



California Advancing and Innovating Medi-Cal (CaAIM) is a multi-year initiative by the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) to improve the quality of life and health outcomes of our population by implementing broad delivery system, program, and payment reforms across the Medi-Cal program. Due to the comprehensive scope of the CaAIM initiative, stakeholder engagement is critical during the current planning and policy development phase. Below is a summary of ways in which stakeholders can engage with CaAIM.

- **Submit Comments via Email:** The [CaAIM proposal](#) was released on October 28, 2019. In order to incorporate comments into future CaAIM workgroups and engage in early discussions with stakeholders, DHCS is soliciting comments by **December 16, 2019**. Although DHCS will continue to accept comments until February 29, 2020, comments received after the December 16 deadline may not be incorporated into CaAIM workgroup discussions. Comments on the proposal can be submitted to [CaAIM@dhcs.ca.gov](mailto:CaAIM@dhcs.ca.gov).
- **Engage in CaAIM Workgroup Meetings.** DHCS has established five topic-specific stakeholder workgroups to further explore specific sections of the CaAIM proposal. The workgroups are meeting between November 2019 and February 2020. Please visit the [CaAIM webpage](#) to review the workgroup schedules, access materials, and learn how to attend a workgroup meeting in-person or via phone. Each meeting includes a public comment period for in-person attendees. Written comments can also be submitted to [CaAIM@dhcs.ca.gov](mailto:CaAIM@dhcs.ca.gov) up to **seven calendar days** following each meeting. This will allow DHCS to consider comments when planning for future workgroup meetings.
- **Attend DHCS Stakeholder Meetings.** While the majority of CaAIM issues will be discussed through the CaAIM workgroups, some will be presented for discussion during the [Stakeholder Advisory Committee \(SAC\)](#), [Behavioral Health Stakeholder Advisory Committee \(BH-SAC\)](#), and other DHCS sponsored stakeholder meetings. Stakeholders are welcome to attend SAC, BH-SAC, and other stakeholder meetings in-person or via phone. Each meeting includes a public comment period for in-person attendees.
- **Subscribe to Receive Email Updates.** In November 2019, DHCS kicked off a CaAIM newsletter to alert stakeholders about important announcements and to highlight upcoming stakeholder events focused on CaAIM. You can [subscribe](#) to DHCS' stakeholder email service to receive CaAIM updates.
- **Visit the CaAIM Website.** The [CaAIM page](#) on the DHCS website serves as a one-stop shop for information and materials regarding CaAIM. The website is updated on a real-time basis, so check back often for the latest developments, including information about CaAIM workgroup meetings.