



MEDIA ADVISORY

ANNOUNCEMENT: CALIFORNIA TO DISCUSS MEDI-CAL TRANSFORMATION

SACRAMENTO – On November 15, 2023, the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) will host an ethnic media briefing to provide insights on the Medi-Cal program’s evolving landscape. DHCS employees and partners will discuss how Medi-Cal is being transformed to meet the needs of more Californians, with a focus on adult expansion and health plan transitions. DHCS will share the latest numbers from the Medi-Cal redetermination effort and stress the importance of transparency in data to ensure health care access equity.

WHAT: Press briefing to discuss Medi-Cal transformation

WHO: Participants include:

- Yingjia Huang, *Assistant Deputy Director of Health Care Benefits and Eligibility, DHCS*
- Michelle Retke, *Chief of Managed Care Operations, DHCS*
- Sergio Aguilar-Gaxiola, *Professor of Clinical Internal Medicine, UC Davis School of Medicine*
- Medi-Cal members speaking about personal experiences

WHEN: Wednesday, November 15, from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. PST

WHERE: Livestream Zoom ([Register](#))

BACKGROUND: DHCS is transforming Medi-Cal to ensure Californians get the care they need to live healthier lives. Medi-Cal members will have access to new and improved services to get well-rounded care that goes beyond the doctor's office or hospital and addresses all of their physical and mental health needs. These changes are part of a broad transformation of Medi-Cal to create a more coordinated, person-centered, and equitable health system that works for all Californians.

NOTE: Simultaneous interpretation in Spanish, Mandarin, and Korean will be provided. Additionally, briefing participants will receive a recording of the briefing, the chat history, and an updated resource document.

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