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Medi-Cal Eligibility Division Information Letter No.: I 23-41

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS  
ALL COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS  
ALL COUNTY MEDI-CAL PROGRAM SPECIALISTS/LIASONS

SUBJECT: GUIDANCE FOR *CARR V BECERRA* RESTORATION LIST EFFORT  
(Ref. [MEDIL I 23-07](#), [MEDIL I 23-18](#))

The purpose of this letter is to provide counties with instruction on maintaining eligibility for individuals impacted by *Carr v. Becerra, No. 22-cv-0098 (D. Conn.)*.

## Background

As outlined in [Medi-Cal Division Information Letter \(MEDIL\) I 23-18](#), DHCS has restored eligibility for individuals who moved from a Qualified Medicare Beneficiary program (QMB) to Specified Low-Income Medicare Beneficiary program (SLMB) or Qualifying Individual (QI) from March 1, 2020, through March 31, 2023. DHCS reinstated beneficiaries to their original MSP program directly in the Medi-Cal Eligibility Data System (MEDS). Beneficiaries will remain in the same tier of MSP coverage until their continuous coverage unwinding renewal is completed.

DHCS has established a process to ensure these individuals maintain their coverage until their unwinding renewal is complete.

## New List Effort During the Unwinding Period

During the Continuous Coverage Unwinding period, beneficiaries are given an opportunity to complete a full redetermination prior to being discontinued from Medi-Cal eligibility. Cases up for renewal shall be appropriately redetermined in accordance with the guidance issued in [ACWDL 22-18](#). To prevent erroneous discontinuances of coverage during the unwinding period activities, SAWS, DHCS, and counties will utilize a list provided by DHCS to identify cases that DHCS has restored, and counties need to maintain during the Unwinding period.

## Instructions on List Processes

DHCS has uploaded the instructions for processing this list to the following Secure File Transfer Protocol (SFTP) folder: DHCS-PDB/COUNTIES/[your county folder].

### **Access to the SFTP**

Counties may request access or user changes to the DHCS-PDB SFTP folder for this effort by emailing [MCED.COVID@dhcs.ca.gov](mailto:MCED.COVID@dhcs.ca.gov) or [Derek.Soiu@dhcs.ca.gov](mailto:Derek.Soiu@dhcs.ca.gov).

All questions or concerns related to the information in this letter or process can be directed to Derek Soiu by emailing [Derek.Soiu@dhcs.ca.gov](mailto:Derek.Soiu@dhcs.ca.gov).

Sincerely,

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