Special Enrollment Period 2024 Workshop

# BRIDGING THE GAP Connecting to Care

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"Empowering Connections: Bridging Certified Enrollers and Community Stakeholders with Covered California Knowledge"

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## **Covered California News**



# Legislation Updates



## 2024-25 California State Budget



Proposed Covered California related items include:

- **\$165 million** appropriation to Covered California to provide a program of <u>financial assistance</u> in plan year <u>2025</u> and ongoing
- **\$2 million** ongoing for purposes of funding <u>subsidies for</u> <u>striking workers</u> under AB 2530 (Wood, Chapter 695, Statutes of 2022)
- \$20.35 million ongoing to fund the \$1 per member/per month California Premium Credit
- Provisional language granting **retroactive payment authority** for Covered California to cover <u>outstanding</u> state subsidy payments to carriers for the 2020-2021 fiscal year.



## **Tracking State Legislation**



Covered California is tracking and monitoring state legislation that may impact Covered California, related programs, and the health insurance market generally.

#### **Topics include:**

- Health insurance regulation
- Benefit and consumer cost sharing mandates
- Insurance Affordability Program eligibility

Covered California does not take positions on bills.

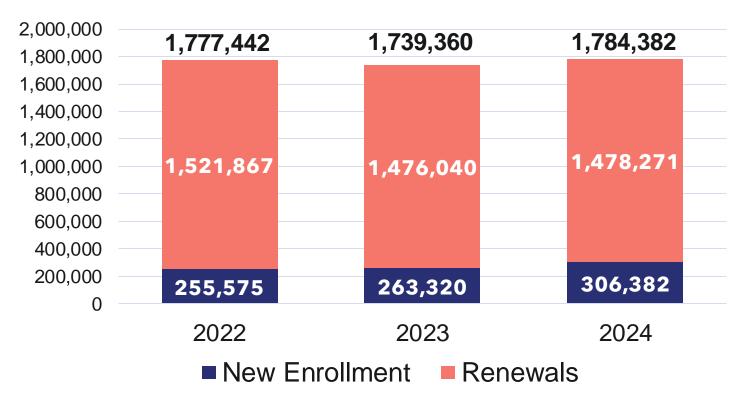
But does provide technical assistance to inform policy making.



Open Enrollment 2024 Recap



## **2022-2024 Open Enrollment Total Net Plan Selections Trends**



- As of January 31, over 1.78
   million Californians selected
   Covered California plans for
   2024 the highest count
   yet for an Open Enrollment.
- New sign-ups increased 16% over 2023, reaching 306,382 plan selections, the highest level for Covered California since 2020.

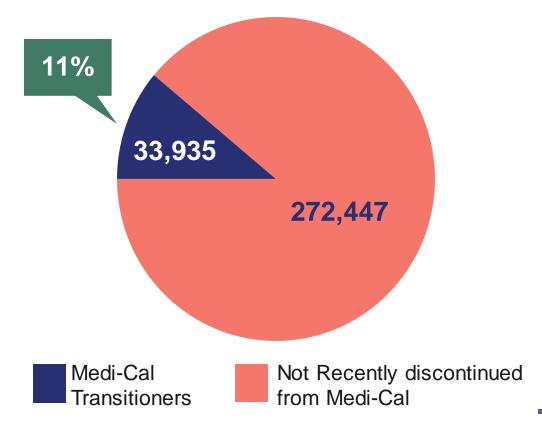
Except where otherwise noted, data are net plan selections as of the end of Open Enrollment 2024 (as of January 31, 2024). Consumers who were automatically enrolled in Covered California following the loss of Medi-Cal coverage and confirmed or paid their plan during Open Enrollment are counted among the 2024 new sign-ups.



## Medi-Cal to Covered California Transitions

Among 2024 new sign-ups, 11% were consumers recently discontinued from Medi-Cal coverage as part of the unwind of the continuous coverage requirements of the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency.

#### NEW SIGN-UPS IN OPEN ENROLLMENT 2024: RECENT MEDI-CAL TRANSITIONERS





#### Income

• Trends by income show an increase in consumers under 250% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL), with that group increasing from about 131,000 in 2023 to roughly 165,000 in 2024, a year-over-year increase of 26%.

#### **Metal Tier**

- A greater share of 2024
   consumers are enrolling in Silver
   plans, with Silver making up 61%
   of all new sign-ups, compared to
   52% in 2023.
- This increase reflects new policy changes in 2024, including the introduction of new state-funding enhanced CSR plans, and autoenrollment of Medi-Cal transitioners into the Silver tier.



#### **Tier Choice Among CSR Eligible**

- Among consumers with incomes under 250% FPL, there was an increase in the share of new consumers taking up enhanced Silver plans to 82% in 2024, compared to 70% in 2023.
- Enrollment in <u>Gold plans</u> dropped by more than half, a significant reduction in "choice errors" for most CSR eligible consumers.

#### Age

 Age trends appear to be holding relatively stable, although the 18 to 25 and the 35 to 44 age groups have increased relative to 2023.



#### Race / Ethnicity

 New sign-ups <u>increased</u> in all race/ethnicity groups, with the largest increases seen among Latinos and Asian Americans.

#### Language

- New sign-ups among Spanish speakers grew 28% in 2024 relative to 2023, compared to average growth of 16% for all new enrollees.
- Enrollment among other language groups – such as Vietnamese and Russian speakers – also increased considerably.



#### **Enrollment Service Channel**

 Enrollment by Service Channel in 2024 shows an increase in the share of consumers who enrolled with help from Certified Enrollment Counselors (including navigators), though this remained a small share of overall enrollment.

## **Enrollment Service Channel - Medi-Cal Transitioner**

 Approximately 54% of **Consumers** transitioning from Medi-Cal completed their enrollment without assistance, compared to 37% of all new enrollees. Consumers transitioning from Medi-Cal also comprised a larger share of the consumers assisted by Certified **Enrollment Counselors than other** channels.



#### Issuer (QHP)

- The implementation of SB 260
  appears to be a contributing
  factor in the issuer trends for
  new sign-ups in 2024.
- Regional plans, including LA Care, Valley Health, and Inland Empire Health Plan, grew in their share of new enrollment.

#### Issuer (QHP) Medi-Cal Transitioner

 Consumers transitioning from Medi-Cal due to the PHE unwind contributed a larger share of new sign-ups for the regional plans: Inland Empire Health Plan, LA Care, and Valley Health Plan.



## Trends for Renewal 2024 Sign-Ups

#### Switchers – Issuer (QHP)

- Of all renewing consumers, just 6% switched issuer for 2024.
- Health Net, Anthem, and Blue Shield received the largest number of switchers.

























Findings from Covered California's Survey of the Subsidy-Eligible Uninsured





## **Summary Key Findings**

#### **Transition to Short-term Uninsured:**

 Two-thirds of those uninsured in 2021 also report being uninsured for short periods of time, consistent with prior research that individuals often experience gaps in coverage as they transition between sources of insurance.

#### **Highlighting Demographic Disparities:**

 Latinos made up a higher share of uninsured survey respondents than of Covered California's total enrollment.



## **Summary Key Findings**

#### **Addressing Cost Barrier:**

 Among the uninsured, cost was the main reason cited for not having health insurance in 2021.

**Awareness and Perception of Covered** California:

 More than half of the respondents never heard or heard very little about Covered California. Nearly half of respondents were unaware of available financial help through Covered California

## How Survey Research Supports Approach for Reaching Californians

Awareness and Affordability as Barriers:

The survey results indicate that awareness and affordability continue to be the primary barriers to coverage take-up among the uninsured.

**Supporting Our Strategic Pillar:** 

The data directly support the strategic pillar of "Reaching Californians" to identify and boost take-up, especially among populations with disproportionally high uninsured rates.

Facilitated Enrollment and Personalized Outreach:

To ensure consumers are fully aware of coverage they're eligible for, Covered California is testing facilitated enrollment for consumers transitioning from Medi-Cal (via SB 260) and other personalized outreach

**Emphasizing the Price of Coverage Options:** 

Message emphasizes the price of coverage options, including plans with \$0 net premiums.





## Special Enrollment 2024



# Using Data for Personalized Outreach during Special Enrollment Period

#### LEVERAGING STATE DATA SOURCES FOR OUTREACH

Since 2020, Covered California has received new authority to outreach to the following Californians who may be eligible for coverage based on **interactions with other state departments**:



Reported being uninsured on latest income tax filing



Reported having recently applied for unemployment insurance



Had coverage terminated by a commercial carrier



Integrated eligibility system



### **State Data Sources for Outreach**

Population	Data Provider	Covered California Requirement	Data Frequency and Elements Provided		
Individuals newly applying for unemployment insurance	Employment Development Department	Conduct outreach	Weekly files with household and contact information		
Individuals <b>losing Medicaid</b>	Department of Health Care Services	Enroll individuals into lowest cost Silver plan	Full eligibility information in real time		
Individuals losing commercial coverage	California's commercial insurance carriers	Conduct outreach	Monthly files with basic contact information		
Individuals reporting any months without coverage under California's coverage mandate	Franchise Tax Board	Conduct outreach	Weekly files during tax filing season with detailed coverage, household and contact information		
Individuals reporting interest in low-cost or no-cost health insurance when they file their taxes	Franchise Tax Board	Conduct outreach	Weekly files during tax filing season with detailed coverage, household and contact information		



## **Testing Personalized Outreach**

#### **Outreach Methods**

- Email, direct mail, SMS/text, and phone calls.
- Based on resources and effectiveness.

#### **Personalized Outreach Success**

- Evidence shows personalized outreach helps enrollment and plan selection.
- In 2023, automated plan selection introduced for Medi-Cal transitioners.

#### **Future Strategy**

- Continue testing personalized outreach for aware but unenrolled individuals.
- Utilize state partner-shared contact information.

#### **Learning and Applying from Medi-Cal Transitions**

- Leveraging auto-enrollment insights for better outreach.
- Testing new materials and methods, including personalized quotes via CalHEERS.



# **Qualifying Life Event (QLE) for State of Emergency: Winter Storms**

- Counties with an active State of Emergency for Winter Storms
- Valid for 60 days from QLE
   Date
- Need to call the Consumer Service Center

## Winter Storms **QLE Date: 3/22/2024, Ends: 5/21/2024**

Alameda	Monterey				
Butte	Sacramento				
Glenn	San Francisco				
Lake	Santa Cruz				
Mono	Sonoma				
Mendocino	Sutter				



## QLE: Loss of Medi-Cal Coverage, 90 Day Special Enrollment Period (SEP)

**Key Updates: Effective January 1, 2024** 

- Expanded Enrollment Window:
  - Qualified individuals or dependents who loses Medi-Cal or Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) coverage have sixty (60) days before the date of the loss and ninety (90) days after the loss to select a qualified health plan (QHP).
- Effective Date:
  - Coverage starts the 1st of the month following the loss or plan selection, whichever is later.
- Eligibility:
  - Applies to both currently enrolled and newly eligible consumers.

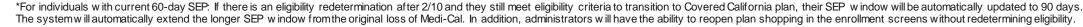
\*For individuals with current 60-day SEP. If there is an eligibility redetermination after 2/10 and they still meet eligibility criteria to transition to Covered California plan, their SEP window will be automatically updated to 90 days. The system will automatically extend the longer SEP window from the original loss of Medi-Cal. In addition, administrators will have the ability to reopen plan shopping in the enrollment screens without redetermining eligibility.



## QLE: Loss of Medi-Cal Coverage, 90 Day Special Enrollment Period (SEP)

#### **System and Administrative Updates**

- As of February 12, 2024, CalHEERS began **defaulting the SEP to 90 days** from the original date that the qualified individual lost Medi-Cal coverage.
- This SEP is available year-round, ensuring continuous support.
- For individuals with a **current 60-day SEP**, eligibility redetermination post-February 10 **automatically updates their SEP window to 90 days**.
- Additionally, Covered California Consumer Service Center can reopen plan shopping in the enrollment screens without redetermining eligibility.





# Public Relations Community Engagement



## Open Enrollment 24, Bridging the Gap

- Kickoff events in Los Angeles, San Francisco, San Diego, Fresno, Sacramento, Redding
- Community Conversations with leaders and advocates
- Mobile clinic and enrollment activations in target communities
- Lunar New Year
- Deadline event with Secretary Xavier Becerra





# Special Enrollment Activity Update

Develop and pitch a series of prewritten news articles focused on

**Qualifying Life** 

Events (QLEs)

- College Graduation May
- Weddings June
- Retirement July
- New Baby August



Customize content and transadapt to **ensure cultural** and linguistic relevance for communities of focus





#### Medi-Cal to Covered California

Continue to **drive awareness** of the unwind and auto-enrollment process



- Focused on communities with the greatest need, based on population and effectuation data
- Emphasis on Black/African American, Asian
   American/Pacific Islander, Spanish-language and rural
- Media events, faith-based outreach, community events







#### "Real Consumer" Stories

We are looking for compelling stories from Covered California consumers!

https://www.coveredca.com/real-stories/



- People whose lives or finances may have been saved from being insured
- Those who thought insurance was too expensive or unaffordable
- Medi-Cal transitioners

Please share stories with wendy.mcanelly@covered.ca.gov



## Marketing Campaign Special Enrollment 2024



# Special Enrollment 2024 Campaign Timing

Flight: February 1st - June 30th

	2024											
JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	
OE	Special Enrollment						Special Enrollment Extension Open Enrollment					
Fiscal Year 2023/2024							F	iscal Yea	· 2024/202	25		

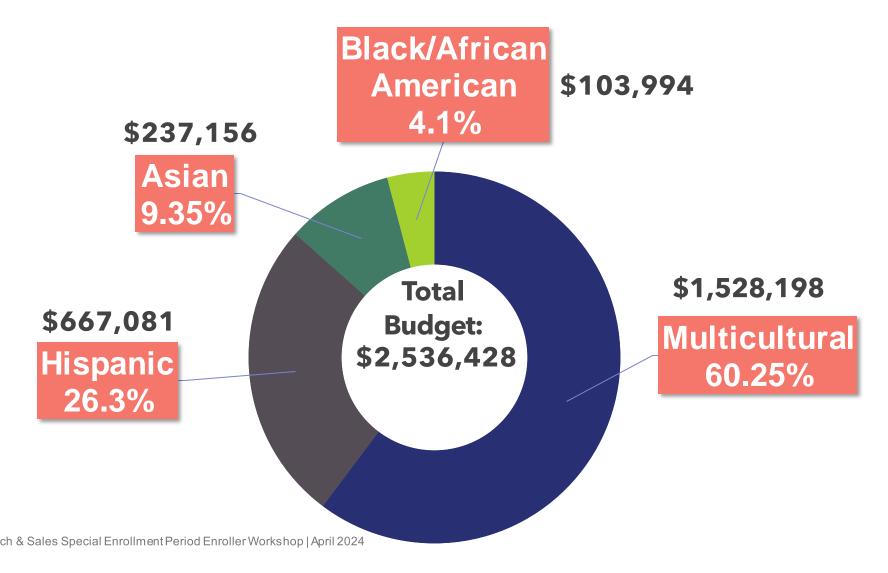


## **Overall Marketing Campaigns Timing**

2024											
JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC
OE		Spec	cial Enroll	ment		Special Enrollment Extension				Open Enrollment (OE)	
Medi-Cal Transitioner Extension											
Department of Health Care (DHCS) Awareness Campaign Extension											
Fiscal Year 2023/2024							F	iscal Year	· 2024/202	25	



## **Budgets By Segment**



## **Objectives & Goals**

#### **Campaign objectives**

- Engagement: Motivate consumers who are experiencing a qualifying life event to compare and choose a health insurance plan through Covered California.
- **Conversion:** Drive qualified traffic to CoveredCA.com and ultimately encourage enrollment.

Focus on driving action (and enrollment) to maximize ROI.
Broad awareness is not a major focus of this campaign.

#### **Media objectives:**

- Build familiarity and understanding that Covered California is where Californians can get quality health coverage even outside of Open Enrollment when they have a qualifying life event.
- Inform and remind people that financial and enrollment help are available for those who
  need it, and about individual mandate/penalty as well as a limited enrollment window.



# **Target Audience**

- California adults ages 25 64 with household income of \$25K \$150K
- Experiencing qualifying life events:

# **Top Qualifying Life Events:**

- Loss of health coverage (employer, Medi-Cal, divorce, etc.)
- Having a baby
- Moving to/within California
- Marriage

#### **Segments:**

- Multi-cultural (in English)
- Hispanic (in Spanish)
- Asian (Cantonese, Mandarin, Korean & Vietnamese)
- Black/African-American

LGBTQ segment not included due to budget, but we're reaching this audience via Multi-cultural outreach.



# Media Channel Mix By Segment

Segment	Media Channel
Multicultural	
Black/AA	
Hispanic	
Asian	



**Digital Display** 



**Digital Video** 



**Digital Audio** 



**Paid Social** 



**Paid Search** 



# **Overall Media Approach**

Strategy	Channels	<b>Targeting</b>
Awareness	Digital Audio, Paid Social	Prospecting
Engagement	Digital Audio, Digital Video, Digital Display (Standard and Native), Paid Social	Prospecting & Retargeting
Conversion	Digital Video, Digital Display (Standard and Native), Paid Social, Paid Search	Prospecting & Retargeting

Note: Paid search conversion tactics are primarily based on keyword intent targeting, not site visitors.



# **Campaign Messaging Strategy**

- Continue with the successful "This way to Health Insurance" campaign umbrella and further build on the Open Enrollment campaign equity.
- We anticipate consumer barriers and motivators are largely the same as Open Enrollment.
- Leverage a strategic mix of existing Special Enrollment assets with updates as needed based on research learnings and increased federal financial help initially provided by the American Rescue Plan that's been extended through the end of 2025.
- Highlight top QLE's and how Covered California is here for you when life changes and you need help finding and paying for quality health insurance.



# Digital Video: "Helping Hands"

**New** video ads produced in English, Spanish, Chinese (Cantonese & Mandarin), Korean & Vietnamese languages with customized talent.



Sometimes you just need a helping hand. And when life changes, Covered California can lend that hand to help you get and pay for health insurance. If you've lost your health coverage, your family has grown, or you just got married, Covered California is here.

Financial help is available, and you could get a quality plan for less than \$10 a month.

Learn how Covered California can lend you a hand at Covered.CA.com

Covered California. This way to health insurance.









Link English: 30 ad: <a href="https://youtu.be/-QKE2hLQJpc">https://youtu.be/-QKE2hLQJpc</a>



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# **Digital Display**

Efficiently drive qualified traffic to CoveredCA.com with intelligent targeting and sophisticated optimization.

#### Prospecting





#### **Animated**



#### Retargeting













Examples of ads produced in English, Spanish, Chinese, Korean & Vietnamese.



# **Native Display**

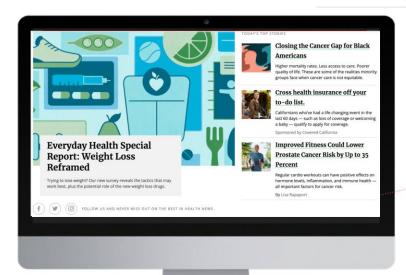
- Top driver in cost efficiencies and performance in previous Special Enrollment and Open Enrollment initiatives.
- Messaging is delivered in organic environments, to capture users at moments of high engagement.
- Targeting users with context-first approach, on evaluated articles of high relevance, in combination with behavioral and demographic segments to reach users that show intent.



#### Cross health insurance off your to-do list.

Californians who've had a life changing event in the last 60 days — such as loss of coverage or welcoming a baby — qualify to apply for coverage.

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Has life changed recently? You could get health insurance.

Covered California is helping Californians get quality health insurance when life changes. 90% of enrollees got financial help



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#### Life changes. Get health insurance when it does.

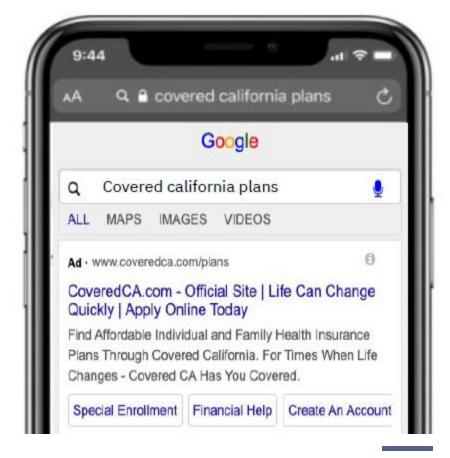
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## **Paid Search**

- Utilize paid search to drive cost-efficient Account Creations and Plan Selections through Google and Microsoft networks by reaching Californians who are seeking health insurance coverage during Special Enrollment (SEP).
- Increase overall Paid Search allocation due to strong SEP 23/SEP 23 EXT performance across key KPI's.
- Reach users who are further along in the funnel with high-intend brand keywords, as well as users who are in the research phase with non-brand keywords.
- Retargeting users who have visited the website or engaged with Covered California but have not yet converted.
- Ad copy will focus on the limited enrollment period and qualifying life events.







## **Paid Social Media**

(English & Spanish) @CoveredCA







#### **Targeting Funnel Audience**

- Reaching potentially uninsured, job seekers, those experiencing qualifying life events, and website visitors who have not yet enrolled
- Topics include what is Covered California, financial help is available, Shop & Compare plans, enrollment facts and educational videos
- Averaging 14 ads per month February to June

#### **Targeting Fans & Plan Selected Audience**

Reaching social channel followers and current members who plan selected

- Topics include reporting changes, free preventive care, essential health benefits, value of health insurance and online account features
- Averaging 5 ads per month February to June















# Educational Videos on YouTube.Com/Covered CA

Videos are shared through email and direct mail outreach, social media and CoveredCA.com to educate potential enrollees and members on Covered California.

- What is Special Enrollment?\*
- Get Financial Help Through Covered California\*
- Value of Health Coverage Through Covered California\*\*
- What is Covered California?\*
- Free Preventive Care\*\*
- What to Expect if Your Health Plan is Moved from Medi-Cal to Covered California\*
- Health Insurance Terms Defined by Covered California\*

- Learn More About Correctly Reporting Your Income\*
- Learn More About Financial Help\*
- Where to Find Help with Covered California\*
- Welcome to Covered California\*
- Report Any Important Changes to Your Information and Application with Covered California\*
- What to Expect After You Enroll in Covered California\*











<sup>\*</sup>English and Spanish

<sup>\*\*</sup> English, Spanish, Cantonese, Korean, Mandarin, Vietnamese

# Member Email / Direct Mail / Text Messaging Outreach Wednesday W

# Audience: current Covered California members (English & Spanish)

- Member outreach will be focused on retention messages that includes information about using their plan, free preventive care and essential health benefits included in health plans, importance of keeping their account updated, reporting changes, reminders to update consent, health tips, Covered California's social channels and 2023 tax form details.
- The cadence of outreach is:
  - Two emails per month
  - One text message every other month
  - One direct mail letter per month



#### Dear Brent,

The more you know about the comprehensive benefits in your health plan, the better equipped you are to use them! Today, we'll shine a light on maternity and newborn care, which are part of the <a href="mailto:essential health benefits">essential health benefits</a> available to you. If you are a parent or plan to be in the future, you can be confident that you and your child will have access to the care you need!



Maternity and newborn care are included in your health plan through Covered California!

Maternity care includes prenatal, labor and delivery and postpartum care. Newborn care includes well-baby visits, vaccinations and other preventive care.

Below are the services covered by maternity and newborn care:

- Prenatal care includes doctor visits, ultrasounds and other tests to monitor your pregnancy.
- Labor and delivery services cover childbirth and aftercare.
- Postpartum care includes care for you and your baby after the delivery and visits with a doctor.
- Well-baby visits, including regular checkups for your baby to ensure they are developing properly.
- · Vaccinations to help protect your baby from diseases.



Pediatric care is also included!



#### Dear Brent.

At the beginning of 2024, Covered California will provide your tax form (IRS Form 1095-A) to you since you had health insurance through Covered California in 2023. You will need this to file your 2023 federal and state tax returns.

If you changed your mailing address or phone number this year and have **NOT** notified us, please update your contact information.

#### PLEASE REVIEW THIS INFORMATION

- If you had coverage through Covered California at ANY time in 2023, even if you canceled your coverage, you will receive a tax form from Covered California unless you were enrolled in a catastrophic health plan.
- If you were enrolled in a catastrophic health plan, also known as a "minimum coverage plan", or employer health coverage for Small Business through Covered California (CCSB) for 2023, you will not receive a tax form from Covered California.
- · You cannot provide your new address by replying to this email
- If your communications preference is EMAIL, you will NOT be mailed a
  physical copy of your tax form. You will receive an email when it is available to
  download from your secure mailbox in your Covered California online account. If
  you would like to change your preference to mail, you can log in to your Covered
  California online account to make the change.
- Please note, you will not receive Form FTB 3895 for the 2023 tax year.
- You can find more information about the tax form that you will be receiving <a href="here">here</a>

If you need to update your contact information, you can:

- Log in to your Covered California online account. If you forgot your username or password for your online account, you can find help here. If you have trouble accessing your online account, call the Service Center for assistance at 800.300.1506
- From your online account home, select Report a Change to update your mailing address or phone number. This will not impact your health plan selection.



# Funnel Email / Direct Mail / Text **Messaging Outreach**

**Audience: Potential enrollees who have** provided an email and/or entered the CalHEERS system (English & Spanish)

- Qualifying life events, special enrollment, financial help, benefits of Covered California health plans, metal tiers, copays and deductibles, value of health insurance, how to get help, etc.
- Tailored messaging to unique audiences, such as:
  - Spanish speaking funnel population
  - · Consumers who terminated coverage from California carriers
  - Penalty payers
  - Consumers who recently experienced job loss
  - Consumers moving from Medi-Cal to Covered California





#### **Automated Funnel:**

Twice weekly automated email campaign based on status in the enrollment funnel - 16 unique emails

#### Single send outreach:

- **Email:** 2 to 4 emails per audience per month
- **Text:** 2 to 4 text messages per audience per month
- **Direct mail:** 1 to 2 letters per audience per month



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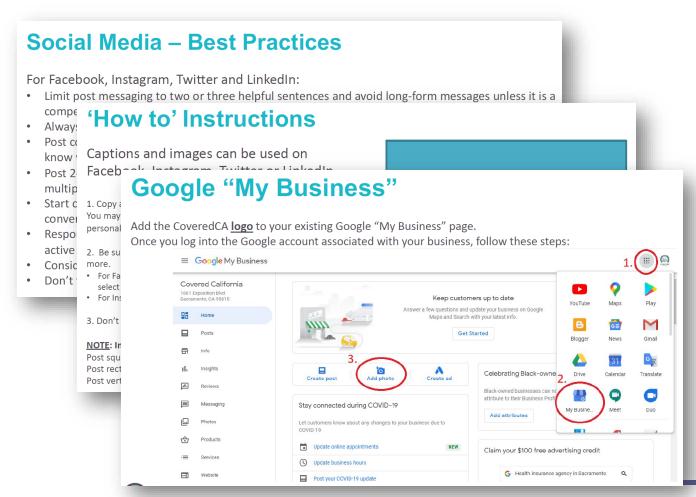
# Leverage our Marketing Resources

#### **Social Media Toolkit**



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- MC2ClmagesSp
- SEPImagesEng
- SEPImagesSp
- Sales\_Toolkit\_Feb\_MC2C\_English
- Sales\_Toolkit\_Feb\_MC2C\_Spanish
- Sales\_Toolkit\_February\_SEP\_English
- Sales\_Toolkit\_February\_SEP\_Spanish
- A Social Media How To and Best Practices





Shop & Compare: Provider Preferences





## "Provider Preferences"

#### WITHIN THE SHOP & COMPARE TOOL

- This tool lets consumers **pick their preferred** doctors, hospitals, and children's dentists to easily **compare** health and dental plans.
- Consumers can see which plans include their chosen providers, making it simpler to stick with their current healthcare team or select specific ones they prefer.
- This feature is different from the full list of providers on the health plan website, found in the Shop and Compare Tool menu.





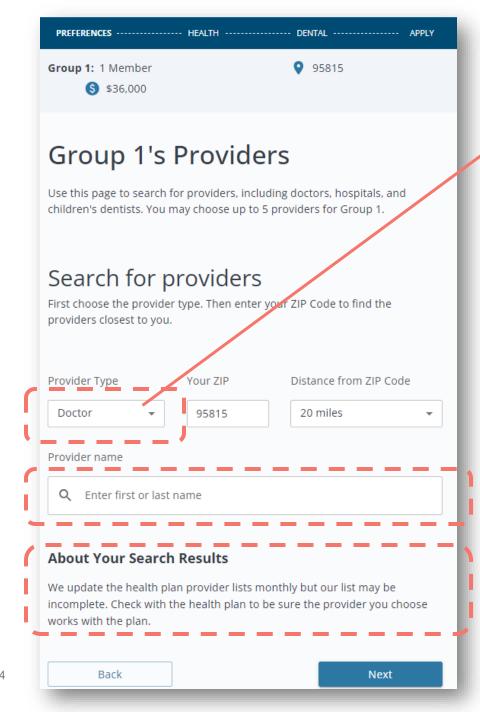
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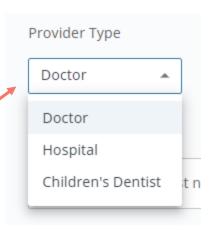
# How We Get The Provider Data

- Health and dental plan carriers submit their provider data to Covered California monthly.
- A third party checks this data for accuracy and uploads it to Shop and Compare on the first of each month.

## Provider Preferences

- Search up to 5 doctors, hospitals, and children's dentists.
- Enter the provider first or last name
- Disclaimer "About Your Search Results"



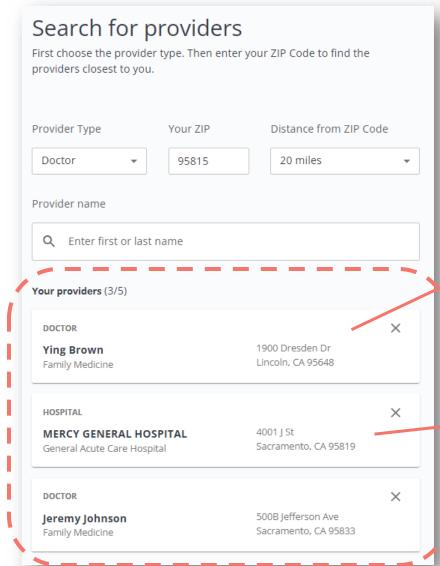


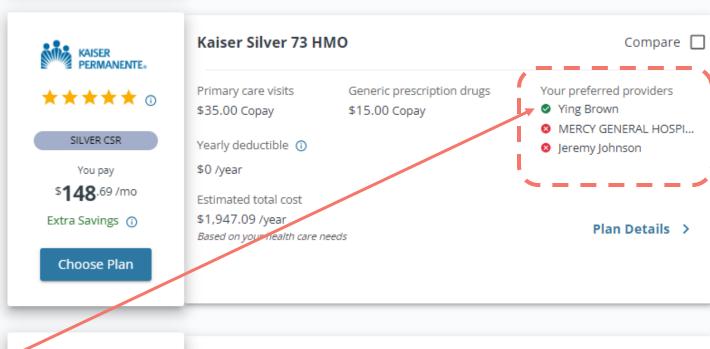
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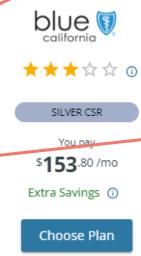
- Physicians who are hospitalists (ER doctors, pathologists, anesthesiologists, radiologists, etc.)
- Non-physician providers (Nurse Practitioners, Physical Therapists, etc.)
- Clinics
- Non-pediatric Dentists



## **Search Results**











# Disclaimer: Important Note

#### **About Your Search Results**

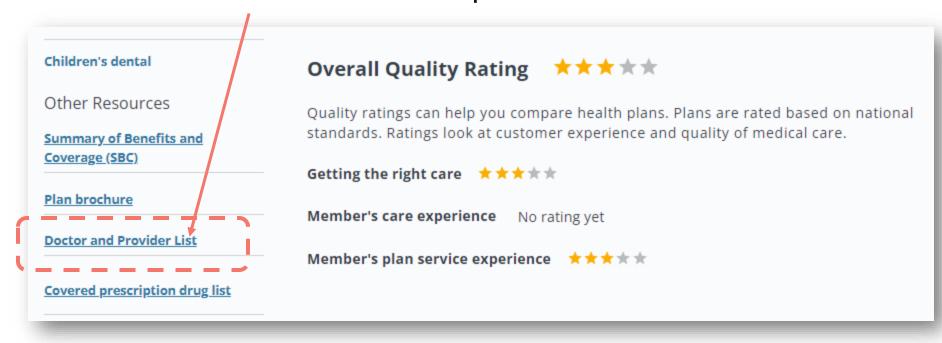
We update the health plan provider lists monthly but our list may be incomplete. Check with the health plan to be sure the provider you choose works with the plan.

- Consumers and Enrollers should <u>refer to the Health and Dental</u>
   <u>Carrier's website</u> for the <u>most up-to-date provider in-network list</u> and information
- Contracts between carriers and providers are negotiated year-round and changes can happen at any time



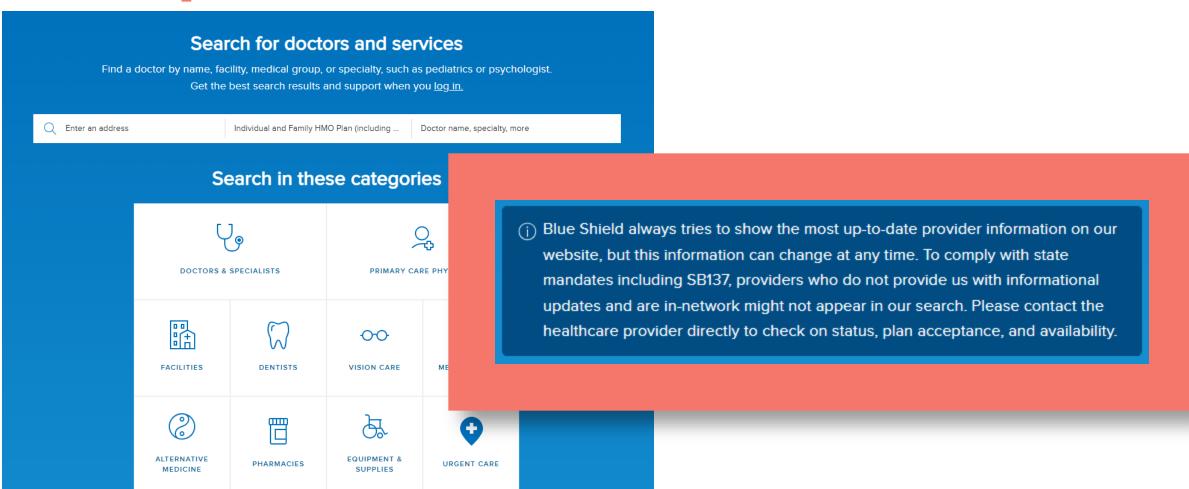
# Plan Doctor and Provider List on the Health Plan Details

Link to the Plan Carrier's website for a list of in-network doctors and providers





## Sample: Blue Shield Provider Search





# Reporting Discrepancies/Other Issues

If you find **provider network discrepancies**, please contact the Health or Dental Carrier

 For example, if a Health Plan details page displays a provider preferred in-network but the provider says they are not, call the Carrier customer service line to resolve

If you find a pattern of discrepancies on Shop and Compare, please contact your local Covered California field or account representative or outreachandsales@covered.ca.gov

 For example, there are no hospitals listed as in-network for a region where you know a Health Carrier is active



# **Sharing Shop and Compare Results**

#### **MUST** Use Anonymous Shop and Compare Tool

(not while logged into a CalHEERS account)

https://apply.coveredca.com/lw-shopandcompare/



Español

Need Help?



#### **Shop and Compare**

Tell us a little bit about yourself

The information below will help us determine your potential health coverage program eligibility. You may qualify for help to lower your health care costs.



# **Enrollers Can Share Shop And Compare Results With Consumers**

https://apply.coveredca.com/lw-shopandcompare/

- 1 Enter household information
  - Coverage Year
  - ZIP Code
  - Household Income
  - Number of Household Members
  - Ages
  - Income
- 2 Select utilization and provider preferences

- Once on the Choose a Health Plan page, copy the URL for the page and share the URL via e-mail or text message
- When the recipient clicks on the link, they will see the same Choose a Health Plan page



Advancing **Equity, Quality** and Value **Positively** Impacting the Health and Well-Being of our Members





# Purpose and Importance of Collecting Demographic Data

- Covered California is dedicated to ensuring all Californians <u>have access</u> to high-quality, equitable, and cost-effective healthcare.
- Collecting demographic data, including race and ethnicity, is crucial in <u>identifying and</u> <u>addressing disparities</u> in health outcomes and the quality of care across different communities. This data helps in tailoring care to meet individual needs and improving care delivery overall.





# Using Data to Identify and Address Disparities

- Covered California <u>analyzes demographic data</u> to identify health disparities and works with health plans to reduce them.
  - Initiatives like the Quality Transformation Initiative (QTI)
    are in place, penalizing plans that fail to meet quality and
    equity benchmarks in specific health areas.
- The collection and analysis of demographic data are integral to our contracts with plans, ensuring we work towards improving the quality, equity, and value of healthcare services for all enrollees.



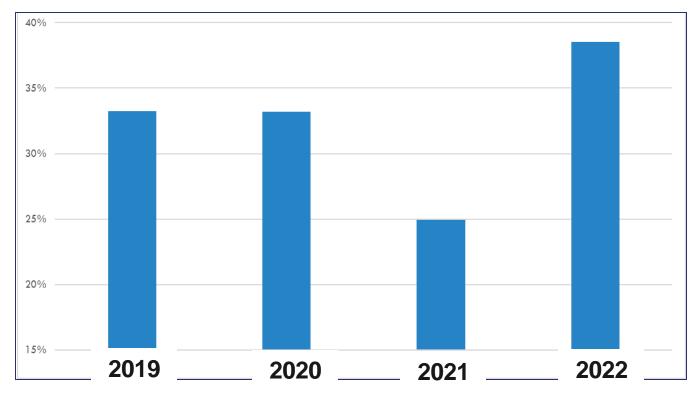




# **Higher Rates of Non-Utilization in 2022**

- Non-utilizer rates
   decreased in 2021 after
   COVID likely due to a
   return to care or delayed
   care, but were at high
   levels in 2022, nearing
   40% overall
- This means nearly 40% of all 2022 members had no office visit, prescription filled, or vaccine

Percentage of Covered California Members Not Utilizing Care by Year



Numerator: Count of members who had no claims

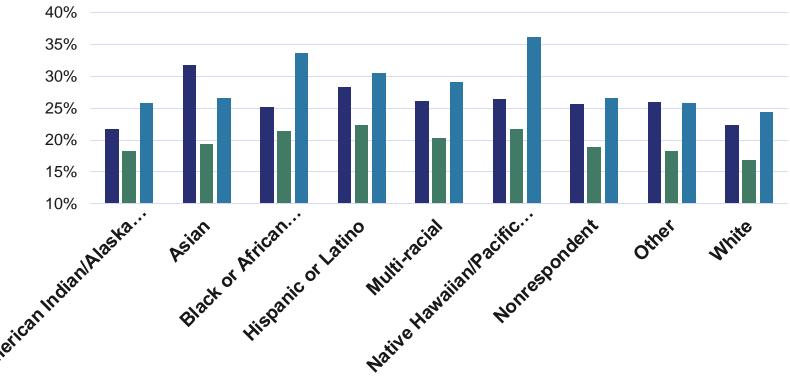
Denominator: Total members enrolled for that year with no continuous enrollment rule applied, on exchange only



# Variation in Non-Utilization Rates Across Race/Ethnicity

- Non-utilizer rates
   decreased in 2021
   but then increased
   across race/ethnicity
   groups in 2022
- Black, Native
   Hawaiian/Pacific
   Islander, and
   Hispanic or Latino
   members had the
   highest rates of not
   using care in 2022

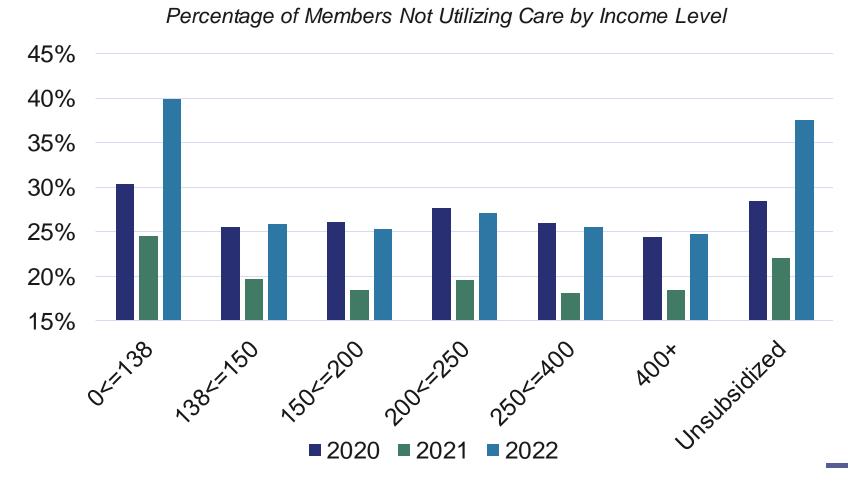






# Lower Income Members Less Likely to Utilize Care

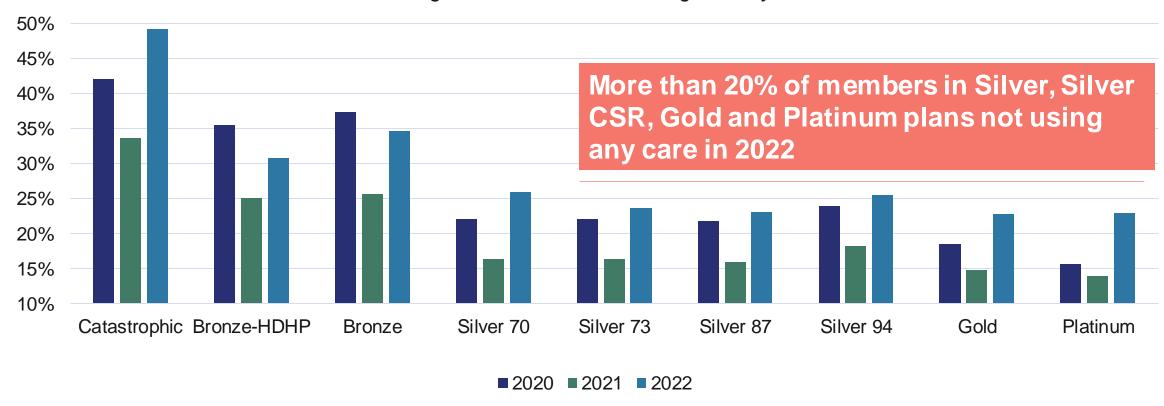
Affordability of health care has affected treatment decisions for many Californians with low incomes, with over half saying that in the past year, they or someone in their family has delayed or forgone some type of medical or dental treatment due to costs from California Health Care Foundation





# Members With Higher Out-of-Pocket Costs Less Likely To Utilize Care

Percentage of Members Not Utilizing Care by Metal Tier



Individuals may be counted in multiple categories due to midyear plan changes. Utilization outcomes will be specific to tenure in that metal tier.



# Member Race/Ethnicity by Service Channel: Non-Respondent Rate

\*2024 OE & Renewal Total Net Members: 1,784,650 Total Non-Respondent Members: 347,090

Service Channel	Total Net Enrollment*	Non-Respondent Count	Non-Respondent Percentage
Certified Enrollment Counselor	42,040	3,900	9.3%
Certified Insurance Agent	1,005,440	234,670	23.3%
Certified Plan-Based Enroller	19,650	10,400	52.9%
County Eligibility Worker	330	40	12.1%
Service Center Representative	59,270	10,550	17.8%
Unassisted	657,920	87,540	13.3%
TOTAL	1,784,650	347,090	19.4%

\*Data as of 2/1/24 Source: https://hbex.coveredca.com//data-research/library/mct-profiles/CC Open Enrollment Renewal Profile Net 2024 R20240313.xlsx



## **How Enrollers Can Help**

#### Collect consumer demographic data

- Educate consumers on the importance of disclosing demographic data.
- Capture accurate and complete demographic information from consumers in the CalHEERS consumer application section, optional Race/Ethnicity questions.
- We encourage <u>not</u> skipping the optional race and ethnicity section during the application process.





## Help a Consumer Find a Primary Care Provider

- New and returning members are informed that their health plan requires them to have a Primary Care Clinician within 60 days of effectuation.
- At enrollment, members can choose their Primary Care Provider (PCP).
- If members want to change their PCP, they can do so by contacting their health plan.
- Members enrolled in EPO/PPO plans are not required to see their assigned PCP for healthcare services or referrals.
- The assigned Primary Care Clinician assists members in navigating the healthcare system, including obtaining preventive health services and accessing necessary care.





# Power of Wellness: Preventive Care Services

- Remind new and returning members they are entitled to preventive services at no cost
- These no-charge services vary by age, health status, and other factors, and are established by the US Preventive Services Task Force (USPSTF) after considering the medical evidence for each service





# **Questions?**





# Break – 10 Minutes



# Covered California For Small Business





# **CCSB Advantages**

#### **MULTI-CARRIER PORTFOLIO**

 Featuring Kaiser Permanente, Sharp Health Plan, Blue Shield of California

#### 4-METAL TIER OFFERING

 Groups can offer their employees choices from 1-tier, 2-tier, 3-tier or 4-metallic tiers

#### **FEDERAL TAX CREDIT**

Lower the cost of coverage for qualifying small businesses.
 \$4,000 maximum increase for 2023

#### **PEO SUB-GROUPS**

 Employers in and out of a PEO are eligible with as little as PEO payroll.

#### **ADMINISTRATION**

- Simple to understand quote, consolidated applications and ONE SINGLE BILL.
- No Admin Fees, No Billing Fees, No Late Fees.
- No Recertification!

#### RELAXED PARTICIPATION

70% of eligible employees enrolled or valid waiver.

#### **OUT-OF-STATE COVERAGE**

Remote employees can access Blue Shield BlueCard.

#### **GREAT FOR START-UPS**

As little as 2 weeks of payroll!

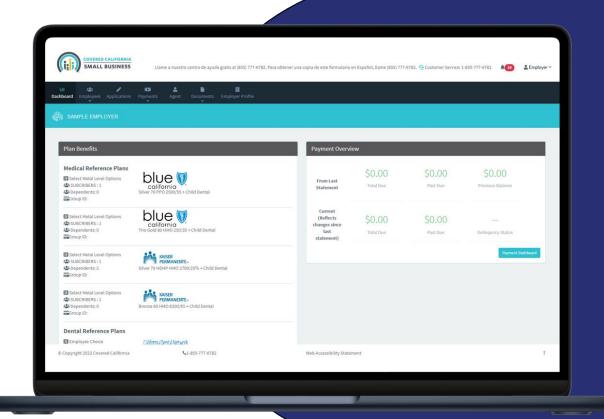
**Unusual Situation You Need Help With?** Reach Out To Your Sales Team!



# MyCCSB Portal Driving Administrative Efficiencies

#### MANAGE YOUR POLICY AND EMPLOYEES ONLINE!

- Easy self-serve employee Adds, Terms and Changes
- Up to 30 days retroactively!
- View carrier subscriber IDs online.
- Invite new hires to enroll online and compare options
- One-time and Auto-Pay Feature for Employers
- Real-time Account Balances
- View previous invoices, payments, letters and notices
- View all employer details such as reference plan, contribution, COBRA status, addresses and contact information
- Ability to have a secondary account login for employers
- Cal-COBRA packets available electronically and mailed
- Employee Census export tool
- And much more!





# Added Values Included Through CCSB

**Plans** 

- In addition to premier health plans, which help keep small businesses and employees covered, our carrier partners provide added incentives to support overall health and wellness.
- These can include valuable discounts and free programs to help members reach their fitness and health goals.

YOUR PLAN MAY OFFER	BLUE SHIELD	KAISER PERMANENTE	SHARP
Fitness Incentives	Discounted Gym Memberships	Discounted Gym Memberships and On-Demand Workout Videos	Discounted Gym Memberships and On-Demand Workout Videos
Wellness Programs (can include weight loss, quit smoking, reduce stress, manage diabetes/depression)	Virtual and In-person Wellness Coaching	Virtual and Phone Wellness Coaching	Virtual Wellness Coaching
Alternative Care Discount Program (Acupuncture, chiropractic, therapeutic massage etc.)	Up to 25% Savings on Select Services	Up to 25% Savings on Select Services	Up to 25% Savings on Select Services
Telehealth	<b>②</b>	<b>②</b>	<b>Ø</b>
Mail Service Pharmacy	<b>②</b>	<b>②</b>	<b>Ø</b>
Minute Clinics	Only Available for PPO Plans	<b>②</b>	<b>Ø</b>
Emergency Travel Service	<b>②</b>	<b>②</b>	<b>Ø</b>
For customer support, including ordering an ID card, members can contact:	TRIO HMO members (855) 747-5800 Full PPO members (888) 256-1915	(800) 464-4000	(800) 359-2002



# **Broker Bonus Program!**

# a partnership that pays

In addition to the standard 5% commission:

- Bonus Period includes effective dates of <u>7/1/2024 1/1/2025</u>
- Must write <u>3 or More Groups</u> during the Bonus Period to qualify
- Write 6 or more groups, and ALL bonuses increased by 50%!!!
- Business written through partnering General Agencies qualify

<b>Group Size</b> (Enrolled Employees)	Bonus Per Group (3 Groups / 6+ Groups)
51 – 100	\$ 8,000 / \$12,000
26 – 50	\$ 4,000 / \$6,000
11 – 25	\$ 2,000 / \$3,000
4 – 10	\$ 1,000 / \$1,500

Terms and Conditions apply. Please see official flyer for the details, limitations, disclaimers.



## **New Business & Renewal Submission**



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- Submission Options
- Online: MyCCSB.com
- Email: CCSBeligibility@Covered.CA.gov



## **Contact Us**

CCSB Sales (844) 332-8384 SmallBusiness@Covered.CA.gov

Agent Service Center
(855) 777-6782 - Agents@Covered.CA.gov
(Option 1 for English or 2 for Spanish

> then 1 for Agents

> then 2 for the Call Center)

Case Submission & Eligibility CCSBeligibility@Covered.CA.gov

Quotes @Covered.CA.gov





**Medi-Cal To** Covered California **Transition Auto Plan** Selection (APS) Updates



# we'll keep you covered.



# **Auto-Plan Selection (APS) overview**

In 2023, APS was enabled for a seamless transition from Medi-Cal to Covered California, ensuring continuous coverage.

Initial design

APS was only applicable for the first transition from Medi-Cal to Covered California

New feature

Extend APS beyond initial transition for the population that was not eligible for APTC when they were discontinued from Medi-Cal



## **New Manual APS Feature & Process**

#### **New Function**

- Helps certain consumers transitioning from Medi-Cal
- Updates their tax filing status from "no" or "null" to "yes"
- Changes their eligibility for APTC as long as they meet all other eligibility requirements.

#### The MAPS Process

 Consumers who agreed to the change of their tax filing status to "yes" for the benefit year will be informed about their APTC amount.

#### **Additional Support**

- Some consumers will receive extra educational materials.
- Information about the lowest-cost Silver plan will be provided.



# Impacted Consumer Population



Medi-Cal Transitioner's case has the tax filing status: "no" or "null", cannot access APTC.

- These consumers are not eligible to automatically enroll under the current Auto Plan Selection (SB 260) process.
- Consumers may not understand why they can't get APTC, even if they're ready to file taxes to get it.



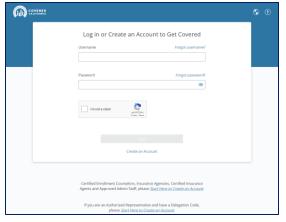
# Consumer MAPS Processes 1, 2, And 3

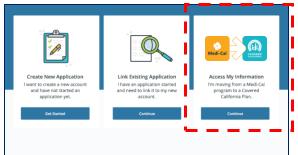
Consumer	MAPS 1	MAPS 2	MAPS 3 (APS Lite*)
Population	Newly eligible for CCA but missing tax filing info	Newly eligible for CCA but missing tax filing info	Newly eligible for CCA but missing tax filing info
2024 Tax Filing Status Updated	Yes	Yes	Yes
Notice Sent	Eligibility Notice NOD01	Eligibility Notice NOD01	Medi-Cal to Covered California NOD01X
Educational Flyer Sent	No	Yes	Yes
MCT MAPS Dashboard displayed	No	No	Yes
Consumer Action: Account Information Confirmation Required	Yes	Yes	Yes

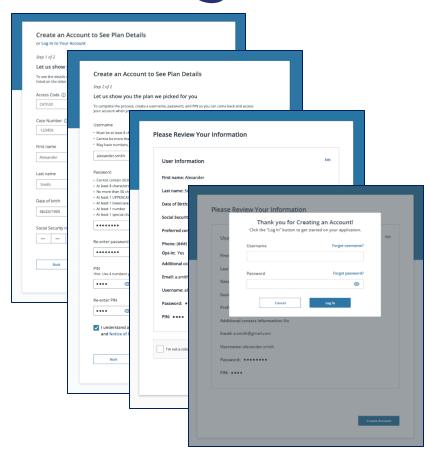
\*MAPS 3, APS lite process will display the lowest-cost Silver plan information on their CalHEERS Medi-Cal Transitioner dashboard.

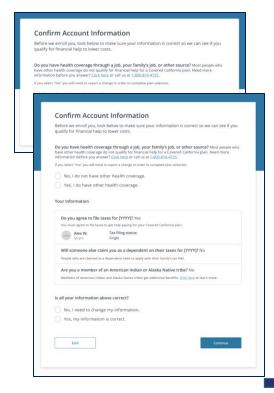


# MAPS 1 & 2: Login + Manual APS Flow









Shopping Flow



Portal Login & MCT Tile



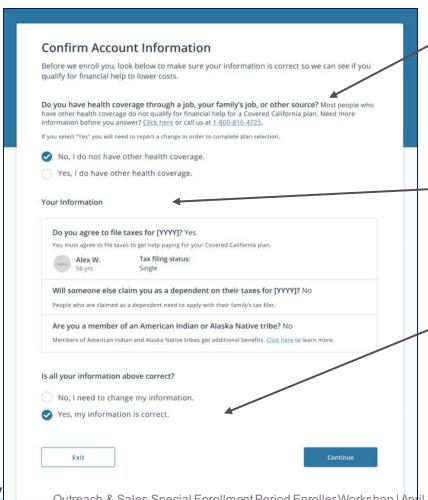
**Streamlined Account Creation** 



Confirm
Account
Information



# MAPS 1, 2, And 3: Confirm Account Information



The answer to the **Minimum Essential Coverage (MEC) question** determines the subsequent steps.

Consumer must confirm additional account details. The application will evaluate the consumer for financial help based on these answers:

- The consumer will file taxes
- The consumer will file taxes as Single
- The consumer is not a tax dependent of someone else
- The consumer is not American Indian/Alaskan Native (Al/AN)

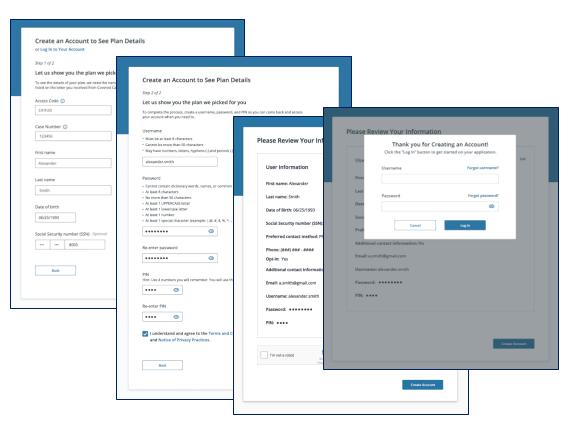
On click of "Yes, my information is correct", the consumer will navigate to the next step.

- If MAPS 1 or MAPS 2: Enrollment Dashboard
- If MAPS 3: \*NEW\* Choose Your Plan (APS Lite)

**Note:** Once account information is confirmed and the user shops for a plan (all groups) or confirms the pre-selected plan (MAPS 3), the coverage will begin the first of the month after the action

## **MAPS Population 3: Login to APS MCT Dashboard**





Login & Medi-Cal Transition (MCT)Tile



Streamlined Account Creation







# **MAPS 3 (APS Lite) Process**

After eligibility is determined for consumers in this process, the system will:

- Display the plan on the MAPS Dashboard and in the NOD01X (the MAPS version of NOD01T), using the same hierarchy as APS.
  - At this stage, the 834 (enrollment data to the QHP) is not generated.
- 2. Prompt the MAPS dashboard to appear.
- 3. Stop users from finalizing plan selection until their account information is confirmed.
- 4. Create and send the NOD01X.

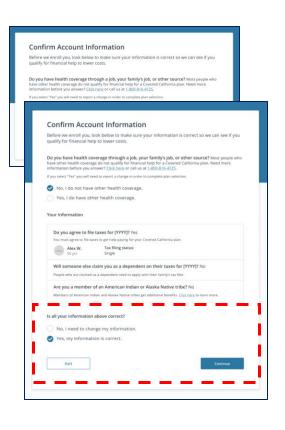
Once the consumer confirms their details and decides to stay with the pre-selected plan, the 834 will be generated. The coverage will begin on the first of the next month, following standard Special Enrollment Period plan selection rules.

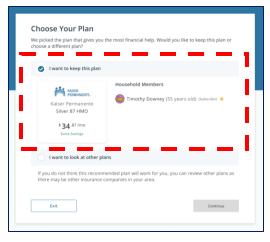
**Note**: Confirming account information is different from the APS Opt-in/-out. Because of its complex rules, it's only available through the logged-in CalHEERS account, not via IVR or CiCi.

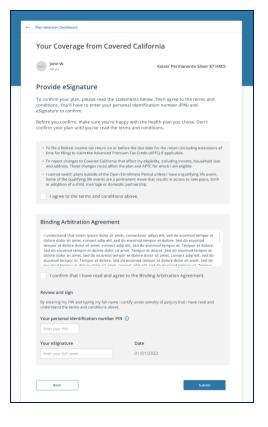


#### MAPS 3: Start Now + INFO CORRECT + Enroll APS Plan











#### **Confirm Account** Info

No MEC + Info is correct + On-click of "Continue"



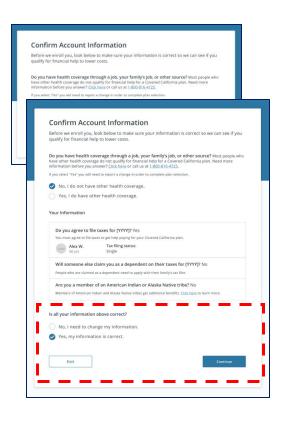
Choose Your Plan + "Sign & Submit" for APS LITE plan

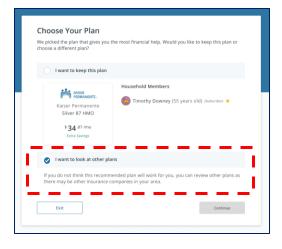


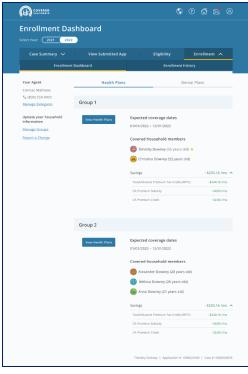
New Outreach & Sales Special Enrollment Period Enroller Workshop | April 2024

### MAPS 3: Start Now + INFO CORRECT + Shop For Plans











#### **Confirm Account** Info

No MEC + Info is correct + On-click of "Continue"



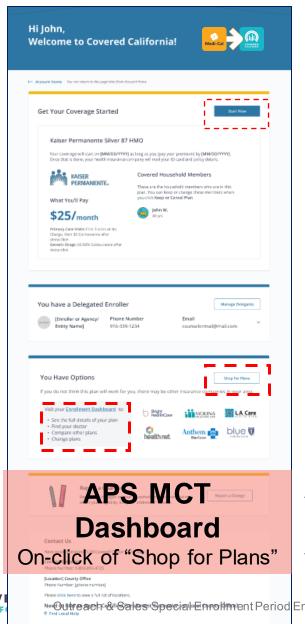
#### Choose Your Plan +

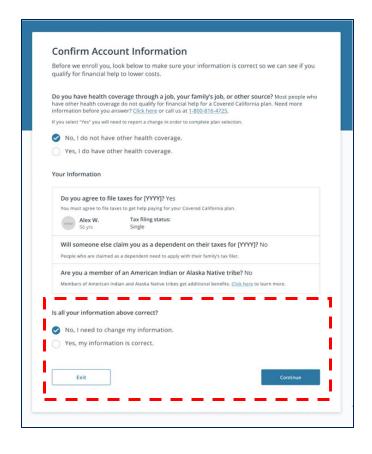
"First-time User" to shop for plans

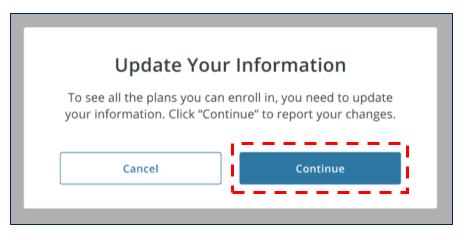


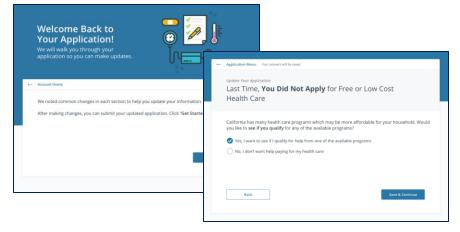
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### MAPS 3: Info Not Correct + REPORT A CHANGE Next Steps











#### **Confirm Account** Info

No MEC + Info not correct



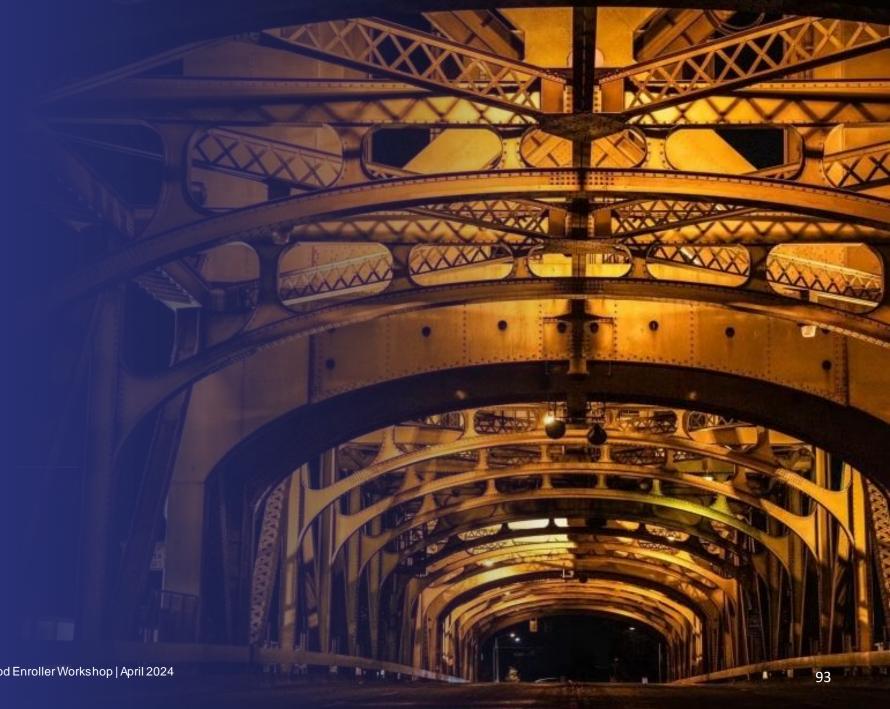
#### Report a Change flow

(If RAC completed, remove APS, regular plan shop, no further guardrails)



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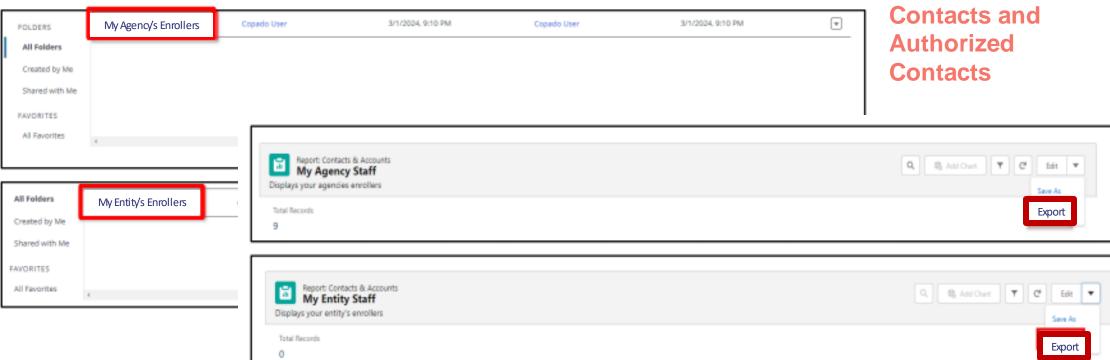
# Enroller Portal Updates



# **New!** Export List of Staff for Enrollers

#### **Enroller Portal Quick Links:**

**Click** on My Reports → All Folders → My Agency's/Entity's Enrollers → Export





Only available to

Signers, Agency

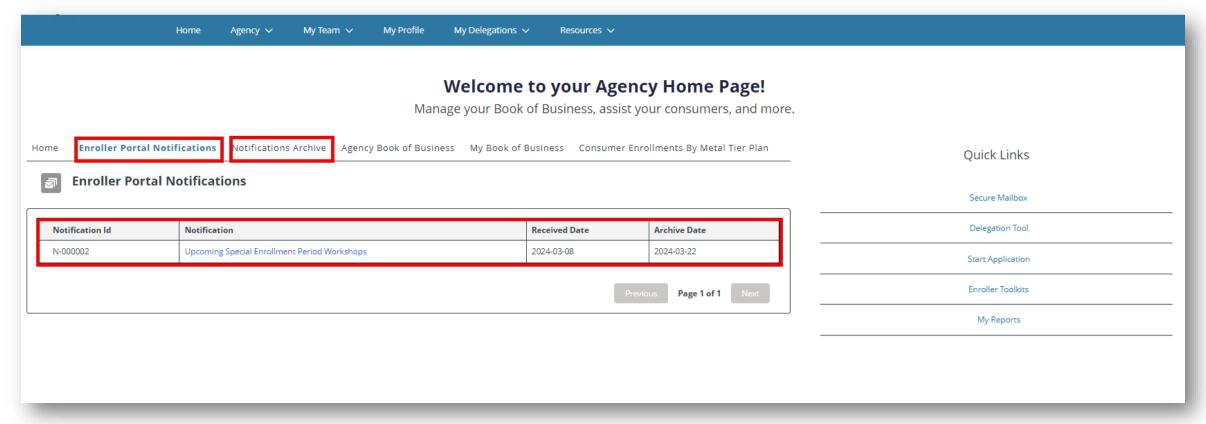
**Managers, Primary** 

**Authorized** 

## **New!** Enroller Portal Notifications

#### Check here for quick updates from Covered California

Older messages will be moved to the Notifications Archive

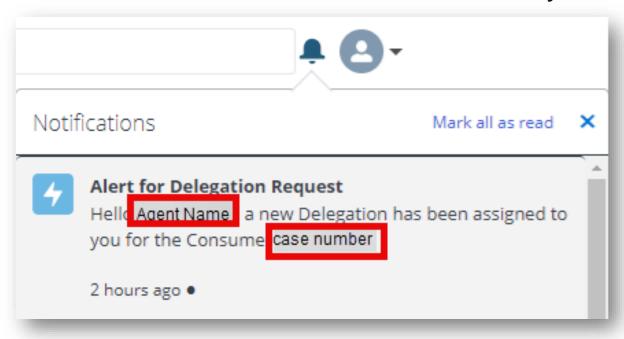




# New! Bell Notification Messaging Updates

# Bell Notification will now have a Case ID instead of the consumer's name

This makes it easier to search for the consumer in your Book of Business.

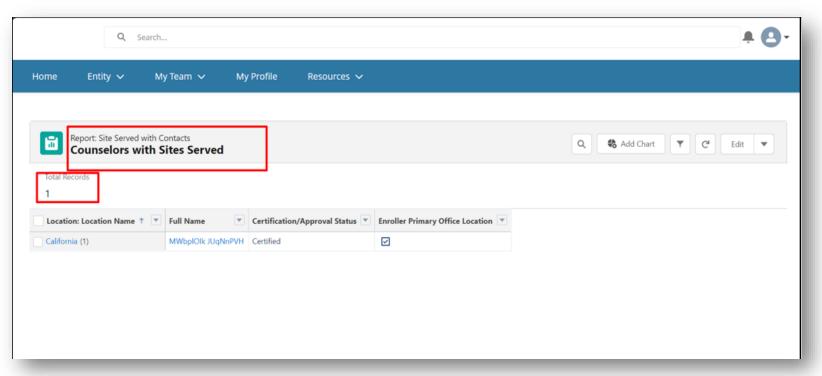




# **New!** Site Served Report for PC/AC

Primary Contacts (PC) and Authorized Contacts (AC) should now see a new report titled "Counselors with Sites Served"

My Reports All Reports Counselors with Site Served



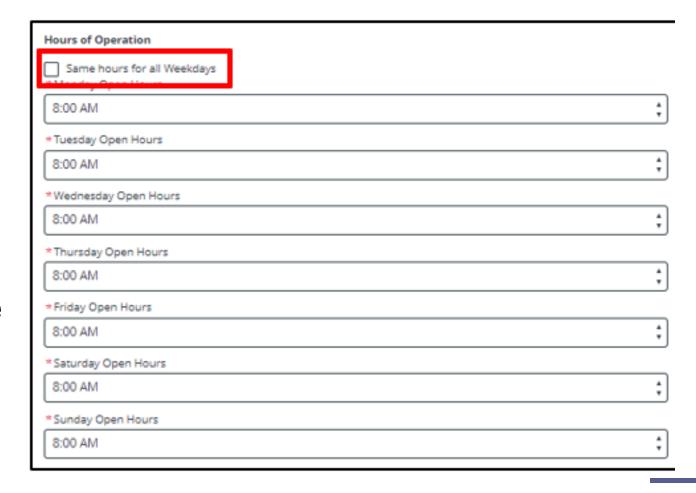


# **Update:** Hours of Operation for Subsite Locations

#### New checkbox titled:

"Same hours for all Weekdays"

Automatically populates the same opening and closing hours for every day.



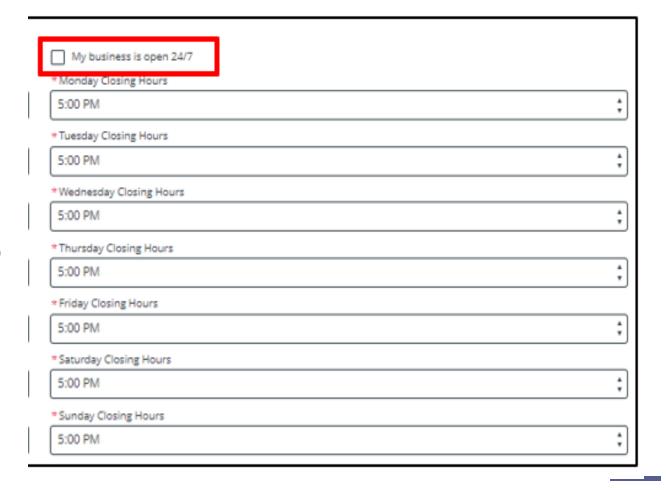


# **Update:** Hours of Operation for Subsite Locations

#### **New checkbox titled:**

"My business is open 24/7"

Automatically adjusts hours to opening at <u>12:00am</u> and closing at <u>11:59 PM</u>.





# Future Enroller Portal Enhancements

Look for these updates before Open Enrollment

- Progress bar/trail indicating the progress of staff being onboarded
  - This will allow Agency and Entity managers to see the progress of any downline staff that is being onboarded.
- Book of Business redesign
  - Enhancement to Book of Business to make it more user-friendly.
  - Additional reports specific to business process so the user does not have to export the entire Book of Business every time, e.g., carrier, plan type, etc.



## **Future Enroller Portal Enhancements**

Look for these updates before Open Enrollment

# Submit your Change requests from Enroller Portal for your profile or Agency

- Users will be able to submit specific change requests/questions directly from the Enroller Portal, which will go to Outreach and Sales.
- E.g., Name change, address change, withdraw downline staff, contract questions, etc.



## Find an Enroller/Storefront Finder

#### The Find an Enroller Tool is merging with the Storefront Finder

- Consumer research and feedback has shown that consumers want one tool to find help.
- In the future there will be one tool for a consumer to use when searching for an enroller.
- Application for becoming a Storefront will remain unchanged.

#### Storefront Icon

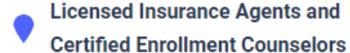


 New and Existing Storefronts have an icon in the search tool and will be prioritized at the top of the search results.

#### Search Results

Search results will prioritize the most active enrollers in a search area, near the top.







# **Becoming a Storefront**

There are specific requirements for the Storefront program:



Storefronts, featuring Covered California approved signage, are an effective way for people in your community to find your location.

CoveredCA.com/get-help/local/storefronts



For more information or to access the Storefront application please see the Storefront Toolkit

https://hbex.coveredca.com/toolkit/storefronts/Storefront\_Toolkit.pdf



- Provide a commercial location accessible and visible from the street that is open to walk in traffic
- Operate during core business hours (M-F, 9am – 5pm)
- Display approved signage
- Provide a private space for enrollment assistance that adheres to security and privacy policies
- Have a clean, safe, professional environment
- Provide Covered California with updates to Storefront information (location, contact info, hours of operation)

# Highlighting Enroller Portal Navigation

Agent Service Center call drivers show many Enrollers have questions about navigating their portal

#### **Questions Include:**

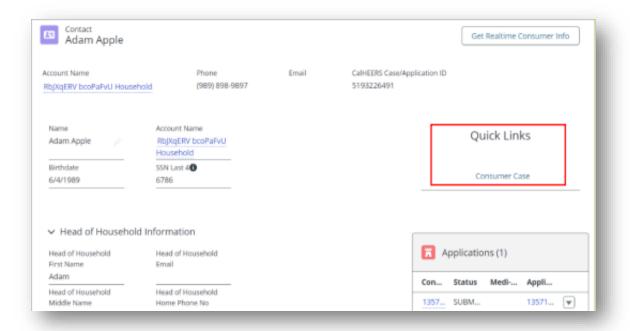
- Global Search Bar
- Quick links
- Locating my Book of Business
- Finding my Active Consumers List
- Seeing Consumers no longer delegated to me (Delegation History)
- Transferring Delegations for larger Agencies
- Password Resets



# **Using the Global Search Bar**

The Global Search bar at the top of your dashboard allows you to search for consumers by any consumer data and locate your consumers contact card.

Demographic Data	CalHEERS Data
Name	CalHEERS Case Number
Date of Birth	Application Number
Last 4 of SSN	
Contact Info Phone/Email/Address	





# Locating and Using your Quick Links

Your Quick Links are located on the righthand side of your home page. They provide quick access to important functions.

Item	Explanation	
Secure Mailbox	The location of your Daily Summary Emails	
<b>Delegation Tool</b>	Gives you access to self-delegation	
Start Application	Takes you to the beginning of a new customer application	
Enroller Toolkits	Takes you to all published enroller toolkits, with job aids and helpful information	
My Reports	Takes you to a copy of your Book of Business, your team report export and any future reports created for you.	

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# **Book of Business Export: Helpful Tips**

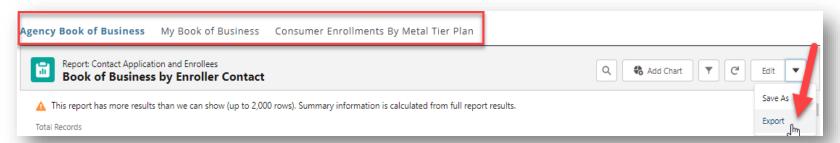
Enroller Portal: Users can export the Book of Business at an Agency/Entity and Individual level dependent on user permissions.

#### Filter and sort the report columns:

- Enrollment by Carrier
- Enrollment by Metal Tier
- Enrollment by Effective Date
- Enrollment Status
- Eligibility Status (for ROP purposes)
- Consent for Verification expiration date

#### **Helpful Tips:**

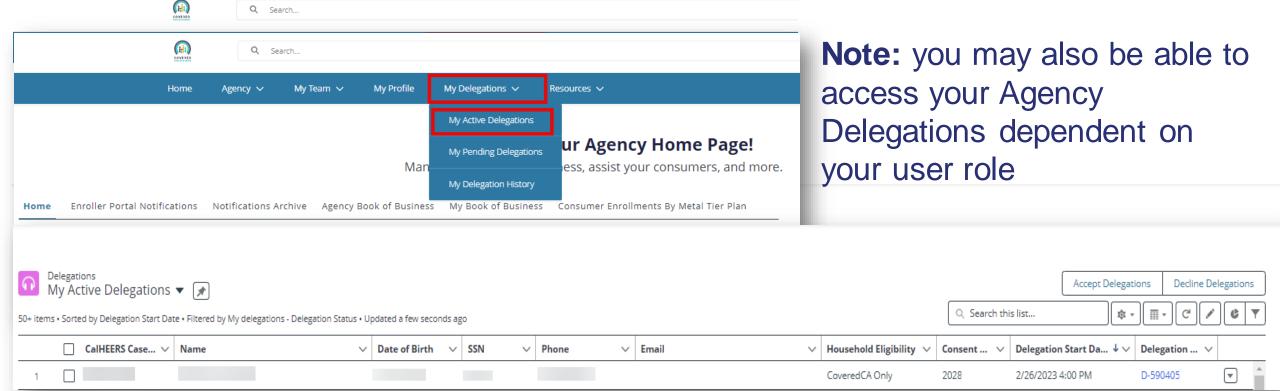
- Users have the option to export a "formatted" or "details only" version of their Book of Business
- Details only is the best option for larger Books of Business
- Book of Business Extract should always be viewed and downloaded in Excel





# Locating your Active Consumers List

Navigation: My Delegations ——— My Active Delegations





# Locating your Delegation History

You can access a list view of all historical delegations. This means any delegation that has been removed.

#### **This list includes:**

- Consumer name
- Case Number
- Delegation Start Date
- Delegation End Date
- Method in which the delegation was removed



# Finding your Delegation History

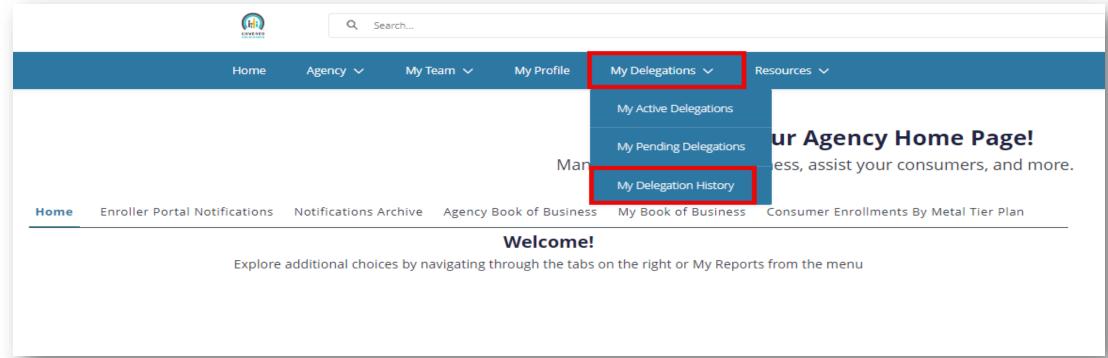
Navigating to your Delegation History

My Delegations 

My Delegation History

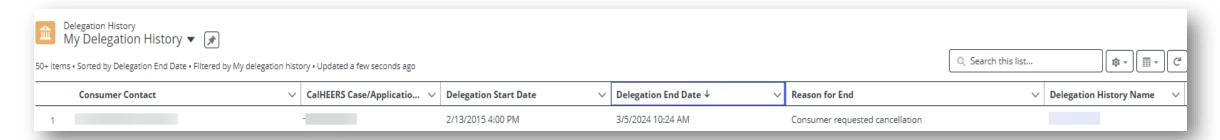
#### Note:

You may also be able to access the Delegation History for your Agency or Entity dependent on your user role.





# **Delegation History - How To Use It**



Reason for End	Explanation
Consumer Requested Cancellation	Delegation was removed manually by either  A. Consumer logged into CalHEERS and selected remove  B. By Admin User (SCR) by consumer request
Accelerated Consumer Delegation Consent	Removed when a new delegation was processed via the Delegation Tool. Consumer was provided One Time Passcode
Transfer within Agency/Entity	Delegation Removed via delegation transfer initiated by Agency/Entity



# **Transferring Delegations**

How to transfer individual delegations for large Agencies/Entities (over 2,000 delegations)

When attempting to transfer delegations, many users have struggled to find the consumer case in their portal. Here are the steps to complete this transaction:

#### 1. Search

Search for the consumer by Case ID in the global search

### 2. Delegation Name

in the "delegations" section click on the **BLUE** delegation name

#### 3. Transfer

Locate the down arrow on the top right corner next to the actions

#### 4. New Agent

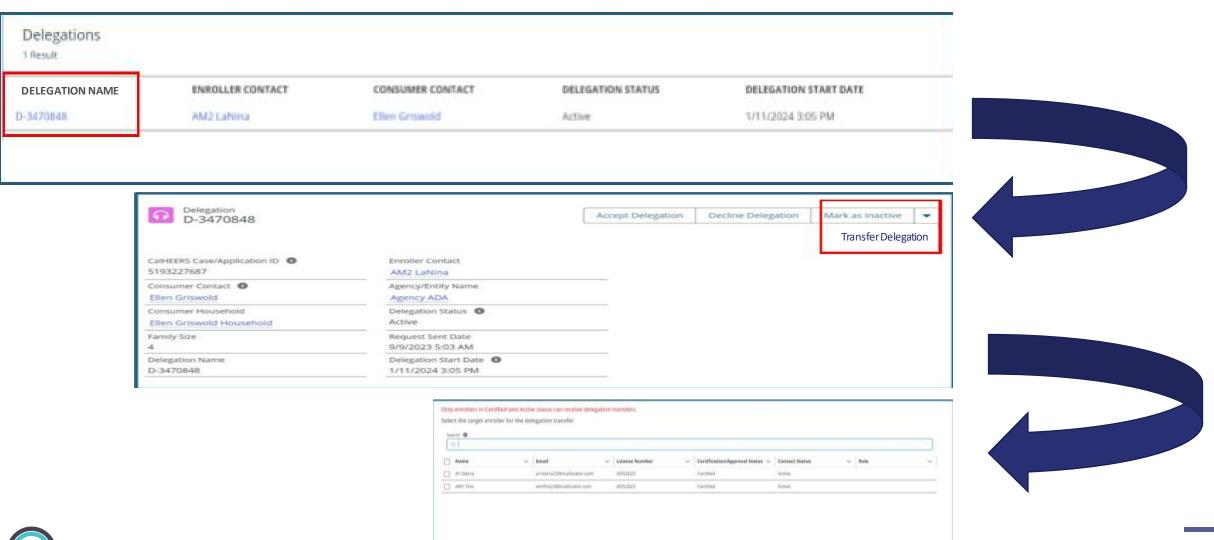
Select your Target enroller

#### 5. Complete

Complete the process by selecting "Transfer Delegation"

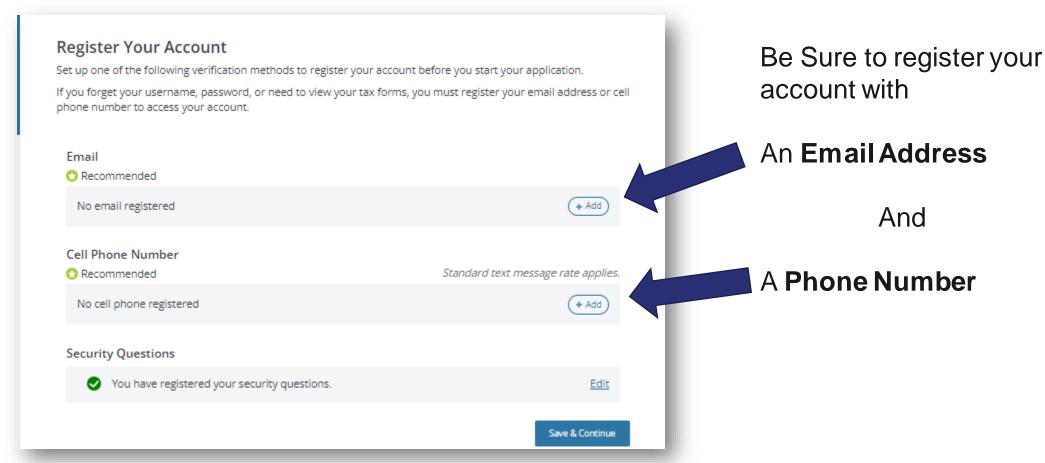


# **Transferring Delegations Flow**



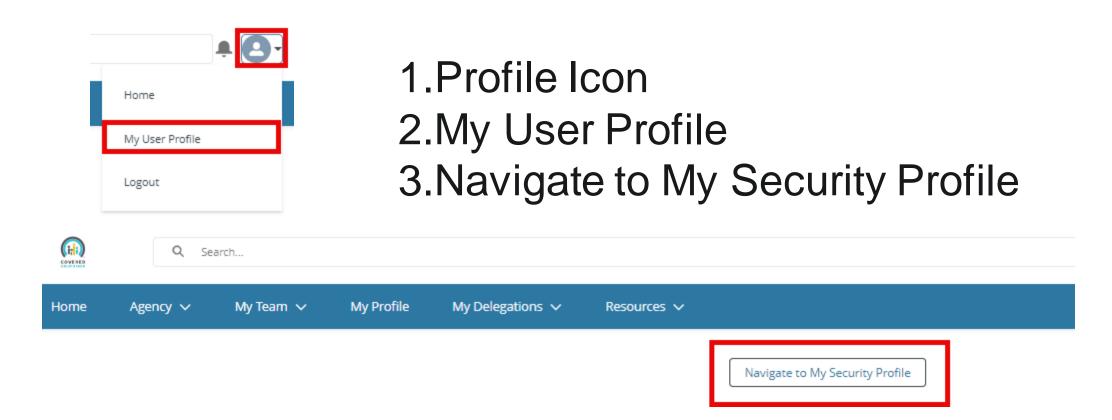
# Password Resets and Multi Factor Authentication (MFA)

Setting up Multi Factor Authentication allows you to self-serve





## **Navigating to your Security Profile**







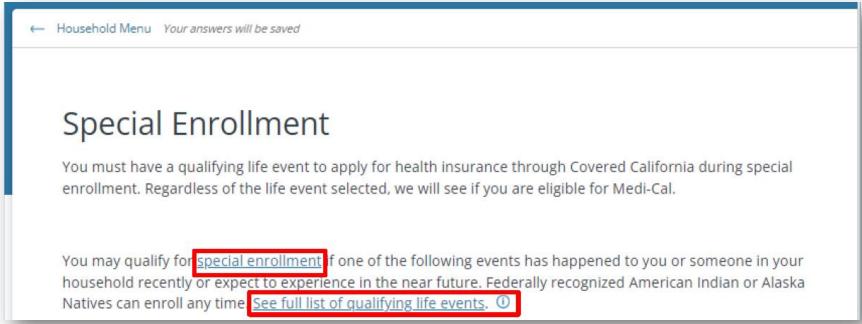
# CalHEERS 24.2 Updates



# **Updated: Special Enrollment Page**

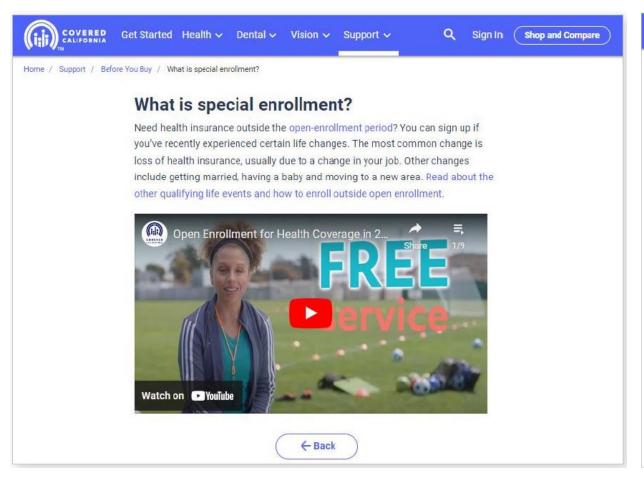
#### CalHEERS Page now displays the following two links:

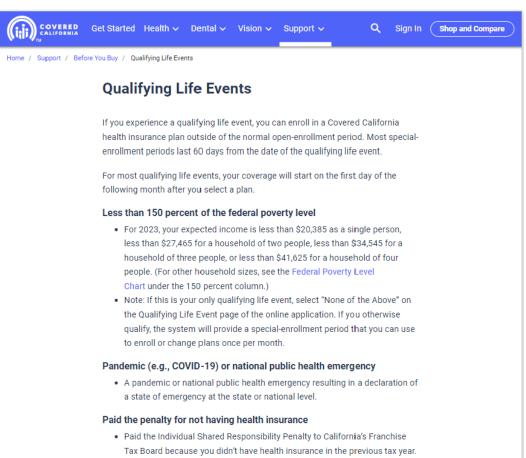
- Special enrollment link navigates the user to a Covered California site: What is special enrollment?
- See full list of qualifying life events link navigates the user to a Covered California site:
   Qualifying Life Events





# SEP Page Links Provide Additional Information:





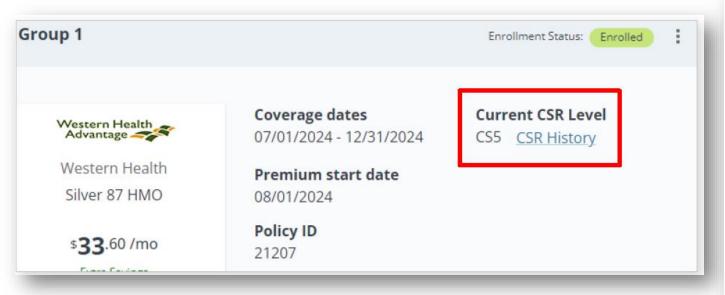


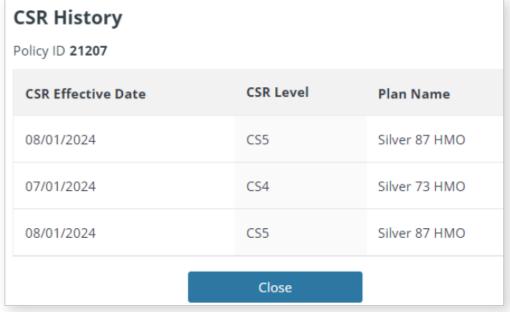
# **New!** Cost Sharing Reduction History

 Enrollers can now view their Consumers Cost Sharing Reduction (CSR) history on the Enrollment Dashboard

Click "CSR History" link on enrollment tile to see changes in

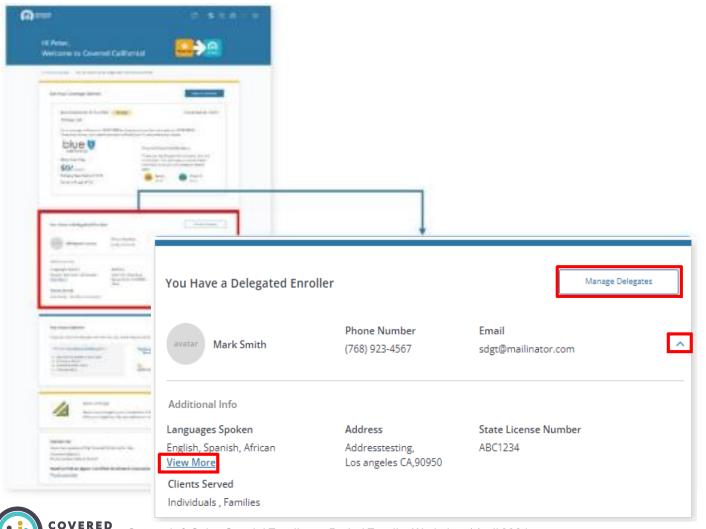
CSR's







# **Updated:** Medi-Cal Transitioner (MCT) **Dashboard**



The MCT Dashboard was updated to include Enroller information.

Consumers with a delegated Enroller will find their Enrollers information:

- Name
- Phone Number
- Email
- Location
- Languages served

Consumers without a delegated Enroller will see a link to Find Local Help

# Enroller Requirements and Best Practices

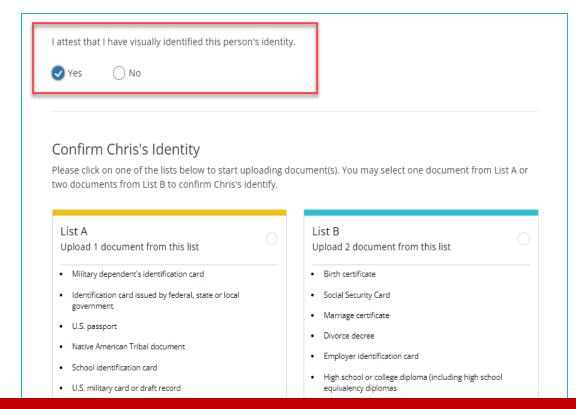


## **Consumer Identity Proofing**

- ✓ Verification of a consumer's identity is a legally required step in eligibility determination.
- ✓ Identity proofing can be done by visual verification, remote identity proofing (RIDP), or paper application.

#### **Visual** verification:

- When assisting the consumer during visual verification, there are several types of acceptable identification documents that must be uploaded to the system during the application process.
- Within the application, you will be asked to first attest to visually identifying the consumer's identity and then click on one of two lists to begin the document upload process.



#### **IMPORTANT NOTE:**

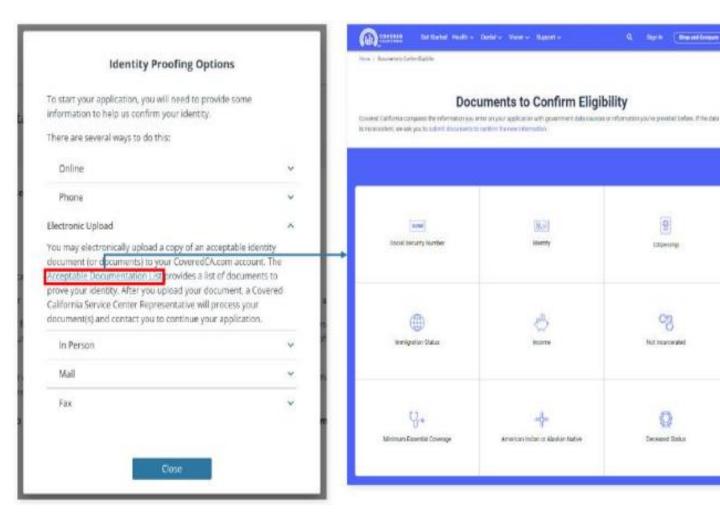
Bypassing identification verification by uploading a "placeholder" image instead of acceptable documentation is unlawful and may result in suspension or termination as possible outcomes for violating RIDP rules.

# **Updated: Identity Proofing Options**

#### Provide information to confirm consumer's identity:

- Electronic Upload
- In Person, and
- Fax

**NEW:** The Acceptable **Documentation List link** navigates the user to the Covered California webpage: **Documents to Confirm** Eligibility.



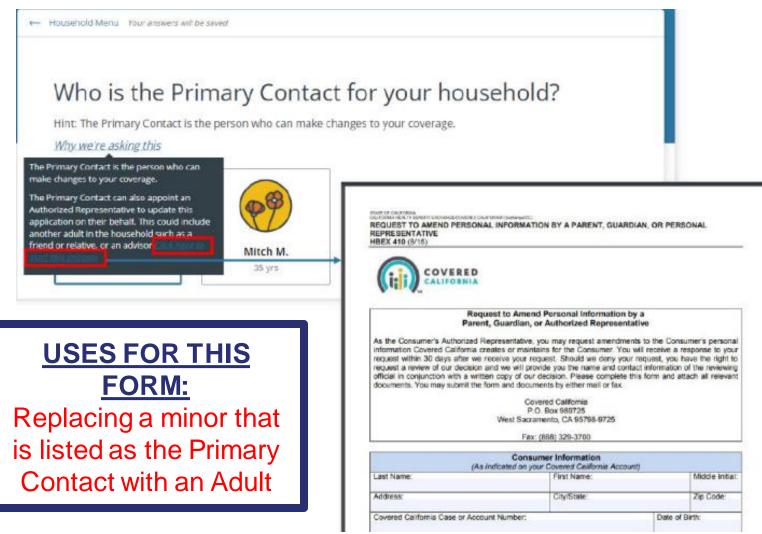


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# **Updated: Primary Contact Page**

New link added to the tooltip on the Primary Contact page displays a link to a document titled Request to **Amend Personal** Information by a Parent, Guardian, or **Authorized** Representative PDF.



# Reasonable Opportunity Period (ROP)

- The Reasonable Opportunity Period (ROP) is a 95-day period during which a <u>conditionally eligible</u> consumer can submit verification documents to clear inconsistencies in their application.
- Documents will be requested in CalHEERS to verify a consumer's eligibility.
- Consumers will be terminated from their coverage if the documents are not provided, or the application isn't updated to include accurate information.
- If the verification categories cannot be electronically verified and must be manually passed, documents will have to be provided every year.

#### **ENROLLER BEST PRACTICES**

- Read your Daily Summary
   Email for NOD03 alerts
- Filter the Book of Business for Conditionally Eligible consumers
- Never re-enroll the consumer after they were <u>terminated</u> for ROP unless their verification has been passed.
- Note, if the consumer is
   <u>Conditionally Eligible</u> for
   Covered California their
   verification has not been passed
   yet
- For additional guidance, read:
   Understanding ROP and Auto Discontinuance Guide



# Uncorrected Inconsistencies at the end of the Reasonable Opportunity Period (ROP)

The table below shows the impact to the consumer's case if an inconsistency is not corrected by the end of the ROP due date.

Uncorrected Inconsistency	Impact to Consumer
<ul> <li>Income</li> <li>Social Security Number</li> <li>Minimum Essential Coverage (MEC)</li> <li>American Indian/Alaskan Native (Al/AN)</li> </ul>	Advanced Premium Tax Credit (APTC) and/or Cost-Sharing Reduction (CSR) is redetermined or terminated. The consumer can request to have their <u>APTC/CSR</u> restored.
	<b>Note:</b> The consumer will still have coverage under their health plan.
Citizenship	Coverage terminated.
<ul> <li>Lawful presence</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Incarceration status</li> </ul>	
Vital status (deceased)	



## Periodic Data Matching (PDM)

The **Periodic Data Matching** Process occurs **twice a year** to verify data sources for enrolled consumers to confirm the following:

- Consumer is not newly eligible for or enrolled in Medicare
- Consumer has not been reported as Deceased

Consumers may be **terminated from their coverage or lose financial assistance**, if they do not respond to Covered California's request for information.

#### Consumers can respond to the inquiry in the following ways:

- 1. Contact Covered California Consumer Service Center
- 2. Respond on their CalHEERS home page under account alerts

#### **ENROLLER BEST PRACTICES**

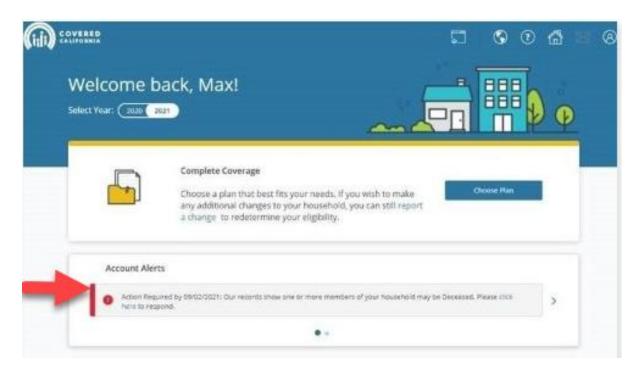
- Read the Daily Summary
   Email in your Secure
   Mailbox for NOD70 alerts
- Assist your consumer with responding to the request for information on their application home page.
- Never re-enroll the consumer after they were terminated for PDM, Please request reinstatement via the Agent Service Center

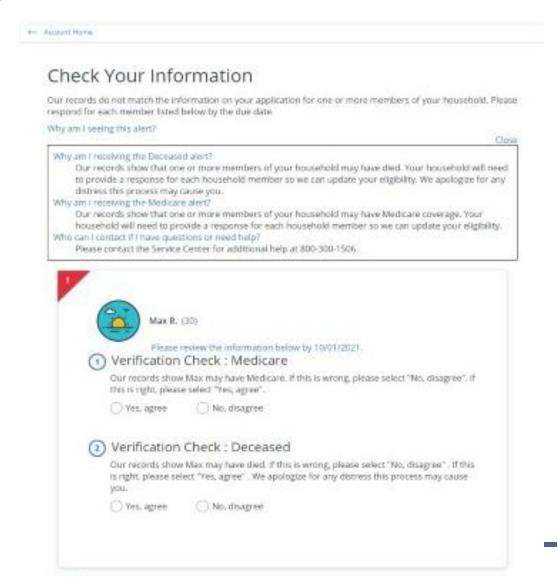


## PDM: Responding to Requests for Information

#### **Navigation:**

From the Consumer Home Page, access Account Alerts







# Hearing Aid Coverage for Children Program (HACCP) Overview









## **HACCP** Eligibility

- Children 0-20 years of age
- California resident
- Household income under 600% of Federal Poverty Level (FPL)
- Does not have health coverage for hearing aids:
  - Not eligible for Medi-Cal
  - Not enrolled in California Children's Services (CCS) for a hearing-related condition
  - If enrolled in a health plan, the plan does not include hearing aids or limits annual benefits for hearing aids to \$1,500 or less
- Enrollment requires a referral from a medical provider or hearing professional or a valid hearing aid prescription





#### **HACCP Enrollment Process**

- Apply online at <a href="https://haccp.dhcs.ca.gov">https://haccp.dhcs.ca.gov</a>
- Required documentation:
  - Household income
  - Existing health coverage (if any)
  - Hearing aid prescription or provider referral
- Eligibility will be determined within 10 days from receipt of a <u>complete</u> application. HACCP will confirm your enrollment status by mail.





### **HACCP Covered Benefits**

- HACCP covers a full range of hearing aid-related benefits, from evaluation to follow-up:
  - Hearing aids, including assistive listening devices (ALD) and surface-worn bone conduction hearing devices (BCHD)
  - Medically necessary hearing aid accessories
  - Supplies, including ear molds and hearing aid batteries
  - Hearing aid-related audiology and physician services
- For a comprehensive list, see the Department of Health Care Services'
   HACCP Provider Manual at: <a href="https://mcweb.apps.prd.cammis.medi-cal.ca.gov/file/manual?fn=hearaccp.pdf">https://mcweb.apps.prd.cammis.medi-cal.ca.gov/file/manual?fn=hearaccp.pdf</a>
- Coverage determinations are based on medical necessity. There is no cap on HACCP-covered benefits if medically necessary.





#### **HACCP Providers**

- Once enrolled, find a participating provider: <a href="https://providerca.maximus.com/">https://providerca.maximus.com/</a>
   or
- If an enrolled child is already established with a pediatric hearing aid provider, is their current provider enrolled as a Medi-Cal provider?
  - Enrolled Medi-Cal FFS (Fee-For-Service) providers may submit claims for covered benefits provided to HACCP clients through the same process they already use for Medi-Cal FFS and CCS.
  - If the provider is not already enrolled in Medi-Cal, they can learn more and apply online: <a href="https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/provgovpart/Pages/PAVE.aspx">https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/provgovpart/Pages/PAVE.aspx</a>





#### **Additional Resources**

#### HACCP Help Center

- Call 1 (833) 774-2227
  - Translators available
  - Video relay, TTY/TTD
- Chat with us online at <u>www.dhcs.ca.gov/HACCP</u>
  - English and Spanish
  - Can upload documents
- Email HACCP@maximus.com

#### HACCP Webpage

- Visit <u>www.dhcs.ca.gov/HACCP</u> to learn more or find a provider.
- Apply online for coverage at <a href="https://haccp.dhcs.ca.gov">https://haccp.dhcs.ca.gov</a>.







# **Enroller Tools & Resources**



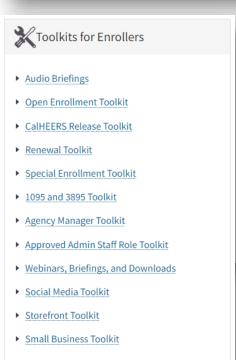
### **Read Your Enroller Alerts & Briefs**

- Enroller Alerts and Messages provide important information and content; keeps you informed and updated to help you best support Covered California consumers.
- Special announcements, policy changes, system updates (application and enroller portal), important dates (Renewals, Open Enrollment, Special Enrollment), and enroller resources.

#### **BEST PRACTICE:**

✓ Create new folder and save all Enroller Alert Emails there – search by key word/term for the specific topic you are seeking.







### **Enroller Toolkits**



#### **Special Enrollment Period Toolkit**

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Below is a list of resources ( Events, Special Enrollment \ resources to support Covere

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#### Resource

Special Enrollment Period Job Aid

Special Enrollment Period Verification

Special Enrollment Period FAQ

Healthcare Stipend

Single Streamlined
Application



#### Medi-Cal to Covered California Enrollment Program Toolkit

#### Overview

State law enacted in 2019 authorizes Covered California to enroll consumers in a qualified health plan (QHP) automatically when they lose Medi-Cal coverage and gain eligibility for advanced premium tax credits (APTC). Covered California began its auto-enrollment program in June 2023 for consumers transitioning from Medi-Cal. Covered California will select the lowest cost silver plan available for qualifying Medi-Cal transitioning consumers to maximize premium tax credit and cost sharing support. This program will help to facilitate continuity of coverage for individuals losing Medi-Cal coverage if they effectuate their Covered California plan within 90 days of disenrollment from Medi-Cal.

Below is a list of program resources and support material for Covered California transitioning consumers, enrollment channel partners, and other stakeholders on the program and enrollment process. Check back frequently for updates.

#### **Program Materials and Resources**

Resource	Туре	Description
Medi-Cal to Covered California Enrollment Program	Fact Sheet	Outline of program strategy facts.
Medi-Cal to Covered California Enrollment Program FAQ	FAQ	Document answering common questions regarding Medi-Cal to Covered California Enrollment Program.
Medi-Cal to Covered California Consumer Fact Sheets	Fact Sheet	Links to information sheets in various languages for consumers who are no longer eligible for Medi-Cal and what to expect if their health plan is moved from Medi-Cal to Covered California.
What to Expect if Your Health Plan is Moved from Medi- Cal to Covered California (English)	Videos	Short videos explaining what consumers can expect if their health plan is moved from Medi-Cal

# Toolkits can be found in your Enroller Portal "Quick Links" for easier access.

A "one-stop shop" guide with resource links for Special Enrolment Period and Medi-Cal Transitioners information and resources to support Covered California members through the enrollment process.

- Quick Guides
- Job Aids
- Webinars
- PlanInformation

- FPL chart
- Sample Consumer Notices
- Many more!



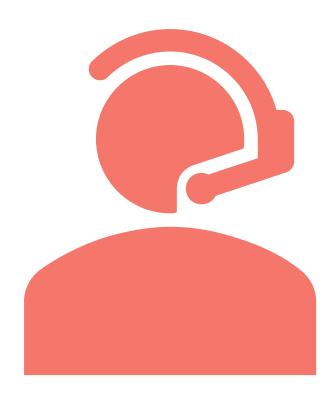
# **Enroller / Agent Service Center**

#### **Individual Family Plan**

1-855-777-6782 | M-F, 8AM-6PM

Supports service channels for both new and existing enrollment of Covered California members in California Healthcare Eligibility, Enrollment and Retention System (CalHEERS) for online enrollment.

- Certified Insurance Agents
- Certified Enrollment Counselors
- Plan-Based Enrollers
  - Certified Enrollment Entities





## Sales Regional Team

- Eight Sales Area: Northern California, Bay Area, Central Coast, Central Valley, Los Angeles, Inland Empire, Orange County, and San Diego
- 6 Field Representatives live locally within their assigned sales territory to manage and support the regional agents.
- 2 Strategic Partnership Managers are assigned to manage and support the top 25 agencies statewide.
- 4 Account Services Representatives
  live in Sacramento area with assigned sales
  territory to manage and support the
  Navigators and Certified Application
  Counselor Entities statewide.





# **Questions?**



# Take our survey!

Use your phone camera to open the QR code.

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## Thank you!

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