

MEDI-CAL MANAGED CARE PLAN MODEL FACT SHEET - Managed Care

County Organized Health Systems (COHS)	Geographic Managed Care (GMC)	Two-Plan
<p><u>Model Description:</u> In a County Organized Health System (COHS) model county, the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) contracts with a Medi-Cal managed care plan (MCP) that is run by a county government entity and is the sole MCP operating in the county. COHS are generally exempt from many federal Managed Care Organization requirements, including plan choice. COHS are also exempt from state Knox-Keene Act licensure requirements.</p> <p><u>Required Steps:</u> A county’s Board of Supervisors may establish, by ordinance, a commission to negotiate a COHS contract with DHCS. The commission serves as an independent oversight entity for the delivery of Medi-Cal managed care services in that county.</p> <p><u>Legal References:</u> Welfare & Institutions Code (W&I Code) section 14087.5 et seq.; see <i>also</i> U.S.C., tit. 14, section 1396u-2(a)(3)(B)-(C).</p>	<p><u>Model Description:</u> In a Geographic Managed Care (GMC) model county, DHCS contracts with multiple Knox-Keene Act-licensed commercial MCPs serving clearly defined geographical areas.</p> <p><u>Required Steps:</u> Interested commercial MCPs are required to participate in DHCS’ contracting process. This process, as directed by DHCS, is open to all eligible organizations that can meet the qualification requirements.</p> <p><u>Legal References:</u> W&I Code sections 14089 et seq.; California Code of Regulations (Cal. Code Regs.), tit. 22, sections 53900 et seq.</p>	<p><u>Model Description:</u> In a Two-Plan model county, DHCS contracts with two MCPs, a county-authorized plan called the Local Initiative and a commercial MCP. Both plans are licensed under the Knox-Keene Act.</p> <p><u>Required Steps:</u> Interested commercial MCPs are required to participate in DHCS’ contracting process. This process, as directed by DHCS, is open to all eligible organizations that can meet the qualification requirements. Interested counties must establish a Local Initiative by county ordinance. DHCS shall award two contracts to MCPs licensed under the Knox-Keene Act, one to a Local Initiative and one to a commercial MCP.</p> <p><u>Legal References:</u> W&I Code sections 14000 et seq. and 14087.3 et seq.; Cal. Code Regs., tit. 22, sections 53000 et seq. and 53800 et seq.</p>

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Regional	Single Plan	
<p><u>Model Description:</u> In a Regional model county, DHCS contracts with two Knox-Keene Act-licensed commercial MCPs serving two or more contiguous counties in the designated Rural Expansion Region. This model is for rural counties that have not elected to participate in the COHS or Two-Plan models.</p> <p><u>Required Steps:</u> Interested commercial MCPs must participate in DHCS' contracting process. This process, as directed by DHCS, is open to all eligible organizations that can meet the qualification requirements.</p> <p><u>Legal References:</u> W&I Code sections 14087.48 and 14087.98.</p>	<p><u>Model Description:</u> In a Single Plan model county, DHCS contracts with an MCP that operates under the authorization and sponsorship of a county or local authority. The Single Plan is licensed under the Knox-Keene Act.</p> <p><u>Required Steps:</u> A county's Board of Supervisors may establish, by ordinance, a commission to negotiate a Single Plan contract with the DHCS. The commission serves as an independent oversight entity for the delivery of Medi-Cal managed care services in that county.</p> <p><u>Legal References:</u> W&I Code sections 14087.3 et seq. and 14087.5 et seq.; <i>see generally</i>, California Advancing and Innovating Medi-Cal (CalAIM) Section 1115(a) demonstration and 1915(b) waiver.</p>	