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Instructions for Recipient

This Form 1095-B provides information needed to report on your income tax return that you, your spouse, and individuals you claim as dependents had qualifying health coverage (referred to as "minimum essential coverage") for some or all months during the year. Individuals who do not have minimum essential coverage and do not qualify for an exemption may be liable for the individual shared responsibility payment.

Minimum essential coverage includes government-sponsored programs, eligible employer-sponsored plans, individual market plans, and miscellaneous coverage designated by the Department of Health and Human Services. For more information on minimum essential coverage, see Pub. 974, Premium Tax Credit (PTC).

Part I. Responsible Individual, lines 1-9. Part I reports information about you and the coverage.

Lines 2 and 3. Line 2 reports your social security number (SSN) or other taxpayer identification number (TIN), if applicable. For your protection, this form may show only the last four digits. However, the coverage provider is required to report your complete SSN or other TIN, if applicable to the IRS. Your date of birth will be entered on line 3 only if line 2 is blank.

Line 8. This is the code for the type of coverage in which you or other covered individuals were enrolled. Only one letter will be entered on this line.

- A. Small Business Health Options Program (SHOP)
- B. Employer-sponsored coverage
- C. Government-sponsored program
- D. Individual market insurance
- E. Multiemployer plan
- F. Miscellaneous minimum essential coverage

Line 9. This line will be blank for 2015.

Part II. Employer-Sponsored Coverage, lines 10-15. This part will be completed by the insurance company if an insurance company provides your employer-sponsored health coverage. It provides information about the employer sponsoring the coverage. If your coverage is not insured employer coverage, this part will be blank.

Part III. Issuer or Other Coverage Provider, lines 16-22. This part reports information about the coverage provider (insurance company, employer providing self-insured coverage, government agency sponsoring coverage under a government program such as Medicaid or Medicare, or other coverage sponsor). Line 18 reports a telephone number for the coverage provider that you can call if you have questions about the information reported on the form.

Part IV. Covered Individuals, lines 23-28. This part reports the name, SSN, and coverage information for each covered individual. A date of birth will be entered in column (c) only if a SSN is not entered in column (b). Column (d) will be checked if the individual was covered for at least one day in every month of the year. For individuals who were covered for some but not all months, information will be entered in column (e) indicating the months for which these individuals were covered. If there are more than six covered individuals, you will receive one or more additional Forms 1095-B that continue Part IV.

