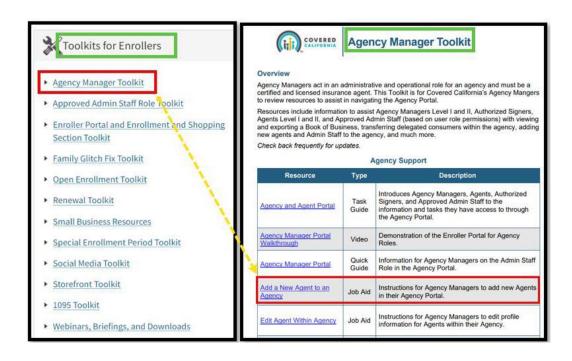
#### **Overview**

This Quick Guide provides instructions for Agency Managers and Authorized Signers to complete the process of adding a downline Agent to their Agency and outlines the steps that the Downline Agent must take to become Certified.

Covered California has a wide range of <u>Enrollment Partner toolkits</u> to assist with onboarding downline Agents.

#### To get started:

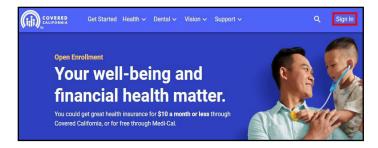
- 1. Go to the Enrollment Partner toolkits page.
- 2. Click the Agency Manager Toolkit.
- 3. Click Add a New Agent to an Agency Job Aid.



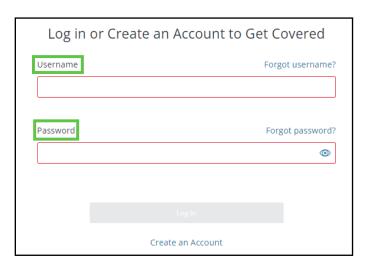
### **Step 1: Agency Creates an Application Account for the Downline Agent**

The Authorized Signer and Agency Manager possess the credentials to initiate the application for a downline Agent.

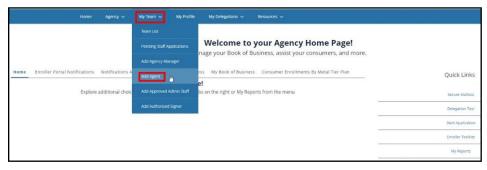
A. The Authorized Signer or Agency Manager will log in from the <u>Coveredca.com</u> <u>landing page</u>, and "Sign In" (upper right corner.)



B. From the <u>Log in or Create an Account to Get Covered</u> page, enter the username and password.



C. From the "Welcome to your Agency Home Page", select the "My Team" tab and click the "Add Agent" option.



D. Complete the application fields for the Downline Agent.



- E. The Agent will now appear as a Pending Staff Applicant.
- F. Allow 3-5 business days for the Covered California Team to review the application and verify the Agent license with the California Department of Insurance for the Accident & Health or Sickness license.
- G. After all verifications are completed, the Covered California team will change the status from "Pending" to "Eligible".

### Step 2: Downline Agent Completes Online Training Through Covered California Learning Management System (LMS)

- A. You will receive an email from Covered California's <u>Learning Management System</u> (<u>LMS</u>) with login information to access the Certified Insurance Agent Training Certification.
- B. Log in to the <u>LMS</u> and select the Certified Insurance Agent Certification training located under "My Courses" within the "Certification/Recertification" folder. Complete all training courses within the curriculum.

#### Notes:

- Your email address is your LMS username.
- We strongly recommend that you use the Mozilla Firefox or Google Chrome browser.
- Once you complete the online courses, select the "Certified Insurance Agent Certification Exam" and take the exam. After completing the exam, you will be notified immediately whether you passed or failed. A passing score of 80 percent or greater is required to move forward in the certification process.
- You have 3 attempts to take the exam. The exam is open book, and we
  encourage you to use the Study Guides provided in the <u>Learning Management</u>
  System (LMS).

#### **Step 3: Submits Payment**

Within 3-5 business days after you pass the Certification Exam, the Agent will receive an email from DocuSign® containing an envelope to pay the California Department of Insurance Endorsement Fee. **Payments received are non-refundable**.

### Step 4: Downline Agent Signs and Submits the Non-Monetary Agreement DocuSign® Forms to Covered California

- A. In 3-5 business days after the payment has been submitted, the Agent will receive their Non-Monetary Agent Agreement via DocuSign®. Within the Non-Monetary Agreement, the Agent must review and sign the Exhibits A-E and complete the Voter Registration Training.
- B. Allow 7 to 10 business days for the final paperwork to be processed. You will be notified of your certification status, provided there is no missing information or errors in your paperwork. Once your Agreement has been approved, your profile status will be moved to "Certified."

## Step 5: Downline Agent Must Complete the Account Creation Process Once the Agent Status is Changed to "Certified"

- A. You will receive 2 separate emails with an account creation access code and a link to set up your new log in credentials. Use the link and access code for initial login to the Covered California Enroller Portal.
- B. You will be prompted to create a username and password, PIN, and create security questions. YOU MUST CREATE YOUR CREDENTIALS TO COMPLETE THE CERTIFICATION PROCESS.

**Note:** A "Certified" status for an Agent allows the public to view the Agent profile on the Covered California website. The Agent is now permitted to assist and enroll employers (if your Agency signed an STD 204 in their Agency Agreement), individuals, and families seeking health insurance through Covered California.

**Important:** The Agent must contact each Qualified Health Plans (QHPs) directly if they are <u>not</u> currently appointed and begin the appointment process to ensure the Agency receives commissions payments. Otherwise, they will encounter commission issues. Use the link below to contact the QHPs affiliated with Covered California: <u>Covered California Health</u>, <u>Dental and Vision Insurance companies</u>.

#### **Need Assistance?**

If you have any questions or need assistance with this process, send an email to AgentContracts@covered.ca.gov.