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Online Resources Help Prepare Librarians for ACA Inquiries

The Health Insurance Marketplace begins accepting applications on October 1, 2013 and many Indiana libraries will begin receiving questions from patrons. The Indiana State Library Professional Development Office, as well as its partners at WebJunction, have several training resources and LEU opportunities for Indiana librarians.



WebJunction Indiana: The Indiana State Library is a WebJunction partner so all library professionals in the state have access to the webinars WebJunction has facilitated on ACA. [The eHealth page on WebJunction](#) has several archived ACA webinars which are free and very helpful resources to start getting prepared for assisting patrons with the health insurance marketplace.

Archived Webinars from the State Library

- [Patient Protection & Affordable Care Act webinar](#) by Angela Moore, ISL legal intern (1 LEU), [View Slides](#), [View Webinar](#)
- [Health Literacy](#) (1 LEU), [View Slides](#), [View Webinar](#)
- [Affordable Care Act: A Checklist for your Library](#) (1 LEU), [View Slides](#), [View Webinar](#)

Live Workshops by Request: ISL Regional Coordinators will also be offering several new workshops out in the field by request. Please [contact your regional coordinator](#) to request any of the following workshops: Health Literacy (1 LEU), Affordable Care Act: A Checklist for your Library (1 LEU), and Affordable Care Act Overview.

Additionally, the State of Indiana recently released its official [Healthcare Reform portal](#). Here you can find more answers to frequently asked questions as well as instructions for becoming an official [Indiana Navigator](#). **Application Organizations** (AOs) are those that have employees and/or volunteers helping consumers complete applications for Medicaid, Marketplace-based health plans and affordability programs, and state-based health coverage programs.

App Streamlines Audio & Braille Access for Visually Impaired



The [Braille and Audio Reading Download](#) (BARD) Mobile app is now available through the Apple App Store. The app, which is free, allows readers to download audio and braille books from their NLS BARD accounts. Access to BARD is

provided through the Indiana [Talking Book & Braille Library](#) and contains

Less than One Week Left for Special AWE Discount

Indiana libraries can now take advantage of a [multi-state group special](#) for both the Early Literacy Station™ and AfterSchool Edge™ through September 30th. As an added bonus, the Indiana State Library will kick in an additional \$499 per unit subsidy for participating libraries. This means that an Early Literacy Station - English edition will cost a net amount of \$2,000 plus \$50 shipping.

For questions regarding the Indiana State Library reimbursement program, contact Suzanne Walker at 317-234-5649 or SuWalker@library.IN.gov.

[Upcoming Workshops, & Important Dates](#)

[Banned Books Week](#)

When: September 22-28 @ 10:00 AM

[Read Governor Pence's Proclamation](#)

[Indiana Vision Expo](#)

When: September 28
 Where: Indiana State Library

[Indiana Black Librarians Network Fall Meeting](#)

When: October 5
 Where: Indiana University - Bloomington, Neal-Marshall Library

[ILF Annual Conference](#)

When: October 22 & 23
 Where: Indiana Convention Center - Indianapolis

[Best-selling author to hit Huntington library](#)

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nearly 50,000 books, magazines and music scores in audio and braille formats, with new selections added daily.

With **BARD Mobile**, patrons can play talking books and magazines on their iOS devices. Patrons may also read electronic braille books, magazines and music scores using a refreshable braille display connected to their iPhone, iPad or iPod touch through Bluetooth. Patrons will be able to receive their reading materials faster and won't have to be weighted down with bulky volumes or playback equipment.

Anyone registered as a Indiana Talking Books patron can have access to BARD after completing the [online application](#). If you have patrons that could benefit from the Talking Books program, please note that Indiana librarians are qualified as a "Certifying Authority." This means you may certify a patron's eligibility for the Talking Books program in the cases of visual and physical handicaps (learning/reading disabilities do require certification from a doctor or vision professional).

Indiana libraries also have a way to bring Talking Books services to their local schools and communities by becoming an **institutional partner**. Libraries with institutional accounts have free access to a deposit collection of up to 60 large print titles, and receive a complementary BARD account and NLS Digital Player. These tools enable libraries to introduce this free service to students and patrons with visual, physical, or learning disabilities that make it difficult to read standard print, as well as educate them on how to use associated assistive technologies like BARD and the digital player. This is also a great, cost-free way to augment your homebound services, even those in unserved areas, as all materials are shipped for free directly to patrons' homes.

YALSA Offers Teen Read Week Programming Ideas

Teen Read Week (Oct. 13-19) is a time to  celebrate reading for fun and encourage teens to take advantage of reading in all its forms —books and magazines, e-books, audiobooks and more — and become regular library users. The **Young Adult Library Services Association** (YALSA) has come up with several resources to help you plan your Teen Read Week events:

- [Activity Ideas](#)
- [Planning Checklist](#)
- [Publicity Toolkit](#)
- [Book and Media Lists](#)

Teen Read Week™ is a national adolescent literacy initiative created by the Young Adult Library Services Association (YALSA). The theme for this year is **Seek the Unknown @ your library**, which encourages teens to explore and learn about the unknown through mystery, adventure, sci-fi, and fantasy books.

Indiana Genealogy & Local History Fair

When: October 26
 Where: Indiana State Library

Indy Author Fair

When: October 26
 Where: Indiana Public Library - Central

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-  [WebJunction Indiana](#)

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