SB 75 Full Scope Medi-Cal for All Children Webinar

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Agenda

- Introductions
- SB 75 Overview
- Implementation Efforts
- Stakeholder Engagement
- Questions

SB 75 Overview

- Senate Bill (SB) 75, provides DHCS with the authority to make available full scope Medi-Cal benefits for individuals under age 19, who do not meet satisfactory immigration status but meet all other eligibility requirements for the Medi-Cal program.
  - Eligible individuals will be mandatorily enrolled into managed care, based on their county of residence.
- Provisions would be implemented no sooner than May 1, 2016.
- DHCS will collaborate with stakeholders, counties, Medi-Cal managed care plans, consumer advocates, and the Legislature to develop an eligibility and enrollment plan for the affected populations.

Targeted Populations

- Transition population – individuals under age 19 who are currently enrolled in restricted scope Medi-Cal.

- New enrollee population – individuals under the age 19 who are eligible for Medi-Cal but do not have a satisfactory immigration status, and are not yet enrolled in the Medi-Cal program.

Notices for Transition Population

- **First Notice**: General outreach and Information.
- **Second Notice:** Notice of action informing the beneficiary of their change in benefits from restricted to full scope Medi-Cal coverage and their hearing rights.
- **Third Notice:** Will focus on health plan enrollment information.
- **Health Plan Choice Packet**: Choice packet advising beneficiaries to choose their plans and providers.

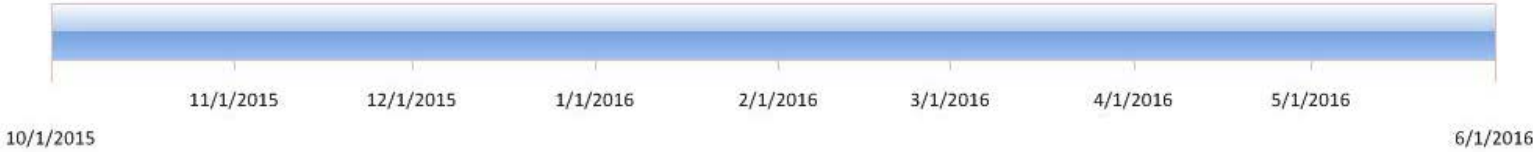
Implementation Efforts

- Working with stakeholders to develop eligibility and enrollment plan.
- Draft First Notice (beneficiary outreach letter) - will be released for comment on November 16, 2015; this is an informing notice regarding the changes in Medi-Cal coverage (moving from restricted scope to full-scope).
- Draft Second Notice – released for stakeholder comment on October 26, 2015; comments received are under review.
- Working with business partners on needed system changes.
- Launched a DHCS webpage with information such as contacts, implementation overview, project timeline, aid code crosswalk, and upcoming meetings/webinars.

Implementation Efforts

- Discussing outreach options for eligible children not yet enrolled in restricted Medi-Cal:
  - Met with California Coverage & Health Initiatives on November 9, 2015.
  - Scheduling a November meeting with the local county kids programs.
  - Scheduling a November meeting with foundation-funded programs.
  - Share draft Eligibility and Enrollment plan with stakeholders by end of November.
  - Monthly meetings with participating counties that conduct outreach and enrollment efforts to discuss outreach options.
  - Webinar in January to provide training on reaching mixed immigration families and individuals with limited-English proficiency.

Timeline of Key Milestones



October 2015 – November 2015

- Share summary of Implementation Overview
- Develop Eligibility and Enrollment Plan
- Share draft notices
- Informational webinar #1

December 2015 – January 2016

- Finalize notices
- Translate notices

February 2016 – March 2016

- Informational webinar #2
- Send notice #1 – general information

April 2016

- Complete systems changes

May 2016 – June 2016

- SB 75 GO LIVE*
- Send notice #2 – NOA*
- Send notice #3 – health plan selection*
- Send health plan choice packets*

** The activity is dependent upon completion of systems updates and notification to the Department of Finance (DOF) of systems readiness.*

Last revised: 10/2/15

Reporting Requirements

- Pre-implementation, monthly system readiness reports to Legislature:
  - Beginning January 31, 2016, and until the Director makes the determination of system readiness to the Department of Finance.
  - DHCS will provide monthly updates to the appropriate policy and fiscal committees of the Legislature on the status of system readiness.
- Post-Implementation, semi-annual regulation status reports to Legislature:
  - DHCS will submit semiannual reports to the Legislature until regulations have been adopted.

Stakeholder Engagement

- Primary stakeholder engagement forum is the bi-weekly immigration subgroup of the Assembly Bill 1296 Workgroup with consumer advocates.
- For information on the workgroup or to submit questions/concerns, send email to: SB75EligibilityandEnrollment@dhcs.ca.gov.
- Ongoing conference calls and meetings with:
  - County Welfare Directors Association of California (CWDA).
  - Provider associations.
  - Weekly Managed Care Operations Plans.
  - Quarterly Medi-Cal Dental Advisory Committee.
  - Bi-monthly dental Los Angeles stakeholders.

Stakeholder Engagement (cont.)

- Posting SB 75 FAQs in November
- February 2016 Webinar to update on current activities
- Provider bulletin will be posted 60 days prior to transition
- Future meetings with provider organizations and additional stakeholders
- Go to the SB 75 Webpage for publicly disseminated information: www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/medi-cal/eligibility/Pages/SB-75.aspx

Questions?