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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

Please be advised for the upcoming 2018 tax filing season that the IRS is will not accept tax returns where the taxpayer does not disclose their health coverage enrollment status – you will no longer be able to skip this question.

The IRS will "not accept the electronic tax return until the taxpayer indicates whether they had coverage, had an exemption or will make a shared responsibility payment. In addition, returns filed on paper that do not address the health coverage requirements may be suspended pending the receipt of additional information and any refunds may be delayed."

Applicable Large Employers subject to the ACA's reporting requirements **must provide Forms 1095-C for the 2017 calendar year to each of its full-time employees by Jan. 31, 2018**. For calendar year 2017, Forms 1094-C and 1095-C are required to be filed with the IRS by Feb. 28, 2018, or April 2, 2018, if filing electronically.

Applicable large employers are generally those with 50 or more full-time employees, including full-time equivalent employees. Employers with fewer than 50 full-time employees, including FTE employees, are not applicable large employers.

More information is available here: <https://www.irs.gov/tax-professionals/aca-information-center-for-tax-professionals>

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