



## **Plan Management Advisory Workgroup Meeting**

Plan Management Advisory Committee

October 12, 2023

# 2025 QUALIFIED HEALTH PLAN CERTIFICATION

MEILING HUNTER, CERTIFICATION AND CONTRACTS  
PLAN MANAGEMENT

# CERTIFICATION UPDATES

## Qualified Health Plan (QHP) and Qualified Dental Plan (QDP) Contracts and Applications

The QHP Contract period is 2023 – 2025. The QDP Contract period is 2024 - 2026. If recertified, the current QHP and QDP contracts will remain. The draft health and dental applications will be posted by October 16<sup>th</sup>.

## Plan Year 2025 Certification Health and Dental Applications will be open to:

### Individual Marketplace

- Existing or New Issuers offering QHPs or QDPs

### Covered California for Small Business

- Existing or New Issuers offering QHPs or QDPs

# CERTIFICATION APPLICATION UPDATES

- The four draft applications and PY24 to PY25 crosswalks will be posted on Monday, October 16<sup>th</sup> with public comment due Monday, October 30<sup>th</sup>.
- The health and dental applications are in a recertification year. The changes mainly consist of rewriting questions for clarity, removing unneeded questions, confirmation of applicant's adherence to specific codes and additional Certificate of Insurance information.
  - The health applications include significant revisions to Health Equity and Quality Transformation, Benefit Administration, and Provider Network sections.
  - The dental applications include significant revisions made to the Network Offerings section.
- Covered California's responses to public comments will be posted by the January Plan Advisory Group meeting in January 2024.
- The updated PY25 draft certification applications incorporating any changes resulting from public comment will be posted to the Certification HBEX page before the January Board meeting in January 2024.

# CERTIFICATION DOCUMENT UPDATES

## File Naming Convention

- File names of applications have been updated in the following format:  
[Plan Year]\_[Plan Type-Market]\_[Document Name]\_[State]

*Example(s):*

- PY2025\_QHP-IND\_Certification Application\_Clean-Draft
  - PY2025\_QHP-IND\_Certification Application\_Clean-Redline
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- File names of appendices and attachments have been updated to include the plan type and market. If applicable, the document name was abbreviated and/or acronyms were used. These documents were updated in the following format:  
[Type of document]\_[Plan Type-Market]\_[Document Name]

*Example for document "Appendix A - U.S. Government Accountability Office: A Framework for Managing Fraud Risks in Federal Programs (GAO-15-593SP)":*

- Appendix A\_QHP-QDP-IND-CCSB\_GAO-15-593SP

# CERTIFICATION ATTACHMENT H1, H2, H3 UPDATES

Attachment H1\_QDP-IND-CCSB\_DHMO Provider Network Tables

Attachment H2\_QDP-IND-CCSB\_DPPO Provider Network Tables

Attachment H3\_QDP-IND-CCSB\_Dental Other Provider Network Tables

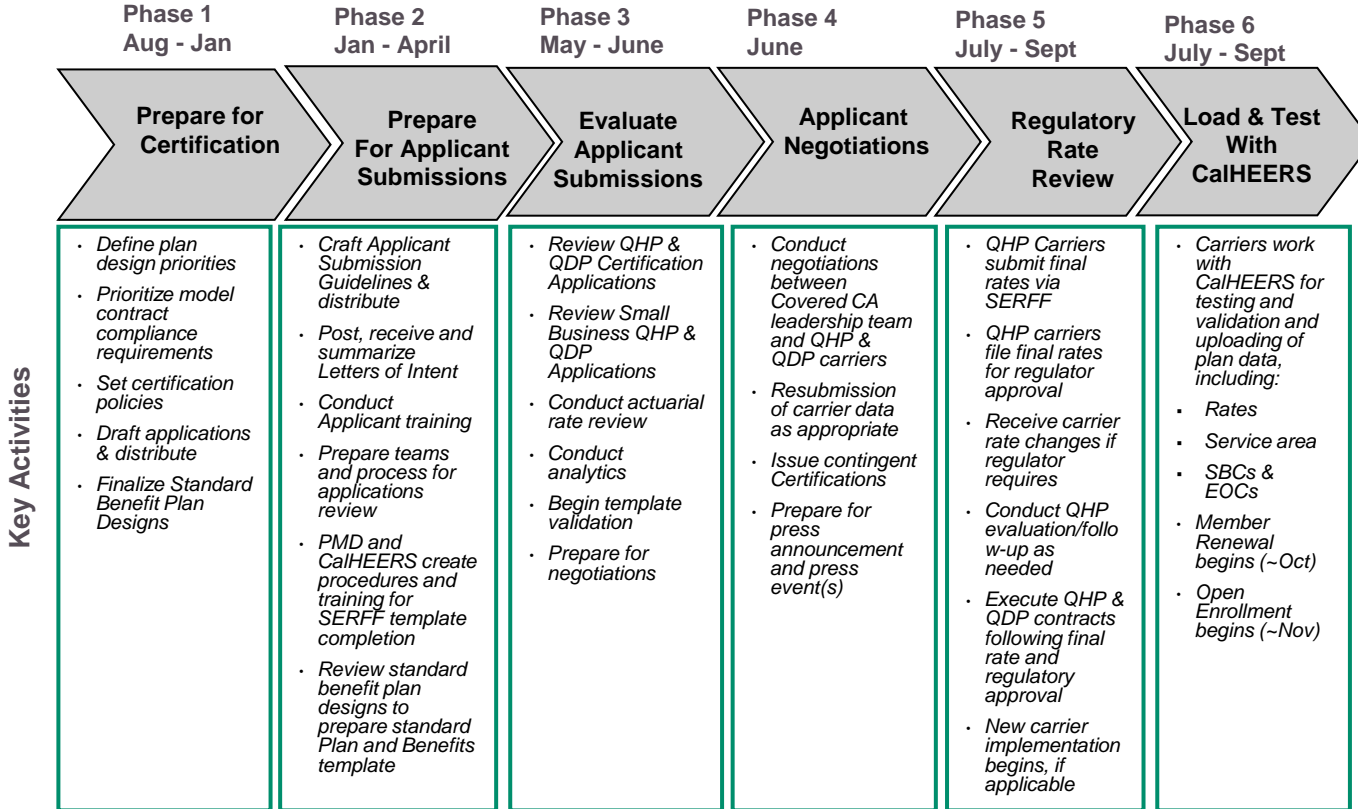


Instructions	Capitated vs Non-capitated	Terminated Dental Providers	Terminated Dental Groups	Network Disruption	<b>Network Type</b>
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- Updated to include a “**Network Type**” tab for applicants to indicate, *excluding Covered California network*, the percentage breakdown of providers by region and business line (e.g., public or commercial)

	Public only	Commercial only	Both Commercial and Public	Comments
<i>Example</i>	40%	30%	30%	<i>Completed row(s) must total 100%</i>
Region 1				

# Qualified Health Plan Certification: 6 Core Phases



Regulatory Review anticipated April through September

# PLAN YEAR 2025 CERTIFICATION MILESTONES

Milestone	Date
Release Draft 2025 QHP & QDP Certification Applications	October 16, 2023
Draft Application Comment Periods End	October 30, 2023
Plan Management Advisory: Benefit Design & Certification Applications Policy Recommendation	January 2024
January Board Meeting: Discussion of Benefit Design & Certification Applications Policy Recommendation	January 2024
Letters of Intent Accepted	February 1-15, 2024
Final AV Calculator Released*	February 2024
Applicant Trainings (electronic submission software, SERFF submission and templates*)	February 2024
March Board Meeting: Anticipated approval of 2024 Patient-Centered Benefit Plan Designs & Certification Applications	March 2024
QHP & QDP Applications Open	March 1, 2024
QHP & QDP Application Responses (Individual and CCSB) Due	May 1, 2024
Evaluation of QHP Responses & Negotiation Prep	May – June 2024
QHP Negotiations	June 2024
QHP Preliminary Rates Announcement	July 2024
Regulatory Rate Review Begins (QHP Individual Marketplace)	July 2024
Evaluation of QDP Responses & Negotiation Prep	June – July 2024
QDP Negotiations	July 2024
CCSB QHP Rates Due	July 2024
QDP Rates Announcement (no regulatory rate review)	August 2024
Public Posting of Proposed Rates	July 2024
Public Posting of Final Rates	September – October 2024



\*Final AV Calculator and final SERFF Templates availability dependent on CMS release  
TBD = dependent on CCIIO rate filing timeline requirements



# 2023 STANDARD BENEFIT DESIGN WORKGROUP

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# STANDARD BENEFIT DESIGN WORKGROUP

## 2023 Workgroup Details

- The workgroup will be resuming in November.
- Please complete [this survey](#) to sign up.