

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



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Medi-Cal Eligibility Division Informational Letter No.: I 22-36

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

ALL COUNTY WELFARE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS

ALL COUNTY MEDI-CAL PROGRAM SPECIALISTS/LIAISONS

ALL COUNTY MEDS COORDINATORS

SUBJECT: Medi-Cal Dental Benefits: Smile, California Campaign

The purpose of this Medi-Cal Eligibility Division Information Letter (MEDIL) is to provide County Welfare Departments (CWDs) with information about the Department of Health Care Services' (DHCS) *Smile*, *California* campaign to help beneficiaries better understand their dental benefits and covered services.

DHCS Medi-Cal Dental Services Division (MDSD) is looking for ways to expand outreach to Medi-Cal beneficiaries who may not be fully aware of their dental benefits. MDSD is asking counties for assistance in getting this information out to Medi-Cal applicants and beneficiaries by sharing available resources such as brochures, flyers, video messaging, and website information. *Smile, California* outreach representatives are available to answer any program-related questions from counties, and are also available to visit county offices to provide education and outreach materials (see enclosure).

The Smile, California website (<a href="https://smilecalifornia.org/">https://smilecalifornia.org/</a>) is a great resource for outreach materials. Counties are encouraged to make the following information/materials available to Medi-Cal applicants and beneficiaries:

- Medi-Cal dental materials such as brochures and flyers are available in threshold languages at this link <a href="https://smilecalifornia.org/members/">https://smilecalifornia.org/members/</a>. Counties may download and print these materials and make them available in the lobby areas of county buildings. Alternatively, counties may contact the assigned *Smile*, *California* representative in the enclosed list to request a supply and arrange delivery of materials.
- The Smile, California website has a variety of Medi-Cal dental videos such as "Medi-Cal Has Dental Covered", available at this link: <a href="https://smilecalifornia.org/videos/">https://smilecalifornia.org/videos/</a>. Counties are encouraged to play these videos

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in the lobby areas of county buildings, and/or add the links on their respective county websites.

 Finally, the Smile, California website is also available in Spanish at this link: (<a href="https://sonriecalifornia.org/">https://sonriecalifornia.org/</a>). For access to materials in other threshold languages, individuals may click the Language tab on the English version of the website..

DHCS appreciates CWDs' assistance in this outreach effort. If you have any questions regarding the information contained in this letter, please contact one of the *Smile*, *California* outreach representatives in the enclosed list.

## **Original Signed By**

Sandra Williams, Chief Medi-Cal Eligibility Division Department of Health Care Services

**Enclosure** 

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