



NOTICE OF GENERAL PUBLIC INTEREST

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PROPOSED STATE PLAN AMENDMENT TO MEDI-CAL REIMBURSEMENT FOR INDIVIDUAL AND GROUP HEALTH PLAN COVERAGE

This notice is to provide information of public interest about a proposed State Plan Amendment (SPA) by the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS). Proposed SPA #24-0035 to update the eligibility requirements for the Health Insurance Premium Payment (HIPP) program. As currently worded, if a HIPP member does not have an existing policy, has not applied for Medicare benefits, or has the option to enroll in a managed care plan, they are ineligible for HIPP. DHCS seeks to remove these requirements.

DHCS estimates that the annual aggregate Medi-Cal expenditures for the HIPP program will be \$349,100 in total funds for fiscal year 2024-25 and \$404,100 for fiscal year 2025-26.

The effective date of the proposed SPA is December 1, 2024. All proposed SPAs are subject to approval by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).

Public Review and Comments

Upon submission to CMS, a copy of the proposed SPA #24-0035 will be published on: <https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/formsandpubs/laws/Pages/Pending-2024.aspx>.

If you would like to view the SPA in person once it becomes available, please visit your local county welfare department. You may also request a copy of proposed SPA #24-0035 using the mailing or email address listed below.



Written comments may be sent to the following address:

Department of Health Care Services
Third Party Liability and Recovery Division
Attn: Oksana Hill
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Sacramento, California 95899-7417

Comments may also be emailed to PublicInput@dhcs.ca.gov. Please indicate SPA #24-0035 in the subject line or message.

A copy of submitted public comments to SPA #24-0035 may be requested in writing to the mailing or email address identified above.