CODE RED: Obamacare After One-Month of Enrollment

Enrollments into Obamacare Exchanges from Oct 1-Nov. 2, 2013:

- The House Ways and Means Committee has this good breakdown:
  - HHS official projections for October: 494,620
  - Inflated “enrollment” numbers for October: 106,185
  - Inflated “enrollment” numbers for October in state-run Exchanges: 79,391
  - Inflated “enrollment” numbers for October in federally-run Exchange: 26,794

- The numbers show that, in states with the federally-run Exchange, on average, there were only 23 people per day that enrolled during the first month.

- In the first month of the exchanges, 106,185 individuals selected an insurance plan from a federal or state exchange, which includes people who have and have not paid their first premium.

- Overall:
  - HHS says 396,261 people have been determined to be eligible for Medicaid or CHIP. This means that for every 3.7 people added to Medicaid/CHIP, only 1 person enrolled in private coverage.
  - 502,446 is the total number of people enrolled in a private plan or who are eligible for Medicaid/CHIP.
  - Only 10% of people who were determined to be eligible for a marketplace plan have actually selected a plan –4% within federal marketplace, and 21% within state-based marketplaces.

- 74% of applications were completed online, 26% were filled out on paper

- HHS says “the marketplaces have helped a total of 1,477,853 persons by determining or assessing that they are either eligible to enroll in a marketplace plan, Medicaid, or CHIP.” However, only 34% of people they claim they have helped have actually selected a private insurance plan or are eligible for Medicaid/CHIP.

Oklahoma-Specific Enrollment Numbers:

- Only 346 people have selected a plan (5% of total applications)
- 2,412 have been determined to be eligible for Medicaid/CHIP.
- 6,905 applications have been completed, representing 14,169 people.
  - 9,952 people are eligible for private health insurance through the marketplace
  - 1,432 people are eligible to enroll in a private plan with federal subsidies.

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- Today, RPC released a map of cancellations per state (data not yet available for Oklahoma) which offers a grim snapshot.
- The RPC map highlights that “for every one person who has selected an Obamacare plan, 40 people have received cancellation notices.”
- According to RPC’s tally of media coverage, 4.2 million people have received insurance cancellations.