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Notice: Medi-Cal beneficiaries will receive IRS Form 1095-B.

Dear Medi-Cal Recipient:

The Affordable Care Act (ACA) may require most people to have Minimum Essential Coverage (MEC) health insurance to meet the ACA's individual responsibility requirement in order to avoid a tax penalty. This includes individual market policies, job-based coverage, Medicare, Medi-Cal, Supplemental Security Income (SSI), California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs), Covered California plans, TRICARE, and certain other coverage.

Per the Internal Revenue Code, the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) will issue Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Form 1095-B to all Medi-Cal beneficiaries by January 31st of each year beginning in January 2016. Form 1095-B will list the months of Medi-Cal coverage you had that were considered MEC during the previous calendar year. You will use Form 1095-B as proof to report health coverage while filing your taxes with the IRS. DHCS will issue one Form 1095-B to every adult or child who received Medi-Cal each year. This means you will receive multiple forms if other people in your family are also covered under Medi-Cal or Covered California.

If you receive Medi-Cal or CalWORKs through the county, to ensure Form 1095-B contains the correct information, please contact your county human services agency to report changes to your address, income, tax filing status, or family size. For a complete list of county human services agencies, please visit <http://dhcs.ca.gov/COL>.

Important: SSI recipients: If you receive Medi-Cal through SSI, please contact the Social Security Administration at <https://secure.ssa.gov/ICON/main.jsp> to report any changes. Failure to report changes may result in delays and inaccurate information on your Form 1095-B.

If you have any questions about this notice, or if you need additional information regarding Form 1095-B, please visit the DHCS website at <http://dhcs.ca.gov/1095> or call 1-844-253-0883.