



# Department of Health Care Services



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## Full Scope Medi-Cal Coverage and Affordability and Benefit Program for Low-Income Pregnant Women and Newly Qualified Immigrants (NQIs)

Stakeholder Meeting  
Friday, December 12, 2014  
3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.  
1501 Capitol Avenue  
71.1203 Pine Room

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# Today's Agenda

3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

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- ***Welcome & Introductions***
  - ***Stakeholder Comments & Recommendations***
    - *Noticing via CalHEERS*
  - ***Update on Status of Federal Approvals***
  - ***Timeline Update***
  - ***Monitoring and Data Reporting***
  - ***Questions and Responses***
  - ***Next Steps***
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# Welcome



- ***Rene Mollow, MSN, RN, Deputy Director, Health Care Benefits & Eligibility***
- ***Laurie Weaver, Chief, Benefits Division***
- ***Jim Watkins, Chief, Research and Analytic Studies Division (RASD)***



# Stakeholder Comments and Recommendations



- ***Status of Review of Comments from Stakeholders to Notices and Informing Materials***
  - ***DHCS responses to stakeholder comments***
    - ***Distributed today via email and at meeting***
  - ***Materials for pregnant women, beneficiaries and providers***
    - ***Comments received through 9/30/14 reviewed; New and revised materials distributed today via email and at meeting***
  - ***Comments on materials for NQIs***
    - ***Comments under Review***
    - ***Updates to NQI materials pending***

# Update on Status of Federal Approvals



## State Plan Amendment 14-021

- Full-scope Medi-Cal coverage for individuals with income less than or equal to 109% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL)
- Submitted to CMS on September 12, 2014
- Anticipated approval on or before January 1, 2015

## 1115 Waiver Amendment

- Full-scope Medi-Cal coverage for individuals with income over 109% of and including 138% of, the FPL
- Submitted to CMS on September 3, 2014
- Anticipated approval on or before January 1, 2015



# Today's Presentation



- ***Welfare & Institutions Code Section 14148.65(c)(7)***

- ***Monitoring and data reporting required by subdivision (e)(1)***

- (1) The department shall consult with the Exchange, Exchange contracting qualified health plans in the development of a process for the department to make the payment of premiums and cost sharing under this section and in the development of a process for the department to evaluate the birth outcomes of women who are receiving benefits under this section.

- (2)(B) The department shall monitor the birth outcomes of women who are receiving benefits under this section and the birth outcomes of women receiving full scope and limited scope pregnancy services under the Medi-Cal program, shall monitor access and the utilization of CPSP services from Medi-Cal providers by beneficiaries receiving benefits under this section, and shall assess if there are any difference in birth outcomes between pregnant women receiving full scope and limited scope services under the Medi-Cal program and women receiving benefits under this section.

- 2(C) To the extent possible, the department shall assess CPSP Medi-Cal provider participation as contracted providers with Exchange qualified health plans.



# *Monitoring and Data Reporting*



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## **2011 Medi-Cal Birth Statistics Report**

Department of Health Care Services

Sacramento, CA

June 2014

Jim Watkins, Chief, RASD



# Next Steps



- ❖ Updated materials that will be used to inform pregnant women, Medi-Cal beneficiaries, providers and partners regarding full-scope eligibility will be posted on the [DHCS website](#). Comments regarding these materials should be submitted to DHCS at [AffordabilityandBenefitProgram@dhcs.ca.gov](mailto:AffordabilityandBenefitProgram@dhcs.ca.gov) **on or before December 29, 2014**.
- ❖ Previous stakeholder comments and DHCS responses to comments will be posted on the [DHCS website](#). Notice of posting will be shared with stakeholders via email.
- ❖ Comments or questions regarding monitoring and data should be submitted to DHCS at [AffordabilityandBenefitProgram@dhcs.ca.gov](mailto:AffordabilityandBenefitProgram@dhcs.ca.gov) **on or before January 15, 2015**.
- ❖ When submitting comments or questions to DHCS, please be sure to include the name of the material that you are referencing when providing specific recommendations.



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***If you have questions or would like to provide recommendations, contact DHCS at:***

**Email Address:**

**[AffordabilityandBenefitProgram@dhcs.ca.gov](mailto:AffordabilityandBenefitProgram@dhcs.ca.gov)**

Stakeholders are encouraged to email DHCS with any comments or questions about the information provided during this Webinar on or before **December 29, 2014.**

# Questions and Responses

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# Stakeholder Meeting Schedule



<p>❖ Topics for upcoming stakeholder meetings include: ❖ Program Implementation Status</p>	<p><b>March 20, 2015</b> <b>3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.</b> <b>Department of Health Care Services</b></p>
<p><b>January 23, 2015</b> <b>3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.</b> <b>Department of Health Care Services</b></p>	<p><b>April 24 , 2015</b> <b>3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.</b> <b>Department of Health Care Services</b></p>
<p><b>February 20, 2015</b> <b>3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.</b> <b>Department of Health Care Services</b></p>	<p><b>May 22 , 2015</b> <b>3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.</b> <b>Department of Health Care Services</b></p>