

# Enroll. Get Care. Renew.

Free or Low Cost Health Coverage  
Exists for ALL Lower-Income  
California Families (options on page 2)

**CALIFORNIA**  
Information for other  
states is different.



## Renew Your Coverage in 2023-24!

### IMPORTANT for 2023 and 2024: CONTINUOUS MEDI-CAL COVERAGE PROTECTIONS END STARTING APRIL 2023.

Do you or a family member have Medi-Cal coverage? If so, you may need to take steps to keep it. You will need to renew your Medi-Cal at some point between April 2023 and May 2024. Annual renewals are usually due in the same month you first enrolled in Medi-Cal.

### What to Do to Stay Covered:

- ▶ **Update your contact information.** Tell your county Medi-Cal office about any changes in your contact information (mailing address, phone number, email) so they can contact you with information about how to renew your coverage.
- ▶ **Check your mail.** When it is time to renew coverage, Medi-Cal will mail you a letter to let you know if you need to complete a renewal form or if your renewal can be completed automatically.
- ▶ **Complete your renewal form.** If you receive a renewal form, your coverage will not be renewed unless you complete it. Renewal forms will be sent in a **YELLOW ENVELOPE**. Fill out the form and answer any county follow up questions right away by phone, online, mail or in person to help avoid a gap in your coverage.



### How to Renew your Medi-Cal Coverage and Report Changes:

- ▶ **Set up an account online.**  
Visit: <https://benefitscal.com/> OR
- ▶ **Contact your county Medi-Cal office.**  
To find your county Medi-Cal office, visit [dhcs.ca.gov/COL](https://dhcs.ca.gov/COL) or call (800) 541-5555.

### What if You No Longer Qualify for Medi-Cal Coverage?

If your family income increased above Medi-Cal eligibility levels (see income chart on second page), you may qualify for discounted premiums through Covered California. If so, when your Medi-Cal coverage ends, Covered California will send you information about your automatic enrollment and what you need to do to activate it. Your Covered California coverage would begin when:

- ▶ You pay your premium, OR
- ▶ If you have no premium, when you accept the coverage online or by phone.

Often when family income increases, your child(ren) may still qualify for Medi-Cal even if adult family members no longer qualify. Continue to fill out and submit renewal information to keep your child(ren)'s free Medi-Cal coverage even if you may be enrolled in Covered California.

## Enroll.

### Ways to enroll in Medi-Cal and Covered California:

- ▶ **1(800) 300-1506**
- ▶ **[www.coveredca.com](http://www.coveredca.com)**
- ▶ **In-person: [dhcs.ca.gov/COL](https://dhcs.ca.gov/COL)**
- ▶ **Apply by mail:** Medi-Cal printable applications here: [www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/medi-cal/eligibility/Pages/SingleStreamApps.aspx](https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/medi-cal/eligibility/Pages/SingleStreamApps.aspx)
- ▶ **Find Help in Your Community:**  
Scan the QR code below or go to: [allinforhealth.org/HealthCoverageResources](https://allinforhealth.org/HealthCoverageResources) to locate help near you.

## Get Care.

- ▶ Find a primary care doctor. Ask your health plan for help locating an available doctor near you.
- ▶ Schedule an annual checkup for you and your child(ren). Young children need frequent well-child visits within a year.
- ▶ Your health plan is required to help you make appointments and get interpretation services. Additionally, Medi-Cal is required to help you get free transportation to your appointments.
- ▶ Find a dentist. Visit [SmileCalifornia.org](https://SmileCalifornia.org) to find a Medi-Cal dentist and a dental home near you.
- ▶ In Covered California, dental care is covered for children. Adults will need to purchase an additional dental plan.

## Renew.

**DHCS** Medi-Cal must be renewed every year except for those listed below. It is important to ensure that Medi-Cal has your current address so that when it's time to renew your coverage, they can contact you. If you receive a renewal notice, be sure to act! Children in foster care and former foster care youth are not required to renew their coverage. Postpartum individuals also do not need to renew their coverage within 12 months postpartum



**Covered California** health plans must be renewed every year. Renewal information will be mailed at the end of the year, or you can contact Covered California directly.



Scan the QR code for information about when and how to renew!



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QR code for  
**LOCAL HELP** in your area.

OR GO TO:

[www.allinforhealth.org](https://www.allinforhealth.org)

# Options for Health Coverage

## Medi-Cal:

- ▶ Children and adults qualify for full-scope Medi-Cal benefits depending on their income. Children, pregnant and postpartum individuals have higher income eligibility levels than other adults (see chart below).
- ▶ Medi-Cal covers ALL COSTS for screenings, immunizations, checkups, specialists, mental health, vision, dental services, and all other medically necessary care.
- ▶ Medi-Cal enrollment is available year round.
- ▶ Most Medi-Cal enrollees must enroll in a Medi-Cal health plan that will manage their health care coverage. Each health plan is different and has their own list of healthcare providers. Learn more about health plans at: <https://www.healthcareoptions.dhcs.ca.gov>
- ▶ Medi-Cal plans offer services using telehealth. Ask your provider about accessing care over video or phone.

- ▶ For more information about services covered under Medi-Cal for Kids & Teens, go to [www.allinforhealth.org](http://www.allinforhealth.org) or click for the [DHCS webpage](#), flier for [kids](#) and [teens](#) and [know your rights letter](#).

## Covered California:

- ▶ Covered California offers a selection of health plans. They help in comparing and choosing a health plan that works best for each person. To learn more, visit: [CoveredCA.com](http://CoveredCA.com)
- ▶ Many Californians may qualify for financial assistance via a Premium Tax Credit or reductions in what enrollees pay for their health care (known as cost-sharing reductions).
- ▶ Enroll during Open Enrollment or any time you experience a **life-changing event**, like losing your job or having a baby. You have 60 days from the event to complete enrollment.



# Immigrant Families

## Expansion of Medi-Cal

- ▶ Currently, every income-eligible child or person under the age of 26, every adult 50 years and older, DACA recipients, pregnant persons and recently pregnant persons are eligible for Medi-Cal health coverage and benefits **REGARDLESS OF IMMIGRATION STATUS**.
- ▶ Young people who are undocumented and turning 26 in 2023 will continue on Medi-Cal until 2024. By 2024, these individuals will be sent information about when and how to renew their Medi-Cal.
- ▶ In 2024, California is removing all barriers to Medi-Cal based on immigration status. Beginning on January 1, 2024, all California residents with qualifying incomes will be eligible for full Medi-Cal benefits regardless of their immigration status.

## Covered California

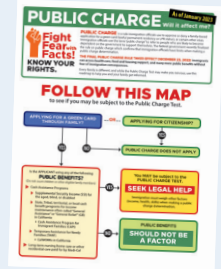
- ▶ Those with immigration documentation can qualify for Covered California and its financial

assistance. Some counties offer other health care options regardless of immigration status

## Updated Public Charge Rule

- ▶ In December 2022, the federal government updated the public charge rule and made clear that using Medi-Cal is not considered for purposes of public charge (except in the case of long-term institutionalized care, also known as skilled nursing home care).
- ▶ Your child's enrollment in Medi-Cal and use of health care services will not impact your immigration status.

- ▶ While the public charge test may make you nervous, use this **Public Charge Roadmap** to better understand whether it applies to you or your family member.



Go to: [allinforhealth.org/public-charge](http://allinforhealth.org/public-charge)

## Financial Help. You or your family may qualify for free Medi-Cal or premium assistance under Covered California.\*

SEE NOTE BELOW FOR INCOMES IN THIS RANGE	Covered California Premium Subsidies**									
	American Indian / Alaska Native (AI/AN) Zero Cost Sharing									Tax credit continues beyond 400%
% FPL	100%	138%	150%	200%	213%	250%	266%	300%	322%	400%
Household Size	If 2023 household income is at or less than									
1	\$13,590	\$18,755	\$20,385	\$27,180	\$28,947	\$33,975	\$36,150	\$40,770	\$43,760	\$54,360
2	\$18,310	\$25,268	\$27,465	\$36,620	\$39,001	\$45,775	\$48,705	\$54,930	\$58,959	\$73,240
3	\$23,030	\$31,782	\$34,545	\$46,060	\$49,054	\$57,575	\$61,260	\$69,090	\$74,157	\$92,120
4	\$27,750	\$38,295	\$41,625	\$55,500	\$59,108	\$69,375	\$73,815	\$83,250	\$89,355	\$111,000
5	\$32,470	\$44,809	\$48,705	\$64,940	\$69,162	\$81,175	\$86,371	\$97,410	\$104,554	\$129,880
6	\$37,190	\$51,323	\$55,785	\$74,380	\$79,215	\$92,975	\$98,926	\$111,570	\$119,752	\$148,760
	Medi-Cal for Adults		Medi-Cal for Pregnant & Postpartum Individuals			Medi-Cal Access for Pregnant & Postpartum Individuals				
	Medi-Cal for Kids (0-18 Yrs.)					CCHIP***				

\* For information on calculating income and household size visit: [healthcare.gov/income-and-household-information](http://healthcare.gov/income-and-household-information)

\*\* For Covered California, these 2023 income eligibility levels are effective at the beginning of the upcoming open enrollment period starting in November 1, 2023.

\*\*\* For San Francisco, San Mateo, and Santa Clara County residents only.

Note: Consumers after 138% FPL may qualify for a Covered California health plan with financial help including: federal premium tax credit, Zero Cost Sharing and Limited Cost Sharing AI/AN plans. Source: [www.coveredca.com/pdfs/FPL-chart.pdf](http://www.coveredca.com/pdfs/FPL-chart.pdf)



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