

Changes to the Presumptive Eligibility for Pregnant Women Program

Changes were made to the Presumptive Eligibility (PE) for Pregnant Women program. Revisions to the program's application, supplemental forms and manual are in review. These changes are immediately applicable to women seeking PE for Pregnant Women program eligibility.

Applicants can have Other Health Insurance.

The question on the MC 263 PE for Pregnancy - Application for Presumptive Eligibility Only page will only ask if the applicant has Medi-Cal.

Medical verification of pregnancy is not necessary.

The MC 263 - PE for Pregnancy Provider Instructions, number 5 will not require the provider to ask for medical verification of pregnancy for purposes of enrollment into the PE for Pregnant Women program. The provider may conduct a pregnancy test only if the beneficiary request one.

Proof of a full Medi-Cal application is not needed to get PE extensions. Self-attestation is accepted.

Providers should accept the beneficiary's self-attestation that she has submitted an application for Medi-Cal or insurance affordability programs. Qualified providers should extend the PE coverage until a full eligibility determination is made.

Do not count child support or cash gifts as income in determining eligibility.

Providers shall disregard child support income or cash gifts in determining household income

The Federal Poverty Level (FPL) has increased.

The FPL for the PE for Pregnant Women program is 213%. You can obtain the new FPL on the PE for Pregnant Women program website at http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/medi-cal/eligibility/Pages/PE_Info_currentQP.aspx