



# Tax Preparation Help for Consumers

Reporting healthcare coverage is now an integral part of the tax preparation process, but many individuals may still be unsure how to report their health insurance plan coverage appropriately. It is more important than ever that individuals file their taxes with the correct information, especially when receiving assistance to pay for their health care.

California taxpayers have many safeguards if they use a trained and licensed professional. California is one of the few states requiring licensed or registered tax preparers.

That is why, in partnership with the California Tax Education Council and other tax preparation organizations, Covered California is providing this resource to help individuals find licensed or registered tax preparers. See below to find a licensed or registered tax preparer, low-cost tax preparation services, or information about the impact healthcare coverage has on taxes.

## Resources:

**California Tax Education Council:** <https://www.ctec.org/>

- Find trained, licensed, and registered tax professionals

**Board of Equalization:** [www.boe.ca.gov](http://www.boe.ca.gov)

- Tax e-filing for businesses

**Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA):** <http://irs.treasury.gov/freetaxprep/>

- Find free help from tax preparers for those who make \$67,000 or less, persons with disabilities, the elderly, and limited English-speaking taxpayers

**CA Board of Accountancy:** <http://www.dca.ca.gov/cba/consumers/select-a-cpa.shtml>

- How to Select a CPA

**Franchise Tax Board:** <https://www.ftb.ca.gov/>

- E-File a tax return, form instructions, pay taxes, find free tax help

**TurboTax:** <https://turbotax.intuit.com/>

- Calculator, resources, and support

**H&R Block:** <https://www.hrblock.com/tax-center/healthcare/>

- Informational webpage