

# HUSKY Update

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# 1095-B Tax Forms

## Update

**Form 1095-B Health Coverage**  VOID  CORRECTED 560115  
OMB No. 1545-2252  
**2015**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service  
Information about Form 1095-B and its separate instructions is at [www.irs.gov/form1095b](http://www.irs.gov/form1095b).

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**Part II Employer Sponsored Coverage (see instructions)**

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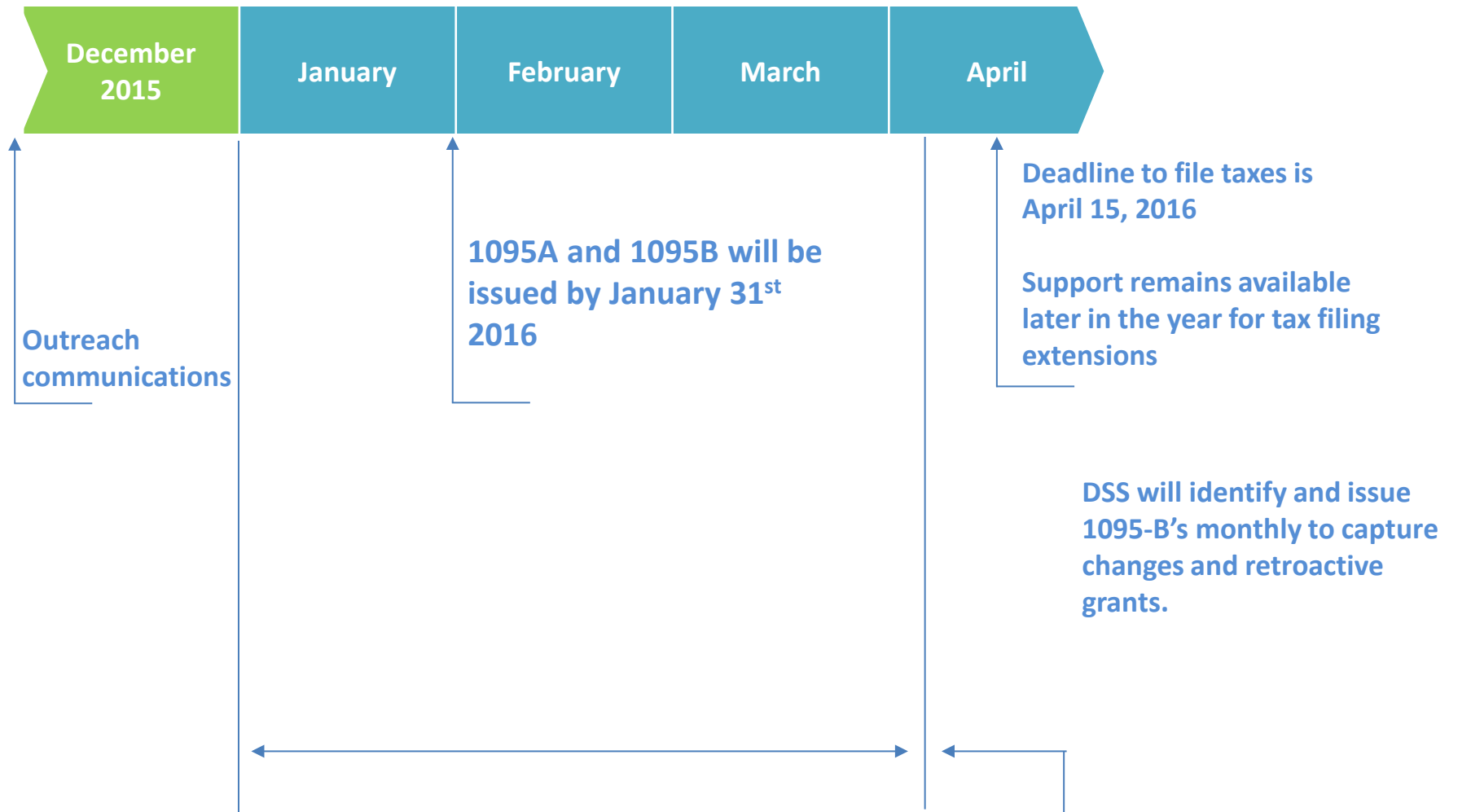
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- In early December 2015, DSS sent a heads up flyer to HUSKY Health recipients about the new 1095-B form.
- On 12/14/15 stood up a call center to receive inquiries about the new form. DSS contracted with Xerox for this service.
- DSS staff were on site, full time, in the main call center two weeks following the mailing. DSS are also on-site daily supporting escalations. Call volume has been low.
- Staggered over the last week of January 2016, DSS mailed out over 640,000 1095-B forms to 2015 HUSKY Health members and authorized representatives. This includes HUSKY A, B, C and D.
  - Only members of programs considered to provide “minimal essential coverage” or “MEC” received a form. Programs not considered to be MEC are those with limited benefits such as Family Planning or TB.

- In addition to issuing 1095-B forms to households, DSS is required to electronically submit the same information to the Internal Revenue Service via 1094 file.
  - This file will be sent at the end of March
  - The 1095-B form is in effect a consumer's copy of their details on that file.
- The 1095-B form does **not** have to be submitted with a consumer's tax filing as the IRS is using the data from 1094 file. The form is for the consumer's records.
- The 1095-B form should **not** be returned to DSS.

- HUSKY B Band 3 (non-CHIP buy-in program) will get **Individual Exemption Certificates** as officially it is not a MEC, without certification from CMS.
  - Since the program ended as a result of state legislation last year, DSS did not seek certification as MEC.
  - Instead, DSS got permission from CMS to directly mail an Exemption Certification, i.e., we are skipping the exemption application step.
  - Mailing will arrive in an Access Health CT envelope and will include an explanatory cover letter. It is expected to be mailed by March 1<sup>st</sup>.
  - Affects around 400 children.
  
- Expecting an increase in call volume and activity as we get closer to the tax filing deadline.
  - Lost forms
  - Address updates
  - Questions
  - Etc.

# Timeline



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- For frequently asked questions on 1095-B, go to: [www.ct.gov/dss/taxformguide](http://www.ct.gov/dss/taxformguide)
- Out toll-free number is: **1-844-503-6871**

# Thank You!

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