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2015 Open Enrollment Progress

As of April 6, 2015:

- Total MAGI Medi-Cal Population – 1,094,791 individuals
- MAGI Eligible or Contingent Eligible – 953,481 individuals (87.1%)
- Total Non-MAGI; Potentially Eligible – 90,602 individuals

Assisted Special Open Enrollment (2/23/15 – 4/30/15)

- Total MAGI Medi-Cal Population – 11,008 individuals
- MAGI Eligible or Contingent Eligible – 8,925 individuals (81.1%)
- Total Non-MAGI; Potentially Eligible – 674 individuals



Medi-Cal Renewal Update

- **2014 Renewals**
 - 2.4 million cases due for renewal of Medi-Cal coverage
 - 80% of renewals processed during reporting period
 - Of the 80% of renewals processed, 82% of these resulted in continued Medi-Cal coverage (*of which 8,031 were reinstated individuals during 90-day cure period)



Transitions from CC/APTC to Medi-Cal

- Based on APTC subscribers who report a “change in circumstances” which potentially makes the individual eligible for Medi-Cal, or failed post-eligibility verification.

Month	Total Cases Transitioned	Total Cases Medi-Cal Eligible	Total Cases Batched	Total Cases Manually Processed
MAR	6,722	2,483	3,903	336
APR	6,388	2,333	3,769	286
MAY	6,083	2,429	3,340	314

- Covered CA Appeals
 - Jan – Apr 24, 2015; 89 individuals requested continued enrollment



Transitions from Medi-Cal to CC/APTC

- DHCS and Covered CA have developed a process flow to ensure no gaps in coverage for beneficiaries who report a change through the following access channels:
 - CalHEERS initiated cases
 - SAWS initiated cases
- Documented process flows shared with Stakeholders - April 2015

<http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/medi-cal/eligibility/Pages/DHCS-Consumer--Focused-Stakholder-Workgroup-CFSW.aspx>



Hospital PE Enrollment Update

- Hospital Presumptive Eligibility (HPE) enrollment data as of April 19, 2015:
 - 260,027 individuals enrolled
 - 279 hospitals are HPE Providers
- HPE SPA 13-0027 was approved by CMS on February 27, 2015
http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/formsandpubs/laws/Documents/SPA%2013-0027_Approved_Package.pdf



Update: Expansion of Full Scope Medi-Cal for Pregnant Women

- Pursuant to Senate Bill 857, creates new income standard of 138 percent of the federal poverty level (FPL) for full scope Medi-Cal eligibility for pregnant women, subject to federal approvals; pregnant women with incomes above 138 percent and up to and including 213 percent of the FPL remain eligible for pregnancy only Medi-Cal.
- State Plan Amendment 14-0021
 - Expands full-scope eligibility up to and including 109 percent FPL.
- 1115 Waiver Amendment
 - Expands full-scope eligibility above 109 percent up to and including 138 percent FPL.
 - Allows pregnant women, subject to the new policy with the increased income standard, to remain with their fee for service (FFS) provider through the end of the pregnancy and post partum period.
- Federal approvals and designation of minimal essential coverage still pending.



Update: Expansion of Full Scope Medi-Cal for Pregnant Women (cont.)

- An updated Pregnancy Fact Sheet and Chart are in final review with advocates and will be placed on the Covered CA and DHCS websites.
- A link to the Pregnancy Fact Sheet is on the Single Streamlined Application if the woman indicates she is pregnant.
- Implementation steps, once CMS approval obtained includes:
 - Data extraction of beneficiaries (from CalHEERS) will be used to create notices for affected populations who are currently enrolled.
 - Two separate Notices of Action (NOA) will be sent to impacted pregnant women – one for those in Medi-Cal and one for those dually enrolled in Medi-Cal and Covered CA.
- Business rules for CalHEERS to increase the FPL levels have been tested and is scheduled for implementation once federal approvals obtained.
- County policy guidance will be issued once federal approvals obtained.



Express Lane Enrollment Update

Population/Aid Code	Enrollments as of April 25, 2015
Adult - 7U	127,864
Children - 7W	30,140
Parents - 7S	44,483
Total	202,487



Rivera Case Update

- Petition:
 - Timely determine eligibility for Medi-Cal applicants
 - Provisional Medi-Cal benefits to backlogged applicants
 - Immediate, individualized notices of the right to request a hearing to all other backlogged applicants
- On February 11, 2015, the court ordered following:
 - DHCS to render eligibility determinations within 45 days unless circumstances pursuant to State or Federal regulations are met; ***if not met,***
 - DHCS may offer preliminary benefits to individuals ***and*** will provide a notice of inaction for hearing purpose, if a determination for the individual is not made within the 45 days.



Rivera Case Update (cont.)

DHCS required monitoring reports pursuant to the provisions of the order are as follows:

- 2014 Open Enrollment through start date of 2015 Open Enrollment:
 - Number of individuals who remain on the Medi-Cal application backlog from the 2014 Open Enrollment and were sent the Rivera mailer: 34,715
 - Number of individuals who applied before 2015 Open Enrollment and were granted provisional eligibility by the State: 85,331
- 2015 Open Enrollment:
 - Number of individuals granted provisional eligibility by the State in the 2015 Open Enrollment: 150,754 as of May 1, 2015
 - Number of individuals who were sent the Rivera mailer in the 2015 Open Enrollment: 63,710 as of May 4, 2015



