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**Come for the Shopping, Leave with Health Care Coverage**

*Staff from Reproductive Clinic reaches out to uninsured student population at Holiday Market*

Staff from the Laramie Reproductive Health Clinic (LRH) will be on site at the University of Wyoming's Holiday Market to help uninsured students get health care coverage in time for the 2015. They will be located at a table in the breezeway on December 5 from 8 am to 5 pm.

Open Enrollment for the Marketplace Insurance began Saturday, November 15. Consumers can enroll themselves online, but they can also make use of trained staff known as Navigators and Certified Application Counselors (CACs) to help them through the process. Navigators and CACs are trained to answer questions or educate consumers objectively on the Affordable Care Act and the health coverage options it provides. Both a Navigator and a CAC will be available at the Holiday Market to assist consumers.

This is the first year LRH has had staff available to provide these types of services to the Laramie Community. They won a competitive grant earlier this year to help address the young, uninsured population that currently exists in Albany County.

"We believe that the Affordable Care Act will greatly impact Albany County and the State of Wyoming," said LRH Outreach Coordinator Scott Cheney. "We are excited to be a part of the team that is offering affordable health insurance solutions to the communities of Wyoming." Scott Cheney is a Navigator for the state of Wyoming and will be one of the staff members present at the December 5 event.

Consumers who decide to enroll at this event will have coverage starting January 1, 2015. Those interested should bring a valid email address, social security numbers, birth dates, household income information and any current health insurance policies.

Albany County had an uninsured rate of 16% in 2013 according to a study from data firm Civis Analytics. That number dropped to 12% during the last Open Enrollment period.

The Holiday Market happens December 5 in the Wyoming Union Ballroom from 9 am to 5pm. For more information on this event visit [uwyo.edu](http://uwyo.edu). For more on Laramie Reproductive Health, visit their website at [laramiereproductivehealth.org](http://laramiereproductivehealth.org).

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