eligibility for coverage in the individual market does not prevent an individual from qualifying for the PTC for coverage in a qualified health plan purchased through the Marketplace.

Coverage in the individual market also includes coverage under certain expatriate health plans offered to students and religious missionaries travelling outside of the United States. See [Expatriate Health Plans](#) above.

## Government-Sponsored Programs

Government-sponsored minimum essential coverage includes the following.

1. Medicare Part A.
2. Medicaid, except for the following programs.
  - a. Optional coverage of family planning services.
  - b. Optional coverage of tuberculosis-related services.
  - c. Coverage of pregnancy-related services in states that do not provide full Medicaid benefits on the basis of pregnancy.
  - d. Coverage limited to the treatment of emergency medical conditions.
  - e. Coverage of medically-needy individuals (except for coverage for medically-needy individuals that HHS has designated as MEC — see [Other Coverage Designated by the Department of Health and Human Services](#), later).
  - f. Coverage under a section 1115 demonstration waiver program (except for coverage under a section 1115 demonstration program that HHS has designated as MEC — see [Other Coverage Designated by the Department of Health and Human Services](#), later).

Call your state Medicaid office if you have any questions about the coverage you have.

3. The Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP), except certain CHIP coverage for pregnancy services. (Certain coverage often called a "CHIP buy-in program" is not considered a government-sponsored program and is discussed later under [Other Coverage Designated by the Department of Health and Human Services](#).)
4. Coverage under the TRICARE program, except for the following programs.
  - a. Coverage on a space-available basis in a military treatment facility for individuals who are not eligible for TRICARE coverage for private sector care.



- b. Coverage for a line of duty related injury, illness, or disease for individuals who have left active duty.
5. The following coverage administered by the Department of Veterans Affairs.
    - a. Coverage consisting of the medical benefits package for eligible veterans.
    - b. Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Department of Veterans Affairs (CHAMPVA).
    - c. Comprehensive health care for children suffering from spina bifida who are the children of Vietnam veterans and veterans of covered service in Korea.
  6. A health plan for Peace Corps volunteers.
  7. The Nonappropriated Fund Health Benefits Program of the Department of Defense.

In general, you cannot get the PTC for your coverage in a qualified health plan if you are eligible for government-sponsored minimum essential coverage. You are generally considered eligible for a government-sponsored program if you meet the criteria for coverage under the program. But see [Exceptions](#), later. However, you will not lose the PTC for your coverage until the first day of the first full month you can receive benefits under the government program. If you can be covered under a government-sponsored program, you must complete the requirements necessary to receive benefits (for example, submitting an application or providing required information) by the last day of the third full calendar month following the event that establishes eligibility (for example, becoming eligible for Medicare when you turn 65). If you do not complete the necessary requirements in this time, you will lose the PTC for your coverage in a qualified health plan beginning with the first day of the fourth calendar month following the event that makes you eligible for the government coverage.

**Example 1.** Ellen was enrolled in a qualified health plan with APTC. She turned 65 on June 3 and became eligible for Medicare. Ellen must apply to Medicare to receive benefits. She applied to Medicare in September and was eligible to receive Medicare benefits beginning on December 1. Ellen completed the requirements necessary to receive Medicare benefits by September 30 (the last day of the third full calendar month after the event that established her eligibility, turning 65). She was eligible for Medicare coverage on December 1, the first day of the first full month that she could receive benefits. Thus, Ellen can get the PTC for her coverage in the qualified health plan for January through November. Beginning in December, Ellen cannot get the PTC for her coverage in the qualified health plan because she is eligible for Medicare.

**Example 2.** The facts are the same as [Example 1](#), except that Ellen did not apply for the Medicare coverage by September 30. Ellen is considered eligible for government-sponsored coverage beginning on October 1. She can get the PTC for her coverage for January through

September. She cannot get the PTC for her coverage in a qualified health plan as of October 1, the first day of the fourth month after she turned 65.

**Exceptions.** While you are generally considered eligible for government-sponsored minimum essential coverage (and are ineligible for the PTC) if you are able to enroll in that coverage, you are considered eligible for government-sponsored coverage under the following programs only if you are **enrolled** in the program.

1. A veteran's health care program listed in (5), earlier.
2. The following TRICARE programs:
  - a. The Continued Health Care Benefit Program.
  - b. Retired Reserve.
  - c. Young Adult.
  - d. Reserve Select.
3. Medicaid coverage for comprehensive pregnancy-related services and CHIP coverage based on pregnancy, if the individual is enrolled in a qualified health plan at the time she becomes eligible for Medicaid or CHIP.
4. Coverage under Medicare Part A for which the individual must pay a premium.

In addition, an individual is considered eligible for minimum essential coverage under a Medicaid or Medicare program for which eligibility requires a determination of disability, blindness, or illness only when the responsible agency makes a favorable eligibility determination.

**Retroactive coverage.** If APTC is being paid for coverage in a qualified health plan and you become eligible for government coverage that is effective retroactively (such as Medicaid or CHIP), you will not retroactively lose the PTC for your coverage. You can get the PTC for your coverage until the first day of the first calendar month after you are approved for the government coverage.

**Example.** In November, Freda enrolled in a qualified health plan for the following year and got APTC for her coverage. Freda lost her part-time job and on April 10 applied for coverage under the Medicaid program. Freda's application was approved on May 15, with Medicaid coverage retroactively effective April 1. For purposes of the PTC, Freda is considered eligible for government-sponsored coverage on June 1, the first day of the first calendar month after her application was approved. Freda may be eligible for the PTC for January through May.

**Note.** If Medicaid or CHIP coverage for you or a family member is terminated due to nonpayment of premiums, you cannot get the PTC for the coverage of that individual (for the remainder of the year of the termination).

## Employer-Sponsored Plans

The following employer-sponsored plans are MEC.

1. Group health insurance coverage for employees under:
  - a. A plan or coverage offered in the small or large group market within a state.
  - b. A governmental plan, such as the Federal Employees Health Benefits Program.
2. A self-insured group health plan for employees.
3. Coverage under certain expatriate health plans (discussed earlier).

**Exceptions.** The following paragraphs discuss exceptions in determining when the employer-sponsored plans are MEC.

**Excepted benefits.** Employer-provided health coverage that is limited to excepted benefits is not MEC. Excepted benefits include stand-alone vision and dental plans, workers' compensation coverage, and coverage limited to a specified disease or illness.

**Affordability and minimum value.** Even if you and other members of your tax family had the opportunity to enroll in coverage offered by your employer, you are considered eligible for an employer-sponsored plan (and cannot get the PTC for your coverage in a qualified health plan) only if the employer-sponsored coverage is affordable (defined later) to the employee and the coverage provides minimum value (defined later). Your family members also may be unable to get the PTC for coverage in a qualified health plan for months they were eligible to enroll in employer-sponsored coverage but only if it was affordable and provided minimum value for the employee. In addition, if you or your family member enrolls in the employer coverage, the individual enrolled cannot get the PTC for coverage in a qualified health plan, even if the employer coverage is not affordable or does not provide minimum value.

**Waiting periods and other periods without access to benefits.** You are not considered eligible for employer coverage, and can get the PTC for your coverage in a qualified health plan, for a month when you cannot receive benefits under the employer coverage (for example, you are in a waiting period before the coverage becomes effective). However, if you could have enrolled in employer coverage that is affordable and provides minimum value during an enrollment period and you did not enroll, you cannot get the PTC for your coverage in a qualified health plan for the period you could have been enrolled in the employer coverage.

**Coverage after employment ends.** If your employment with an employer ends and you are offered employer coverage by your former employer (for example, COBRA or retiree coverage), you are considered eligible for that employer coverage for PTC purposes only for the months that you are enrolled in the employer coverage. This same rule applies to an individual who may enroll in the coverage by reason of a relationship to a former employer.

**Individual not in your tax family.** An individual who can enroll in your employer coverage who is not a

member of your tax family (for example, an adult non-dependent child under age 26) is considered eligible for the employer coverage for PTC purposes only for the months the individual is enrolled in the employer coverage.

**How to determine if the plan is affordable.** Your employer coverage is generally considered affordable for you and for a family member if your share of the annual premiums for self-only coverage is not more than 9.56% of your tax family's household income for 2015. For 2016, this threshold will increase to 9.66%. Self-only coverage is used for this calculation even if you have a spouse or dependents and therefore would enroll in coverage that is not self-only coverage (for example, family coverage). However, employer-sponsored coverage is not considered affordable if, when you or a family member enrolled in a qualified health plan, you gave accurate information about the availability of employer coverage to the Marketplace, and the Marketplace determined that you were eligible for APTC for the individual's coverage in the qualified health plan. See [Determining affordability at the time of enrollment](#), later, for more information on this rule.

**Wellness program incentives.** If you can reduce the amount of your monthly premiums by completing a wellness program incentive (such as completing a health questionnaire or attending a smoking cessation class), the amount of your premiums for purposes of determining whether your coverage is considered affordable is reduced by the amount of the incentive only if it relates to tobacco use.

**Example.** George can enroll in employer coverage. George's monthly premiums for self-only coverage are \$450. If George, who is a smoker, attends a smoking cessation class, his monthly premiums will be reduced by \$100. If George completes a cholesterol screening, his monthly premiums will be reduced by \$50. Whether or not George actually completes either of these wellness program incentives, for purposes of determining whether the coverage is affordable for George, the cost of his premiums will be considered to be the amount reduced by the \$100 incentive for attending a smoking cessation class but not reduced by the \$50 incentive for completing a cholesterol screening. Therefore, for purposes of determining whether his coverage is considered affordable, George's monthly premium is treated as \$350.

**Health reimbursement arrangements (HRAs).** If your employer offers you both traditional employer-sponsored health coverage (for example, major medical coverage through an insured or self-insured group health plan) and an HRA, the HRA contributions for the year that may be used to pay premiums for the traditional coverage may count as reducing the amount you must pay for premiums for the traditional coverage for purposes of the affordability determination. For the HRA contribution to count as reducing your contribution, you must be able to determine the amount the employer is offering to contribute to the HRA before you must decide whether to enroll in the traditional coverage.

**Employer contributions to a cafeteria plan (health flex contributions and non-health flex contributions).**

If your employer offers you traditional employer-sponsored health coverage (for example, major medical coverage through an insured or self-insured group health plan) and also contributes to a cafeteria plan, amounts your employer contributes to the cafeteria plan may count as reducing the amount you must pay for premiums for the traditional coverage for purposes of the affordability determination. In general, amounts contributed by your employer to the cafeteria plan count as reducing your contribution only if they may be used to pay premiums for the traditional coverage, you cannot take these amounts as additional compensation, and you may use the amount only to pay for medical care. These types of contributions are called health flex contributions. If the cafeteria plan contributions may not be used to pay premiums for the traditional coverage, may be taken as additional compensation, or may be used to pay for benefits other than health care (a non-health flex contribution), the contributions do not reduce the amount you must pay for premiums for purposes of the PTC.

**Opt-out payments.** Amounts your employer would pay you only if you decline coverage under the employer's health plan are referred to as opt-out payments. Opt-out payments that are not conditioned on satisfying any other requirement may count as increasing the amount you must pay for premiums for the employer-sponsored coverage. If your employer imposes conditions in addition to declining the employer's coverage (for example, enrolling in coverage offered by your spouse's employer), the out-out payment may count as increasing the amount you must pay for premiums if you can demonstrate that you met the additional condition(s).

You should contact your employer if you have questions about the effect of an employer's health or non-health flex contributions, health reimbursement arrangement, or opt-out payment on the amount you must pay for premiums.



*If your employer or the employer of a family member offered minimum essential coverage providing minimum value and provided you a Form 1095-C and the employer also offered a non-health flex contribution or an opt-out payment, the amount reported on Line 15 of Form 1095-C may not accurately reflect the amount you must pay for premiums for purposes of the PTC. If you have questions about the amount reported on Line 15, contact your employer using the contact number provided on the Form 1095-C.*

**Determining affordability at the time of enrollment.**

Your employer coverage is not considered affordable, if, when you enroll in a qualified health plan, the Marketplace determines that your share of the cost of your premiums for employer coverage will be more than 9.56% of what the Marketplace estimates will be your household income and therefore that you are eligible for APTC for coverage in the qualified health plan. Eligibility for employer coverage in this situation does not disqualify you from taking the PTC when you file your tax return, even if the actual cost

of your coverage was not more than 9.56% of the household income on your return. However, you will be treated as eligible for affordable employer coverage based on the household income on your tax return if:

- You did not provide current information to the Marketplace relating to your household income and the cost of your employer coverage during each annual re-enrollment period, or
- With reckless disregard for the truth you provided incorrect information to the Marketplace about your cost of premiums.

**Example 1.** Celia is single and has no dependents. Her household income for 2015 was \$47,000. Celia's employer offered its employees a health insurance plan that provided minimum value and required her to contribute \$3,450 for self-only coverage for 2015 (7.3% of Celia's household income). Because Celia's required contribution for self-only coverage did not exceed 9.56% of household income, her employer's plan is considered affordable for Celia, and Celia is considered eligible for the employer coverage for all months in 2015. Celia cannot get the PTC for coverage in a qualified health plan.

**Example 2.** The facts are the same as in [Example 1](#), except that Celia is married to Jon and the employer's plan required Celia to contribute \$5,300 for coverage for Celia and Jon for 2015 (11.3% of Celia's household income). Because Celia's required contribution for self-only coverage (\$3,450) does not exceed 9.56% of household income, her employer's plan is considered affordable for Celia and Jon. Both Celia and Jon are considered eligible for the employer coverage for all months in 2015 and cannot get the PTC for coverage in a qualified health plan.

**Example 3.** Don was eligible to enroll in employer coverage in 2015. Don's share of the premiums was \$3,700. Don applied for coverage in a qualified health plan through the Marketplace. The Marketplace projected that Don's 2015 household income would be \$37,000 and determined that Don's employer coverage was unaffordable because Don's share of the premiums cost more than 9.56% of Don's household income. Don enrolled in a qualified health plan through the Marketplace with APTC and not in the employer coverage. In December, Don received an unexpected \$2,500 bonus, which increased his 2015 household income to \$39,500. Although Don's premiums for the employer coverage did not cost more than 9.56% of the household income on Don's tax return, Don is considered not eligible for the employer coverage for 2015 because the Marketplace estimated that the employer coverage would cost more than 9.56% of Don's household income. Don can get the PTC if he otherwise qualifies.

**Example 4.** Hal was eligible for employer coverage for 2015. His share of premiums for self-only coverage cost \$3,400, and Hal enrolled in the coverage. His household income for 2015 was \$33,000, which means that his share of premiums was more than 9.56% of his household income. Even though the employer coverage was not affordable, Hal cannot get the PTC for coverage in a



qualified health plan because he enrolled in the employer coverage.

**Example 5.** Elsa is married and has 2 dependent children. Her household income for 2015 was \$39,000. Elsa's employer offered only self-only coverage to employees. No family coverage was offered. The plan required Elsa to contribute \$3,000 for self-only coverage for 2015 (7.7% of Elsa's household income) and provided minimum value. Because Elsa's premiums for self-only coverage did not cost more than 9.56% of household income, her employer's plan is considered affordable for Elsa. Thus Elsa is considered eligible for the employer coverage for 2015 and cannot get the PTC for coverage in a qualified health plan. However, because Elsa's employer did not offer coverage to Elsa's spouse and children, Elsa could take the PTC for her spouse and 2 children if they enrolled in a qualified health plan and otherwise qualify.

**Example 6.** The facts are the same as in *Example 5*, except that Elsa's employer also offers coverage to Elsa's spouse and children. The premiums for family coverage cost \$6,900 (17.7% of Elsa's household income). Because the premiums for self-only coverage did not cost more than 9.56% of Elsa's household income, the employer coverage is considered affordable for Elsa and her family. Elsa could not take the PTC for anyone in her family.

**Determining affordability for part-year period.** If you are employed for part of a year or employed by different employers during the year, you determine whether your coverage is affordable by looking separately at each coverage period that is less than a full calendar year. For each period, the coverage is affordable if your share of the cost of your premiums for the entire year would not be more than 9.56% of your household income for the year.

**Example.** Elvis was enrolled in a qualified health plan without APTC beginning in January 2015. He began working for a new employer in May that offers health insurance coverage with a calendar year plan year. Elvis' share of premiums for the employer coverage for the remainder of the year was \$200/month, which would be \$2,400 for the full plan year. Elvis does not enroll in the employer coverage or inform the Marketplace of the offer of employer coverage. Elvis' household income for the year is \$20,000. Elvis' employer coverage is considered unaffordable for the period May through December because his cost for the full plan year, \$2,400, is more than 9.56% of his household income. As a result, Elvis may be eligible for the PTC for May through December if he otherwise qualifies.

**Coverage year not a calendar year.** If your employer's plan year is not the calendar year and you are a calendar year taxpayer, you determine whether your coverage is affordable by looking separately at the portion of the calendar year in each plan year. A coverage period in 2015 that falls in a plan year beginning in 2014 is considered affordable if your premiums for the entire plan year are not more than 9.5% of your household income for 2015. A coverage period in 2015 that falls in a plan year

beginning in 2015 is considered affordable if your premiums for the entire plan year are not more than 9.56% of your household income for 2015.

**Example 1.** Maria's employer offers health insurance coverage with a plan year of September 1 – August 31. Maria's cost of premiums for the employer coverage for the plan year September 1, 2015 – August 31, 2016, is \$3,700. Maria's household income for 2015 is \$37,000. Maria's employer coverage is considered unaffordable for the period September 1 – December 31, 2015, because her cost for the plan year, \$3,700, is more than 9.56% of her 2015 household income. If Maria enrolls in a qualified health plan for 2016 and requests APTC, the Marketplace will determine whether the employer coverage is considered affordable for the period January 1, 2016 – August 31, 2016, by comparing Maria's cost for the plan year, \$3,700, to her estimated 2016 household income.

**Example 2.** Tim's employer offers health insurance coverage with a plan year of July 1 – June 30. His cost of premiums for the plan year that began on July 1, 2014, was \$250 per month (\$3,000 for the entire plan year). Tim enrolled in a qualified health plan on January 1, 2015, and did not apply for APTC. Tim's household income for 2015 is \$30,000. Tim's plan year premiums, \$3,000, are 10% of his household income for 2015. Because 10% is more than 9.5% (the required contribution percentage for the plan year beginning in 2014), Tim's employer coverage for January 1, 2015 – June 30, 2015, is not considered affordable, and Tim can take the PTC for those months if he is otherwise eligible.

For the plan year that began on July 1, 2015, Tim's cost of premiums was reduced to \$200 per month (or \$2,400 for the entire plan year). Tim's premiums of \$2,400 are 8% of estimated 2015 household income. Because 8% is not more than 9.56% (the required contribution percentage for the plan year beginning in 2015), Tim's employer coverage for July 1, 2015 – December 31, 2015, is considered affordable and he is not eligible for the PTC for those months.

**How to determine if a plan provides minimum value.** An employer-sponsored plan provides minimum value only if the plan pays at least 60% of the total allowed costs of benefits for a standard population and provides substantial coverage of inpatient hospitalization services and physician services. A plan meets the 60% rule only if an employee's expected cost-sharing (deductibles, co-pays, and co-insurance) under the plan is no more than 40% of the cost of the benefits. This percentage is based on actuarial principles using benefits provided to a standard population and is not based on what you actually pay for cost-sharing.

Your employer must provide you with a summary of benefits and coverage (SBC) on or before the first day of the open enrollment period for the plan you are enrolled in for the current coverage period. The employer also must provide you with SBCs you request for other plans. If you are not enrolled in a plan, the employer must provide you with the SBCs for all plans in which you can enroll. The SBC will tell you whether an employer-sponsored plan

provides minimum value. If your employer sent you a Form 1095-C, line 14 of that form will include an indicator code telling you if your employer offered you a health plan in the previous year that provided minimum value.

## Grandfathered Health Plan

A grandfathered health plan means any group health plan or group health insurance coverage to which section 1251 of the Affordable Care Act applies (in general, health insurance or self-insured employer coverage that an individual was enrolled in on March 23, 2010, for as long as the coverage maintains that status under the applicable rules). Health plans must disclose if they are grandfathered in all materials describing plan benefits. For more information about grandfathered health plans, see [www.healthcare.gov/health-care-law-protections/grandfathered-plans/](http://www.healthcare.gov/health-care-law-protections/grandfathered-plans/).

## Other Coverage Designated by the Department of Health and Human Services

The Department of Health and Human Services has designated the following health benefit plans or arrangements as minimum essential coverage.

1. Coverage under Medicare Part C (Medicare Advantage).
2. Refugee Medical Assistance.
3. Employer coverage provided to business owners who are not employees.
4. Coverage under a group health plan provided through insurance regulated by a foreign government if:
  - a. A covered individual is physically absent from the United States for at least 1 day during the month, or
  - b. A covered individual is physically present in the United States for a full month and the coverage provides health benefits within the United States while the individual is on expatriate status.
5. The Basic Health Program.
6. Other specific programs listed at [www.cms.gov/CCIIO/Programs-and-Initiatives/Health-Insurance-Market-Reforms/minimum-essential-coverage.html](http://www.cms.gov/CCIIO/Programs-and-Initiatives/Health-Insurance-Market-Reforms/minimum-essential-coverage.html) (click on the link for “approved plans.”)  
These programs include certain:
  - a. Self-insured university student health plans; and
  - b. Coverage resembling coverage under a state’s CHIP program that generally requires the payment of premiums with little or no government subsidy, often called “CHIP buy-in” programs.

In general, if you were eligible for coverage that HHS has designated as minimum essential coverage, you are not eligible to claim the PTC for coverage

through the Marketplace. However, you are considered as eligible for minimum essential coverage under a self-insured university student health plan or a “CHIP buy-in” program that has been designated as MEC only if you are enrolled in the coverage.

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## Records of Domestic Abuse and Spousal Abandonment

If you checked the box in the upper right corner of Form 8962 indicating that you may be eligible for the PTC despite having a filing status of married filing separately, you should keep records relating to your situation, like with all aspects of your tax return. What you have available may depend on your circumstances. However, the following list provides some examples of records that may be useful. (Do not attach these records to your tax return.)

- Protective and/or restraining order.
- Police report.
- Doctor’s report or letter.
- A statement from someone who was aware of, or who witnessed, the abuse or the results of the abuse. The statement should be notarized if possible.
- A statement from someone who knows of the abandonment. The statement should be notarized if possible.

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## Individuals Not Lawfully Present in the United States Enrolled in a Qualified Health Plan

The PTC is not allowed for the coverage of an individual who is not lawfully present in the United States. All APTC paid for an individual not lawfully present who enrolls in a qualified health plan must be repaid. If all family members enrolled in a qualified health plan are not lawfully present, see the discussion immediately below. If you or a member of your family is not lawfully present and was enrolled in a qualified health plan with family members who are lawfully present for one or more months of the year, you must use the instructions under [How To Determine Your Monthly Credit Amounts](#) and [How To Determine the Excess APTC That Must Be Repaid](#), later, to find out how much APTC, if any, you must repay.



*For more information about who is treated as lawfully present for this purpose, visit [www.healthcare.gov/immigrants/immigration-status/](http://www.healthcare.gov/immigrants/immigration-status/).*

## All Enrolled Family Members Not Lawfully Present

If all family members enrolled in a qualified health plan are not lawfully present, no PTC is allowed and all APTC must be repaid. Complete lines on Form 8962 as explained below. **Leave all other lines blank.**

**Lines 1, 2a, 3, 4, and 5.** Enter -0-.

**Line 9.** Complete line 9 as provided in the Form 8962 instructions to determine whether you must complete Part IV for a shared policy allocation. Complete Part IV if instructed to do so by Table 3 of the Form 8962 instructions. Do **not** complete Part V.

**Line 11(f) (or lines 12–23, column (f), if you complete Part IV).** If you checked the “No” box on line 9, enter the total of your Form(s) 1095-A, Part III, line 33C, on line 11 (f). If you checked the “Yes” box on line 9, complete lines 12–23, column (f), as provided in the Form 8962 instructions.

**Line 24.** Enter -0-.

**Lines 25, 27, and 29.** Enter the amount from line 11(f) (or the total of lines 12–23, column (f)) on each line. Then follow the instructions on line 29 about entering the amount from line 29 on your Form 1040, 1040A, or 1040NR.

## Lawfully Present and Not Lawfully Present Family Members Enrolled

If you or a member of your family is not lawfully present and was enrolled in a qualified health plan with family members who are lawfully present for one or more months of the year, you may take the PTC only for the coverage of the lawfully present family members. You must determine and repay all APTC paid for the coverage of a not lawfully present family member. Complete Form 8962 using the following steps.

- Complete Part I according to the instructions. If you are instructed to repay the APTC paid for all individuals included in your tax family (for example because your household income is over 400% of the Federal poverty line), skip the rest of these steps, complete Form 8962 through line 27, and then see [How To Determine the Excess APTC That Must Be Repaid](#), later.
- Determine your monthly credit amounts using the instructions under [How To Determine Your Monthly Credit Amounts](#), later.
- Complete line 9, including Parts IV and V if instructed to do so.
- If all of your family members who are not lawfully present are enrolled for part or all of the year and there are no other changes during the year in your coverage family or the family members who are enrolled in the coverage, do the following: Check the “Yes” box on line 10 and complete line 11, and lines 24–29

as appropriate if the enrolled lawfully present family members are enrolled for all 12 months of 2015. If the enrolled lawfully present family members are enrolled for less than 12 months, check the “No” box on line 10, skip line 11, and complete lines 12–29 as appropriate.

- If your not lawfully present family members are enrolled for part or all of the year and there are other enrollment changes or changes in your coverage family, do the following: Check the “No” box on line 10, skip line 11, and complete lines 12–25. If line 24 is less than line 25, you have excess APTC. See [How To Determine the Excess APTC That Must Be Repaid](#), later. If line 24 is equal to or greater than line 25, complete line 26 as instructed (do not follow the instructions under [How To Determine the Excess APTC That Must Be Repaid](#)).

## How To Determine Your Monthly Credit Amounts

If the only changes in enrollment involved your not lawfully present family member(s), see [Not lawfully present family members enrolled and no other changes in enrollment or coverage family](#) next. If there were other changes in enrollment (lawfully present individuals starting or stopping coverage) or in your coverage family (see the instructions for Form 8962) in addition to enrollment of your not lawfully present family member(s), see [Changes in enrollment or coverage family involving a lawfully present family member](#) below. If a not lawfully present family member was enrolled for the entire year, see [No reference month](#), later.

**Not lawfully present family members enrolled and no other changes in enrollment or coverage family.** If all of your family members who are not lawfully present are enrolled for only a portion of the year and there are no other changes during the year in your coverage family or the family members who are enrolled in the coverage, you should enter on Form 8962 for every month of the year the enrollment premiums and applicable SLCSPP premium the Marketplace reports on Form 1095-A for the months when only lawfully present individuals were enrolled in the coverage. If a not lawfully present family member was enrolled for the entire year, see [No reference month](#), later.

**Example 1.** Andrew enrolls himself and his three dependents, Terri, Phil and Anne in a qualified health plan. Anne is not lawfully present in the United States. The monthly enrollment premiums for the plan are \$1,000. No one in Andrew’s family is eligible for minimum essential coverage (other than Marketplace coverage) and the applicable SLCSPP premium that would apply to all four members of Andrew’s family is \$1,200. There are no changes in the coverage family during the year. Anne is disenrolled from coverage as of April 1. The monthly enrollment premiums for Andrew and his other two dependents are \$800 and the applicable SLCSPP premium that applies to Andrew’s coverage family of 3 is \$900. The Marketplace reports the following amounts on Form 1095-A, Part III.



Months	Column A	Column B
January, February, March . . . . .	\$1,000	\$1,200
April through December . . . . .	\$800	\$900

When completing Form 8962, Andrew enters \$9,600 (\$800 x 12) as the enrollment premiums on line 11, column (a), and \$10,800 (\$900 x 12) as the premium for the applicable SLCSP on line 11, column (b).

**Changes in enrollment or coverage family involving a lawfully present family member.** If your not lawfully present family members are enrolled for part or all of the year and there are other enrollment changes or changes in your coverage family, use these rules to determine the enrollment premiums and the applicable SLCSP premium for the months any not lawfully present family members are enrolled. First, use [Worksheet A](#), later, to determine if you have a reference month for enrollment premiums or for the applicable SLCSP premium. You may have a [reference month for enrollment premiums](#) (discussed next) or a [reference month for the applicable SLCSP premium](#) (discussed below), or for both.

**Reference month for enrollment premiums.** A reference month for enrollment premiums is a month in which the not lawfully present family member is not enrolled in coverage and there are no other changes in the members of your family who are enrolled in the coverage. In other words, your enrolled family members are the same during the reference month as for a month the not lawfully present member was enrolled, except that the not lawfully present family member is not enrolled. Enter on Form 8962, Part II, column (a), the enrollment premiums for the reference month as the enrollment premiums for the months the not lawfully present family member was enrolled.

**Reference month for SLCSP premium.** A reference month for the applicable SLCSP premium is a month in which the not lawfully present family member is not enrolled in coverage and there are no other changes in your coverage family. In other words, your coverage family is the same during the reference month as for a month the not lawfully present family member was enrolled, except the not lawfully present family member is not included in your coverage family. Enter on Form 8962, Part II, column (b), the applicable SLCSP premium for the reference month as the applicable SLCSP premium for the months the not lawfully present family member was enrolled.

**No reference month.** If you do not have a reference month for enrollment premiums, you may have to contact your insurance company to find out what the amount of the enrollment premiums would have been if the policy had covered only lawfully present family members. If you do not have a reference month for the applicable SLCSP premium, you must look up the SLCSP premium that applies to your coverage family (without any not lawfully present family members). See [Determining the Premium for the Applicable Second Lowest Cost Silver Plan \(SLCSP\)](#), later.



You may use [Worksheet A](#), later, to determine whether or not you have any reference months.

**Example 2.** The facts are the same as in [Example 1](#), earlier, except that Andrew becomes eligible for employer-sponsored coverage on September 1, notifies the Marketplace, but remains enrolled in the qualified health plan (although he cannot take the premium tax credit for his coverage for the months after August). The applicable SLCSP premium that applies to Terri and Phil only is \$400. The Marketplace reports the following amounts on Form 1095-A, Part III.

Months	Column A	Column B
January, February, March . . . . .	\$1,000	\$1,200
April through August . . . . .	\$800	\$900
September through December . . . . .	\$800	\$400

Andrew must complete lines 12–23 on Form 8962. April through August are reference months for both enrollment premiums and the applicable SLCSP premium for January through March (the months Anne was enrolled in coverage) because Andrew’s coverage family and enrolled family members for April through August (Andrew, Phil and Terri) are the same as for January through March except for Anne who is not lawfully present. (September through December are also reference months for enrollment premiums.) The enrollment premiums and SLCSP premium for April through August are the same amounts they would have been for January through March without Anne. Therefore, for the months January through March, Andrew enters on Form 8962, lines 12–23, \$800 (the enrollment premiums for April through August) in column (a) and \$900 (the SLCSP premium that applies to the coverage family for April through August) in column (b).

**Example 3.** The facts are the same as in [Example 1](#), earlier, except that Andrew becomes eligible for employer-sponsored coverage on April 1, notifies the Marketplace, but remains enrolled in the qualified health plan. The Marketplace reports the following amounts on Form 1095-A, Part III.

Months	Column A	Column B
January, February, March . . . . .	\$1,000	\$1,200
April through December . . . . .	\$800	\$400

Andrew does not have a reference month for the applicable SLCSP premium for the months Anne was enrolled in the qualified health plan because there is another change in his coverage family for the months April through December (Andrew is not in the coverage family because he is eligible for employer-sponsored coverage). Thus, there are no months when Andrew’s coverage family is the same (except for Anne) before and after Anne is disenrolled from coverage. Andrew must look up the SLCSP premium that applies to his coverage family without Anne. Andrew determines that the correct applicable SLCSP premium to enter on Form 8962 for the months January

## Worksheet A. Do You Have Any Reference Months?

**Note.** Use this worksheet to determine whether or not you have any reference months.

Months in 2015 .....	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
<b>1.</b> Check a box for each month in which any family members not lawfully present were enrolled in coverage .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>2.</b> Check a box for each month in which: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Only lawfully present family members were enrolled in coverage, and</li> <li>• There were no other changes in members of your tax family who are enrolled in coverage, as compared to a month for which you checked a box on line 1 .....</li> </ul> The months for which you checked boxes on line 2 are your <b>reference months</b> for enrollment premiums. Use the enrollment premium reported on Form 1095-A, Part III, column A, for the reference month as your enrollment premium on Form 8962 for the month(s) you checked on line 1. <p><b>Note.</b> If you did not check any boxes on this line, see <a href="#">No reference month</a>, earlier.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>3.</b> Check a box for each month in which: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Only lawfully present family members were enrolled in coverage, and</li> <li>• There were no other changes in your coverage family, as compared to a month for which you checked a box on line 1 .....</li> </ul> The months for which you checked boxes on line 3 are your <b>reference months</b> for the applicable SLCSP premium. Use the applicable SLCSP premium reported on Form 1095-A, Part III, column B, for the reference month as your applicable SLCSP premium on Form 8962 for the month(s) you checked on line 1. <p><b>Note.</b> If you did not check any boxes on this line, see <a href="#">No reference month</a>, earlier.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

through March for a coverage family consisting of Andrew, Terri, and Phil is \$900.

April through December are reference months for Andrew for enrollment premiums because the family members who are enrolled for those months are the same family members who were enrolled in January through March, except for Anne.

Therefore, for the months January through March, Andrew enters on Form 8962, lines 12–23, \$800 (the enrollment premiums for April through December) in column (a) and \$900 (the SLCSP premium that would apply to the coverage family of Andrew, Terri, and Phil) in column (b).

## How To Determine the Excess APTC That Must Be Repaid

The excess APTC repayment limitation (see the instructions for Form 8962, line 28) applies only to excess APTC for coverage of lawfully present individuals. Excess APTC that relates to the coverage of individuals who are not lawfully present must be repaid without limitation. Use [Worksheet B](#), later, to determine the amount of excess APTC that you must repay if all of the following apply.

- You or a member of your family is not lawfully present and is enrolled in a qualified health plan with family members who are lawfully present for one or more months of the year.
- You have excess APTC on line 27 of Form 8962.
- Your excess APTC on line 27 of Form 8962 is more than your repayment limitation amount from Table 5 in the Form 8962 instructions.

If line 27 is not more than your repayment limitation amount from Table 5 in the Form 8962 instructions, do not complete Worksheet B. Leave line 28 of Form 8962 blank, enter the amount from line 27 on line 29, and follow the instructions on line 29. If you must complete Worksheet B, see the [illustrated example](#) next.

### Illustrated Example of Determining the Excess APTC That Must Be Repaid

Andrew enrolls himself and his three dependents, Terri, Phil, and Anne in a qualified health plan. Anne is not lawfully present in the United States and is disenrolled from the coverage as of April 1. Andrew becomes eligible for employer-sponsored coverage on September 1, notifies the Marketplace, but remains enrolled in the qualified health plan. When Andrew and his family enroll in the qualified health plan, the Marketplace estimates that their household income will be \$47,700, which is 200% of the Federal poverty line. The annual contribution amount

based on this estimate used to determine APTC is \$3,024 or \$252 per month. The Marketplace reports the following amounts on Form 1095-A, Part III.

Months	Column A	Column B	Column C
January, February, March . . . . .	\$1,000	\$1,200	\$953
April through August . . . . .	\$800	\$900	\$653
September through December . . . . .	\$800	\$400	\$153

Andrew's household income for the year on his Form 8962, line 3, is \$59,625, which is 250% of the Federal poverty line. The annual contribution amount Andrew enters on line 8a is \$4,830 and the monthly contribution amount he enters on line 8b is \$403.

April through August are reference months for both enrollment premiums and the applicable SLCSPP premium for January through March (the months Anne was enrolled in coverage) because Andrew's coverage family and enrolled family members for April through August (Andrew, Phil and Terri) are the same as for January through March except for Anne. (September through December are also reference months for enrollment premiums.) Therefore, for the months January through March, Andrew enters on Form 8962, lines 12–23, \$800 (the enrollment premiums for April through August) in column (a) and \$900 (the SLCSPP premium that applies to the coverage family for April through August) in column (b).

Andrew's PTC on line 24 is \$3,976, his APTC on line 25 is \$6,736, and his excess APTC on line 27 is \$2,760. Andrew files his tax return using the head-of-household filing status. Andrew's Table 5 repayment limitation amount is \$1,500. Because Andrew's line 27 is more than his repayment limitation amount, he computes the amount of excess APTC he must repay by completing [Worksheet B](#) as shown later.



## Worksheet B. Excess APTC That Must Be Repaid

**Note.** Complete columns **only** for the months a not lawfully present family member was enrolled in coverage. (If you completed [Worksheet A](#), earlier, these are the months for which you checked a box on line 1 of the worksheet.)

Months in 2015 . . . . .	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
1. Enter APTC from Form 1095-A, Part III, column C . . . . .												
2. Enter the monthly credit amount from Form 8962, Part II, column (e) . . . . .												
3. Subtract line 2 from line 1. If zero or less, leave this line blank and skip lines 4–10 for the month . . . . .												
4. Enter the monthly premium amount from Form 1095-A, Part III, column A . . . . .												
5. Enter the SLCSPP premium from Form 1095-A, Part III, column B . . . . .												
6. Enter the monthly contribution amount from Form 8962, line 8b . . . . .												
7. Subtract line 6 from line 5 . . . . .												
8. Enter the smaller of line 4 or line 7 . . . . .												
9. Subtract line 8 from line 1. If zero or less, enter -0- . . . . .												
10. Subtract line 9 from line 3 . . . . .												
11. Add the amounts on line 10. If all of your line 3 results were zero or less, <b>stop here</b> . None of your excess APTC was from individuals who were not lawfully present. Enter the repayment limitation from Table 5 in the Form 8962 instructions on Form 8962, line 28, and continue to line 29 . . . . .												11.
12. Enter the repayment limitation from Table 5 in the Form 8962 instructions . . . . .												12.
13. Add lines 11 and 12 . . . . .												13.
14. Enter the amount from Form 8962, line 27 . . . . .												14.
15. Compare lines 13 and 14. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If line 14 is more than line 13, enter the amount from line 13 on Form 8962, lines 28 and 29 and follow the instructions on line 29.</li> <li>If line 14 is less than or equal to line 13, leave Form 8962, line 28, blank and enter the amount from line 27 on line 29.</li> </ul>												

## Andrew's Worksheet B. Excess APTC That Must Be Repaid

**Note.** Complete columns **only** for the months a not lawfully present family member was enrolled in coverage. (If you completed [Worksheet A](#), earlier, these are the months for which you checked a box on line 1 of the worksheet.)

Months in 2015 . . . . .	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
<b>1.</b> Enter APTC from Form 1095-A, Part III, column C . . . . .	\$953	\$953	\$953									
<b>2.</b> Enter the monthly credit amount from Form 8962, Part II, column (e) . . . . .	497	497	497									
<b>3.</b> Subtract line 2 from line 1. If zero or less, leave this line blank and skip lines 4–10 for the month . . . . .	456	456	456									
<b>4.</b> Enter the monthly premium amount from Form 1095-A, Part III, column A . . . . .	1,000	1,000	1,000									
<b>5.</b> Enter the SLCSPP premium from Form 1095-A, Part III, column B . . . . .	1,200	1,200	1,200									
<b>6.</b> Enter the monthly contribution amount from Form 8962, line 8b . . . . .	403	403	403									
<b>7.</b> Subtract line 6 from line 5 . . . . .	797	797	797									
<b>8.</b> Enter the smaller of line 4 or line 7 . . . . .	797	797	797									
<b>9.</b> Subtract line 8 from line 1. If zero or less, enter -0- . . . . .	156	156	156									
<b>10.</b> Subtract line 9 from line 3 . . . . .	300	300	300									
<b>11.</b> Add the amounts on line 10. If all of your line 3 results were zero or less, <b>stop here.</b> None of your excess APTC was from individuals who were not lawfully present. Enter the repayment limitation from Table 5 in the Form 8962 instructions on Form 8962, line 28, and continue to line 29 . . . . .												<b>11.</b> 900
<b>12.</b> Enter the repayment limitation from Table 5 in the Form 8962 instructions . . . . .												<b>12.</b> 1,500
<b>13.</b> Add lines 11 and 12 . . . . .												<b>13.</b> 2,400
<b>14.</b> Enter the amount from Form 8962, line 27 . . . . .												<b>14.</b> 2,760
<b>15.</b> Compare lines 13 and 14. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If line 14 is more than line 13, enter the amount from line 13 on Form 8962, lines 28 and 29 and follow the instructions on line 29.</li> <li>If line 14 is less than or equal to line 13, leave Form 8962, line 28, blank and enter the amount from line 27 on line 29.</li> </ul>												

### Andrew's Worksheet B

**Line 1.** Andrew enters \$953. This is the monthly APTC shown on Form 1095-A, Part III, column C for January, February, and March (the months that Anne was enrolled in coverage).

**Line 2.** Andrew enters \$497. This is the amount from Form 8962, Part II, column (e), for January – March and represents the applicable monthly SLCSPP premium for Andrew, Terri, and Phil of \$900 minus the monthly contribution amount of \$403 from Form 8962, line 8b.

**Line 4.** Andrew enters \$1,000. This is the monthly premium for January – March shown on Form 1095-A, Part III, column A.

**Line 5.** Andrew enters \$1,200. This is the applicable SLCSP premium shown on Form 1095-A, Part III, column B.

**Line 6.** Andrew enters \$403. This is the monthly contribution amount from Form 8962, line 8b.

**Lines 7–14.** Andrew completes these lines as instructed on Worksheet B.

**Line 15.** Line 14 is more than line 13. Accordingly, Andrew enters the amount from line 13 (\$2,400) on Form 8962, lines 28 and 29.

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## Individuals Filing a Tax Return and Claiming No Personal Exemptions

If you file an income tax return but claim no personal exemptions for yourself, your spouse, and dependents, your tax family size is 0 and you cannot take the PTC. You must repay the APTC for which you are responsible. Complete your name and social security number and the lines on Form 8962 as explained below. **Leave all other lines blank.**

**Note.** If you enrolled yourself or another person in a qualified health plan and APTC was paid for the coverage, the taxpayer claiming a personal exemption for the person enrolled must reconcile the APTC. See *Line 9* in the Form 8962 instructions. If you enrolled only yourself and another taxpayer claims you as a dependent, you do not have to file Form 8962. If you enrolled yourself or another person and no one else claims a personal exemption for the person enrolled, you must file Form 8962 and reconcile the APTC.

**Lines 1, 2a, 3, 4, and 5.** Enter -0-.

**Line 9.** Complete line 9 as provided in the Form 8962 instructions to determine whether you must complete Part IV for a shared policy allocation. Complete Part IV if instructed to do so by Table 3 of the Form 8962 instructions. Do **not** complete Part V.

**Line 11(f) (or lines 12–23, column (f), if you complete Part IV).** If you checked the “No” box on line 9, enter the total of your Form(s) 1095-A, Part III, line 33C, on line 11(f). If you checked the “Yes” box on line 9, complete lines 12–23, column (f), as provided in the Form 8962 instructions.

**Lines 25, 27, and 29.** Enter the amount from line 11(f) (or the total of lines 12–23, column (f)) on lines 25, 27, and 29 and follow the instructions on line 29.

**Example 1.** Jeff enrolls himself in a qualified health plan for 2015. The Form 1095-A he received from the Marketplace shows that APTC of \$4,000 was paid for his coverage. Jeff files an income tax return on Form 1040A for 2015 and claims no personal exemptions. Jeff completes Form 8962 as follows.

**Lines 1, 2a, 3, 4, and 5.** Jeff enters -0-.

**Line 9.** Jeff checks the “No” box.

**Lines 11(f), 25, 27, and 29.** Jeff enters \$4,000 APTC on these lines and on line 29 of his Form 1040A.

**Example 2.** Mark enrolls himself and his child, Donna, in a qualified health plan with coverage effective for all of 2015. The Form 1095-A he received from the Marketplace shows that \$6,000 of APTC was paid for their coverage (\$500 is entered in Part III, column C, for each of lines 21–32). Mark files an income tax return for 2015 on Form 1040 and claims no personal exemptions. Mark’s parents, Steve and Sherry, claim a personal exemption for Mark. No one claims a personal exemption for Donna. Because Mark enrolled Donna in coverage and no one claims a personal exemption for Donna, Mark must reconcile the APTC paid for Donna’s coverage. Steve and Sherry must reconcile the APTC paid for Mark’s coverage. Because Steve and Sherry must reconcile the APTC paid for Mark’s coverage and Mark must reconcile the APTC paid for Donna’s coverage, Mark must complete Part IV of Form 8962 to allocate shared policy amounts with Steve and Sherry. Mark, Sherry, and Steve do not agree on an allocation percentage. Mark completes Form 8962 as follows.

**Lines 1, 2a, 3, 4, and 5.** Mark enters -0-.

**Line 9.** Mark reads *Allocating policy amounts* under *Line 9* in the Form 8962 instructions. Because he meets both conditions in that discussion, he checks “Yes” on line 9. Then he reads Table 3 in the instructions. According to Step 3 in Table 3, he must allocate in Part IV using the rules under *Allocation Situation 4. Other situations where a policy is shared between two tax families* in the Form 8962 instructions.

**Line 30 (Part IV).** Mark enters the Marketplace assigned policy number in column a, Steve’s social security number in column b, “01” in column c, and “12” in column d. He leaves columns e and f blank because he is not an applicable taxpayer. He enters “0.50” in column g. This is the allocation percentage based on the rules under *Allocation Situation 4. Other situations where a policy is shared between two tax families* in the Form 8962 instructions.

**Lines 12–23, column (f).** Mark enters \$250 on each line (0.50 x the \$500 APTC shown on his Form 1095-A).

**Lines 25, 27, and 29.** Mark enters \$3,000 APTC, which is the total of lines 12–23, column (f), on these lines and on line 46 of his Form 1040.



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## Determining the Premium for the Applicable Second Lowest Cost Silver Plan (SLCSP)

If you or a member of your family enrolls in a qualified health plan and APTC is paid for the coverage, the Marketplace will identify the applicable SLCSP premium and reports it on Form 1095-A. The Marketplace determines the applicable SLCSP premium based on your address and the members of your coverage family. Providing correct information on your application for financial assistance and notifying the Marketplace if you move or the members of your coverage family change is necessary for the Marketplace to report a correct applicable SLCSP premium. If the Marketplace does not have accurate and updated information, the applicable SLCSP premium the Marketplace reports on Form 1095-A may not be accurate for all months and you will need to determine the correct applicable SLCSP premium for those months. See [Applicable SLCSP premium tools](#), below.

If you did not request financial assistance (APTC) and the Marketplace has an applicable SLCSP premium tool (discussed in the next paragraph), the Marketplace will not report an applicable SLCSP premium (Part III, column B, will report 0 or be blank). If you did not request financial assistance (APTC) and the Marketplace does not have an applicable SLCSP premium tool, it may report a SLCSP premium that applies to everyone enrolled in your qualified health plan because it may not be able to identify the members of your coverage family from the information on your application. If you take the PTC on your tax return, you will need to determine the SLCSP premium that applies to your coverage family for each month of coverage.

**Applicable SLCSP premium tools.** Only the Marketplaces are able to provide applicable SLCSP premiums. The Federally-facilitated Marketplace and most state Marketplaces have provided applicable SLCSP premium tools which, as you prepare your tax return, you may use to look up the SLCSP premium that applies to your coverage family for each month. If you enrolled through the Federally-facilitated Marketplace you will find the tool at <https://www.healthcare.gov/tax-tool/>.

If you enrolled through a state-based Marketplace, you may find information about whether your state has an applicable SLCSP premium tool on the state-based Marketplace's website. If the website does not have an applicable SLCSP premium tool, you will need to contact the state-based Marketplace directly for the correct SLCSP premium.

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## Multiple Shared Policy Allocations

This section covers allocations of policy amounts (enrollment premiums, applicable SLCSP premiums, and APTC) among three or more taxpayers.

Before you read this section, first read *Part IV-Shared Policy Allocation* in the Form 8962 instructions. Then use the following instructions to complete Part IV of Form 8962 if one qualified health plan covers individuals from three or more tax families in the same month. Specifically, these instructions apply to:

- Taxpayers who must allocate policy amounts because of a divorce or legal separation in 2015 and also must allocate policy amounts with another taxpayer (for example, a grandparent who claims the personal exemption amount for a child enrolled with the former spouses).
- Taxpayers who must allocate policy amounts because they are legally married but are not filing a joint return (for example, filing their returns as married filing separately), and also must allocate policy amounts with another taxpayer (for example, a grandparent who claims the personal exemption amount for a child enrolled with the spouses).
- Other taxpayers who are claiming a personal exemption for an individual who is enrolled in a qualified health plan together with members of two or more other tax families.

**Note.** If you or a member of your tax family is enrolled in a qualified health plan with members of two or more other tax families and no APTC is paid for coverage under the plan, use the instructions for Form 8962 under *Allocation Situation 3. No APTC* to allocate the enrollment premiums from the qualified health plan among the tax families. You allocate the enrollment premiums in proportion to the SLCSP premium that applies to each taxpayer who has a coverage family member enrolled in the plan. For purposes of this enrollment premium allocation, only coverage family members enrolled in the plan are considered in determining the SLCSP premium that applies to each taxpayer. You and the other taxpayers must complete column (e) on the appropriate line in Part IV to allocate the enrollment premiums to each family. Leave columns (f) and (g) blank. See *Missing or incorrect SLCSP premium on Form 1095-A* under *Line 10*, in the Form 8962 instructions, to determine your applicable SLCSP premium to use for the allocation.

## Allocation Among Two Taxpayers Who Divorced or Legally Separated in 2015 and One or More Other Taxpayers

Use this section to allocate policy amounts from a qualified health plan if you meet either of the following conditions and no other allocations for the policy are necessary.

- You are allocating enrollment premiums, applicable SLCSPP premiums and APTC with a former spouse as a result of your divorce or legal separation in 2015 and also are allocating amounts with another taxpayer who is claiming a personal exemption for an individual who, when you were married to the former spouse, was enrolled in a qualified health plan with members of your and your former spouse's tax families; or
- You are the taxpayer who is claiming a personal exemption for an individual enrolled in the plan with tax family members of taxpayers who also must allocate policy amounts as a result of divorce or separation in 2015.

**Example.** Kara and David and their two children, Meredith and Sam, enroll in a qualified health plan for 2015. Kara and David were married at the beginning of 2015 and divorce in 2015. Meredith and Sam move in with their grandmother, Lydia, in May of 2015. Lydia claims Meredith and Sam as dependents on her 2015 income tax return. Kara, David, and Lydia use this section to allocate policy amounts to compute their respective PTC and reconcile PTC with the APTC paid.

Kara and David use the allocation method under [Rules for the Taxpayers Who Divorced or Legally Separated in 2015 and Are Also Allocating With Another Taxpayer](#), next.

Lydia uses the allocation method under [Rules for the Taxpayer\(s\) Allocating With Taxpayers Who Divorced or Legally Separated in 2015](#), later.

### Rules for the Taxpayers Who Divorced or Legally Separated in 2015 and Are Also Allocating With Another Taxpayer

Use this allocation method if you divorced or legally separated during the year and you must allocate policy amounts (enrollment premiums, applicable SLCSPP premiums, and APTC) with your former spouse as well as with another taxpayer claiming a personal exemption for an individual enrolled in a qualified health plan with members of your and your former spouse's tax families.

**Step 1.** Determine an allocation percentage with your former spouse. You use this percentage to allocate the total enrollment premiums, the applicable SLCSPP premiums, and APTC for coverage under the plan during the months you were married. You will find these amounts on your Form(s) 1095-A, Part III, columns A, B, and C, respectively. You and your former spouse can allocate these amounts using any percentage you agree on from zero to one hundred percent, but you must allocate all amounts

using the same percentage. If you do not agree on a percentage, you and your former spouse must allocate 50% of each of these amounts to each of you.

**Step 2.** Separately from the first allocation, determine an allocation percentage with the taxpayer(s) claiming the personal exemption(s) for the individual(s) enrolled in the plan with a member of your tax family or a member of your former spouse's tax family. You may agree on any allocation percentage from zero to one hundred percent. You may use the percentage you agreed on for every month that this allocation rule applies, or you may agree on different percentages for different months. However, you must use the same allocation percentage for all policy amounts (enrollment premiums, applicable SLCSPP premiums, and APTC) in a month. If you cannot agree on an allocation percentage, the allocation percentage is equal to the number of individuals for whom the other taxpayer claims a personal exemption for the tax year who were enrolled in the plan for which you are allocating policy amounts, divided by the total number of individuals enrolled in the qualified health plan. The allocation percentage is the percentage that applies to the amounts the taxpayer claiming the personal exemption must use to compute PTC and reconcile it with APTC. You and your former spouse must compute PTC and reconcile APTC using the remaining amounts.

**Step 3.** Complete Worksheet C below.

#### Worksheet C. Allocations for the Divorced or Legally Separated Taxpayers

1. Enter as a decimal your percentage from Step 1 above .....	1.	_____
2. Enter 1.0 .....	2.	_____ 1.0
3. Enter as a decimal the total of the percentage(s) from Step 2 above allocated to the other taxpayer(s). <b>Note.</b> See <i>Example 2</i> later for details on adding the percentages for multiple taxpayers .....	3.	_____
4. Subtract line 3 from line 2 .....	4.	_____
5. Multiply line 1 by line 4. Enter the result as a decimal. This is your allocation percentage. Go to Step 4 below .....	5.	_____

**Step 4.** If you use the same percentage in Step 2 above for every month to which this allocation method applies, use only **one** of lines 30–33 in Part IV to report the allocation. If you use different percentages for different months under Step 2, use a separate line in Part IV for each allocation percentage. Complete the line as explained below.

**Column (a).** Enter the Marketplace-assigned policy number from Form 1095-A, line 2. If the policy number on the Form 1095-A is more than 15 characters, enter only the last 15 characters.

**Column (b).** Enter the SSN of your former spouse.

**Column (c).** Enter the first month you are allocating policy amounts. For example, if you are allocating a percentage from January through June, enter “01” in column (c).

**Column (d).** Enter the last month you are allocating policy amounts. For example, if you are allocating a percentage from January through June, enter “06” in column (d).

**Column (e).** Enter the decimal from Worksheet C, line 5.

**Column (f).** Enter the decimal from Worksheet C, line 5.

**Column (g).** Enter the decimal from Worksheet C, line 5.

### Rules for the Taxpayer(s) Allocating With Taxpayers Who Divorced or Legally Separated in 2015

Use this allocation method if you are claiming the personal exemption for one or more individuals who were enrolled in a qualified health plan with members of the tax families of taxpayers who also must allocate policy amounts as a result of divorce or legal separation in 2015.

**Step 1.** Determine an allocation percentage with one of the former spouses. You may agree on any allocation percentage from zero to one hundred percent. You may use the percentage you agreed on for every month during which this allocation rule applies, or you may agree on different percentages for different months. However, you must use the same allocation percentage for all policy amounts (enrollment premiums, applicable SLCSP premiums, and APTC) in a month. If you cannot agree on an allocation percentage, the allocation percentage is equal to the number of individuals for whom you claim a personal exemption for the tax year who were enrolled in the qualified health plan for which you are allocating policy amounts, divided by the total number of individuals enrolled in the plan. The allocation percentage is the percentage that applies to the amounts you must use to compute PTC and reconcile it with APTC. The former spouse must compute PTC and reconcile APTC using the remaining amounts.

**Step 2.** Allocate the policy amounts with the second former spouse using the same rules as Step 1 above. Enter the percentage on line 4 of Worksheet D.

**Step 3.** Complete Worksheet D below.

### Worksheet D. Taxpayer Allocating with Divorced or Separated Taxpayers

1. Enter the decimal from line 1 of the Worksheet C completed by one of the former spouses from Step 1 above . . . . .	1. _____
2. Enter as a decimal the percentage from Step 1 above . . . . .	2. _____
3. Multiply line 1 by line 2 . . . . .	3. _____
4. Enter the decimal from line 1 of the Worksheet C completed by the other former spouse from Step 2 above . . . . .	4. _____
5. Enter as a decimal the percentage from Step 2 above . . . . .	5. _____
6. Multiply line 4 by line 5 . . . . .	6. _____
7. Add line 3 and line 6. This is the allocation percentage. Go to Step 4 below . . . . .	7. _____

**Step 4.** If you use the same percentages in Steps 1 and 2 above for every month to which this allocation method applies, use only one of lines 30–33 in Part IV to report the allocation. If you use different percentages for different months in Step 1 or Step 2, use a separate line in Part IV for each allocation percentage. Complete the line as explained below.

**Column (a).** Enter the Marketplace-assigned policy number from Form 1095-A, line 2. If the policy number on the Form 1095-A is more than 15 characters, enter only the last 15 characters.

**Column (b).** Enter the SSN of the former spouse whose percentage you entered in Worksheet D, line 1.

**Column (c).** Enter the first month you are allocating policy amounts. For example, if you are allocating a percentage from January through June, enter “01” in column (c).

**Column (d).** Enter the last month you are allocating policy amounts. For example, if you are allocating a percentage from January through June, enter “06” in column (d).

**Column (e).** Enter the decimal from Worksheet D, line 7.

**Columns (f) and (g).** Enter the decimal from Worksheet D, line 7.

**Example 1.** Kara and David were married at the beginning of 2015 and have two children, Meredith and Sam. Kara enrolled herself, David, Meredith, and Sam in a qualified health plan with coverage effective January 1. For each month of coverage the enrollment premiums were \$700, the applicable SLCSP premium for a coverage family of four was \$650, and the APTC was \$425.

Meredith and Sam moved in with their grandmother, Lydia, in May. Kara and David divorced in September. Kara enrolled in a new qualified health plan for self-only coverage. David became eligible for and enrolled in employer-sponsored self-only coverage. Meredith and Sam



became eligible for and enrolled in government-sponsored coverage. All of the new plans have coverage effective October 1. Lydia is enrolled in employer-sponsored coverage.

On their respective tax returns, Kara files as single and claims only her own personal exemption, David files as single and claims only his own personal exemption, and Lydia files as head of household and claims personal exemptions for Meredith and Sam.

Under Step 1 of *Rules for the Taxpayers Who Divorced or Legally Separated in 2015 and Are Also Allocating With Another Taxpayer*, Kara and David agree to allocate the policy amounts 30% to Kara and 70% to David. Under Step 2 of that method (Kara, David) and under *Rules for the Taxpayer(s) Allocating With Taxpayers Who Divorced or Legally Separated in 2015* (Lydia), Kara and Lydia agree to allocate 80% of the policy amounts to Lydia, and David and Lydia agree to allocate 50% of the policy amounts to Lydia. Each of them completes a worksheet as shown below and uses it to complete Part IV.

Kara completes Worksheet C as follows.

### Kara's Worksheet C. Allocations for Divorced or Legally Separated Taxpayers

1. Enter as a decimal your percentage from Step 1 above	1.	.30
2. Enter 1.0	2.	1.0
3. Enter as a decimal the total of the percentages from Step 2 above allocated to the other taxpayer(s)	3.	.80
4. Subtract line 3 from line 2	4.	.20
5. Multiply line 1 by line 4. Enter the result as a decimal. This is the allocation percentage. Go to Step 4 below	5.	.06

After completing Worksheet C, Kara completes Form 8962, Part IV, line 30, as follows.

**Column (a).** Kara enters the Marketplace-assigned policy number from Form 1095-A, line 2.

**Column (b).** Kara enters David's SSN.

**Column (c).** Kara enters "01."

**Column (d).** Kara enters "09."

**Columns (e), (f), and (g).** Kara enters "0.06."

After completing Part IV, Kara multiplies the amounts from Form 1095-A, Part III, by the corresponding percentages in Part IV, and enters these allocated amounts on Form 8962, lines 12–20, columns (a), (b), and (f). On each of those lines she will enter \$42 in column (a) (enrollment premiums of  $\$700 \times 0.06$ ), \$39 in column (b) (applicable SLCSP premium of  $\$650 \times 0.06$ ), and \$26 in column (f) (APTC of  $\$425 \times 0.06$ ). She completes her Form 8962, lines 21–23, columns (a), (b), and (f), by entering the monthly amounts from her separate Form 1095-A for her self-only coverage from October through December. She does not allocate those amounts.

David completes Worksheet C as follows.

### David's Worksheet C. Allocations for Divorced or Legally Separated Taxpayer

1. Enter as a decimal your percentage from Step 1 above	1.	.70
2. Enter 1.0	2.	1.0
3. Enter as a decimal the total of the percentages from Step 2 above allocated to the other taxpayer(s)	3.	.50
4. Subtract line 3 from line 2	4.	.50
5. Multiply line 1 by line 4. Enter the result as a decimal. This is the allocation percentage. Go to Step 4 below	5.	.35

After completing Worksheet C, David completes Form 8962, Part IV, line 30, as follows.

**Column (a).** David enters the Marketplace-assigned policy number from Form 1095-A, line 2.

**Column (b).** David enters Kara's SSN.

**Column (c).** David enters "01."

**Column (d).** David enters "09."

**Columns (e), (f), and (g).** David enters "0.35."

After completing Part IV, David multiplies the amounts from Form 1095-A, Part III, by the corresponding percentages in Part IV, and enters these allocated amounts on Form 8962, lines 12–20, columns (a), (b), and (f). On each of those lines he will enter \$245 in column (a) (enrollment premiums of  $\$700 \times 0.35$ ), \$228 in column (b) (applicable SLCSP premium of  $\$650 \times 0.35$ ), and \$149 in column (f) (APTC of  $\$425 \times 0.35$ ). David leaves Form 8962, lines 21–23 blank because he was not enrolled in a qualified health plan during October through December.

Lydia completes Worksheet D as follows.

### Lydia's Worksheet D. Taxpayer Allocating with Divorced or Legally Separated Taxpayers

1. Enter the decimal from line 1 of the Worksheet C completed by one of the former spouses from Step 1 above	1.	.30
2. Enter as a decimal the percentage from Step 1 above	2.	.80
3. Multiply line 1 by line 2.	3.	.24
4. Enter the decimal from line 1 of the Worksheet C completed by the other former spouse from Step 2 above	4.	.70
5. Enter as a decimal the percentage from Step 2 above	5.	.50
6. Multiply line 4 by line 5	6.	.35
7. Add line 3 and line 6. This is the allocation percentage. Go to Step 4 below	7.	.59

After completing Worksheet D, Lydia completes Form 8962, Part IV, line 30, as follows.

**Column (a).** Lydia enters the Marketplace-assigned policy number from Form 1095-A, line 2.

**Column (b).** Lydia enters Kara's SSN.

**Column (c).** Lydia enters "01."

**Column (d).** Lydia enters "09."

**Columns (e), (f), and (g).** Lydia enters "0.59."

After completing Part IV, Lydia multiplies the amounts from Form 1095-A, Part III, by the corresponding percentages in Part IV, and enters these allocated amounts on Form 8962, lines 12–20, columns (a), (b), and (f). On each of those lines she will enter \$413 in column (a) (enrollment premiums of \$700 x 0.59), \$384 in column (b) (applicable SLCSP premium of \$650 x 0.59), and \$251 in column (f) (APTC of \$425 x 0.59). Lydia leaves Form 8962, lines 21–23 blank because she, Meredith, and Sam were not enrolled in a qualified health plan during October through December.

**Example 2.** The facts are the same as *Example 1* except that in May, Meredith moved in with her grandmother, Lydia, and Sam moved in with his aunt, Kimberly.

On their respective tax returns, Kara files as single and claims only her own personal exemption, David files as single and claims only his own personal exemption, Lydia files as head of household and claims Meredith's personal exemption, and Kimberly files as head of household and claims Sam's personal exemption. Kimberly is enrolled in employer-sponsored coverage.

Under Step 1 of [Rules for the Taxpayers Who Divorced or Legally Separated in 2015 and Are Also Allocating With Another Taxpayer](#), Kara and David agree to allocate the policy amounts 40% to Kara and 60% to David. Under Step 2 of that method (Kara, David) and under [Rules for the Taxpayer\(s\) Allocating With Taxpayers Who Divorced or Legally Separated in 2015](#) (Lydia, Kimberly), Kara and Lydia agree to allocate 50% of the policy amounts to Lydia, and Kara and Kimberly agree to allocate 25% of the policy amounts to Kimberly. David and Lydia agree to allocate 20% of the policy amounts to Lydia, and David and Kimberly agree to allocate 25% of the policy amounts to Kimberly. Each of them completes a worksheet as shown below and uses it to complete Part IV.

Kara completes Worksheet C as follows.

### Kara's Worksheet C. Allocations for Divorced or Legally Separated Taxpayer

1. Enter as a decimal your percentage from Step 1 above	1.	.40
2. Enter 1.0	2.	1.0
3. Enter as a decimal the total of the percentages from Step 2 above allocated to the other taxpayer(s)	3.	.75*
4. Subtract line 3 from line 2	4.	.25
5. Multiply line 1 by line 4. Enter the result as a decimal. This is the allocation percentage. Go to Step 4 below	5.	.10

\*This is the total of Kara's agreed percentages with Lydia and Kimberly (.50 + .25).

After completing Worksheet C, Kara completes Form 8962, Part IV, line 30, as follows.

**Column (a).** Kara enters the Marketplace-assigned policy number from Form 1095-A, line 2.

**Column (b).** Kara enters David's SSN.

**Column (c).** Kara enters "01."

**Column (d).** Kara enters "09."

**Columns (e), (f), and (g).** Kara enters "0.10."

After completing Part IV, Kara completes her Form 8962 in the same manner described in *Example 1* above, but applies the different allocation percentage.

David completes Worksheet C as follows.

### David's Worksheet C. Allocations for Divorced or Legally Separated Taxpayer

1. Enter as a decimal your percentage from Step 1 above	1.	.60
2. Enter 1.0	2.	1.0
3. Enter as a decimal the total of the percentages from Step 2 above allocated to the other taxpayer(s)	3.	.45*
4. Subtract line 3 from line 2	4.	.55
5. Multiply line 1 by line 4. Enter the result as a decimal. This is the allocation percentage. Go to Step 4 below	5.	.33

\*This is the total of David's agreed percentages with Lydia and Kimberly (.20 + .25).

After completing Worksheet C, David completes Form 8962, Part IV, line 30, as follows.

**Column (a).** David enters the Marketplace-assigned policy number from Form 1095-A, line 2.

**Column (b).** David enters Kara's SSN.

**Column (c).** David enters "01."

**Column (d).** David enters "09."

**Columns (e), (f), and (g).** David enters “0.33.”

After completing Part IV, David completes his Form 8962 in the same manner described in *Example 1* above, but applies the different allocation percentage.

Lydia completes Worksheet D as follows.

**Lydia's Worksheet D. Taxpayer Allocating with Divorced or Legally Separated Taxpayers**

1.	Enter the decimal from line 1 of the Worksheet C completed by one of the former spouses from Step 1 above	1.	.40
2.	Enter as a decimal the percentage from Step 1 above	2.	.50
3.	Multiply line 1 by line 2	3.	.20
4.	Enter the decimal from line 1 of the Worksheet C completed by the former spouse from Step 2 above	4.	.60
5.	Enter as a decimal the percentage from Step 2 above	5.	.20
6.	Multiply line 4 by line 5	6.	.12
7.	Add line 3 and line 6. This is the allocation percentage. Go to Step 4 below	7.	.32

After completing Worksheet D, Lydia completes Form 8962, Part IV, line 30, as follows.

**Column (a).** Lydia enters the Marketplace-assigned policy number from Form 1095-A, line 2.

**Column (b).** Lydia enters Kara's SSN.

**Column (c).** Lydia enters “01.”

**Column (d).** Lydia enters “09.”

**Columns (e), (f), and (g).** Lydia enters “0.32.”

After completing Part IV, Lydia completes her Form 8962 in the same manner as in *Example 1* above, but applies the different allocation percentage.

Kimberly completes Worksheet D as follows.

**Kimberly's Worksheet D. Taxpayer Allocating with Divorced or Legally Separated Taxpayers**

1.	Enter the decimal from line 1 of the Worksheet C completed by one of the former spouses from Step 1 above	1.	.40
2.	Enter as a decimal the percentage from Step 1 above	2.	.25
3.	Multiply line 1 by line 2	3.	.10
4.	Enter the decimal from line 1 of the Worksheet C completed by the former spouse from Step 2 above	4.	.60
5.	Enter as a decimal the percentage from Step 2 above	5.	.25
6.	Multiply line 4 by line 5	6.	.15
7.	Add line 3 and line 6. This is the allocation percentage. Go to Step 4 below	7.	.25

After completing Worksheet D, Kimberly completes Form 8962, Part IV, line 30, as follows.

**Column (a).** Kimberly enters the Marketplace-assigned policy number from Form 1095-A, line 2.

**Column (b).** Kimberly enters Kara's SSN.

**Column (c).** Kimberly enters “01.”

**Column (d).** Kimberly enters “09.”

**Columns (e), (f), and (g).** Kimberly enters “0.25.”

After completing Part IV, Kimberly completes her Form 8962 in the same manner described for Lydia in *Example 1* above, but applies the different allocation percentage.

**Allocation Among Taxpayers Who Are Married But Not Filing a Joint Return and One or More Other Taxpayers**

Use this section if you meet either of the following conditions and no other allocations for the policy are necessary.

- You are allocating enrollment premiums and APTC with a spouse with whom you are legally married but not filing a joint return in 2015 and you also are allocating enrollment premiums, applicable SLCSPP premiums, and APTC with another taxpayer who is claiming a personal exemption for an individual who was enrolled in a qualified health plan with members of your and your spouse's tax families.
- You are the taxpayer who is claiming a personal exemption for an individual who was enrolled in the plan with tax family members of taxpayers who also must allocate policy amounts because the taxpayers are legally married but not filing a joint return in 2015.



**Example.** Pat and Jamie were married for all of 2015 and have three children, Jason, Alicia and Dawn. All five individuals enrolled in a qualified health plan and were covered for all of 2015. At enrollment, Pat and Jamie expected to file a joint return and claim personal exemptions for the children. However, Pat and Jamie change their minds and file as married filing separately and each claim only their own personal exemption. Neither checks the box in the top right-hand corner of Form 8962. Jason, Alicia, and Dawn moved in with their uncle, Andy, in April. Andy files as head of household and claims personal exemptions for Jason, Alicia, and Dawn.

Pat and Jamie use the allocation method under [Rules for the Married Taxpayers Not Filing a Joint Return and Also Allocating With Another Taxpayer](#), next.

Andy uses the allocation method under [Rules for the Taxpayer\(s\) Allocating With Married Taxpayers Not Filing a Joint Return](#), later.

### Rules for the Married Taxpayers Not Filing a Joint Return and Also Allocating With Another Taxpayer

Use this allocation method if you are married but not filing a joint return and you must allocate policy amounts with your spouse and with a taxpayer claiming a personal exemption for an individual enrolled in a qualified health plan with members of your and your spouse's tax families. Under this method, you must first allocate 50% each of enrollment premiums and APTC to yourself and your spouse. Line 4 of Worksheet E, later, accomplishes this 50% allocation. Complete the steps below to determine the amounts to enter on your Form 8962, Part IV.

**Step 1.** Determine the applicable SLCSPP for your coverage family. See [Determining the Premium for the Applicable Second Lowest Cost Silver Plan \(SLCSPP\)](#), earlier. For this purpose, your coverage family or your spouse's coverage family (but not both) should include the individuals for whom the other taxpayer is claiming personal exemptions and who was enrolled in a qualified health plan with your and your spouse's tax family members. Enter the applicable SLCSPP premium you determined on line 5 of Worksheet E.

**Step 2.** Separately from the first allocation (the 50% spousal allocation), determine an allocation percentage with the taxpayer(s) claiming the personal exemption(s) for the individual(s) enrolled in the plan. You may agree on any allocation percentage from zero to one hundred percent. You may use the percentage you agreed on for every month in which this allocation rule applies, or you may agree on different percentages for different months. However, you must use the same allocation percentage for all policy amounts (enrollment premiums, applicable SLCSPP premiums, and APTC) in a month. If you cannot agree on an allocation percentage, the allocation percentage is equal to the number of individuals for whom the other taxpayer claims a personal exemption for the tax year who were enrolled in the qualified health plan for which you are allocating amounts, divided by the total number of individ-

uals enrolled in the plan. The allocation percentage is the percentage that applies to the amounts the taxpayer claiming the personal exemption must use to compute PTC and reconcile it with APTC. You must compute PTC and reconcile APTC using the remaining amounts.

### Step 3. Complete Worksheet E below. Worksheet E. Allocations for Married Taxpayers Not Filing a Joint Return

1. Enter 1.0 .....	1.	1.0
2. Enter as a decimal the total of the percentage(s) from Step 2 above allocated to the other taxpayer(s) .....	2.	_____
3. Subtract line 2 from line 1 .....	3.	_____
4. Divide line 3 by 2.0. Enter the result as a decimal .....	4.	_____
5. Enter the applicable SLCSPP premium as determined in Step 1 above. Then go to Line 6 if you checked the box in the top right-hand corner of Form 8962, or <i>Exception 1—Certain married persons living apart</i> under <a href="#">Married taxpayers</a> (discussed earlier under <a href="#">Terms You May Need To Know</a> ) applies to you. Otherwise, stop here .....	5.	_____
6. Multiply line 5 by line 3. Complete Form 8962, Part IV, as instructed in Step 4 below .....	6.	_____

**Step 4.** If you use the same percentage for every month during which this allocation method applies, use only one of lines 30–33 in Part IV to report the allocation. If you use different percentages for different months under Step 2, use a separate line in Part IV for each allocation percentage. Complete the line as explained below.

**Column (a).** Enter the Marketplace-assigned policy number from Form 1095-A, line 2. If the policy number on the Form 1095-A is more than 15 characters, enter only the last 15 characters.

**Column (b).** Enter the SSN of your spouse.

**Column (c).** Enter the first month you are allocating policy amounts. For example, if you are allocating a percentage from January through June, enter "01" in column (c).

**Column (d).** Enter the last month you are allocating policy amounts. For example, if you are allocating a percentage from January through June, enter "06" in column (d).

**Column (e).** If your filing status is married filing separately and you did **not** check the box in the top right-hand corner of Form 8962, leave column (e) blank. If you checked the box or *Exception 1—Certain married persons*

living apart under *Married taxpayers* (discussed earlier under *Terms You May Need To Know*) applies to you, enter the decimal from line 4 of Worksheet E in column (e).

**Column (f).** If your filing status is married filing separately and you did **not** check the box in the top right-hand corner of Form 8962, leave column f blank. If you checked the box or *Exception 1—Certain married persons living apart* under *Married taxpayers* (discussed earlier under *Terms You May Need To Know*) applies to you, enter the decimal from line 3 of Worksheet E in column (f) and include the amount from line 6 of Worksheet E in the totals on the appropriate lines of Form 8962, column (b), for the months allocated.

**Column (g).** Enter the decimal from line 4 of Worksheet E.

### Rules for the Taxpayer(s) Allocating With Married Taxpayers Not Filing a Joint Return

Use this allocation method if you are claiming a personal exemption for an individual who was enrolled in a qualified health plan with tax family members of taxpayers who also must allocate policy amounts because the taxpayers are legally married but not filing a joint return in 2015.

**Step 1.** Determine an allocation percentage with one of the spouses. You may agree on any allocation percentage from zero to one hundred percent. You may use the percentage you agreed on for every month in which this allocation rule applies, or you may agree on different percentages for different months. However, you must use the same allocation percentage for all policy amounts (enrollment premiums, applicable SLCSP premiums, and APTC) in a month. If you cannot agree on an allocation percentage, the allocation percentage is equal to the number of individuals for whom you will claim a personal exemption for the tax year who were enrolled in the qualified health plan for which you are allocating policy amounts divided by the total number of individuals enrolled in the plan. The allocation percentage is the percentage that applies to the amounts you must use to compute PTC and reconcile it with APTC. The spouses must compute PTC and reconcile APTC using the remaining amounts. Enter the percentage as a decimal on line 1 of Worksheet F.

**Step 2.** Allocate the policy amounts with the second spouse using the same rules as Step 1 above. Enter the percentage as a decimal on line 3 of Worksheet F.

**Step 3.** Complete Worksheet F below.

### Worksheet F. Taxpayer Allocating with Married Taxpayers Not Filing a Joint Return

#### Part I: Allocation Percentage for Enrollment Premiums and APTC Paid

1. Enter as a decimal the percentage from Step 1 above ..... 1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. Divide line 1 by 2.0. Enter the result as a decimal ..... 2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. Enter as a decimal the percentage from Step 2 above ..... 3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. Divide line 3 by 2.0. Enter the result as a decimal ..... 4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. Add lines 2 and 4. Enter the result as a decimal. This is your allocation percentage for enrollment premiums and APTC paid ..... 5. \_\_\_\_\_

#### Part II: Allocation of the Applicable SLCSP Premium

6. Enter the amount of the applicable SLCSP premium from line 5 of Worksheet E completed by the spouse in Step 1 above ..... 6. \_\_\_\_\_
7. Enter the decimal from line 1 of this worksheet ..... 7. \_\_\_\_\_
8. Multiply line 6 by line 7 ..... 8. \_\_\_\_\_
9. Enter the amount of the applicable SLCSP premium from line 5 of Worksheet E completed by the spouse in Step 2 above ..... 9. \_\_\_\_\_
10. Enter the decimal from line 3 of this worksheet ..... 10. \_\_\_\_\_
11. Multiply line 9 by line 10 ..... 11. \_\_\_\_\_
12. Add lines 8 and 11. This is the applicable SLCSP premium allocated to you that you must include on lines 12–23, column (b), for the months in which this allocation applies ..... 12. \_\_\_\_\_

**Step 4.** If you use the same percentage for every month during which this allocation method applies, use only **one** of lines 30–33 in Part IV to report the allocation. If you use different percentages for different months, use a separate line in Part IV for each allocation percentage. Complete the line as explained below.

**Column (a).** Enter the Marketplace-assigned policy number from Form 1095-A, line 2. If the policy number on the Form 1095-A is more than 15 characters, enter only the last 15 characters.

**Column (b).** Enter the SSN of the spouse whose percentage you entered in Worksheet F, line 1.

**Column (c).** Enter the first month you are allocating policy amounts. For example, if you are allocating a percentage from January through June, enter “01” in column (c).

**Column (d).** Enter the last month you are allocating policy amounts. For example, if you are allocating a percentage from January through June, enter “06” in column (d).

**Column (e).** Enter the decimal from Worksheet F, line 5.

**Column (f).** Leave column (f) blank.

**Column (g).** Enter the decimal from Worksheet F, line 5.

**Example.** Pat and Jamie were married for all of 2015 and have three children, Jason, Alicia and Dawn. All five individuals enrolled in a qualified health plan and were covered for all of 2015. For each month of coverage, the enrollment premiums were \$1,000, the premium for the applicable SLCSP for a coverage family of five was \$800, and the APTC was \$200. At enrollment, Pat and Jamie expected to file a joint return and claim personal exemptions for the children.

Jason, Alicia, and Dawn moved in with their uncle, Andy, in April. On their respective tax returns, Pat and Jamie file as married filing separately and each claim only their own personal exemption. Neither checks the box in the top right-hand corner of Form 8962. Andy files as head of household and claims personal exemptions for Jason, Alicia, and Dawn.

Pat and Jamie allocate the enrollment premiums and the APTC 50% to Pat and 50% to Jamie. Under Step 1 of [Rules for the Married Taxpayers Not Filing a Joint Return and Also Allocating With Another Taxpayer](#), Pat and Jamie determine that Pat’s coverage family will include Pat, Jason, and Alicia and that Jamie’s coverage family will include Jamie and Dawn. Pat and Jamie each look up their applicable SLCSP premiums. The applicable SLCSP premium for Pat’s coverage family of three is \$450 and the applicable SLCSP premium for Jamie’s coverage family of two is \$400.

Under Step 2 of [Rules for the Married Taxpayers Not Filing a Joint Return and Also Allocating With Another Taxpayer](#) (Pat, Jamie) and under [Rules for the Taxpayer\(s\) Allocating With Married Taxpayers Not Filing a Joint Return](#) (Andy), Pat and Andy agree to allocate 67% of the policy amounts to Andy, and Jamie and Andy agree to allocate 50% of the policy amounts to Andy. Pat, Jamie, and Andy each complete a worksheet as shown below and use it to complete Part IV.

Pat completes Worksheet E as follows.

## Pat's Worksheet E. Allocations for Married Taxpayers Not Filing a Joint Return

1. Enter 1.0 .....	1.	1.0
2. Enter as a decimal the total of the percentage(s) from Step 2 above allocated to the other taxpayer(s) .....	2.	0.67
3. Subtract line 2 from line 1 .....	3.	0.33
4. Divide line 3 by 2.0. Enter the result as a decimal .....	4.	0.17
5. Enter the applicable SLCSP premium as determined in Step 1 above. Then go to line 6 if you checked the box in the top right-hand corner of Form 8962, or <i>Exception 1—Certain married persons living apart</i> under <a href="#">Married taxpayers</a> (discussed earlier under <a href="#">Terms You May Need To Know</a> ) applies to you. Otherwise, stop here .....	5.	450
6. Multiply line 5 by line 3. Complete Form 8962, Part IV, as instructed in Step 4 below .....	6.	

After completing Worksheet E, Pat completes Form 8962, Part IV, line 30, as follows.

**Column (a).** Pat enters the Marketplace-assigned policy number from Form 1095-A, line 2.

**Column (b).** Pat enters Jamie’s SSN.

**Column (c).** Pat enters “01.”

**Column (d).** Pat enters “12.”

**Column (e).** Pat leaves this column blank.

**Column (f).** Pat leaves this column blank.

**Column (g).** Pat enters “0.17.”

After completing Part IV, Pat multiplies the APTC from Form 1095-A, Part III, column C, by the percentage in Part IV, column (g), and enters \$34 (APTC of \$200 x 0.17) on Form 8962, lines 12–23, column (f). Pat leaves lines 12–23, columns (a)–(e), blank because he is not eligible to take the PTC.

Jamie completes Worksheet E as follows.



**Jamie's Worksheet E. Allocations for Married Taxpayers Not Filing a Joint Return**

1. Enter 1.0	1.	1.0
2. Enter as a decimal the total of the percentage(s) from Step 2 above allocated to the other taxpayer(s)	2.	0.50
3. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3.	0.50
4. Divide line 3 by 2.0. Enter the result as a decimal	4.	0.25
5. Enter the applicable SLCSPP premium as determined in Step 1 above. Then go to line 6 if you checked the box in the top right-hand corner of Form 8962, or <i>Exception 1—Certain married persons living apart</i> under <a href="#">Married taxpayers</a> (discussed earlier under <a href="#">Terms You May Need To Know</a> ) applies to you. Otherwise, stop here	5.	400
6. Multiply line 5 by line 3. Complete Form 8962, Part IV, as instructed in Step 4 below	6.	

After completing Worksheet E, Jamie completes Form 8962, Part IV, line 30, as follows.

**Column (a).** Jamie enters the Marketplace-assigned policy number from Form 1095-A, line 2.

**Column (b).** Jamie enters Pat’s SSN.

**Column (c).** Jamie enters “01.”

**Column (d).** Jamie enters “12.”

**Column (e).** Jamie leaves this column blank.

**Column (f).** Jamie leaves this column blank.

**Column (g).** Jamie enters “0.25.”

After completing Part IV, Jamie multiplies the APTC from Form 1095-A, Part III, column C, by the percentage in Part IV, column (g), and enters \$50 (APTC of \$200 x 0.25) on Form 8962, lines 12–23, column (f). Jamie leaves lines 12–23, columns (a)–(e), blank because she is not eligible to take the PTC.

Andy completes Worksheet F as follows.

**Andy's Worksheet F. Taxpayer Allocating with Married Taxpayers Not Filing a Joint Return**

Part I: Allocation Percentage for Enrollment Premiums and APTC Paid		
1. Enter as a decimal the percentage from Step 1 above	1.	0.67
2. Divide line 1 by 2.0. Enter the result as a decimal	2.	0.34
3. Enter as a decimal the percentage from Step 2 above	3.	0.50
4. Divide line 3 by 2.0. Enter the result as a decimal	4.	0.25
5. Add lines 2 and 4. Enter the result as a decimal. This is your allocation percentage for enrollment premiums and APTC paid	5.	0.59
Part II: Allocation of the Applicable SLCSPP Premium		
6. Enter the amount of the applicable SLCSPP premium from line 5 of Worksheet E completed by the spouse in Step 1 above	6.	450
7. Enter the decimal from line 1 of this worksheet	7.	0.67
8. Multiply line 6 by line 7	8.	302
9. Enter the amount of the applicable SLCSPP premium from line 5 of Worksheet E completed by the spouse in Step 2 above	9.	400
10. Enter the decimal from line 3 of this worksheet	10.	0.50
11. Multiply line 9 by line 10	11.	200
12. Add lines 8 and 11. This is the applicable SLCSPP premium allocated to you that you must include on lines 12–23, column (b), for the months in which this allocation applies	12.	502

After completing Worksheet F, Andy completes Form 8962, Part IV, line 30, as follows.

**Column (a).** Andy enters the Marketplace-assigned policy number from Form 1095-A, line 2.

**Column (b).** Andy enters Pat’s SSN.

**Column (c).** Andy enters “01.”

**Column (d).** Andy enters “12.”

**Column (e).** Andy enters “0.59.”

**Column (f).** Andy leaves this column blank.

**Column (g).** Andy enters “0.59.”

After completing Part IV, Andy multiplies the amounts from Form 1095-A, Part III, by the corresponding percentages in Part IV, and enters these allocated amounts on Form 8962, lines 12–23, columns (a), (b), and (f). On each of those lines he will enter \$590 in column (a) (enrollment

premiums of \$1,000 x 0.59), \$502 in column (b) (applicable SLCSF premium allocated to him on Worksheet F, line 12), and \$118 in column (f) (APTC of \$200 x 0.59).

## Other Taxpayers Allocating Policy Amounts With Two or More Other Taxpayers

If you or another person in your tax family was enrolled in a qualified health plan with individuals in at least two other tax families and APTC was paid for coverage under the policy and you don't meet the rules for divorce or for married individuals filing separate returns, you and the taxpayers claiming the personal exemptions for the individuals not in your tax family should use the instructions for Form 8962 under *Allocation Situation 4. Other situations where a policy is shared between two tax families* to allocate amounts from the qualified health plan. There must be an allocation percentage for each taxpayer claiming a personal exemption for an individual who is enrolled in a qualified health plan with a member of your tax family. If you cannot agree on an allocation percentage with **all** taxpayers claiming personal exemptions for enrolled individuals, the allocation percentage for a particular taxpayer is equal to the number of individuals for whom the taxpayer will claim a personal exemption for the tax year who were enrolled in the qualified health plan for which you are allocating policy amounts, divided by the total number of individuals enrolled in the plan.

**Example 1.** Erik enrolled himself and his sons, Bill and Arvind, in a qualified health plan with coverage effective for all of 2015. For the year, the enrollment premiums were \$8,000, the premium for the applicable SLCSF for a coverage family consisting of Erik, Bill, and Arvind was \$9,000, and the APTC paid for their coverage was \$4,500. In March, Bill dropped out of school to work full-time and moved permanently into his own apartment. In May, Arvind moved in with his mother Sharon, where he lived until the end of 2015. On their respective tax returns, Erik files as single and claims his own personal exemption, Bill files as single and claims his own personal exemption, and Sharon files as head of household and claims personal exemptions for herself and Arvind.

Erik and Bill agree to allocate 25% of the policy amounts to Bill. Erik and Sharon agree to allocate 40% of the policy amounts to Sharon. Erik allocates the remaining 35% of the policy amounts to himself.

Bill completes Form 8962, Part IV, line 30, as follows.

**Column (a).** Bill enters the Marketplace-assigned policy number from Form 1095-A, line 2.

**Column (b).** Bill enters Erik's SSN.

**Column (c).** Bill enters "01."

**Column (d).** Bill enters "12."

**Columns (e), (f), and (g).** Bill enters an allocation percentage of "0.25" in columns (e), (f), and (g).

After completing Part IV, Bill multiplies the amounts from Form 1095-A, Part III, by the corresponding

percentages in Part IV, and enters these allocated amounts on his Form 8962, lines 12–23, columns (a), (b), and (f). The sum of his monthly entries will be \$2,000 in column (a) (enrollment premiums of \$8,000 x 0.25), \$2,250 in column (b) (applicable SLCSF premium of \$9,000 x 0.25), and \$1,125 in column (f) (APTC of \$4,500 x 0.25).

Sharon completes Form 8962, Part IV, line 30, as follows.

**Column (a).** Sharon enters the Marketplace-assigned policy number from Form 1095-A, line 2.

**Column (b).** Sharon enters Erik's SSN.

**Column (c).** Sharon enters "01."

**Column (d).** Sharon enters "12."

**Columns (e), (f), and (g).** Sharon enters an allocation percentage of "0.40" in columns (e), (f), and (g).

After completing Part IV, Sharon multiplies the amounts from Form 1095-A, Part III, by the corresponding percentages in Part IV, and enters these allocated amounts on Form 8962, lines 12–23, columns (a), (b), and (f). The sum of her monthly entries will be \$3,200 in column (a) (enrollment premiums of \$8,000 x 0.40), \$3,600 in column (b) (applicable SLCSF premium of \$9,000 x 0.40), and \$1,800 in column (f) (APTC of \$4,500 x 0.40).

Erik completes Form 8962, Part IV, line 30, as follows.

**Column (a).** Erik enters the Marketplace-assigned policy number from Form 1095-A, line 2.

**Column (b).** Erik enters either Bill's SSN or Sharon's SSN.

**Column (c).** Erik enters "01."

**Column (d).** Erik enters "12."

**Columns (e), (f), and (g).** Erik enters an allocation percentage of "0.35" in columns (e), (f), and (g), which is the percentage of policy amounts not allocated to Bill or Sharon.

After completing Part IV, Erik multiplies the amounts from Form 1095-A, Part III, by the corresponding percentages in Part IV, and enters these allocated amounts on his Form 8962, lines 12–23, columns (a), (b), and (f). The sum of his monthly entries will be \$2,800 in column (a) (enrollment premiums of \$8,000 x 0.35), \$3,150 in column (b) (applicable SLCSF of \$9,000 x 0.35), and \$1,575 in column (f) (APTC of \$4,500 x 0.35).

**Example 2.** The facts are the same as *Example 1* except Erik and Bill cannot agree on an allocation percentage. Because Erik did not agree on an allocation percentage with **all** taxpayers claiming personal exemptions for individuals not in his tax family, Bill and Sharon determine their allocation percentages of 33% by dividing the number of enrolled individuals for whom each will claim a personal exemption (1 each for Bill and Sharon) by the number of individuals enrolled in the plan (3, Erik, Bill, and Arvind). Erik's allocation percentage is 34%, which is the percentage of policy amounts not allocated to Bill and

Sharon. Each taxpayer completes Part IV as explained in [Example 1](#) using these percentages.

## Alternative Calculation for Year of Marriage

If you got married during 2015 and APTC was paid for an individual in your tax family, you may want to use the alternative calculation for year of marriage, an optional calculation that may reduce the amount of excess APTC you would have to repay under the general rules. Before you read this section, first read the instructions for line 9 in the instructions for Form 8962. Complete Table 4 and, if required, Worksheet 3 in those instructions. Then continue reading this section if you meet either of the following conditions.

- You checked the “Yes” box on Form 8962, line 6, **and** you answered “Yes” to all 5 questions in Table 4.
- You checked the “No” box on Form 8962, line 6, **and** the “Yes” box on line 14 of Worksheet 3.



If you do not meet either of the above conditions, you are **not** eligible to elect the alternative calculation. Leave Form 8962, Part V, blank.

If you are eligible, electing the alternative calculation may reduce the amount of excess APTC you have to repay. Electing the alternative calculation is optional. [Worksheet V](#) (shown later) will tell you whether the alternative calculation will benefit you.

**Before you begin the steps**, determine your alternative family size and your spouse’s alternative family size using the instructions under [Alternative Family Size](#), below. Then read Table A to determine which steps to complete.

## Alternative Family Size

Alternative family size is used to determine an alternative monthly contribution amount (see *Monthly contribution amount* under *Terms You May Need to Know*, earlier) on Worksheets I and III, which may reduce the amount of excess APTC for the pre-marriage months that you must repay.

When determining your alternative family size, include yourself and any individual in the tax family who qualifies as your dependent for the year under the rules explained in the instructions for Form 1040 or 1040A, line 6c, or Form 1040NR, line 7c. Do not include any individual who does not qualify as your dependent under those rules or who is included in your spouse’s alternative family size.

When determining your spouse’s alternative family size, include your spouse and any individual in the tax family who qualifies as your spouse’s dependent for the year under the rules explained in the instructions for Form 1040 or 1040A, line 6c, or Form 1040NR, line 7c. Do not include any individual who does not qualify as your

spouse’s dependent under those rules or who is included in your alternative family size.

**Note.** You may include an individual who qualifies as the dependent of both you and your spouse in either alternative family size.

**Example 1.** Ron, Suzy, and their son Max have lived together since July 2014. Ron and Suzy got married in August 2015. Each of them had coverage under a qualified health plan for the months before September. Max qualifies as Ron’s dependent under the rules explained in the instructions for Form 1040, line 6c. Max also qualifies as Suzy’s dependent under those rules. Ron and Suzy can include Max in either alternative family size.

**Example 2.** Rob and his son Liam lived together from January through May 2015. On June 10, 2015, Rob married Tara. She moved in with Rob and Liam on June 11. Each of them had coverage under a qualified health plan for the months before July. Liam qualifies as Rob’s dependent under the rules explained in the instructions for Form 1040, line 6c. Liam also qualifies as Tara’s dependent under those rules. (Liam is Tara’s stepchild and lived with Tara for more than half of 2015.) Rob and Tara can include Liam in either alternative family size.

**Example 3.** Stacey and her daughter Leia lived together from January through July 2015. Stacey married Vince in August 2015 and Vince moved in with Stacey and Leia. Each of them had coverage under a qualified health plan for the months before September. Leia qualifies as Stacey’s dependent under the rules explained in the instructions for Form 1040, line 6c. Leia does not qualify as Vince’s dependent under those rules because Leia did not live with Vince for more than half of 2015. Stacey must include Leia in her alternative family size. Vince cannot include Leia in his alternative family size.

## Table A. Which Steps to Complete

**Note.** Answer the following questions to determine which steps to complete.

1. Have you determined your and your spouse's alternative family size as explained earlier under <i>Alternative Family Size</i> ? <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes.</b> Go to question 2. <input type="checkbox"/> <b>No.</b> Read <i>Alternative Family Size</i> . Then go to question 2.
2. Is there an individual in your alternative family size (including yourself) who was enrolled in a qualified health plan for one or more of your pre-marriage months*? <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes.</b> Complete Steps 1, 2, and 5. Go to question 3. <input type="checkbox"/> <b>No.</b> Go to question 3.
3. Is there an individual in your spouse's alternative family size (including your spouse) who was enrolled in a qualified health plan for one or more of your pre-marriage months*? <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes.</b> Complete Steps 3, 4, and 5. Go to question 4. <input type="checkbox"/> <b>No.</b> Go to question 4.
4. The instructions for Step 5 will prompt you to complete Worksheet V. If you check the “Yes” box on Worksheet V, line 14, complete Steps 6, 7, and 8.
<i>*Your pre-marriage months include the month you got married.</i>



If you completed Part IV of Form 8962, do not include any amounts from Form(s) 1095-A that were allocated to another taxpayer when completing the steps for your and your spouse's alternative calculation.

### Step 1

Complete [Worksheet I](#), later, if there is an individual included in your alternative family size who was enrolled in a qualified health plan for one or more of your pre-marriage months.

#### Worksheet for Line 4 of Worksheet I

**Note.** Use this worksheet to figure the amount to enter on line 4 of Worksheet I.

1. Enter the amount from line 2 of Worksheet I	1. _____
2. Enter the amount from line 3 of Worksheet I	2. _____
3. Multiply the amount on line 2 by 4.0	3. _____
4. Is the amount on line 1 more than the amount on line 3?	4. _____
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes.</b> Enter 401 here and on line 4 of Worksheet I.	
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>No.</b> Divide the amount on line 1 by the amount on line 2. If the result is not a whole percentage, do <b>not</b> round. Use <b>only</b> the first two numbers after the decimal point. Enter the result here and on line 4 of Worksheet I. For example, for .9984, enter the result as 99; for 1.8565, enter the result as 185; for 3.997, enter the result as 399	

### Step 2

Complete [Worksheet II](#), later, to determine your alternative monthly credit amounts to include on Form 8962, lines 12–23, column (e), for your pre-marriage months. Enter in columns A and B on Worksheet II the amounts from columns A and B in Part III of the Form(s) 1095-A that reports coverage for all individuals in your tax family enrolled in a qualified health plan for one or more pre-marriage months, including yourself, who are (1) included in Part II of a Form 1095-A sent to you for the pre-marriage months, or (2) not included in Part II of the Form 1095-A sent to you or to

your spouse, but who are included in your alternative family size.

**Note.** For your pre-marriage months, if there were changes in your coverage family that you did not report to the Marketplace or APTC was not paid for the coverage, or there is an individual in your coverage family not included in Part II of the Form 1095-A sent to you who is included in your alternative family size, you may have to determine a new premium for your applicable SLCSF for those months. See [Determining the Premium for the Applicable Second Lowest Cost Silver Plan \(SLCSF\)](#), earlier.

### Step 3

Complete [Worksheet III](#), later, if there is an individual included in your spouses's alternative family size who was enrolled in a qualified health plan for one or more of your pre-marriage months.

#### Worksheet for Line 4 of Worksheet III

**Note.** Use this worksheet to figure the amount to enter on line 4 of Worksheet III.

1. Enter the amount from line 2 of Worksheet III	1. _____
2. Enter the amount from line 3 of Worksheet III	2. _____
3. Multiply the amount on line 2 by 4.0	3. _____
4. Is the amount on line 1 more than the amount on line 3?	4. _____
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes.</b> Enter 401 here and on line 4 of Worksheet III.	
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>No.</b> Divide the amount on line 1 by the amount on line 2. If the result is not a whole percentage, do <b>not</b> round. Use <b>only</b> the first two numbers after the decimal point. Enter the result here and on line 4 of Worksheet III. For example, for .9984, enter the result as 99; for 1.8565, enter the result as 185; for 3.997, enter the result as 399	



## Step 4

Complete [Worksheet IV](#), later, to determine your spouse's alternative monthly credit amounts to include on Form 8962, lines 12–23, column (e), for your pre-marriage months. Enter in columns A and B on Worksheet IV the amounts from columns A and B in Part III of the Form(s) 1095-A that reports coverage for all individuals in your tax family enrolled in a qualified health plan for one or more pre-marriage months, including your spouse, who are (1) included in Part II of a Form 1095-A sent to your spouse for the pre-marriage months, or (2) not included in Part II of the Form 1095-A sent to you or to your spouse, but who are included in your spouse's alternative family size.

**Note.** For your pre-marriage months, if there were changes in your spouse's coverage family that your spouse did not report to the Marketplace or APTC was not paid for the coverage, or there is an individual in your spouse's coverage family not included in Part II of the Form 1095-A sent to your spouse who is included in your spouse's alternative family size, your spouse may have to determine a new premium for the applicable SLCSPP for those months. See [Determining the Premium for the Applicable Second Lowest Cost Silver Plan \(SLCSPP\)](#), earlier.

## Step 5

After you have completed Steps 1 and 2 and/or Steps 3 and 4, complete [Worksheet V](#), later, to determine what entries you must make on Form 8962, lines 12–23, for your pre-marriage months.

## Step 6

Complete Form 8962, lines 35 and 36 using the following instructions. Follow these instructions only if you checked the “Yes” box on [Worksheet V](#), line 14.

### Line 35.

- **Column (a):** Enter the family size from [Worksheet I](#), line 1.
- **Column (b):** Enter the amount from Worksheet I, line 7.
- **Column (c):** Enter the month from Worksheet I, line 8.
- **Column (d):** Enter the month from Worksheet I, line 9.

### Line 36.

- **Column (a):** Enter the family size from [Worksheet III](#), line 1.
- **Column (b):** Enter the amount from Worksheet III, line 7.
- **Column (c):** Enter the month from Worksheet III, line 8.
- **Column (d):** Enter the month from Worksheet III, line 9.

## Step 7

Complete Form 8962, lines 12–23, columns (a)–(f), using the following instructions. Follow these instructions only if you checked the “Yes” box on [Worksheet V](#), line 14.

**Column (a).** Enter the amounts from column (a) of Worksheet 3 in the Form 8962 instructions.

**Column (b).** Enter the amounts from column (b) of Worksheet 3 in the Form 8962 instructions.

**Column (c).** For pre-marriage months, enter the totals of [Worksheet II](#), column C, and [Worksheet IV](#), column C. For example, if you entered \$200 on Worksheet II, column C, lines 1–5, and you entered \$250 on Worksheet IV, column C, lines 3–5, enter \$200 on lines 12 and 13, and \$450 on lines 14–16 of Form 8962, column (c).

For the months you were married for the entire month, enter the amount from Form 8962, line 8b.

**Column (d).** Subtract column (c) from column (d) and enter the result. If zero or less, enter -0-.

**Column (e).** For your pre-marriage months, enter the amounts from lines 1–12, column A, of [Worksheet V](#), later, in the boxes for the corresponding months in column (e).

For the months you were married for the entire month, enter the smaller of column (a) or (d).

**Column (f).** Enter the amounts from column (f) of Worksheet 3 in the Form 8962 instructions.

## Step 8

Continue to Form 8962, line 24, and complete the rest of the form.

## Worksheet I. Your Alternative Monthly Contribution Amount

1. Alternative family size: Enter the total number of individuals in your alternative family size (discussed earlier) .....	1.	_____
2. One-half of household income: Divide Form 8962, line 3, by 2. Round to the nearest whole dollar amount .....	2.	_____
3. Alternative Federal poverty line: Enter the Federal poverty line amount as determined by your alternative family size on line 1 above and the Federal poverty table you used on Form 8962, line 4 .....	3.	_____
4. Alternative household income as a percentage of Federal poverty line: Enter the amount from the worksheet under Step 1. If the amount is 401, <b>stop</b> . Do not complete the rest of this worksheet or Step 2. Continue to <a href="#">Step 3</a> if you checked the “Yes” box in question 3 in Table A. Otherwise, if you did not complete Part IV of Form 8962, check the “No” box on line 9 of Form 8962 and continue to line 10. If you completed Part IV of Form 8962, check the “No” box on line 10, and see <i>Lines 12 through 23—Monthly Calculation</i> in the Instructions for Form 8962 .....	4.	_____
5. Alternative applicable figure: Using your line 4 percentage, locate your applicable figure on Table 2 in the Instructions for Form 8962 .....	5.	_____
6. Multiply line 2 by line 5 .....	6.	_____
7. Alternative monthly contribution for health care: Divide line 6 by 12 and enter the result rounded to the nearest whole dollar amount .....	7.	_____
8. Alternative start month: Enter the first full month you or any individual included in your alternative family size on line 1 had coverage under a qualified health plan. For example, enter “02” if you were enrolled in a qualified health plan with coverage effective on February 1 .....	8.	_____
9. Alternative stop month: Enter the last month you or any individual included in your alternative family size on line 1 had coverage under a qualified health plan <b>or</b> the month in which you got married, whichever is <b>earlier</b> . For example, enter “09” if you had coverage under a qualified health plan for all of 2015 and you got married on September 5 .....	9.	_____

## Worksheet II. Your Alternative Monthly Credit Amounts for Pre-Marriage Months

**Note.** Complete this worksheet only for months beginning with the month on line 8 of Worksheet I and ending with the month on line 9 of Worksheet I. For example, if you entered “02” on Worksheet I, line 8, and “10” on Worksheet I, line 9, complete only lines 2–10 of this worksheet.

Monthly Calculation	A. Form(s) 1095-A, lines 21–32, column A*	B. Form(s) 1095-A, lines 21–32, column B*	C. <a href="#">Worksheet I</a> , line 7	D. Subtract C from B (If zero or less, enter -0-.)	E. Smaller of column A or column D
1 January					
2 February					
3 March					
4 April					
5 May					
6 June					
7 July					
8 August					
9 September					
10 October					
11 November					
12 December					

\*See [Step 2](#), earlier, for instructions on the Form 1095-A amounts to report on this worksheet.

**After completing this worksheet:** Continue to [Step 3](#) if you checked the “Yes” box in question 3 in Table A. Otherwise, go to [Step 5](#).

### Worksheet III. Your Spouse's Alternative Monthly Contribution Amount

1. Alternative family size: Enter the total number of individuals in your spouse's alternative family size (discussed earlier) .....	1. _____
2. One-half of household income: Divide Form 8962, line 3, by 2. Round to the nearest whole dollar amount .....	2. _____
3. Alternative Federal poverty line: Enter the Federal poverty line amount as determined by your spouse's alternative family size on line 1 above and the Federal poverty table you used on Form 8962, line 4 .....	3. _____
4. Alternative household income as a percentage of Federal poverty line: Enter the amount from the worksheet under Step 3. If the amount is 401, <b>stop</b> . Do not complete the rest of this worksheet or Step 4. If you completed Step 2, continue to Step 5. If you did not complete Step 2 and you did not complete Part IV of Form 8962, check the "No" box on line 9 of Form 8962 and continue to line 10. If you did not complete Step 2 and you completed Part IV of Form 8962, check the "No" box on line 10, and see <i>Lines 12 through 23—Monthly Calculation</i> in the Instructions for Form 8962 .....	4. _____
5. Alternative applicable figure: Using your line 4 percentage, locate your applicable figure on Table 2 in the Instructions for Form 8962 .....	5. _____
6. Multiply line 2 by line 5 .....	6. _____
7. Alternative monthly contribution for health care: Divide line 6 by 12 and enter the result rounded to the nearest whole dollar amount .....	7. _____
8. Alternative start month: Enter the first full month your spouse or any individual included in your spouse's alternative family size on line 1 had coverage under a qualified health plan. For example, enter "05" if your spouse was enrolled in a qualified health plan with coverage effective on May 1 . . .	8. _____
9. Alternative stop month: Enter the last month your spouse or any individual included in your spouse's alternative family size on line 1 had coverage under a qualified health plan <b>or</b> the month in which you got married, whichever is <b>earlier</b> . For example, enter "07" if your spouse's coverage under a qualified health plan (and the coverage of all individuals included in your spouse's alternative family size) terminated July 31 and you got married on September 5 .....	9. _____

### Worksheet IV. Your Spouse's Alternative Monthly Credit Amounts for Pre-Marriage Months

**Note.** Complete this worksheet only for months beginning with the month on line 8 of Worksheet III and ending with the month on line 9 of Worksheet III. For example, if you entered "05" on Worksheet III, line 8, and "10" on Worksheet III, line 9, complete only lines 5–10 of this worksheet.

Monthly Calculation	A. Form(s) 1095-A, lines 21–32, column A*	B. Form(s) 1095-A, lines 21–32, column B*	C. <a href="#">Worksheet III</a> , line 7	D. Subtract C from B (If zero or less, enter -0-.)	E. Smaller of column A or column D
1 January					
2 February					
3 March					
4 April					
5 May					
6 June					
7 July					
8 August					
9 September					
10 October					
11 November					
12 December					

\*See [Step 4](#), earlier, for instructions on the Form 1095-A amounts to report on this worksheet.

**After completing this worksheet:** Continue to [Step 5](#).

## Worksheet V. Alternative Calculation for Year of Marriage Totals Worksheet

**Column A.** Complete column A below only for the months you have entries in column E of [Worksheet II](#) and/or [Worksheet IV](#). Leave column A blank for all other months. Add the amounts in column E of Worksheets II and IV separately for each month and enter the total in column A below on the line for the same month.

**Column B.** Complete column B below for any month you have an entry in column A. For each month, enter the corresponding amount from lines 1–12, column (e), of Worksheet 3 under *Line 9* in the Instructions for Form 8962. If you did not complete Worksheet 3 because you entered 401 on Form 8962, line 5, leave column B, lines 1–12, blank and enter -0- on line 13.

Monthly Calculation		A. Total alternative premium assistance amounts	B. Premium assistance amounts (regular calculation)
1	January .....	1	
2	February .....	2	
3	March .....	3	
4	April .....	4	
5	May .....	5	
6	June .....	6	
7	July .....	7	
8	August .....	8	
9	September .....	9	
10	October .....	10	
11	November .....	11	
12	December .....	12	
13	<b>Totals:</b> Enter the total of column A, lines 1–12, and the total of column B, lines 1–12 .....	13	
14	<p>Is line 13, column A, more than line 13, column B?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes.</b> Your alternative calculation reduces your excess APTC. If you did not complete Part IV of Form 8962, check the “Yes” box on line 9. Also check the “No” box on line 10. Continue to Steps 6, 7, and 8, earlier.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>No.</b> The alternative calculation does not reduce your excess APTC. Leave Form 8962, Part V, blank.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If you did not complete Part IV of Form 8962, check the “No” box on line 9 and continue to Form 8962, line 10. If you are required to use lines 12 through 23 of Form 8962, enter the amounts from lines 1 through 12 of Worksheet 3 in the Form 8962 instructions on the lines for the corresponding months and columns on Form 8962.</li> <li>• If you completed Part IV of Form 8962, check the “No” box on line 10. Enter the amounts from lines 1 through 12 of Worksheet 3 in the Form 8962 instructions on the lines for the corresponding months and columns on Form 8962, lines 12 through 23.</li> </ul>		

### Illustrated Example of the Alternative Calculation for Year of Marriage

The following example illustrates the alternative calculation for year of marriage for Paulette Oak and Quentin Cedar.

In 2015, Paulette and Quentin were single and maintained separate residences until they got married on July 18.

Paulette has no dependents. She was enrolled in a qualified health plan from January 1 through July 31. The Health Insurance Marketplace sent her a Form 1095-A (shown later) showing her enrollment information for this 7-month period.

Quentin has 2 dependent children. He and his 2 children were enrolled in a qualified health plan from January 1 through July 31. The Health Insurance Marketplace sent

him a Form 1095-A (shown later) showing his enrollment information for this 7-month period.

From August 1 through December 31, 2015, Paulette, Quentin, and Quentin’s 2 dependent children were enrolled together in a different qualified health plan. The Health Insurance Marketplace sent them a Form 1095-A (shown later) showing their enrollment information for this 5-month period.

Paulette and Quentin first complete lines 1–8 of Form 8962. Then they read the instructions for line 9 and complete Table 4 and Worksheet 3 in the Form 8962 instructions and Worksheets I–V in this publication. Using the information in the worksheets and on Forms 1095-A, they complete lines 9–29, 35, and 36 of Form 8962.



## Paulette's and Quentin's Form 8962, lines 1–11

Paulette and Quentin fill out Form 8962, lines 1–11, as follows.

**Line 1.** They enter “4” because this is the number of exemptions they entered on line 6d of their joint Form 1040A (not illustrated).

**Line 2a.** They enter \$75,000, which they figured using Worksheet 1-1 (not illustrated) in the Form 8962 instructions.

**Line 2b.** They leave line 2b blank because neither of Quentin's dependent children is required to file a Federal income tax return.

**Line 3.** They enter \$75,000, the sum of lines 2a and 2b.

**Line 4.** They enter \$23,850 from Table 1-1 in the Form 8962 instructions. This is the Federal poverty line for a family size of 4. They also check box c on line 4.

**Line 5.** They divide line 3 (\$75,000) by line 4 (\$23,850) to get 314%.

**Line 6.** They check the “No” box because they did not enter 401 on line 5.

**Line 7.** They enter their applicable figure of .0956 from Table 2 in the instructions for Form 8962. According to the last line of the right column of Table 2, .0956 is the applicable figure if the amount on line 5 is from 300% to 400%.

**Line 8a.** They multiply line 3 (\$75,000) by line 7 (.0956) and enter the result, \$7,170.

**Line 8b.** They divide line 8a (\$7,170) by 12 and enter the result, \$598.

**Line 9.** Paulette and Quentin read the instructions for line 9, which explain that because they got married in 2015, they may be eligible to complete Part V to elect the alternative calculation for year of marriage. This calculation may reduce the amount of excess APTC they would otherwise have to repay.

The preliminary steps in determining whether they may be eligible is to complete Table 4 and Worksheet 3 in the Form 8962 instructions. (Both the table and worksheet for Paulette and Quentin are shown later.) Worksheet 3 shows that if Paulette and Quentin do **not** elect the alternative calculation, their total PTC will be \$7,521 (line 13, column (e)). The excess APTC they will have to pay with their tax return is \$902, which is the difference between \$8,423 (APTC for the year on line 13, column (f)) and \$7,521.

Because Paulette and Quentin checked the “Yes” box on line 14 of Worksheet 3, they complete Worksheets I through V in this publication to determine if the alternative calculation for year of marriage will benefit them. They complete Worksheets I through V **before** they check any of the boxes on line 9. As explained under *Step 5*

(*Worksheet V*) later, they qualify for the alternative calculation for year of marriage and check “Yes” on line 9.

**Line 10.** As explained under *Step 5 (Worksheet V)* later, they check “No” on line 10.

**Line 11.** Because Paulette and Quentin checked “No” on line 10, they skip line 11 and complete lines 12–23 to figure their monthly PTC.

### Step 1 (Paulette's Worksheet I)

**Line 1.** They enter “1” as Paulette's alternative family size because she can include only herself. She can't include either of Quentin's children in her alternative family size because neither of them lived with her for more than half of 2015 and she could not claim them as dependents.

**Lines 2–9.** They complete these lines according to the instructions on the worksheet.

### Step 2 (Paulette's Worksheet II)

They complete Worksheet II only for January through July (the month Paulette and Quentin got married). They complete columns A and B using the amounts shown on Paulette's Form 1095-A. They complete columns C–D according to the instructions shown on the worksheet.

### Step 3 (Quentin's Worksheet III)

**Line 1.** They enter “3” as Quentin's alternative family size consisting of Quentin and his two dependent children.

**Lines 2–9.** They complete these lines according to the instructions on the worksheet.

### Step 4 (Quentin's Worksheet IV)

They complete Worksheet IV only for January through July (the month Paulette and Quentin got married). They complete columns A and B using the amounts shown on Quentin's Form 1095-A. They complete columns C–D according to the instructions shown on the worksheet.

### Step 5 (Worksheet V)

Quentin and Paulette complete Worksheet V only for the months they have entries in column E of Worksheets II and IV (January–July). They qualify for the alternative calculation for year of marriage because line 13, column A (\$5,495), is more than line 13, column B (\$4,676). Accordingly, they check “Yes” on line 14. They also check “Yes” on Form 8962, line 9, check “No” on line 10, and continue to steps 6, 7, and 8 in this publication.

### Step 6

Paulette and Quentin complete lines 35 and 36 as explained below.

**Line 35.**

- **Column (a):** They enter Paulette's alternative family size from Worksheet I, line 1.
- **Column (b):** They enter Paulette's alternative monthly contribution amount from Worksheet I, line 7.
- **Column (c):** They enter the alternative start month from Worksheet I, line 8.
- **Column (d):** They enter the alternative stop month from Worksheet I, line 9.

**Line 36.**

- **Column (a):** They enter Quentin's alternative family size from Worksheet III, line 1.
- **Column (b):** They enter Quentin's alternative monthly contribution amount from Worksheet III, line 7.
- **Column (c):** They enter the alternative start month from Worksheet III, line 8.
- **Column (d):** They enter the alternative stop month from Worksheet III, line 9.

**Step 7**

Paulette and Quentin complete **lines 12–23** as explained below.

**Column (a).** They enter the amounts from column (a) of Worksheet 3 (shown later).

**Column (b).** They enter the amounts from column (b) of Worksheet 3.

**Column (c).** On lines 12–18, they enter the monthly totals of Worksheet II, column C, and Worksheet IV, column C. On lines 19–23, they enter the amount from Form 8962, line 8b.

**Column (d).** They enter the difference between columns (c) and (b).

**Column (e).** On lines 12–18, they enter the monthly amounts from column A of Worksheet V. On lines 19–23, they enter the smaller of column (a) or (d).

**Column (f).** They enter the amounts from column (f) of Worksheet 3.

**Step 8**

Paulette and Quentin complete lines 24–29 as explained below.

**Line 24.** They add the amounts on lines 12(e)–23(e) and enter the total, \$8,340. (As explained earlier under *Line 9*, their total PTC would be only \$7,521 if they did **not** elect the alternative calculation.)

**Line 25.** They add the amounts on lines 12(f)–23(f) and enter the total, \$8,423.

**Line 26.** According to the instructions on this line, they enter -0- because they elected the alternative calculation for year of marriage.

**Line 27.** They subtract line 24 from line 25 and enter the difference, \$76.

**Line 28.** They enter the repayment limitation of \$2,500 from Table 5 in the Form 8962 instructions.

**Line 29.** They enter \$83. This is the smaller of line 27 or line 28. They also enter \$83 on Form 1040A, line 29 (not illustrated). (As explained earlier under *Line 9*, the excess APTC they would have to pay would be \$902 if they did **not** elect the alternative calculation.)

**Premium Tax Credit (PTC)**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

▶ Attach to Form 1040, 1040A, or 1040NR.

▶ Information about Form 8962 and its separate instructions is at [www.irs.gov/form8962](http://www.irs.gov/form8962).

Name shown on your return

Paulette & Quentin Cedar

Your social security number

000-00-4230

You cannot claim the PTC if your filing status is married filing separately unless you are eligible for an exception (see instructions). If you qualify, check the box.

**Part I Annual and Monthly Contribution Amount**

<b>1</b> Tax family size. Enter the number of exemptions from Form 1040 or Form 1040A, line 6d, or Form 1040NR, line 7d	<b>1</b>	4
<b>2a</b> Modified AGI. Enter your modified AGI (see instructions)	<b>2a</b>	75,000
<b>b</b> Enter the total of your dependents' modified AGI (see instructions)	<b>2b</b>	
<b>3</b> Household income. Add the amounts on lines 2a and 2b	<b>3</b>	75,000
<b>4</b> Federal poverty line. Enter the federal poverty line amount from Table 1-1, 1-2, or 1-3 (see instructions). Check the appropriate box for the federal poverty table used. <b>a</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Alaska <b>b</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Hawaii <b>c</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other 48 states and DC	<b>4</b>	23,850
<b>5</b> Household income as a percentage of federal poverty line (see instructions)	<b>5</b>	314 %
<b>6</b> Did you enter 401% on line 5? (See instructions if you entered less than 100%) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>No.</b> Continue to line 7. <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes.</b> You are not eligible to receive PTC. If advance payment of the PTC was made, see the instructions for how to report your excess advance PTC repayment amount.		
<b>7</b> Applicable Figure. Using your line 5 percentage, locate your "applicable figure" on the table in the instructions	<b>7</b>	.0956
<b>8a</b> Annual contribution amount. Multiply line 3 by line 7	<b>8a</b>	7,170
<b>b</b> Monthly contribution amount. Divide line 8a by 12. Round to whole dollar amount	<b>8b</b>	598

**Part II Premium Tax Credit Claim and Reconciliation of Advance Payment of Premium Tax Credit**

- 9** Are you allocating policy amounts with another taxpayer or do you want to use the alternative calculation for year of marriage (see instructions)?  
 **Yes.** Skip to Part IV, Shared Policy Allocation, or Part V, Alternative Calculation for Year of Marriage.  **No.** Continue to line 10.
- 10** See the instructions to determine if you can use line 11 or must complete lines 12 through 23.  
 **Yes.** Continue to line 11. Compute your annual PTC. Then skip lines 12-23 and continue to line 24.  
 **No.** Continue to lines 12-23. Compute your monthly PTC and continue to line 24.

Annual Calculation	(a) Annual enrollment premiums (Form(s) 1095-A, line 33a)	(b) Annual applicable SLCSP premium (Form(s) 1095-A, line 33b)	(c) Annual contribution amount (line 8a)	(d) Annual maximum premium assistance (subtract (c) from (b), if zero or less, enter -0-)	(e) Annual premium tax credit allowed (smaller of (a) or (d))	(f) Annual advance payment of PTC (Form (s) 1095-A, line 33c)
<b>11</b> Annual Totals						
Monthly Calculation	(a) Monthly enrollment premiums (Form(s) 1095-A, lines 21-32, column a)	(b) Monthly applicable SLCSP premium (Form (s) 1095-A, lines 21-32, column b)	(c) Monthly contribution amount (amount from line 8b or alternative marriage monthly contribution)	(d) Monthly maximum premium assistance (subtract (c) from (b), if zero or less, enter -0-)	(e) Monthly premium tax credit allowed (smaller of (a) or (d))	(f) Monthly advance payment of PTC (Form(s) 1095-A, lines 21-32, column c)
<b>12</b> January	1,500	1,266	481	785	785	794
<b>13</b> February	1,500	1,266	481	785	785	794
<b>14</b> March	1,500	1,266	481	785	785	794
<b>15</b> April	1,500	1,266	481	785	785	794
<b>16</b> May	1,500	1,266	481	785	785	794
<b>17</b> June	1,500	1,266	481	785	785	794
<b>18</b> July	1,500	1,266	481	785	785	794
<b>19</b> August	1,350	1,167	598	569	569	573
<b>20</b> September	1,350	1,167	598	569	569	573
<b>21</b> October	1,350	1,167	598	569	569	573
<b>22</b> November	1,350	1,167	598	569	569	573
<b>23</b> December	1,350	1,167	598	569	569	573
<b>24</b> Total premium tax credit. Enter the amount from line 11(e) or add lines 12(e) through 23(e) and enter the total here						8,340
<b>25</b> Advance payment of PTC. Enter the amount from line 11(f) or add lines 12(f) through 23(f) and enter the total here						8,423
<b>26</b> Net premium tax credit. If line 24 is greater than line 25, subtract line 25 from line 24. Enter the difference here and on Form 1040, line 69; Form 1040A, line 45; or Form 1040NR, line 65. If you elected the alternative calculation for marriage, enter zero. If line 24 equals line 25, enter zero. Stop here. If line 25 is greater than line 24, leave this line blank and continue to line 27						-0-

**Part III Repayment of Excess Advance Payment of the Premium Tax Credit**

<b>27</b> Excess advance payment of PTC. If line 25 is greater than line 24, subtract line 24 from line 25. Enter the difference here	<b>27</b>	83
<b>28</b> Repayment limitation (see instructions)	<b>28</b>	2,500
<b>29</b> Excess advance premium tax credit repayment. Enter the smaller of line 27 or line 28 here and on Form 1040, line 46; Form 1040A, line 29; or Form 1040NR, line 44	<b>29</b>	83

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see your tax return instructions.

**Part IV Shared Policy Allocation**

Complete the following information for up to four shared policy allocations. See instructions for allocation details.

**Shared Policy Allocation 1**

<b>30</b>	<b>(a)</b> Policy Number (Form 1095-A, line 2)	<b>(b)</b> SSN of other taxpayer	<b>(c)</b> Allocation start month	<b>(d)</b> Allocation stop month
<b>Allocation percentage applied to monthly amounts</b>		<b>(e)</b> Premium Percentage	<b>(f)</b> SLCSF Percentage	<b>(g)</b> Advance Payment of the PTC Percentage

**Shared Policy Allocation 2**

<b>31</b>	<b>(a)</b> Policy Number (Form 1095-A, line 2)	<b>(b)</b> SSN of other taxpayer	<b>(c)</b> Allocation start month	<b>(d)</b> Allocation stop month
<b>Allocation percentage applied to monthly amounts</b>		<b>(e)</b> Premium Percentage	<b>(f)</b> SLCSF Percentage	<b>(g)</b> Advance Payment of the PTC Percentage

**Shared Policy Allocation 3**

<b>32</b>	<b>(a)</b> Policy Number (Form 1095-A, line 2)	<b>(b)</b> SSN of other taxpayer	<b>(c)</b> Allocation start month	<b>(d)</b> Allocation stop month
<b>Allocation percentage applied to monthly amounts</b>		<b>(e)</b> Premium Percentage	<b>(f)</b> SLCSF Percentage	<b>(g)</b> Advance Payment of the PTC Percentage

**Shared Policy Allocation 4**

<b>33</b>	<b>(a)</b> Policy Number (Form 1095-A, line 2)	<b>(b)</b> SSN of other taxpayer	<b>(c)</b> Allocation start month	<b>(d)</b> Allocation stop month
<b>Allocation percentage applied to monthly amounts</b>		<b>(e)</b> Premium Percentage	<b>(f)</b> SLCSF Percentage	<b>(g)</b> Advance Payment of the PTC Percentage

- 34** Have you completed shared policy allocation information for all allocated Forms 1095-A?
- Yes.** Multiply the amounts on Form 1095-A by the allocation percentages entered by policy. Add allocated amounts across all allocated policies with amounts for non-allocated policies from Forms 1095-A, if any, to compute a combined total for each month. Enter the combined total for each month on lines 12–23, columns (a), (b), and (f). Compute the amounts for lines 12–23, columns (c)–(e), and continue to line 24.
- No.** See the instructions to report additional shared policy allocations.

**Part V Alternative Calculation for Year of Marriage**

Complete line(s) 35 and/or 36 to elect the alternative calculation for year of marriage. For eligibility to make the election, see the instructions for line 9. To complete line(s) 35 and/or 36 and compute the amounts for lines 12–23, see the instructions for this Part V.

<b>35</b>	<b>Alternative entries for your SSN</b>	<b>(a)</b> Alternative family size 1	<b>(b)</b> Monthly contribution 299	<b>(c)</b> Alternative start month 01	<b>(d)</b> Alternative stop month 07
<b>36</b>	<b>Alternative entries for your spouse's SSN</b>	<b>(a)</b> Alternative family size 3	<b>(b)</b> Monthly contribution 182	<b>(c)</b> Alternative start month 01	<b>(d)</b> Alternative stop month 07



## Table 4 for Paulette and Quentin. Alternative Calculation for Year of Marriage Eligibility

Answer questions 1-5 below to determine whether you may be eligible to elect the alternative calculation for year of marriage.	
<b>1</b>	<p>Were you and your spouse each unmarried on January 1, 2015?</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes.</b> Continue to the next question in this table.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>No.</b> You are not eligible to elect the alternative calculation. Check the "<b>No</b>" box on Form 8962, line 9, and continue to line 10.</p>
<b>2</b>	<p>Were you married on December 31, 2015?</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes.</b> Continue to the next question in this table.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>No.</b> You are not eligible to elect the alternative calculation. Check the "<b>No</b>" box on Form 8962, line 9, and continue to line 10.</p>
<b>3</b>	<p>Are you filing a joint return with your spouse for 2015?</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes.</b> Continue to the next question in this table.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>No.</b> You are not eligible to elect the alternative calculation. Check the "<b>No</b>" box on Form 8962, line 9, and continue to line 10.</p>
<b>4</b>	<p>Was anyone in your tax family enrolled in a qualified health plan before your first full month of marriage? (For example, if you got married on July 15, your first full month of marriage was August.)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes.</b> Continue to the next question in this table.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>No.</b> You are not eligible to elect the alternative calculation. Check the "<b>No</b>" box on Form 8962, line 9, and continue to line 10.</p>
<b>5</b>	<p>Was APTC paid for anyone in your tax family during 2015?</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes.</b> Continue to Worksheet 3 next to determine whether excess APTC was paid during 2015. If excess APTC was paid, you are eligible to elect the alternative calculation. If the amount you entered on Form 8962, line 5, is 401, do not complete Worksheet 3. See <i>Alternative Calculation for Year of Marriage</i> in Pub. 974 to determine if electing the alternative calculation reduces your repayment amount.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>No.</b> You are not eligible to elect the alternative calculation. Do not complete Part V. If you did not complete Part IV, check the "<b>No</b>" box on line 9 and continue to line 10. If you completed Part IV, check the "<b>No</b>" box on line 10, skip line 11, and continue to <i>Lines 12 through 23—Monthly Calculation</i>, later.</p>

## Worksheet 3 for Paulette and Quentin. Alternative Calculation for Marriage Eligibility

Complete this worksheet to determine whether you received excess APTC in 2015.



If Part IV—Shared Policy Allocation applies to you, do **not** complete this worksheet until you have completed Part IV.

Monthly Calculation	(a) Form(s) 1095-A, lines 21-32, column A*	(b) Form(s) 1095-A, lines 21-32, column B**	(c) Form 8962, line 8b	(d) Subtract column c from column b	(e) Smaller of column a or column d	(f) Form(s) 1095-A, lines 21-32, column C***
1 January	1500	1266	598	668	668	794
2 February	1500	1266	598	668	668	794
3 March	1500	1266	598	668	668	794
4 April	1500	1266	598	668	668	794
5 May	1500	1266	598	668	668	794
6 June	1500	1266	598	668	668	794
7 July	1500	1266	598	668	668	794
8 August	1350	1167	598	569	569	573
9 September	1350	1167	598	569	569	573
10 October	1350	1167	598	569	569	573
11 November	1350	1167	598	569	569	573
12 December	1350	1167	598	569	569	573
<b>13 Totals:</b> Enter the total of column (e), lines 1-12, and the total of column (f), lines 1-12 . . . . .					<b>7521</b>	<b>8423</b>
<b>14</b> Is line 13, column (e), less than line 13, column (f)? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes.</b> Excess APTC was paid in 2015. You are eligible to elect the alternative calculation. See <i>Alternative Calculation for Year of Marriage</i> in Pub. 974 to determine if electing the alternative calculation reduces your repayment amount. <input type="checkbox"/> <b>No.</b> There was no excess APTC paid in 2015. You are not eligible to elect the alternative calculation. Do not complete Part V. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If you did not complete Part IV, check the “<b>No</b>” box on line 9 and continue to line 10. If you are required to use lines 12 through 23 of Form 8962, enter the amounts from lines 1 through 12 of this worksheet in the lines for the corresponding months and columns on Form 8962.</li> <li>• If you completed Part IV, check the “<b>No</b>” box on line 10, skip line 11, and enter the amounts from lines 1 through 12 of this worksheet in the lines for the corresponding months and columns of lines 12 through 23 of Form 8962.</li> </ul>						
<p>* See <u>Column (a)</u> under Lines 12 through 23—Monthly Calculation, later, for instructions for the amounts to enter on lines 1 through 12, column (a), of this worksheet. These are the amounts of the monthly premiums reported on Form(s) 1095-A, lines 21 through 32, column A.</p> <p>** See <u>Column (b)</u> under Lines 12 through 23—Monthly Calculation, later, for instructions for the amounts to enter on lines 1 through 12, column (b), of this worksheet. These are the amounts of the monthly premium for the applicable SLCSF reported on Form(s) 1095-A, lines 21 through 32, column B.</p> <p>*** See <u>Column (f)</u> under Lines 12 through 23—Monthly Calculation, later, for instructions for the amounts to enter on lines 1 through 12, column (f), of this worksheet. These are the amounts of the monthly APTC reported on Form(s) 1095-A, lines 21 through 32, column C.</p>						

**Paulette’s Worksheet I. Your Alternative Monthly Contribution Amount**

1. Alternative family size: Enter the total number of individuals in your alternative family size (discussed earlier) .....	1.	<u>1</u>
2. One-half of household income: Divide Form 8962, line 3, by 2. Round to the nearest whole dollar amount .....	2.	<u>37,500</u>
3. Alternative federal poverty line: Enter the federal poverty line amount as determined by your alternative family size on line 1 above and the Federal poverty table you used on Form 8962, line 4 .....	3.	<u>11,670</u>
4. Alternative household income as a percentage of federal poverty line: Enter the amount from the worksheet under Step 1. If the amount is 401, <b>stop</b> . Do not complete the rest of this worksheet or Step 2. Continue to <i>Step 3</i> if you checked the “Yes” box in question 3 in Table A. Otherwise, if you did not complete Part IV of Form 8962, check the “No” box on line 9 of Form 8962 and continue to line 10. If you completed Part IV of Form 8962, check the “No” box on line 10, and see <i>Lines 12 through 23—Monthly Calculation</i> in the Instructions for Form 8962 .....	4.	<u>321</u>
5. Alternative applicable figure: Using your line 4 percentage, locate your applicable figure on Table 2 in the Instructions for Form 8962 .....	5.	<u>.0956</u>
6. Multiply line 2 by line 5 .....	6.	<u>3,585</u>
7. Alternative monthly contribution for health care: Divide line 6 by 12 and enter the result rounded to the nearest whole dollar amount .....	7.	<u>299.00</u>
8. Alternative start month: Enter the first full month you or any individual included in your alternative family size on line 1 had coverage under a qualified health plan. For example, enter “02” if you were enrolled in a qualified health plan with coverage effective on February 1 .....	8.	<u>01</u>
9. Alternative stop month: Enter the last month you or any individual included in your alternative family size on line 1 had coverage under a qualified health plan <b>or</b> the month in which you got married, whichever is <b>earlier</b> . For example, enter “09” if you had coverage under a qualified health plan for all of 2015 and you got married on September 5 .....	9.	<u>07</u>

**Paulette’s Worksheet II. Your Alternative Monthly Credit Amounts for Pre-Marriage Months**

**Note.** Complete this worksheet only for months beginning with the month on line 8 of Worksheet I and ending with the month on line 9 of Worksheet I. For example, if you entered “02” on Worksheet I, line 8, and “10” on Worksheet I, line 9, complete only lines 2–10 of this worksheet.

Monthly Calculation	A. Form(s) 1095-A, lines 21–32, column A*	B. Form(s) 1095-A, lines 21–32, column B*	C. Worksheet I, line 7	D. Subtract C from B (If zero or less, enter -0-.)	E. Smaller of column A or column D
1 January	500	433	299	134	134
2 February	500	433	299	134	134
3 March	500	433	299	134	134
4 April	500	433	299	134	134
5 May	500	433	299	134	134
6 June	500	433	299	134	134
7 July	500	433	299	134	134
8 August					
9 September					
10 October					
11 November					
12 December					

\*See *Step 2*, earlier, for instructions on the Form 1095-A amounts to report on this worksheet.

**After completing this worksheet:** Continue to *Step 3* if you checked the “Yes” box in question 3 in Table A. Otherwise, go to *Step 5*.

**Quentin’s Worksheet III. Your Spouse’s Alternative Monthly Contribution Amount**

1. Alternative family size: Enter the total number of individuals in your spouse's alternative family size (discussed earlier) . . . . .	1.	<u>3</u>
2. One-half of household income: Divide Form 8962, line 3, by 2. Round to the nearest whole dollar amount . . . . .	2.	<u>37,500</u>
3. Alternative federal poverty line: Enter the federal poverty line amount as determined by your spouse's alternative family size on line 1 above and the Federal poverty table you used on Form 8962, line 4 . . . . .	3.	<u>19,790</u>
4. Alternative household income as a percentage of federal poverty line: Enter the amount from the worksheet under Step 3. If the amount is 401, <b>stop</b> . Do not complete the rest of this worksheet or Step 4. If you completed Step 2, continue to Step 5. If you did not complete Step 2 and you did not complete Part IV of Form 8962, check the “ <b>No</b> ” box on line 9 of Form 8962 and continue to line 10. If you did not complete Step 2 and you completed Part IV of Form 8962, check the “ <b>No</b> ” box on line 10, and see <i>Lines 12 through 23—Monthly Calculation</i> in the Instructions for Form 8962 . . . . .	4.	<u>189</u>
5. Alternative applicable figure: Using your line 4 percentage, locate your applicable figure on Table 2 in the Instructions for Form 8962 . . . . .	5.	<u>.0583</u>
6. Multiply line 2 by line 5 . . . . .	6.	<u>2,186</u>
7. Alternative monthly contribution for health care: Divide line 6 by 12 and enter the result rounded to the nearest whole dollar amount . . . . .	7.	<u>182</u>
8. Alternative start month: Enter the first full month your spouse or any individual included in your spouse's alternative family size on line 1 had coverage under a qualified health plan. For example, enter “05” if your spouse was enrolled in a qualified health plan with coverage effective on May 1 . . .	8.	<u>01</u>
9. Alternative stop month: Enter the last month your spouse or any individual included in your spouse's alternative family size on line 1 had coverage under a qualified health plan <b>or</b> the month in which you got married, whichever is <b>earlier</b> . For example, enter “07” if your spouse's coverage under a qualified health plan (and the coverage of all individuals included in your spouse's alternative family size) terminated July 31 and you got married on September 5 . . . . .	9.	<u>07</u>

**Quentin’s Worksheet IV. Your Spouse’s Alternative Monthly Credit Amounts for Pre-Marriage Months**

**Note.** Complete this worksheet only for months beginning with the month on line 8 of Worksheet III and ending with the month on line 9 of Worksheet III. For example, if you entered “05” on Worksheet III, line 8, and “10” on Worksheet III, line 9, complete only lines 5–10 of this worksheet.

Monthly Calculation	A. Form(s) 1095-A, lines 21–32, column A*	B. Form(s) 1095-A, lines 21–32, column B*	C. <u>Worksheet III</u> , line 7	D. Subtract C from B (If zero or less, enter -0-.)	E. Smaller of column A or column D
1 January	1,000	833	182	651	651
2 February	1,000	833	182	651	651
3 March	1,000	833	182	651	651
4 April	1,000	833	182	651	651
5 May	1,000	833	182	651	651
6 June	1,000	833	182	651	651
7 July	1,000	833	182	651	651
8 August					
9 September					
10 October					
11 November					
12 December					

\*See *Step 4*, earlier, for instructions on the Form 1095-A amounts to report on this worksheet.

**After completing this worksheet:** Continue to *Step 5*.



**Worksheet V for Paulette and Quentin. Alternative Calculation for Year of Marriage Totals Worksheet**

**Column A.** Complete column A below only for the months you have entries in column E of Worksheet II and/or Worksheet IV. Leave column A blank for all other months. Add the amounts in column E of Worksheets II and IV separately for each month and enter the total in column A below on the line for the same month.

**Column B.** Complete column B below for any month you have an entry in column A. For each month, enter the corresponding amount from lines 1–12, column (e), of Worksheet 3 under *Line 9* in the Instructions for Form 8962. If you did not complete Worksheet 3 because you entered 401 on Form 8962, line 5, leave column B, lines 1–12, blank and enter -0- on line 13.

Monthly Calculation		A. Total alternative premium assistance amounts	B. Premium assistance amounts (regular calculation)
1	January .....	785	668
2	February .....	785	668
3	March .....	785	668
4	April .....	785	668
5	May .....	785	668
6	June .....	785	668
7	July .....	785	668
8	August .....		
9	September .....		
10	October .....		
11	November .....		
12	December .....		
13	<b>Totals:</b> Enter the total of column A, lines 1–12, and the total of column B, lines 1–12 .....	5,495	4,676

- 14** Is line 13, column A, more than line 13, column B?
- Yes.** Your alternative calculation reduces your excess APTC. If you did not complete Part IV of Form 8962, check the “Yes” box on line 9. Also check the “No” box on line 10. Continue to Steps 6, 7, and 8, earlier.
- No.** The alternative calculation does not reduce your excess APTC. Leave Form 8962, Part V, blank.
- If you did not complete Part IV of Form 8962, check the “No” box on line 9 and continue to Form 8962, line 10. If you are required to use lines 12 through 23 of Form 8962, enter the amounts from lines 1 through 12 of Worksheet 3 in the Form 8962 instructions on the lines for the corresponding months and columns on Form 8962.
  - If you completed Part IV of Form 8962, check the “No” box on line 10. Enter the amounts from lines 1 through 12 of Worksheet 3 in the Form 8962 instructions on the lines for the corresponding months and columns on Form 8962, lines 12 through 23.

**Part I Recipient Information**

<b>1</b> Marketplace identifier MD	<b>2</b> Marketplace-assigned policy number 5436789F	<b>3</b> Policy issuer's name VWX Insurance Co.		
<b>4</b> Recipient's name Paulette Oak		<b>5</b> Recipient's SSN xxx-xx-4230	<b>6</b> Recipient's date of birth	
<b>7</b> Recipient's spouse's name Quentin Cedar		<b>8</b> Recipient's spouse's SSN xxx-xx-9221	<b>9</b> Recipient's spouse's date of birth	
<b>10</b> Policy start date 08/01/15	<b>11</b> Policy termination date 12/31/15	<b>12</b> Street address (including apartment no.) 2002 Grand Blvd		
<b>13</b> City or town Bonville	<b>14</b> State or province MD	<b>15</b> Country and ZIP or foreign postal code 20000		

**Part II Covered Individuals**

	A. Covered individual name	B. Covered individual SSN	C. Covered individual date of birth	D. Coverage start date	E. Coverage termination date
<b>16</b>	Paulette Oak	xxx-xx-4230		08/01/15	12/31/15
<b>17</b>	Quentin Cedar	xxx-xx-9221		08/01/15	12/31/15
<b>18</b>	Ron Cedar	xxx-xx-3606		08/01/15	12/31/15
<b>19</b>	John Cedar	xxx-xx-7518		08/01/15	12/31/15
<b>20</b>					

**Part III Coverage Information**

Month	A. Monthly enrollment premiums	B. Monthly second lowest cost silver plan (SLCSP) premium	C. Monthly advance payment of premium tax credit
<b>21</b> January			
<b>22</b> February			
<b>23</b> March			
<b>24</b> April			
<b>25</b> May			
<b>26</b> June			
<b>27</b> July			
<b>28</b> August	1,350	1,167	573
<b>29</b> September	1,350	1,167	573
<b>30</b> October	1,350	1,167	573
<b>31</b> November	1,350	1,167	573
<b>32</b> December	1,350	1,167	573
<b>33 Annual Totals</b>	6,750	5,835	2,865

**Part I Recipient Information**

<b>1</b> Marketplace identifier MD	<b>2</b> Marketplace-assigned policy number 8765432019	<b>3</b> Policy issuer's name VWX Insurance Co.		
<b>4</b> Recipient's name Paulette Oak		<b>5</b> Recipient's SSN xxx-xx-4230	<b>6</b> Recipient's date of birth	
<b>7</b> Recipient's spouse's name		<b>8</b> Recipient's spouse's SSN	<b>9</b> Recipient's spouse's date of birth	
<b>10</b> Policy start date 01/01/15	<b>11</b> Policy termination date 7/31/15	<b>12</b> Street address (including apartment no.) 1001 Main St		
<b>13</b> City or town Bonville	<b>14</b> State or province MD	<b>15</b> Country and ZIP or foreign postal code 20000		

**Part II Covered Individuals**

	A. Covered individual name	B. Covered individual SSN	C. Covered individual date of birth	D. Coverage start date	E. Coverage termination date
<b>16</b>	Paulette Oak	xxx-xx-4230		01/01/15	07/31/15
<b>17</b>					
<b>18</b>					
<b>19</b>					
<b>20</b>					

**Part III Coverage Information**

Month	A. Monthly enrollment premiums	B. Monthly second lowest cost silver plan (SLCSP) premium	C. Monthly advance payment of premium tax credit
<b>21</b> January	500	433	116
<b>22</b> February	500	433	116
<b>23</b> March	500	433	116
<b>24</b> April	500	433	116
<b>25</b> May	500	433	116
<b>26</b> June	500	433	116
<b>27</b> July	500	433	116
<b>28</b> August			
<b>29</b> September			
<b>30</b> October			
<b>31</b> November			
<b>32</b> December			
<b>33 Annual Totals</b>	3,500	3,031	812

**Part I Recipient Information**

<b>1</b> Marketplace identifier MD	<b>2</b> Marketplace-assigned policy number 7654320198	<b>3</b> Policy issuer's name BCD Insurance Co.		
<b>4</b> Recipient's name Quentin Cedar		<b>5</b> Recipient's SSN xxx-xx-9221	<b>6</b> Recipient's date of birth	
<b>7</b> Recipient's spouse's name		<b>8</b> Recipient's spouse's SSN	<b>9</b> Recipient's spouse's date of birth	
<b>10</b> Policy start date 01/01/15	<b>11</b> Policy termination date 7/31/15	<b>12</b> Street address (including apartment no.) 2002 Grand Blvd		
<b>13</b> City or town Bonville	<b>14</b> State or province MD	<b>15</b> Country and ZIP or foreign postal code 20000		

**Part II Covered Individuals**

	A. Covered individual name	B. Covered individual SSN	C. Covered individual date of birth	D. Coverage start date	E. Coverage termination date
<b>16</b>	Quentin Cedar	xxx-xx-9221		01/01/15	07/31/15
<b>17</b>	Ron Cedar	xxx-xx-3606		01/01/15	07/31/15
<b>18</b>	John Cedar	xxx-xx-7518		01/01/15	07/31/15
<b>19</b>					
<b>20</b>					

**Part III Coverage Information**

Month	A. Monthly enrollment premiums	B. Monthly second lowest cost silver plan (SLCSP) premium	C. Monthly advance payment of premium tax credit
<b>21</b> January	1,000	833	678
<b>22</b> February	1,000	833	678
<b>23</b> March	1,000	833	678
<b>24</b> April	1,000	833	678
<b>25</b> May	1,000	833	678
<b>26</b> June	1,000	833	678
<b>27</b> July	1,000	833	678
<b>28</b> August			
<b>29</b> September			
<b>30</b> October			
<b>31</b> November			
<b>32</b> December			
<b>33 Annual Totals</b>	7,000	5,381	4,746



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## Self-Employed Health Insurance Deduction and PTC

This part provides special instructions for figuring the self-employed health insurance deduction and PTC if you or your spouse was self-employed, you or a member of your tax family was enrolled in a qualified health plan in 2015, and you are eligible for the PTC. Because the amount of the self-employed health insurance deduction may affect the amount of the PTC, and the amount of the PTC may affect the amount of the deduction, a taxpayer who may be eligible for both may have difficulty determining the amounts of those items. A taxpayer who may be eligible for both may follow the instructions in this part to determine amounts of the self-employed health insurance deduction and PTC that are allowable under the law.



*Using the special instructions in this part is optional. If you are eligible for both a self-employed health insurance deduction and the PTC for the same premiums, you may use any computation method that results in reporting amounts that satisfy the rules for both the deduction and PTC, as long as the sum of the deduction claimed for the premiums and the PTC computed, taking the deduction into account, is less than or equal to the enrollment premiums.*

Before you complete any of the worksheets in this part, you should first do the following.

- Read the instructions for line 29 of Form 1040 or Form 1040NR to find out if you meet the requirements for claiming the self-employed health insurance deduction.
- Read the Instructions for Form 8962 to find out if you meet the requirements for claiming the PTC except for the requirement that your household income be at least 100% but not more than 400% of the Federal poverty line for your family size for 2015. You will determine whether you meet the 100% – 400% requirement in the process of completing these instructions.

If you meet the requirements described above, do the following.

1. If you are filing Form 1040, complete lines 30 and 31a. Also, figure any write-in adjustments you will enter on the dotted line next to line 36.
2. If you are filing Form 1040NR, complete lines 30 and 31. Also, figure any write-in adjustments you will enter on the dotted line next to line 35.
3. Complete line 32 of Form 1040 or Form 1040NR if you made contributions to a traditional IRA and you (and your spouse if filing a joint return) were **not** covered by a retirement plan at work or through self-employment.

4. If you elect to report your child's interest and dividends on your tax return, complete Form 8814.
5. If, during 2015, you were an eligible trade adjustment assistance (TAA) recipient, alternative TAA recipient, reemployment TAA recipient, or Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation pension payee, read the Instructions for Form 8885 to find out if you meet the requirements for electing the health coverage tax credit (HCTC).

If you elect the HCTC and you do not take the PTC, skip the rest of these special instructions.

If you elect the HCTC and also take the PTC for any month, do the following.

- a. See *Line 9* in the Form 8962 instructions to determine if you need to allocate policy amounts (enrollment premiums, SLCSP, and/or APTC) on a Form 1095-A between your tax family and another tax family. If you need to allocate policy amounts, complete Form 8962, Part IV, according to the instructions.
- b. Complete Form 8885.

Using this information, do the following.

1. If you have health insurance premiums for which you cannot claim the PTC (see [Nonspecified premiums](#), later), first complete [Worksheet P](#), or if required, Worksheet 6-A in chapter 6 of Pub. 535 but only with respect to those premiums. Skip Worksheets W and X if either of the following applies.
  - a. You completed Worksheet P and line 2 is less than or equal to line 1.
  - b. You completed Worksheet 6-A in chapter 6 of Pub. 535 and line 13 is equal to or less than line 3.
2. Then complete [Worksheet W](#) and [Worksheet X](#). You have to complete Worksheet W only if advance payments of the premium tax credit (APTC) were made to your insurer on your behalf for the months you were self-employed **and** the APTC was paid for a plan for which you are not also electing the HCTC. If APTC was not paid to your insurer on your behalf for the months you were self-employed **or** APTC was paid only for a plan for which you are electing the HCTC, skip Worksheet W.
3. After completing Worksheets W and X, you may choose to use either the [Simplified Calculation Method](#) or the [Iterative Calculation Method](#) to compute your self-employed health insurance deduction and PTC. The Simplified Calculation Method is shorter, but in some cases will not produce a result as favorable as the Iterative Calculation Method.

## Worksheet P. Self-Employed Health Insurance Deduction for Nonspecified Premiums

**Before you begin:** ✓ If, during 2015, you were an eligible trade adjustment assistance (TAA) recipient, alternative TAA recipient, reemployment TAA recipient, or Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation pension payee, do not include on line 1 of this worksheet any amounts from Form 8885, line 4.  
 ✓ Read [Exceptions](#), later, to see if you can use this worksheet instead of Pub. 535 to figure your deduction for nonspecified premiums. Also read the definitions of [specified premiums](#) and [nonspecified premiums](#).

<p>1. Enter the total amount of nonspecified premiums paid in 2015 for health insurance coverage established under your business (or the S corporation in which you were a more-than-2% shareholder) for 2015 for you, your spouse, and your dependents. Your insurance can also cover your child who was under age 27 at the end of 2015, even if the child was not your dependent. But do not include amounts for any month you were eligible to participate in an employer-sponsored health plan or amounts paid from retirement plan distributions that were nontaxable because you are a retired public safety officer . . . . .</p> <p>2. Enter your net profit* and any other earned income** from the business under which the insurance plan is established, minus any deductions on lines 27 and 28 of Form 1040 or 1040NR. Do not include Conservation Reserve Program payments exempt from self-employment tax . . . . .</p> <p>3. Self-employed health insurance deduction for nonspecified premiums. Enter the <b>smaller</b> of line 1 or line 2. <b>Do not</b> include this amount in figuring any medical expense deduction on Schedule A (Form 1040) . . . . .</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If line 2 is equal to or less than line 1, <b>stop here</b>. Do not read the rest of these special instructions. Enter this amount on line 29 of Form 1040 or 1040NR. Use Form 8962 to figure the premium tax credit for specified premiums.</li> <li>• If line 2 is more than line 1, complete <a href="#">Worksheet W</a> if APTC was paid to your insurer on your behalf for the months you were self-employed <b>and</b> the APTC was paid for a plan for which you are not also electing the HCTC. If APTC was not paid to your insurer on your behalf for the months you were self-employed <b>or</b> APTC was paid only for a plan for which you are electing the HCTC, skip Worksheet W and go to <a href="#">Worksheet X</a>.</li> </ul>	<p>1. _____</p> <p>2. _____</p> <p>3. _____</p>
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*\*If you used either optional method to figure your net earnings from self-employment, do not enter your net profit. Instead, enter the amount from Schedule SE, Section B, line 4b.*

*\*\* Earned income includes net earnings and gains from the sale, transfer, or licensing of property you created. However, it does not include capital gain income. If you were a more-than-2%-shareholder in the S corporation under which the insurance plan is established, earned income is your Medicare wages (box 5 of Form W-2) from that corporation.*

### Instructions for Worksheet P

Use [Worksheet P](#) to figure the amount you can deduct for nonspecified premiums.

**Exceptions.** Use Worksheet 6-A in chapter 6 of Pub. 535 instead of Worksheet P to figure your deduction for nonspecified premiums if any of the following applies. (Only include nonspecified premiums on line 1 or 2 of Worksheet 6-A.)

- You had more than one source of income subject to self-employment tax.
- You file Form 2555 or 2555-EZ.
- You are using amounts paid for qualified long-term care insurance to figure the deduction.

After you complete Worksheet 6-A, follow the instructions below.

- If line 13 is equal to or less than line 3, **stop here**. Do not read the rest of these special instructions. Enter the amount from line 14 of Worksheet 6-A on line 29 of Form 1040 or 1040NR. Use Form 8962 to figure the premium tax credit for specified premiums.
- If line 13 is more than line 3, complete [Worksheet W](#) if APTC was paid to your insurer on your behalf for the months you were self-employed **and** the APTC was paid for a plan for which you are not also electing the HCTC. If APTC was not paid to your insurer on your behalf for the months you were self-employed **or** APTC was paid only for a plan for which you are

electing the HCTC, skip Worksheet W and go to [Worksheet X](#).

### Nonspecified Premiums

A nonspecified premium is either of the following.

- A premium for health insurance coverage established under your business (or the S corporation in which you were a more-than-2%-shareholder) but paid for coverage in a plan that is not a qualified health plan.
- The portion of the premium for coverage in a plan that is a qualified health plan established under your business (or the S corporation in which you were a more-than-2%-shareholder) but that is attributable to individuals not in your coverage family.

**Note.** If you are filing Form 8885, nonspecified premiums do **not** include premiums entered on line 4 of that form.

Calculate how much of these nonspecified premiums are fully deductible by entering this amount on line 1 of [Worksheet P](#), or if required, on line 1 or 2 of Worksheet 6-A in chapter 6 of Pub. 535. Complete the remainder of the appropriate worksheet.

The following are examples of nonspecified premiums.

- Premiums paid for a qualified health plan other than during a coverage month.

- Premiums paid to cover an individual other than you, your spouse, or your dependents.
- Premiums for qualified long-term care insurance.
- Dental insurance premiums.
- Medicare premiums you voluntarily paid to obtain insurance in your name that is similar to qualifying health insurance.

**Example.** In 2015, you were self-employed and were enrolled in a qualified health plan through the Marketplace. You enrolled your dependent, 22-year-old daughter in individual market coverage not offered through the Marketplace. This coverage has an annual premium of \$3,000. This \$3,000 premium is a nonspecified premium because it is for coverage under a plan that is not a qualified health plan. Include this \$3,000 premium on [Worksheet P](#), line 1, or if required, on line 1 of the Worksheet 6-A in chapter 6 of Pub. 535.

## Specified Premiums

Specified premiums are the premiums for a specified qualified health plan or plans for which you may otherwise claim as a self-employed health insurance deduction on line 29 of Form 1040 or Form 1040NR. Generally, these are the premiums paid for the months you were self-employed. If you were self-employed for part of a month, the entire premium for that month is a specified premium. A specified qualified health plan is a qualified health plan that covers one or more members of your coverage family for a month for which your enrollment premium(s) have been paid by the due date of your tax return (not including extensions). Qualified health plan, coverage family, and enrollment premiums are defined earlier under [Terms You May Need To Know](#).

**Note.** If you are filing Form 8885, specified premiums do **not** include premiums entered on line 4 of that form.

**Example.** You were enrolled in a qualified health plan through the Marketplace for all of 2015 and you were self-employed from September 15 through December 31. Only the premiums for the last 4 months are specified premiums and only those premiums are entered on [Worksheet W](#), line 5, and [Worksheet X](#), line 1, if you are required to complete those worksheets. You are not allowed a self-employed health insurance deduction for the January – August premiums because you were not self-employed during those months. Those premiums are neither specified premiums nor nonspecified premiums. However, you may be allowed a PTC for your coverage for January – August.

**Plan covering individuals in another tax family.** If the plan covers at least one individual in your tax family and one individual in another tax family, you may have to allocate policy amounts between your tax family and the other tax family. See *Line 9* in the Form 8962 instructions for instructions on how to allocate policy amounts. Do this allocation before you determine the portion of the specified premiums allocable to your coverage family discussed next.

**Plan covering individuals not in your coverage family.** If the plan covers individuals who are not in your coverage family, use only the portion of the premiums for the specified qualified health plan that is allocable to your coverage family. You determine the specified premiums that are allocable to your coverage family by multiplying the enrollment premiums for the months you were self-employed and the plan covered non-coverage family members by a fraction. The numerator of the fraction is the premium for the applicable second lowest cost silver plan (SLCSP) for your coverage family. The denominator of the fraction is the total of (1) the premium for the applicable SLCSP for your coverage family and (2) the premium for the applicable SLCSP for the individuals who are not in your coverage family.

**Example.** Gary was self-employed in 2015 and enrolled in a qualified health plan. APTC was paid to his insurer on his behalf. The policy covers Gary, Gary's wife Sue, and Gary's two dependent daughters. Sue is not in the coverage family because she is eligible to enroll in her employer's health insurance. The enrollment premium is \$15,000. The premium for the applicable SLCSP covering Gary and his two daughters is \$12,000 and the premium for the applicable SLCSP covering Sue is \$6,000. Gary figures the amount of specified premiums by multiplying the \$15,000 enrollment premium by a fraction. The numerator of the fraction is the premium for his applicable SLCSP (\$12,000). The denominator of the fraction is the total of the premiums for the applicable SLCSP of both Gary and Sue (\$18,000). The result is \$10,000 ( $\$15,000 \text{ enrollment premium} \times (\$12,000 / \$18,000)$ ) of specified premiums, which Gary enters on [Worksheet W](#), line 5, and [Worksheet X](#), line 1. The remaining \$5,000 of enrollment premium ( $\$15,000 \text{ enrollment premium} - \$10,000 \text{ specified premiums}$ ) is attributable to Sue's coverage and is a nonspecified premium that Gary enters on [Worksheet P](#), line 1.

## Worksheet W. Figuring Household Income and the Limitation on Additional Tax

**Note.** Complete this worksheet only if (1) advance payments of the premium tax credit (APTC) were made to your insurer on your behalf for the months you were self-employed **and** (2) the APTC was paid for a plan for which you are not also electing the HCTC.

Part I: Taxpayer's Modified AGI	
1. Combine the amounts from:	
• Form 1040, lines 8b, 22, and the excess, if any, of line 20a over line 20b.	
• Form 1040NR, lines 9b and 23 .....	1. _____
<b>Note.</b> See instructions if you are filing Form 8582, 8814, or 8815.	
2. Enter any amounts from Form 2555, lines 45 and 50, and Form 2555-EZ, line 18 .....	2. _____
3. Add lines 1 and 2 .....	3. _____
4a. Enter the total of the amounts from:	
• Form 1040, lines 23 through 28, 30, and 31a, plus any write-in adjustments you entered on the dotted line next to line 36.	
• Form 1040NR, lines 24 through 28, 30, and 31, plus any write-in adjustments you entered on the dotted line next to line 35 .....	4a. _____
<b>Note.</b> See instructions if you made contributions to a traditional IRA.	
4b. Enter your self-employed health insurance deduction for nonspecified premiums from <a href="#">Worksheet P</a> , line 3, or Worksheet 6-A, line 14, in chapter 6 of Pub. 535 .....	4b. _____
5. Enter specified premiums (see <a href="#">Specified Premiums</a> under <i>Instructions for Worksheet P</i> , earlier) .....	5. _____
6. Enter APTC attributable to the premiums on line 5 (see instructions) .....	6. _____
7. Subtract line 6 from line 5 .....	7. _____
8. Add lines 4a, 4b, and 7 .....	8. _____
9. Subtract line 8 from line 3. Then go to Part II if you are claiming dependents on your tax return. If you are not claiming any dependents on your tax return, skip Part II and go to Part III .....	9. _____
Part II: Dependents' Modified AGI	
<b>Note.</b> Use Part II to figure the combined modified AGI for the dependents you claimed as exemptions on your return. Only include the modified AGI of those dependents who are required to file a return. Do not include the modified AGI of dependents who are filing a tax return only to claim a refund of tax withheld or estimated tax.	
10. Enter the combined AGI for your dependents from Form 1040, line 38; Form 1040A, line 22; Form 1040EZ, line 4; and Form 1040NR, line 37 .....	10. _____
11. Enter any tax-exempt interest for your dependents from Form 1040, line 8b; Form 1040A, line 8b; Form 1040EZ, the amount written to the left of the line 2 entry space; and Form 1040NR, line 9b .....	11. _____
12. Enter any amounts for your dependents from Form 2555, lines 45 and 50, and Form 2555-EZ, line 18 .....	12. _____
13. Enter for each of your dependents the excess, if any, of Form 1040, line 20a over line 20b; and Form 1040A, line 14a over line 14b .....	13. _____
14. Add lines 10 through 13. Then go to Part III .....	14. _____
<b>Continued on next page.</b>	

### Instructions for Worksheet W

**Line 1.** If you are filing Form 8582, Passive Activity Loss Limitations, and both lines 1d and 4 of that form are losses:

- Do not complete Parts II, III, or IV of that form until you are instructed to do so later, and
- Do not include any losses from rental real estate activities on line 1.

If you are filing Form 8814, Parents' Election to Report Child's Interest and Dividends, and the amount on Form 8814, line 4, is more than \$1,050, you must also include the following amounts on line 1.

- The tax-exempt interest from Form 8814, line 1b.
- The lesser of Form 8814, line 4 or line 5.
- Any nontaxable social security benefits your child received.



**Worksheet W. Figuring Household Income and the Limitation on Additional Tax (continued)**

<b>Part III: Limitation on Additional Tax</b>	
<b>15.</b> Household income. Add lines 9 and 14	<b>15.</b> _____
<b>16.</b> Enter \$600 (\$300 if your filing status is single)	<b>16.</b> _____
<b>17.</b> Subtract line 16 from line 15. If zero or less, enter -0-	<b>17.</b> _____
<b>18a.</b> Enter the number of exemptions from Form 1040, line 6d, or Form 1040NR, line 7d	<b>18a.</b> _____
<b>18b.</b> Enter the Federal poverty line amount as determined by the family size on line 18a and Federal poverty Table 1-1, 1-2, or 1-3 for your state of residence during 2015 in the Form 8962 instructions	<b>18b.</b> _____
<b>19.</b> Divide line 17 by line 18b. If the result is not a whole percentage, do <b>not</b> round. Use only the first two numbers after the decimal point. For example, for .9984, enter the result as 99; for 1.8565, enter the result as 185; for 3.997, enter the result as 399	<b>19.</b> _____ %
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If the result is less than 200, enter the amount from line 16 on line 26. Skip lines 20–25.</li> <li>• If the result is 200 or more, go to line 20.</li> </ul>	
<b>20.</b> Enter \$1,500 (\$750 if your filing status is single)	<b>20.</b> _____
<b>21.</b> Subtract line 20 from line 15. If zero or less, enter -0-	<b>21.</b> _____
<b>22.</b> Divide line 21 by line 18b. If the result is not a whole percentage, do <b>not</b> round. Use only the first two numbers after the decimal point. For example, for .9984, enter the result as 99; for 1.8565, enter the result as 185; for 3.997, enter the result as 399	<b>22.</b> _____ %
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If the result is less than 300, enter the amount from line 20 on line 26. Skip lines 23–25.</li> <li>• If the result is 300 or more, go to line 23.</li> </ul>	
<b>23.</b> Enter \$2,500 (\$1,250 if your filing status is single)	<b>23.</b> _____
<b>24.</b> Subtract line 23 from line 15. If zero or less, enter -0-	<b>24.</b> _____
<b>25.</b> Divide line 24 by line 18b. If the result is not a whole percentage, do <b>not</b> round. Use only the first two numbers after the decimal point. For example, for .9984, enter the result as 99; for 1.8565, enter the result as 185; for 3.997, enter the result as 399	<b>25.</b> _____ %
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If the result is less than 400, enter the amount from line 23 on line 26.</li> <li>• If the result is 400 or more, enter the amount from line 6 on line 26.</li> </ul>	
<b>26.</b> Enter the amount you were instructed to enter here by line 19, 22, or 25 (see instructions)	<b>26.</b> _____
<b>27.</b> Add lines 7 and 26	<b>27.</b> _____
<b>28.</b> Enter the smaller of line 5 or line 27. Then go to <a href="#">Worksheet X</a>	<b>28.</b> _____

If you are filing Form 8815, Exclusion of Interest From Series EE and I U.S. Savings Bonds Issued After 1989, do **not** complete the form until you are instructed to do so later. Include on line 1 the amount from Schedule B (Form 1040A or 1040), line 2.

**Line 4a.** Include your IRA deduction on line 4a only if you (and your spouse if filing a joint return) were **not** covered by a retirement plan at work or through self-employment.

**Line 6.** Enter on this line the APTC from Form 1095-A, Part III, column C, that is attributable to specified premiums on line 5.

**Line 26.** Also enter this amount on line 28 of the Form 8962 you attach to your tax return if you are required to complete that line and you do not complete [Worksheet Y](#) (shown later). Do not enter an amount from Table 5 in the Form 8962 instructions.

**Iterative Calculation Method**

Follow the steps below to figure your self-employed health insurance deduction and PTC under the Iterative Calculation Method. You do not have to use this method. You can use the [Simplified Calculation Method](#) (discussed later) or any computation method that satisfies each set of rules as long as the sum of the deduction claimed for the premiums and the PTC computed, taking the deduction into account, is less than or equal to the premiums.



*Do not round to whole dollars when performing the computations under this method. Instead, use dollars and cents. This is necessary so you can complete Step 6.*

**Step 1**

Figure your adjusted gross income (AGI), modified AGI, and household income using [Worksheet X](#), line 15, as your self-employed health insurance deduction. Use

## Worksheet X. Figuring the Limit Under Section 5.03 of Revenue Procedure 2014-41


**Note.** If you have more than one trade or business under which a qualified health plan is established, complete lines 2–11 separately for each trade or business. Add the amounts on line 11 for all the trades or businesses. Then complete lines 12–15 once for all trades or businesses.

1.	Enter the amount from <a href="#">Worksheet W</a> , line 28. If you did <b>not</b> complete Worksheet W, enter your specified premiums. See <a href="#">Specified Premiums</a> under <i>Instructions for Worksheet P</i> , earlier . . . . .	1.	_____
2.	Enter your net profit* and any other earned income** from the business under which the qualified health plan is established. Do not include Conservation Reserve Program payments exempt from self-employment tax. If the business is an S corporation, skip to line 9 . . . . .	2.	_____
3.	Enter the total of all net profits* from: Schedule C (Form 1040), line 31; Schedule C-EZ (Form 1040), line 3; Schedule F (Form 1040), line 34; or Schedule K-1 (Form 1065), box 14, code A; plus any other income allocable to the profitable businesses. Do not include Conservation Reserve Program payments exempt from self-employment tax. See the Instructions for Schedule SE (Form 1040). <b>Do not</b> include any net losses shown on these schedules . . . . .	3.	_____
4.	Divide line 2 by line 3 . . . . .	4.	_____
5.	Multiply line 27 of Form 1040 or Form 1040NR by line 4 . . . . .	5.	_____
6.	Subtract line 5 from line 2 . . . . .	6.	_____
7.	Enter the amount, if any, from line 28 of Form 1040 or Form 1040NR, attributable to the same business for which the qualified health plan is established . . . . .	7.	_____
8.	Subtract line 7 from line 6 . . . . .	8.	_____
9.	Enter your Medicare wages (Form W-2, box 5) from an S corporation in which you are a more-than-2%-shareholder and in which the qualified health plan is established . . . . .	9.	_____
10.	Enter any amount from Form 2555, line 45, attributable to the amount entered on line 2 or line 9 above, or any amount from Form 2555-EZ, line 18, attributable to the amount entered on line 9 above . . . . .	10.	_____
	<b>Note.</b> If you are not filing Form 2555 or 2555-EZ, enter -0-.		
11.	Subtract line 10 from line 8 or 9, whichever applies . . . . .	11.	_____
12.	Enter your self-employed health insurance deduction for nonspecified premiums from <a href="#">Worksheet P</a> , line 3, or Worksheet 6-A, line 14, in chapter 6 of Pub. 535 . . . . .	12.	_____
13.	Subtract line 12 from line 11 . . . . .	13.	_____
14.	Enter the smaller of line 1 or line 13 . . . . .	14.	_____
15.	Add lines 12 and 14. Then use one of the methods that follow to figure the PTC and the self-employed health insurance deduction for specified premiums . . . . .	15.	_____

*\*If you used either optional method to figure your net earnings from self-employment from any business, do not enter your net profit from the business. Instead, enter the amount attributable to that business from Schedule SE, Section B, line 4b.*

*\*\*Earned income includes net earnings and gains from the sale, transfer, or licensing of property you created. However, it does not include capital gain income.*

Worksheets 1-1 and 1-2 in the Form 8962 instructions to figure modified AGI and household income.

 **CAUTION** If you are claiming any of the following deductions or exclusions, see [Special Instructions for Self-Employed Individuals Who Claim Certain Deductions/Exclusions](#) (discussed later) before you complete Step 1.

1. Passive activity losses from rental real estate activities and lines 1d and 4 of Form 8582 are losses.
2. IRA deduction and you (or your spouse if filing a joint return) were covered by a retirement plan at work or through self-employment.
3. Exclusion of interest from series EE and I U.S. savings bonds issued after 1989.
4. Student loan interest deduction.
5. Tuition and fees deduction.
6. Domestic production activities deduction.

### Step 2

Figure the total PTC on Form 8962 using the AGI, modified AGI, and household income you determined in [Step](#)

1. Enter the modified AGI and household income from Step 1 on the Form 8962. When figuring the PTC, use all enrollment premiums for qualified health plans in which you or an individual in your tax family enrolled. Complete this Form 8962 only through line 24. Do **not** attach this Form 8962 to your tax return.

**Note.** If you are not eligible to take the PTC, stop here. Do not use this method. Instead, figure your self-employed health insurance deduction using the Self-Employed Health Insurance Deduction Worksheet in the Form 1040 or Form 1040NR instructions or, if required, Worksheet 6-A in chapter 6 of Pub. 535. If you are following the instructions under *Special Instructions for Self-Employed Individuals Who Claim Certain Deductions/Exclusions*, make this determination when you complete the final iteration of Step 2. Refigure the deductions/exclusions if you are not eligible for the PTC.

### Step 3

Figure your self-employed health insurance deduction for specified premiums by completing the following worksheet.



If you have more than one trade or business under which you established a qualified health plan, see More than one trade or business below before you complete the Step 3 Worksheet.

<b>Step 3 Worksheet</b>	
<b>Note.</b> Enter amounts in dollars and cents. Do not round to whole dollars.	
1. Enter the amount from <a href="#">Worksheet W</a> , line 5. If you did not complete <a href="#">Worksheet W</a> , enter the amount from <a href="#">Worksheet X</a> , line 1 . . . . .	1. _____
<b>Caution:</b> If the amounts on lines 12–23, column (e), of your Step 2 Form 8962 are not the same for each month and you had specified premiums for less than 12 months, skip lines 2–5 below and enter on line 6 the total of those column (e) amounts for the months you paid specified premiums.	
2. Enter the total PTC (Form 8962, line 24) you figured in <a href="#">Step 2</a> , earlier . . . . .	2. _____
3. Enter the number of months in 2015 for which specified premiums were paid . . . . .	3. _____
<b>Note.</b> Self-employment for part of a month counts as a full month of self-employment.	
4. Enter the number of months someone in your coverage family was enrolled in the qualified health plan . . . . .	4. _____
5. Divide line 3 by line 4 . . . . .	5. _____
6. Multiply line 5 by line 2 . . . . .	6. _____
7. Subtract line 6 from line 1 . . . . .	7. _____
8. Enter the amount from <a href="#">Worksheet X</a> , line 14 . . . . .	8. _____
9. Enter the smaller of line 7 or line 8. Then go to <a href="#">Step 4</a> next . . . . .	9. _____

**More than one trade or business.** If you have more than one trade or business under which you established a qualified health plan, you must complete lines 1–7 separately for each trade or business. Use the following instructions to complete the Step 3 Worksheet.

**Line 1.** Enter the amounts for the separate trade or business.

If the *Caution* under line 1 applies to you, skip lines 2–5. Enter on line 6 the total of the column (e) amounts for the months you paid specified premiums that are allocable to the specified premiums you entered on line 1 for the separate trade or business. You can allocate the column (e) amounts using any reasonable method. One reasonable method is based on enrollment premiums for each plan. Under this method, multiply the total of the column (e) amounts for the months you paid specified premiums by a fraction. The numerator of the fraction is the amount of specified premiums you entered on line 1 for the separate trade or business. The denominator of the fraction is the total of the column (a) amounts for the months you paid specified premiums.

**Line 2.** Enter the Step 2 PTC that is allocable to the specified premiums you entered on line 1 for the separate trade or business. You can allocate the Step 2 PTC using any reasonable method. One reasonable method is based

on enrollment premiums for each plan. Under this method, multiply the Step 2 PTC by a fraction. The numerator of the fraction is the amount of specified premiums you entered on line 1 for the separate trade or business. The denominator of the fraction is the amount on line 11, column (a), or the total of lines 12–23, column (a), of the Step 2 Form 8962.

**Lines 3–6.** Complete these lines for the plan established under the separate trade or business.

**Line 7.** After you complete this line for each trade or business, add the amounts on line 7 for all the trades or businesses. Use the total of the line 7 amounts to complete lines 8 and 9.

**Lines 8–9.** Complete these lines once for all trades or businesses.

### Step 4

Refigure the total PTC on another Form 8962. Complete this Form 8962 through line 29. When refiguring the total PTC, use all enrollment premiums for qualified health plans in which you or any individual in your tax family enrolled. Determine AGI, modified AGI, and household income using the total of the [Step 3 Worksheet](#), line 9, and [Worksheet X](#), line 12, as your self-employed health insurance deduction. Use Worksheets 1-1 and 1-2 in the Form 8962 instructions to figure modified AGI and household income.

### Step 5

Refigure your self-employed health insurance deduction for specified premiums by completing the Step 5 Worksheet.



If you have more than one trade or business under which you established a qualified health plan, see More than one trade or business later before you complete the Step 5 Worksheet.

<b>Step 5 Worksheet</b>	
<b>Note.</b> Enter amounts in dollars and cents. Do not round to whole dollars.	
1. Enter the amount from line 1 of the <a href="#">Step 3 Worksheet</a> . . . . .	1. _____
<b>Caution:</b> If you skipped lines 2–5 of the <a href="#">Step 3 Worksheet</a> , skip lines 2 and 3 below and enter on line 4 the total of the column (e) amounts from your <a href="#">Step 4</a> Form 8962 for the months you paid specified premiums.	
2. Enter the total PTC (Form 8962, line 24) you figured in <a href="#">Step 4</a> , earlier . . . . .	2. _____
3. Enter the amount from line 5 of the <a href="#">Step 3 Worksheet</a> . . . . .	3. _____
4. Multiply line 3 by line 2 . . . . .	4. _____
5. Subtract line 4 from line 1 . . . . .	5. _____
6. Enter the amount from <a href="#">Worksheet X</a> , line 14 . . . . .	6. _____
7. Enter the smaller of line 5 or line 6. Then go to <a href="#">Step 6</a> next . . . . .	7. _____

**More than one trade or business.** If you have more than one trade or business under which you established a qualified health plan, you must complete lines 1–5 separately for each trade or business. Use the following instructions to complete the Step 5 Worksheet.

**Line 1.** Enter the amount from the Step 3 Worksheet for the same separate trade or business for which you are completing the Step 5 Worksheet.

If the *Caution* under line 1 applies to you, skip lines 2 and 3. Enter on line 4 the total of the column (e) amounts for the months you paid specified premiums that are allocable to the specified premiums you entered on line 1 for the separate trade or business. Allocate the column (e) amounts using the same method you used on the Step 3 Worksheet.

**Line 2.** Enter the Step 4 PTC that is allocable to the premiums you entered on line 1 for the separate trade or business. Use the same allocation method you used on the Step 3 Worksheet.

**Line 3.** Enter the amount from the Step 3 Worksheet for the same separate trade or business for which you are completing the Step 5 Worksheet.

**Line 5.** After you complete this line for each trade or business, add the amounts on line 5 for all the trades or businesses. Use the total of the line 5 amounts to complete lines 6 and 7.

**Lines 6–7.** Complete these lines once for all trades or businesses.

## Step 6

Answer the following 3 questions.

1. Is the change in the self-employed health insurance deduction from [Step 3](#) to [Step 5](#) less than \$1.00?  
 Yes  No
2. Is the change in the total PTC from [Step 2](#) to [Step 4](#) less than \$1.00?  
 Yes  No
3. Did you answer “Yes” to **both** questions 1 and 2?  
 Yes. You can claim a PTC for the amount you figured in [Step 4](#). Attach the Form 8962 you used in Step 4 to your tax return. You can claim a self-employed health insurance deduction for the specified premiums equal to the amount on line 7 of the [Step 5 Worksheet](#).

**Note.** Your self-employed health insurance deduction is the total of the [Step 5 Worksheet](#), line 7, and [Worksheet X](#), line 12. Enter this total on line 29 of Form 1040 or 1040NR.

No. Repeat [Step 4](#) and [Step 5](#) (using amounts determined in the immediately preceding step) until changes in **both** the self-employed health insurance deduction and the total PTC between steps are less than \$1.00.



If you are unable to complete Step 6 because changes between steps are always \$1.00 or more, do **not** use the *Iterative Calculation Method*. Instead, use the [Simplified Calculation Method](#) or any computation method that satisfies the rules for the self-employed health insurance deduction and PTC as long as the sum of the deduction claimed for the premiums and the PTC computed, taking the deduction into account, is less than or equal to the premiums.

## Simplified Calculation Method

Follow the steps below to figure your self-employed health insurance deduction and PTC under the Simplified Calculation Method. You do not have to use this method. You can use the [Iterative Calculation Method](#) (discussed earlier) if you can complete [Step 6](#) of that method or you can use any computation method that satisfies each set of rules as long as the sum of the deduction claimed for the premiums and the PTC computed, taking the deduction into account, is less than or equal to the premiums.

### Step 1

Figure your adjusted gross income (AGI), modified AGI, and household income using the total of [Worksheet X](#), line 15, as your self-employed health insurance deduction. Use Worksheets 1-1 and 1-2 in the Form 8962 instructions to figure modified AGI and household income.



If you are claiming any of the following deductions or exclusions, see [Special Instructions for Self-Employed Individuals Who Claim Certain Deductions/Exclusions](#) (discussed later) **before** you complete Step 1.

1. *Passive activity losses from rental real estate activities and lines 1d and 4 of Form 8582 are losses.*
2. *IRA deduction and you (or your spouse if filing a joint return) were covered by a retirement plan at work or through self-employment.*
3. *Exclusion of interest from series EE and I U.S. savings bonds issued after 1989.*
4. *Student loan interest deduction.*
5. *Tuition and fees deduction.*
6. *Domestic production activities deduction.*

### Step 2

Figure the total PTC on Form 8962 using the AGI, modified AGI, and household income you determined in Step 1. Enter the modified AGI and household income from Step 1 on the Form 8962. When figuring the PTC, use all enrollment premiums for qualified health plans in which you or any individual in your tax family enrolled. Complete this Form 8962 only through line 24. Do **not** attach this Form 8962 to your tax return.



**Note.** If you are not eligible to take the PTC, **stop here.** Do not use this method. Instead, figure your self-employed health insurance deduction using the Self-Employed Health Insurance Deduction Worksheet in the Form 1040 or Form 1040NR instructions or, if required, Worksheet 6-A in chapter 6 of Pub. 535. If you are following the instructions under *Special Instructions for Self-Employed Individuals Who Claim Certain Deductions/Exclusions*, make this determination when you complete the final iteration of Step 2. Refigure the deductions/exclusions if you are not eligible for the PTC.

### Step 3

Figure your self-employed health insurance deduction by completing the following worksheet.



*If you have more than one trade or business under which you established a qualified health plan, see More than one trade or business below before you complete the Step 3 Worksheet.*

Step 3 Worksheet	
1. Enter the amount from <a href="#">Worksheet W</a> , line 5. If you did not complete Worksheet W, enter the amount from <a href="#">Worksheet X</a> , line 1 . . . . .	1. _____
<b>Caution:</b> <i>If the amounts on lines 12–23, column (e), of your Step 2 Form 8962 are not the same for each month and you had specified premiums for less than 12 months, skip lines 2–5 below and enter on line 6 the total of those column (e) amounts for the months you paid specified premiums.</i>	
2. Enter the total PTC (Form 8962, line 24) you figured in <a href="#">Step 2</a> , earlier . . . . .	2. _____
3. Enter the number of months in 2015 for which specified premiums were paid . . . . .	3. _____
<b>Note.</b> Self-employment for part of a month counts as a full month of self-employment.	
4. Enter the number of months someone in your coverage family was enrolled in the qualified health plan . . . . .	4. _____
5. Divide line 3 by line 4 . . . . .	5. _____
6. Multiply line 5 by line 2 . . . . .	6. _____
7. Subtract line 6 from line 1 . . . . .	7. _____
8. Enter the amount from <a href="#">Worksheet X</a> , line 14 . . . . .	8. _____
9. Enter the smaller of line 7 or line 8 . . . . .	9. _____
10. Enter the amount from <a href="#">Worksheet X</a> , line 12 . . . . .	10. _____
11. Add lines 9 and 10. Use this amount as your self-employed health insurance deduction in <a href="#">Step 4</a> next. Also enter this amount on line 29 of Form 1040 or Form 1040NR . . . . .	11. _____

**More than one trade or business.** If you have more than one trade or business under which you established a qualified health plan, you must complete lines 1–7 separately for each trade or business. Use the following instructions to complete the Step 3 Worksheet.

Use the following instructions to complete the Step 3 Worksheet.

**Line 1.** Enter the amounts for the separate trade or business.

If the *Caution* under line 1 applies to you, skip lines 2–5. Enter on line 6 the total of the column (e) amounts for the months you paid specified premiums that are allocable to the specified premiums you entered on line 1 for the separate trade or business. You can allocate the column (e) amounts using any reasonable method. One reasonable method is based on enrollment premiums for each plan. Under this method, multiply the total of the column (e) amounts for the months you paid specified premiums by a fraction. The numerator of the fraction is the amount of specified premiums you entered on line 1 for the separate trade or business. The denominator of the fraction is the total of the column (a) amounts for the months you paid specified premiums.

**Line 2.** Enter the Step 2 PTC that is allocable to the specified premiums you entered on line 1 for the separate trade or business. You can allocate the Step 2 PTC using any reasonable method. One reasonable method is based on enrollment premiums for each plan. Under this method, multiply the Step 2 PTC by a fraction. The numerator of the fraction is the amount of specified premiums you entered on line 1 for the separate trade or business. The denominator of the fraction is the amount on line 11, column (a), or the total of lines 12–23, column (a), of the Step 2 Form 8962.

**Lines 3–6.** Complete these lines for the plan established under the separate trade or business.

**Line 7.** After you complete this line for each trade or business, add the amounts on line 7 for all the trades or businesses. Use the total of the line 7 amounts to complete lines 8–11.

**Line 8–11.** Complete these lines once for all trades or businesses.

### Step 4

Refigure the final PTC on another Form 8962. Complete this Form 8962 through line 29. Attach this Form 8962 to your tax return. When refiguring the PTC, use all enrollment premiums for qualified health plans in which you or any individual in your tax family enrolled. Determine AGI, modified AGI, and household income using the amount from line 11 of the [Step 3 Worksheet](#) as your self-employed health insurance deduction. Use Worksheets 1-1 and 1-2 in the Form 8962 instructions to figure modified AGI and household income.

## Special Instructions for Self-Employed Individuals Who Claim Certain Deductions/Exclusions

The instructions in this section apply to you if you claim any of the following deductions or exclusions.

1. Passive activity losses from rental real estate activities and lines 1d and 4 of Form 8582 are losses.
2. IRA deduction and you (or your spouse if filing a joint return) were covered by a retirement plan at work or through self-employment.
3. Exclusion of interest from series EE and I U.S. savings bonds issued after 1989.
4. Student loan interest deduction.
5. Tuition and fees deduction.
6. Domestic production activities deduction.

Read the following instructions if you are claiming one or more of the deductions/exclusions listed above. Read these instructions **before** you complete the [Iterative Calculation Method](#) or [Simplified Calculation Method](#).

1. The first time you complete the Iterative Calculation Method or Simplified Calculation Method, you do so **without** including any of the deductions/exclusions listed above in AGI, modified AGI, or household income. If you use the Simplified Calculation Method, complete it only through [Step 3](#). Enter “400” on Form 8962, line 5, if you answer “Yes” on Worksheet 2, line 4, in the Form 8962 instructions.
2. After you complete (1), figure the deduction/exclusion using the appropriate form or worksheet in your tax return instructions. When figuring modified AGI on the form or worksheet (or AGI on Form 8903), use as your self-employed health insurance deduction the amount from [Step 6](#) of the Iterative Calculation Method or [Step 3](#) of the Simplified Calculation Method.

If you are claiming more than 1 deduction/exclusion on the list, you **must** figure the deductions/exclusions in the order shown in the list. For example, if you are claiming the student loan interest deduction and the exclusion of interest from series EE and I U.S. savings bonds, you must figure the exclusion of interest from series EE and I U.S. savings bonds first and complete

(3) and (4) or (5) using that deduction. Then you figure the student loan interest deduction, as explained in (5) or at the end of Worksheets Y and Z.

3. Enter the deduction/exclusion you figured in (2) on your tax return.
4. If you completed [Worksheet W](#), complete [Worksheet Y](#) and follow the instructions under line 18 of that Worksheet. Skip (5).
5. If you did not complete [Worksheet W](#), do the following.
  - a. Repeat the [Iterative Calculation Method](#) or [Simplified Calculation Method](#). Use the deduction/exclusion from (2) in any step that requires you to figure AGI, modified AGI, and household income.
  - b. If the amount from (2) is the only deduction/exclusion on the list you are claiming, complete either method through the last step and follow the step instructions for claiming the PTC and self-employed health insurance deduction on your return. Skip (c).
  - c. If the amount from (2) is **not** the only deduction/exclusion on the list you are claiming, complete the [Iterative Calculation Method](#) through Step 6 or the [Simplified Calculation Method](#) through Step 3. Enter “400” on Form 8962, line 5, if you answered “Yes” on Worksheet 2, line 4, in the Form 8962 instructions. Then figure the additional deduction/exclusion using the appropriate form or worksheet in your tax return instructions. When figuring modified AGI on the form or worksheet (or AGI on Form 8903), use as your self-employed health insurance deduction the amount from [Step 6](#) of the Iterative Calculation Method or [Step 3](#) of the Simplified Calculation Method. Then repeat (3) and (5) for each additional deduction/exclusion. Follow (5b) for your final deduction/exclusion.

**Worksheet Y. Refiguring Household Income, the Limitation on Additional Tax, and the Limit Under Section 5.03 of Revenue Procedure 2014-41**

<b>1.</b> Enter the amount from <a href="#">Worksheet W</a> , line 15 .....	<b>1.</b>	<hr/>
<b>2.</b> Enter the deduction or exclusion .....	<b>2.</b>	<hr/>
<b>3.</b> Revised household income. Subtract line 2 from line 1 .....	<b>3.</b>	<hr/>
<b>4.</b> Enter \$600 (\$300 if your filing status is single) .....	<b>4.</b>	<hr/>
<b>5.</b> Subtract line 4 from line 3. If zero or less, enter -0- .....	<b>5.</b>	<hr/>
<b>6.</b> Enter the amount from <a href="#">Worksheet W</a> , line 18b .....	<b>6.</b>	<hr/>
<b>7.</b> Divide line 5 by line 6. If the result is not a whole percentage, do <b>not</b> round. Use only the first two numbers after the decimal point. For example, for .9984, enter the result as 99; for 1.8565, enter the result as 185; for 3.997, enter the result as 399 .....	<b>7.</b>	<hr/> %
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If the result is less than 200, enter the amount from line 4 on line 14. Skip lines 8–13.</li> <li>• If the result is 200 or more, go to line 8.</li> </ul>		
<b>8.</b> Enter \$1,500 (\$750 if your filing status is single) .....	<b>8.</b>	<hr/>
<b>9.</b> Subtract line 8 from line 3. If zero or less, enter -0- .....	<b>9.</b>	<hr/>
<b>10.</b> Divide line 9 by line 6. If the result is not a whole percentage, do <b>not</b> round. Use only the first two numbers after the decimal point. For example, for .9984, enter the result as 99; for 1.8565, enter the result as 185; for 3.997, enter the result as 399 .....	<b>10.</b>	<hr/> %
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If the result is less than 300, enter the amount from line 8 on line 14. Skip lines 11-13.</li> <li>• If the result is 300 or more, go to line 11.</li> </ul>		
<b>11.</b> Enter \$2,500 (\$1,250 if your filing status is single) .....	<b>11.</b>	<hr/>
<b>12.</b> Subtract line 11 from line 3. If zero or less, enter -0- .....	<b>12.</b>	<hr/>
<b>13.</b> Divide line 12 by line 6. If the result is not a whole percentage, do <b>not</b> round. Use only the first two numbers after the decimal point. For example, for .9984, enter the result as 99; for 1.8565, enter the result as 185; for 3.997, enter the result as 399 .....	<b>13.</b>	<hr/> %
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If the result is less than 400, enter the amount from line 11 on line 14.</li> <li>• If the result is 400 or more, enter the amount from <a href="#">Worksheet W</a>, line 6, on line 14.</li> </ul>		
<b>14.</b> Enter the amount you were instructed to enter here by line 7, 10, or 13. Also enter this amount on line 28 of the Form 8962 you attach to your tax return if you are required to complete that line and you do not complete Worksheet Z. Do not enter an amount from Table 5 in the Form 8962 instructions. ....	<b>14.</b>	<hr/>
<b>15.</b> Enter the amount from <a href="#">Worksheet W</a> , line 7 .....	<b>15.</b>	<hr/>
<b>16.</b> Add lines 14 and 15 .....	<b>16.</b>	<hr/>
<b>17.</b> Enter the smaller of line 16 above or line 5 of <a href="#">Worksheet W</a> .....	<b>17.</b>	<hr/>
<b>18.</b> Is line 17 above equal to line 28 of <a href="#">Worksheet W</a> ?	<b>18.</b>	<hr/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes. Skip lines 19–21. Enter the amount from <a href="#">Worksheet X</a> , line 15, on line 22 below. Then see <i>Next</i> under line 22 for further instructions.		
<input type="checkbox"/> No. Go to line 19.		
<b>19.</b> Enter the amount from <a href="#">Worksheet X</a> , line 12 .....	<b>19.</b>	<hr/>
<b>20.</b> Enter the amount from <a href="#">Worksheet X</a> , line 13 .....	<b>20.</b>	<hr/>
<b>21.</b> Enter the smaller of line 17 or line 20 .....	<b>21.</b>	<hr/>
<b>22.</b> Add lines 19 and 21. Then see <i>Next</i> below for further instructions .....	<b>22.</b>	<hr/>
<p><b>Next.</b> Repeat the <a href="#">Iterative Calculation Method</a> or <a href="#">Simplified Calculation Method</a>, whichever applies. In Step 1 of either method, use the amount on line 22 above as your self-employed health insurance deduction. Also use the amount on line 2 above in any step that requires you to figure AGI, modified AGI, and household income. If the amount on line 2 above is the only deduction/exclusion on the list that you are claiming, complete either method through the last step. If you are claiming another deduction/exclusion on the list, do the following.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• When you repeat either method as explained above, complete the Iterative Calculation Method through <a href="#">Step 6</a> or complete the Simplified Calculation Method through <a href="#">Step 3</a>. Enter “400” on Form 8962, line 5, if you answer “Yes” on Worksheet 2, line 4, in the Form 8962 instructions.</li> <li>• Figure the other deduction/exclusion using the appropriate form or the worksheet provided in your tax return instructions. Use the self-employed health insurance deduction you figured in either Step 6 of the Iterative Calculation Method or Step 3 of the Simplified Calculation Method to figure modified AGI for the other deduction/exclusion (or AGI for the domestic production activities deduction).</li> <li>• Then complete <a href="#">Worksheet Z</a>, later, for the other deduction/exclusion.</li> </ul>		

# Worksheet Z. Refiguring Household Income, the Limitation on Additional Tax, and the Limit Under Section 5.03 of Revenue Procedure 2014-41

**Note.** Complete [Worksheet Y](#) before you complete Worksheet Z.

1.	Enter the amount from <a href="#">Worksheet Y</a> , line 3	1.	_____
2.	Enter the deduction or exclusion	2.	_____
3.	Revised household income. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3.	_____
4.	Enter \$600 (\$300 if your filing status is single)	4.	_____
5.	Subtract line 4 from line 3. If zero or less, enter -0-	5.	_____
6.	Enter the amount from <a href="#">Worksheet W</a> , line 18b	6.	_____
7.	Divide line 5 by line 6. If the result is not a whole percentage, do <b>not</b> round. Use only the first two numbers after the decimal point. For example, for .9984, enter the result as 99; for 1.8565, enter the result as 185; for 3.997, enter the result as 399	7.	_____ %
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If the result is less than 200, enter the amount from line 4 on line 14. Skip lines 8–13.</li> <li>• If the result is 200 or more, go to line 8.</li> </ul>		
8.	Enter \$1,500 (\$750 if your filing status is single)	8.	_____
9.	Subtract line 8 from line 3. If zero or less, enter -0-	9.	_____
10.	Divide line 9 by line 6. If the result is not a whole percentage, do <b>not</b> round. Use only the first two numbers after the decimal point. For example, for .9984, enter the result as 99; for 1.8565, enter the result as 185; for 3.997, enter the result as 399	10.	_____ %
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If the result is less than 300, enter the amount from line 8 on line 14. Skip lines 11–13.</li> <li>• If the result is 300 or more, go to line 11.</li> </ul>		
11.	Enter \$2,500 (\$1,250 if your filing status is single)	11.	_____
12.	Subtract line 11 from line 3. If zero or less, enter -0-	12.	_____
13.	Divide line 12 by line 6. If the result is not a whole percentage, do <b>not</b> round. Use only the first two numbers after the decimal point. For example, for .9984, enter the result as 99; for 1.8565, enter the result as 185; for 3.997, enter the result as 399	13.	_____ %
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If the result is less than 400, enter the amount from line 11 on line 14.</li> <li>• If the result is 400 or more, enter the amount from <a href="#">Worksheet W</a>, line 6, on line 14.</li> </ul>		
14.	Enter the amount you were instructed to enter here by line 7, 10, or 13. Also enter this amount on line 28 of the Form 8962 you attach to your tax return if you are required to complete that line. Do not enter an amount from Table 5 in the Form 8962 instructions.	14.	_____
15.	Enter the amount from <a href="#">Worksheet W</a> , line 7	15.	_____
16.	Add lines 14 and 15	16.	_____
17.	Enter the smaller of line 16 above or line 5 of <a href="#">Worksheet W</a>	17.	_____
18.	Is line 17 above equal to line 17 of <a href="#">Worksheet Y</a> ? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes. Skip lines 19–21. Enter the amount from <a href="#">Worksheet Y</a> , line 22, on line 22 below. Then see <i>Next</i> under line 22 for further instructions. <input type="checkbox"/> No. Go to line 19.	18.	_____
19.	Enter the amount from <a href="#">Worksheet X</a> , line 12	19.	_____
20.	Enter the amount from <a href="#">Worksheet X</a> , line 13	20.	_____
21.	Enter the smaller of line 17 or line 20	21.	_____
22.	Add lines 19 and 21. Then see <i>Next</i> below for further instructions	22.	_____
<p><b>Next.</b> Repeat the <a href="#">Iterative Calculation Method</a> or <a href="#">Simplified Calculation Method</a>, whichever applies. In Step 1 of either method, use the amount on line 22 above as your self-employed health insurance deduction. Also use the amounts on line 2 of Worksheets Y and Z in any step that requires you to figure AGI, modified AGI, and household income. If you are not claiming any more deductions/exclusions on the list, complete either method through the last step and follow the step instructions for claiming the PTC and self-employed health insurance deduction on your tax return. If you are claiming another deduction/exclusion on the list, do the following.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• When you repeat either method as explained above, complete the Iterative Calculation Method through <a href="#">Step 6</a> or complete the Simplified Calculation Method through <a href="#">Step 3</a>. Enter “400” on Form 8962, line 5, if you answer “Yes” on Worksheet 2, line 4, in the Form 8962 instructions.</li> <li>• Figure the other deduction/exclusion using the appropriate form or the worksheet provided in your tax return instructions. Use the self-employed health insurance deduction you figured in either Step 6 of the Iterative Calculation Method or Step 3 of the Simplified Calculation Method to figure modified AGI for the other deduction/exclusion (or AGI for the domestic production activities deduction).</li> <li>• Then complete another Worksheet Z for the other deduction/exclusion.</li> </ul>			



## Illustrated Example of the Simplified Calculation Method

The following example illustrates the [Simplified Calculation Method](#).

In 2015, Carla Birch, her husband Jim, and their 2 dependent children enrolled in the applicable SLCSP through the Marketplace. The annual premium was \$12,000, and \$4,200 in APTC was paid for Carla, her husband, and 2 dependent children. All of the premiums are specified premiums. Carla operated a business as a sole proprietorship during the entire year. Carla and Jim are filing a joint Form 1040 (not illustrated). The income and deductions on page 1 of their Form 1040 (excluding line 29) consist of the following.

Jim's salary (Form 1040, line 7) . . . . .	\$56,625
Taxable interest (Form 1040, line 8a) . . . . .	419
Carla's net profit from her business on Schedule C (Form 1040, line 12) . . . . .	30,000
Total income (Form 1040, line 22) . . . . .	87,044
Deductible part of Carla's self-employment tax (Form 1040, line 27) . . . . .	2,119
Carla's qualified retirement plan deduction (Form 1040, line 28) . . . . .	2,500

### Carla's Worksheet W

Because Carla had APTC during the months of self-employment, she begins by completing [Worksheet W](#), Parts I

and III, as shown later. She skips Part II because neither one of her children is required to file a Federal income tax return for 2015.

**Line 1.** Carla enters \$87,044, which is the total income shown on line 22 of her Form 1040. Total income is the sum of Jim's salary, taxable interest, and Carla's net profit.

**Line 4a.** Carla enters \$4,619. This is the total of the deductible part of her self-employment tax and her qualified retirement plan deduction.

**Line 18b.** Carla enters \$23,850. This is the Federal poverty line shown in Table 1-1 in the Form 8962 instructions for a family size of 4.

### Carla's Worksheet X

After completing [Worksheet W](#), Carla completes [Worksheet X](#) to determine how much of the \$10,300 on Worksheet W, line 28, can be used in figuring the first iteration of the PTC under the [Simplified Calculation Method](#). She can use the full \$10,300 as shown on Worksheet X, line 14.

## Carla's Worksheet W. Figuring Household Income and the Limitation on Additional Tax

**Note.** Complete this worksheet only if (1) advance payments of the premium tax credit (APTC) were made to your insurer on your behalf for the months you were self-employed **and** (2) the APTC was paid for a plan for which you are not electing the HCTC.

Part I: Taxpayer's Modified AGI		
1.	Combine the amounts from: • Form 1040, lines 8b, 22, and the excess, if any, of line 20a over line 20b. • Form 1040NR, lines 9b and 23	1. 87,044
<b>Note.</b> See instructions if you are filing Form 8582, 8814, or 8815.		
2.	Enter any amounts from Form 2555, lines 45 and 50, and Form 2555-EZ, line 18	2.
3.	Add lines 1 and 2	3. 87,044
4a.	Enter the total of the amounts from: • Form 1040, lines 23 through 28, 30, and 31a, plus any write-in adjustments you entered on the dotted line next to line 36. • Form 1040NR, lines 24 through 28, 30, and 31, plus any write-in adjustments you entered on the dotted line next to line 35	4a. 4,619
<b>Note.</b> See instructions if you made contributions to a traditional IRA.		
4b.	Enter your self-employed health insurance deduction for nonspecified premiums from <a href="#">Worksheet P</a> , line 3, or Worksheet 6-A, line 14, in chapter 6 of Pub. 535	4b.
5.	Enter specified premiums (see <a href="#">Specified Premiums</a> under <i>Instructions for Worksheet P</i> , earlier)	5. 12,000
6.	Enter APTC attributable to the premiums on line 5 (see instructions)	6. 4,200
7.	Subtract line 6 from line 5	7. 7,800
8.	Add lines 4a, 4b, and 7	8. 12,419
9.	Subtract line 8 from line 3. Then go to Part II if you are claiming dependents on your tax return. If you are not claiming any dependents on your tax return, skip Part II and go to Part III	9. 74,625
Part II: Dependents' Modified AGI		
<b>Note.</b> Lines 10–14 of this part are omitted because Carla's dependent children are not required to file Federal tax returns.		
Part III: Limitation on Additional Tax		
15.	Household income. Add lines 9 and 14	15. 74,625
16.	Enter \$600 (\$300 if your filing status is single)	16. 600
17.	Subtract line 16 from line 15. If zero or less, enter -0-	17. 74,025
18a.	Enter the number of exemptions from Form 1040, line 6d, or Form 1040NR, line 7d	18a. 4
18b.	Enter the Federal poverty line amount as determined by the family size on line 18a and Federal poverty Table 1-1, 1-2, or 1-3 for your state of residence during 2015 in the Form 8962 instructions	18b. 23,850
19.	Divide line 17 by line 18b. If the result is not a whole percentage, do <b>not</b> round. Use only the first two numbers after the decimal point. For example, for .9984, enter the result as 99; for 1.8565, enter the result as 185; for 3.997, enter the result as 399 • If the result is less than 200, enter the amount from line 16 on line 26. Skip lines 20–25. • If the result is 200 or more, go to line 20.	19. 310%
20.	Enter \$1,500 (\$750 if your filing status is single)	20. 1,500
21.	Subtract line 20 from line 15. If zero or less, enter -0-	21. 73,125
22.	Divide line 21 by line 18b. If the result is not a whole percentage, do <b>not</b> round. Use only the first two numbers after the decimal point. For example, for .9984, enter the result as 99; for 1.8565, enter the result as 185; for 3.997, enter the result as 399 • If the result is less than 300, enter the amount from line 20 on line 26. Skip lines 23–25. • If the result is 300 or more, go to line 23.	22. 306%
23.	Enter \$2,500 (\$1,250 if your filing status is single)	23. 2,500
24.	Subtract line 23 from line 15. If zero or less, enter -0-	24. 72,125
25.	Divide line 24 by line 18b. If the result is not a whole percentage, do <b>not</b> round. Use only the first two numbers after the decimal point. For example, for .9984, enter the result as 99; for 1.8565, enter the result as 185; for 3.997, enter the result as 399 • If the result is less than 400, enter the amount from line 23 on line 26. • If the result is 400 or more, enter the amount from line 6 on line 26.	25. 302%
26.	Enter the amount you were instructed to enter here by line 19, 22, or 25	26. 2,500
27.	Add lines 7 and 26.	27. 10,300
28.	Enter the smaller of line 5 or line 27. Then go to <a href="#">Worksheet X</a>	28. 10,300

## Carla's Worksheet X. Figuring the Limit Under Section 5.03 of Revenue Procedure 2014-41

1.	Enter the amount from <a href="#">Worksheet W</a> , line 28. If you did <b>not</b> complete Worksheet W, enter your specified premiums. See <a href="#">Specified Premiums</a> under <i>Instructions for Worksheet P</i> , earlier . . . . .	1.	10,300
2.	Enter your net profit* and any other earned income** from the business under which the qualified health plan is established. Do not include Conservation Reserve Program payments exempt from self-employment tax. If the business is an S corporation, skip to line 9 . . . . .	2.	30,000
3.	Enter the total of all net profits* from: Schedule C (Form 1040), line 31; Schedule C-EZ (Form 1040), line 3; Schedule F (Form 1040), line 34; or Schedule K-1 (Form 1065), box 14, code A; plus any other income allocable to the profitable businesses. Do not include Conservation Reserve Program payments exempt from self-employment tax. See the Instructions for Schedule SE (Form 1040). <b>Do not</b> include any net losses shown on these schedules . . . . .	3.	30,000
4.	Divide line 2 by line 3 . . . . .	4.	1.0
5.	Multiply line 27 of Form 1040 or Form 1040NR by line 4 . . . . .	5.	2,119
6.	Subtract line 5 from line 2 . . . . .	6.	27,881
7.	Enter the amount, if any, from line 28 of Form 1040 or Form 1040NR, attributable to the same business for which the qualified health plan is established . . . . .	7.	2,500
8.	Subtract line 7 from line 6 . . . . .	8.	25,381
9.	Enter your Medicare wages (Form W-2, box 5) from an S corporation in which you are a more-than-2% shareholder and in which the qualified health plan is established . . . . .	9.	
10.	Enter any amount from Form 2555, line 45, attributable to the amount entered on line 2 or line 9 above, or any amount from Form 2555-EZ, line 18, attributable to the amount entered on line 9 above . . . . . <b>Note.</b> If you are not filing Form 2555 or 2555-EZ, enter -0-.	10.	0
11.	Subtract line 10 from line 8 or 9, whichever applies . . . . .	11.	25,381
12.	Enter your self-employed health insurance deduction for nonspecified premiums from <a href="#">Worksheet P</a> , line 3, or Worksheet 6-A, line 14, in chapter 6 of Pub. 535 . . . . .	12.	
13.	Subtract line 12 from line 11 . . . . .	13.	25,381
14.	Enter the smaller of line 1 or line 13 . . . . .	14.	10,300
15.	Add lines 12 and 14. Then use one of the methods that follow to figure the PTC and the self-employed health insurance deduction for specified premiums . . . . .	15.	10,300

\*If you used either optional method to figure your net earnings from self-employment, do not enter your net profit. Instead, enter the amount from Schedule SE, Section B, line 4b.

\*\***Earned income** includes net earnings and gains from the sale, transfer, or licensing of property you created. However, it does not include capital gain income. If you were a more-than-2% shareholder in the S corporation under which the insurance plan is established, earned income is your Medicare wages (box 5 of Form W-2) from that corporation.

### The Simplified Calculation Method for Carla

**Step 1.** Carla figures her AGI, modified AGI, and household income using \$10,300 as the self-employed health insurance deduction. (She does **not** enter \$10,300 on Form 1040, line 29.) Her AGI is \$72,125, figured as follows.

Total income from Form 1040, line 22 . . . . .	\$87,044
Minus: deductible part of self-employment tax . . . . .	(2,119)
Minus: qualified retirement plan deduction . . . . .	(2,500)
Minus: self-employed health insurance deduction from Worksheet X, line 15 . . . . .	(10,300)
Equals: AGI . . . . .	72,125

Carla uses this AGI amount on Worksheet 1-1. Taxpayer's Modified AGI Worksheet—Line 2a (not illustrated) in the Form 8962 instructions to figure her modified AGI and household income. Her modified AGI and household income are each \$72,125, the same as her AGI figured in this Step 1.

**Step 2.** Carla figures the total PTC on Form 8962 using the modified AGI and household income figured in Step 1. This [Form 8962](#) is shown later in this publication for purposes of illustration and labeled "Carla's Step 2 PTC." She completes this Form 8962 only through line 24. She uses

the total PTC shown on line 24 (\$5,105) to figure the self-employed health insurance deduction in [Step 3](#), later. She does **not** attach this Form 8962 to her tax return.

**Step 3.** Carla completes the following worksheet to figure the self-employed health insurance deduction she will enter on Form 1040, line 29.

**Carla's Step 3 Worksheet**

1.	Enter the amount from <a href="#">Worksheet W</a> , line 5. If you did not complete Worksheet W, enter the amount from <a href="#">Worksheet X</a> , line 1	1.	12,000
<b>Caution:</b> <i>If the amounts on lines 12–23, column (e), of your Step 2 Form 8962 are not the same for each month and you had specified premiums for less than 12 months, skip lines 2–5 below and enter on line 6 the total of those column (e) amounts for the months you paid specified premiums.</i>			
2.	Enter the total PTC (Form 8962, line 24) you figured in <a href="#">Step 2</a> , earlier	2.	5,105
3.	Enter the number of months in 2015 for which specified premiums were paid	3.	12
<b>Note.</b> Self-employment for part of a month counts as a full month of self-employment.			
4.	Enter the number of months someone in your coverage family was enrolled in the qualified health plan	4.	12
5.	Divide line 3 by line 4	5.	1.0
6.	Multiply line 5 by line 2	6.	5,105
7.	Subtract line 6 from line 1	7.	6,895
8.	Enter the amount from <a href="#">Worksheet X</a> , line 14	8.	10,300
9.	Enter the smaller of line 7 or line 8	9.	6,895
10.	Enter the amount from <a href="#">Worksheet X</a> , line 12	10.	0
11.	Add lines 9 and 10. Use this amount as your self-employed health insurance deduction in <a href="#">Step 4</a> next. Also enter this amount on line 29 of Form 1040 or Form 1040NR	11.	6,895

**Step 4.** Carla refigures the final PTC on another Form 8962. This [Form 8962](#) is shown later in this publication for purposes of illustration and is labeled “Carla’s Step 4 PTC.” Carla figures AGI, modified AGI, and household income using the amount from line 11 of the [Step 3 Worksheet](#) as her self-employed health insurance deduction. Her AGI is \$75,530, figured as follows.

Total income from Form 1040, line 22	\$87,044
Minus: deductible part of self-employment tax	(2,119)
Minus: qualified retirement plan deduction	(2,500)
Minus: self-employed health insurance deduction from line 11 of the Step 3 Worksheet	(6,895)
Equals: AGI	75,530

Carla uses this AGI amount on Worksheet 1-1. Taxpayer’s Modified AGI Worksheet—Line 2a (not illustrated) in the Form 8962 instructions to refigure her modified AGI and household income. Her modified AGI and household income are each \$75,530, the same as her AGI figured above.

Carla completes Form 8962 through line 26. She enters the amount from line 26 (\$579) on Form 1040, line 69, and attaches Form 8962.



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Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

▶ Attach to Form 1040, 1040A, or 1040NR.

▶ Information about Form 8962 and its separate instructions is at [www.irs.gov/form8962](http://www.irs.gov/form8962).

Name shown on your return

Your social security number

Carla and Jim Birch

000-00-0000

You cannot claim the PTC if your filing status is married filing separately unless you are eligible for an exception (see instructions). If you qualify, check the box.

**Part I Annual and Monthly Contribution Amount**

<b>1</b>	Tax family size. Enter the number of exemptions from Form 1040 or Form 1040A, line 6d, or Form 1040NR, line 7d	<b>1</b>	4
<b>2a</b>	Modified AGI. Enter your modified AGI (see instructions)	<b>2a</b>	72,125
<b>2b</b>	Enter the total of your dependents' modified AGI (see instructions)	<b>2b</b>	
<b>3</b>	Household income. Add the amounts on lines 2a and 2b	<b>3</b>	72,125
<b>4</b>	Federal poverty line. Enter the federal poverty line amount from Table 1-1, 1-2, or 1-3 (see instructions). Check the appropriate box for the federal poverty table used. a <input type="checkbox"/> Alaska b <input type="checkbox"/> Hawaii c <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other 48 states and DC	<b>4</b>	23,850
<b>5</b>	Household income as a percentage of federal poverty line (see instructions)	<b>5</b>	302 %
<b>6</b>	Did you enter 401% on line 5? (See instructions if you entered less than 100%) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>No.</b> Continue to line 7. <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes.</b> You are not eligible to receive PTC. If advance payment of the PTC was made, see the instructions for how to report your excess advance PTC repayment amount.		
<b>7</b>	Applicable Figure. Using your line 5 percentage, locate your "applicable figure" on the table in the instructions	<b>7</b>	.0956
<b>8a</b>	Annual contribution amount. Multiply line 3 by line 7	<b>8a</b>	6,895
<b>8b</b>	Monthly contribution amount. Divide line 8a by 12. Round to whole dollar amount	<b>8b</b>	575

**Part II Premium Tax Credit Claim and Reconciliation of Advance Payment of Premium Tax Credit**

- 9** Are you allocating policy amounts with another taxpayer or do you want to use the alternative calculation for year of marriage (see instructions)?  
 **Yes.** Skip to Part IV, Shared Policy Allocation, or Part V, Alternative Calculation for Year of Marriage.  **No.** Continue to line 10.
- 10** See the instructions to determine if you can use line 11 or must complete lines 12 through 23.  
 **Yes.** Continue to line 11. Compute your annual PTC. Then skip lines 12-23 and continue to line 24.  
 **No.** Continue to lines 12-23. Compute your monthly PTC and continue to line 24.

Annual Calculation	(a) Annual enrollment premiums (Form(s) 1095-A, line 33a)	(b) Annual applicable SLCSP premium (Form(s) 1095-A, line 33b)	(c) Annual contribution amount (line 8a)	(d) Annual maximum premium assistance (subtract (c) from (b), if zero or less, enter -0-)	(e) Annual premium tax credit allowed (smaller of (a) or (d))	(f) Annual advance payment of PTC (Form (s) 1095-A, line 33c)	
<b>11</b> Annual Totals	12,000	12,000	6,895	5,105	5,105	4,200	
Monthly Calculation	(a) Monthly enrollment premiums (Form(s) 1095-A, lines 21-32, column a)	(b) Monthly applicable SLCSP premium (Form (s) 1095-A, lines 21-32, column b)	(c) Monthly contribution amount (amount from line 8b or alternative marriage monthly contribution)	(d) Monthly maximum premium assistance (subtract (c) from (b), if zero or less, enter -0-)	(e) Monthly premium tax credit allowed (smaller of (a) or (d))	(f) Monthly advance payment of PTC (Form(s) 1095-A, lines 21-32, column c)	
<b>12</b> January							
<b>13</b> February							
<b>14</b> March							
<b>15</b> April							
<b>16</b> May							
<b>17</b> June							
<b>18</b> July							
<b>19</b> August							
<b>20</b> September							
<b>21</b> October							
<b>22</b> November							
<b>23</b> December							
<b>24</b>	Total premium tax credit. Enter the amount from line 11(e) or add lines 12(e) through 23(e) and enter the total here					<b>24</b>	5,105
<b>25</b>	Advance payment of PTC. Enter the amount from line 11(f) or add lines 12(f) through 23(f) and enter the total here					<b>25</b>	
<b>26</b>	Net premium tax credit. If line 24 is greater than line 25, subtract line 25 from line 24. Enter the difference here and on Form 1040, line 69; Form 1040A, line 45; or Form 1040NR, line 65. If you elected the alternative calculation for marriage, enter zero. If line 24 equals line 25, enter zero. Stop here. If line 25 is greater than line 24, leave this line blank and continue to line 27					<b>26</b>	

**Part III Repayment of Excess Advance Payment of the Premium Tax Credit**

<b>27</b>	Excess advance payment of PTC. If line 25 is greater than line 24, subtract line 24 from line 25. Enter the difference here	<b>27</b>	
<b>28</b>	Repayment limitation (see instructions)	<b>28</b>	
<b>29</b>	Excess advance premium tax credit repayment. Enter the smaller of line 27 or line 28 here and on Form 1040, line 46; Form 1040A, line 29; or Form 1040NR, line 44	<b>29</b>	

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Form **8962** (2015)

Form **8962**  
 Department of the Treasury  
 Internal Revenue Service  
 Name shown on your return  
 Carla and Jim Birch

**Premium Tax Credit (PTC)**

► Attach to Form 1040, 1040A, or 1040NR.  
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 Sequence No. 73

Your social security number  
 000-00-0000

You cannot claim the PTC if your filing status is married filing separately unless you are eligible for an exception (see instructions). If you qualify, check the box.

**Part I Annual and Monthly Contribution Amount**

<b>1</b>	Tax family size. Enter the number of exemptions from Form 1040 or Form 1040A, line 6d, or Form 1040NR, line 7d	<b>1</b>	4
<b>2a</b>	Modified AGI. Enter your modified AGI (see instructions) <b>2a</b> 75,530	<b>2b</b>	Enter the total of your dependents' modified AGI (see instructions)
<b>3</b>	Household income. Add the amounts on lines 2a and 2b	<b>3</b>	75,530
<b>4</b>	Federal poverty line. Enter the federal poverty line amount from Table 1-1, 1-2, or 1-3 (see instructions). Check the appropriate box for the federal poverty table used. <b>a</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Alaska <b>b</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Hawaii <b>c</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other 48 states and DC	<b>4</b>	23,850
<b>5</b>	Household income as a percentage of federal poverty line (see instructions)	<b>5</b>	316 %
<b>6</b>	Did you enter 401% on line 5? (See instructions if you entered less than 100%. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>No.</b> Continue to line 7. <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Yes.</b> You are not eligible to receive PTC. If advance payment of the PTC was made, see the instructions for how to report your excess advance PTC repayment amount.		
<b>7</b>	Applicable Figure. Using your line 5 percentage, locate your "applicable figure" on the table in the instructions	<b>7</b>	.0956
<b>8a</b>	Annual contribution amount. Multiply line 3 by line 7 <b>8a</b> 7,221	<b>8b</b>	Monthly contribution amount. Divide line 8a by 12. Round to whole dollar amount <b>8b</b> 602

**Part II Premium Tax Credit Claim and Reconciliation of Advance Payment of Premium Tax Credit**

- 9** Are you allocating policy amounts with another taxpayer or do you want to use the alternative calculation for year of marriage (see instructions)?  
 **Yes.** Skip to Part IV, Shared Policy Allocation, or Part V, Alternative Calculation for Year of Marriage.  **No.** Continue to line 10.
- 10** See the instructions to determine if you can use line 11 or must complete lines 12 through 23.  
 **Yes.** Continue to line 11. Compute your annual PTC. Then skip lines 12-23 and continue to line 24.  
 **No.** Continue to lines 12-23. Compute your monthly PTC and continue to line 24.

Annual Calculation	(a) Annual enrollment premiums (Form(s) 1095-A, line 33a)	(b) Annual applicable SLCSP premium (Form(s) 1095-A, line 33b)	(c) Annual contribution amount (line 8a)	(d) Annual maximum premium assistance (subtract (c) from (b), if zero or less, enter -0-)	(e) Annual premium tax credit allowed (smaller of (a) or (d))	(f) Annual advance payment of PTC (Form (s) 1095-A, line 33c)	
<b>11 Annual Totals</b>	12,000	12,000	7,221	4,779	4,779	4,200	
Monthly Calculation	(a) Monthly enrollment premiums (Form(s) 1095-A, lines 21-32, column a)	(b) Monthly applicable SLCSP premium (Form (s) 1095-A, lines 21-32, column b)	(c) Monthly contribution amount (amount from line 8b or alternative marriage monthly contribution)	(d) Monthly maximum premium assistance (subtract (c) from (b), if zero or less, enter -0-)	(e) Monthly premium tax credit allowed (smaller of (a) or (d))	(f) Monthly advance payment of PTC (Form(s) 1095-A, lines 21-32, column c)	
<b>12 January</b>							
<b>13 February</b>							
<b>14 March</b>							
<b>15 April</b>							
<b>16 May</b>							
<b>17 June</b>							
<b>18 July</b>							
<b>19 August</b>							
<b>20 September</b>							
<b>21 October</b>							
<b>22 November</b>							
<b>23 December</b>							
<b>24</b>	Total premium tax credit. Enter the amount from line 11(e) or add lines 12(e) through 23(e) and enter the total here					<b>24</b>	4,779
<b>25</b>	Advance payment of PTC. Enter the amount from line 11(f) or add lines 12(f) through 23(f) and enter the total here					<b>25</b>	4,200
<b>26</b>	Net premium tax credit. If line 24 is greater than line 25, subtract line 25 from line 24. Enter the difference here and on Form 1040, line 69; Form 1040A, line 45; or Form 1040NR, line 65. If you elected the alternative calculation for marriage, enter zero. If line 24 equals line 25, enter zero. Stop here. If line 25 is greater than line 24, leave this line blank and continue to line 27					<b>26</b>	579

**Part III Repayment of Excess Advance Payment of the Premium Tax Credit**

<b>27</b>	Excess advance payment of PTC. If line 25 is greater than line 24, subtract line 24 from line 25. Enter the difference here	<b>27</b>	
<b>28</b>	Repayment limitation (see instructions)	<b>28</b>	
<b>29</b>	Excess advance premium tax credit repayment. Enter the smaller of line 27 or line 28 here and on Form 1040, line 46; Form 1040A, line 29; or Form 1040NR, line 44	<b>29</b>	

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## How To Get Tax Help

If you have questions about a tax issue, need help preparing your tax return, or want to download free publications, forms, or instructions, go to [IRS.gov](http://IRS.gov) and find resources that can help you right away.

**Preparing and filing your tax return.** Find free options to prepare and file your return on [IRS.gov](http://IRS.gov) or in your local community if you qualify.

- Go to [IRS.gov](http://IRS.gov) and click on the Filing tab to see your options.
- Enter “Free File” in the search box to see whether you can use brand-name software to prepare and *e-file* your federal tax return for free.
- Enter “VITA” in the search box, download the free IRS2Go app, or call 1-800-906-9887 to find the nearest Volunteer Income Tax Assistance or Tax Counseling for the Elderly (TCE) location for free tax preparation.
- Enter “TCE” in the search box, download the free IRS2Go app, or call 1-888-227-7669 to find the nearest Tax Counseling for the Elderly location for free tax preparation.

The Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program offers free tax help to people who generally make \$54,000 or less, persons with disabilities, the elderly, and limited-English-speaking taxpayers who need help preparing their own tax returns. The Tax Counseling for the Elderly (TCE) program offers free tax help for all taxpayers, particularly those who are 60 years of age and older. TCE volunteers specialize in answering questions about pensions and retirement-related issues unique to seniors.



**Getting answers to your tax law questions.** On [IRS.gov](http://IRS.gov), get answers to your tax questions anytime, anywhere.

- Go to [www.irs.gov/Help-&-Resources](http://www.irs.gov/Help-&-Resources) for a variety of tools that will help you with your taxes.
- Enter “ITA” in the search box on [IRS.gov](http://IRS.gov) for the Interactive Tax Assistant, a tool that will ask you questions on a number of tax law topics and provide answers. You can print the entire interview and the final response.
- Enter “Pub 17” in the search box on [IRS.gov](http://IRS.gov) to get Pub. 17, Your Federal Income Tax for Individuals, which features details on tax-saving opportunities, 2015 tax changes, and thousands of interactive links to help you find answers to your questions.
- Additionally, you may be able to access tax law information in your electronic filing software.

**Tax forms and publications.** You can download or print all of the forms and publications you may need on [www.irs.gov/formspubs](http://www.irs.gov/formspubs). Otherwise, you can go to [www.irs.gov/orderforms](http://www.irs.gov/orderforms) to place an order and have forms

mailed to you. You should receive your order within 10 business days.

**Direct Deposit.** The fastest way to receive a tax refund is by combining direct deposit and *IRS e-file*. Direct deposit securely and electronically transfers your refund directly into your financial account. Eight in 10 taxpayers use direct deposit to receive their refund. The majority of refunds are received within 21 days or less.

**Getting a transcript or copy of a return.**

- Go to [IRS.gov](http://IRS.gov) and click on “Get Transcript of Your Tax Records” under “Tools.”
- Call the transcript toll-free line at 1-800-908-9946.
- Mail Form 4506-T or Form 4506T-EZ (both available on [IRS.gov](http://IRS.gov)).

**Using online tools to help prepare your return.** Go to [IRS.gov](http://IRS.gov) and click on the Tools bar to use these and other self-service options.

- The [Earned Income Tax Credit Assistant](#) determines if you are eligible for the EIC.
- The [Online EIN Application](#) helps you get an employer identification number.
- The [IRS Withholding Calculator](#) estimates the amount you should have withheld from your paycheck for federal income tax purposes.
- The [Electronic Filing PIN Request](#) helps to verify your identity when you do not have your prior year AGI or prior year self-selected PIN available.
- The [First Time Homebuyer Credit Account Look-up](#) tool provides information on your repayments and account balance.

For help with the alternative minimum tax, go to [IRS.gov/AMT](http://IRS.gov/AMT).

**Understanding identity theft issues.**

- Go to [www.irs.gov/uac/Identity-Protection](http://www.irs.gov/uac/Identity-Protection) for information and videos.
- If your SSN has been lost or stolen or you suspect you are a victim of tax-related identity theft, visit [www.irs.gov/identitytheft](http://www.irs.gov/identitytheft) to learn what steps you should take.

**Checking on the status of a refund.**

- Go to [www.irs.gov/refunds](http://www.irs.gov/refunds).
- Download the free IRS2Go app to your smart phone and use it to check your refund status.
- Call the automated refund hotline at 1-800-829-1954.

**Making a tax payment.** The IRS uses the latest encryption technology so electronic payments are safe and secure. You can make electronic payments online, by phone, or from a mobile device. Paying electronically is quick, easy, and faster than mailing in a check or money

order. Go to [www.irs.gov/payments](http://www.irs.gov/payments) to make a payment using any of the following options.

- **IRS Direct Pay** (for individual taxpayers who have a checking or savings account).
- **Debit or credit card** (approved payment processors online or by phone).
- **Electronic Funds Withdrawal** (available during *e-file*).
- **Electronic Federal Tax Payment System** (best option for businesses; enrollment required).
- **Check or money order.**

IRS2Go provides access to mobile-friendly payment options like IRS Direct Pay, offering you a free, secure way to pay directly from your bank account. You can also make debit or credit card payments through an approved payment processor. Simply download IRS2Go from Google Play, the Apple App Store, or the Amazon Appstore, and make your payments anytime, anywhere.

**What if I can't pay now?** Click on the "Pay Your Tax Bill" icon on IRS.gov for more information about these additional options.

- Apply for an [online payment agreement](#) to meet your tax obligation in monthly installments if you cannot pay your taxes in full today. Once you complete the online process, you will receive immediate notification of whether your agreement has been approved.
- An offer in compromise allows you to settle your tax debt for less than the full amount you owe. Use the [Offer in Compromise Pre-Qualifier](#) to confirm your eligibility.

**Checking the status of an amended return.** Go to IRS.gov and click on the Tools tab and then [Where's My Amended Return?](#)

**Understanding an IRS notice or letter.** Enter "Understanding your notice" in the search box on IRS.gov to find additional information about your IRS notice or letter.

**Visiting the IRS.** Locate the nearest Taxpayer Assistance Center using the Office Locator tool on IRS.gov. Enter "office locator" in the search box. Or choose the "Contact Us" option on the IRS2Go app and search Local Offices. Before you visit, use the Locator tool to check hours and services available.

**Watching IRS videos.** The IRS Video portal [www.irsvideos.gov](http://www.irsvideos.gov) contains video and audio presentations for individuals, small businesses, and tax professionals. You'll find video clips of tax topics, archived versions of panel discussions and Webinars, and audio archives of tax practitioner phone forums.

**Getting tax information in other languages.** For taxpayers whose native language is not English, we have the following resources available.

1. Taxpayers can find information on IRS.gov in the following languages.

- a. [Spanish.](#)
- b. [Chinese.](#)
- c. [Vietnamese.](#)
- d. [Korean.](#)
- e. [Russian.](#)

2. The IRS Taxpayer Assistance Centers provide over-the-phone interpreter service in over 170 languages, and the service is available free to taxpayers.

## The Taxpayer Advocate Service Is Here To Help You

### What is the Taxpayer Advocate Service?

The Taxpayer Advocate Service (TAS) is an **independent** organization within the Internal Revenue Service that helps taxpayers and protects taxpayer rights. Our job is to ensure that every taxpayer is treated fairly and that you know and understand your rights under the [Taxpayer Bill of Rights](#).

### What Can the Taxpayer Advocate Service Do For You?

We can help you resolve problems that you can't resolve with the IRS. And our service is free. If you qualify for our assistance, you will be assigned to one advocate who will work with you throughout the process and will do everything possible to resolve your issue. TAS can help you if:

- Your problem is causing financial difficulty for you, your family, or your business,
- You face (or your business is facing) an immediate threat of adverse action, or
- You've tried repeatedly to contact the IRS but no one has responded, or the IRS hasn't responded by the date promised.

### How Can You Reach Us?

We have offices [in every state, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico](#). Your local advocate's number is in your local directory and at [www.taxpayeradvocate.irs.gov](http://www.taxpayeradvocate.irs.gov). You can also call us at 1-877-777-4778.

### How Can You Learn About Your Taxpayer Rights?

The Taxpayer Bill of Rights describes ten basic rights that all taxpayers have when dealing with the IRS. Our Tax Toolkit at [www.taxpayeradvocate.irs.gov](http://www.taxpayeradvocate.irs.gov) can help you understand [what these rights mean to you](#) and how they apply. These are **your** rights. Know them. Use them.



## **How Else Does the Taxpayer Advocate Service Help Taxpayers?**

TAS works to resolve large-scale problems that affect many taxpayers. If you know of one of these broad issues, please report it to us at [www.irs.gov/sams](http://www.irs.gov/sams).

## **Low Income Taxpayer Clinics**

Low Income Taxpayer Clinics (LITCs) serve individuals whose income is below a certain level and need to resolve

tax problems such as audits, appeals, and tax collection disputes. Some clinics can provide information about taxpayer rights and responsibilities in different languages for individuals who speak English as a second language. To find a clinic near you, visit [www.irs.gov/litc](http://www.irs.gov/litc) or see IRS Publication 4134, [Low Income Taxpayer Clinic List](#).



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