Form 1095-C FAQ’s

General Questions
Q. Why did I receive a 1095-C?
A. Northwestern is required to send a 1095-C to anyone who was eligible for health care coverage at any point during 2022.

Q. I am not benefits eligible, but I received a 1095-C stating I was offered coverage for $101. Why?
A. Based on ACA regulations, certain groups of employees are offered the ACA Value plan. If you were eligible for this plan, you received a 1095-C.

Q. Why is the dollar amount in Box 15 different than what I actually paid?
A. Box 15 reflects the lowest cost, employee-only plan offered to you. This is the Value PPO plan.

Q. I had coverage during 2022, but Part III of the 1095-C doesn’t have any check boxes.
A. If enrolled in the Postdoc, HMO or CIGNA plans, a Form 1095-B will be mailed to your home from the carrier with Part III complete. If in the PPO, further research by Northwestern will need to be completed.

Q. I haven’t received my Form 1095-C yet.
A. Form 1095-C are mailed the week of Monday, February 20, 2023. It can take up to 2-weeks from this date to receive your 1095-C. If it has been longer than two weeks, email askHR@northwestern.edu requesting a 2022 1095-C with your mailing address.

Q. I haven’t received my Form 1095-B yet.
A. Form 1095-B is mailed by BCBSIL or CIGNA. You will need to call the telephone number on the back of your insurance card to request a reprint. This is only for fully insured plans (postdoc, HMO, CIGNA plans).

Retiree Medical Coverage
Q. I’m a retiree on the Legacy Retiree PPO, why did I get a 1095-C?
A. Northwestern sends a 1095-C to anyone who was enrolled in our self-insured health care coverage at any point during 2022 (including retirees) or anyone who retired in 2022 and was eligible for coverage.

Q. I’m a retiree on the Legacy Retiree PPO, why are lines 15 and 16 blank 1095-C?
A. Part II of Form 1095-C is used to show an employer made an affordable medical offer to eligible employees. As a retiree, you are not considered an employee and therefore these sections are blank.

Q. I’m a retiree on the Retiree HMO, will I get a 1095-C?
A. No, only Northwestern’s self-insured retiree plan is issued a 1095-C. BCBSIL will send a 1095-B to anyone who was enrolled in their fully-insured health care plan at any point during 2022 (including retirees).
Qatar Medical Coverage

Q. I work in Qatar and had coverage in 2022, why isn’t it Part III on my 1095-C complete?
A. Form 1095-B is mailed by CIGNA. Call the number on the back of your insurance card.

Q. I am a local hire in Qatar and had coverage in 2022, why didn’t I get a 1095-C?
A. Local hires in Qatar do not receive Form 1095-C.