



State of California—Health and Human Services Agency
Department of Health Care Services



Aged, Blind, and Disabled Federal Poverty Level Program Expansion

Important news about your health coverage

Dear Beneficiary:

You may be eligible for free Medi-Cal!

Two new California laws passed. One raises the income limit for the Aged Blind & Disabled Federal Poverty Level (ABD FPL) program. The other stops some people from losing eligibility for the ABD FPL program when the state starts to pay the person's Medicare Part B premiums. Some people who did not qualify before can get free Medi-Cal starting **December 1, 2020**.

The new monthly income limit is at or below \$1,488 for one person, or \$2,003 for a couple, after you subtract certain expenses. You can subtract health insurance premiums, including Medicare Part B premiums, at least half your earned income, and some work expenses.

If you meet the new income limit, you may be eligible for free Medi-Cal if you now pay:

- A monthly premium for the 250 Percent Working Disabled program, **or**
- A premium for other health care coverage.

You may also be eligible if you joined the 250 Percent Working Disabled Program to avoid having a share of cost.

If you think you may be eligible for free Medi-Cal, call your county.

To learn more about Medi-Cal and how the ABD FPL program expansion might affect you, call your county. There is a list of county offices and numbers with this letter.

For general questions, call the toll-free Medi-Cal Helpline at **1-800-541-5555** (TTY 1-800-430-7077). The Helpline has free interpreter services. You may also email questions to the Department of Health Care Services at ABDexpansion@dhcs.ca.gov.

Thank you,

Department of Health Care Services