

Alameda CalAIM PATH Collaborative

April 24, 2026



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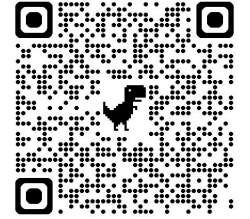
***Please join us in Oakland
on Friday, May 29th!***

Participants will:

- Foster connections with fellow providers
- Strengthen referral processes
- Learn best practices for referrals from MCPs *and* providers

Lunch provided!

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2026 Scheduling

Join us on Fridays in 2026!



Register to add the
2026 meetings to
your calendar!

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Please submit any questions to: pathinfo@bluepathhealth.com.



WAYS TO JOIN ZOOM

Join from PC, Mac, iPad, or Android

Meeting Calendar

January 23

February 27 (In-person)

March 27

April 24

May 29 (In-person) *fifth Friday*

June 26

July 24

August 28 (In-person)

September 25

October 24

November 13 (In-person) *second Friday*

December 18 *third Friday*

Alameda 2026 Aim Statement and Drivers

By December 2026, the Collaborative will strengthen provider capacity through sustainable provider partnerships and readiness for future Medi-Cal policy changes.

1

Transform networking into formal and informal partnerships through quarterly in-person meetings

2

Prepare for implementation changes through regular policy updates and summaries

3

Strengthen capacity through trainings and co-development of tools and resources

Today's Agenda

Time	Agenda Item	Presenter
10:00-10:05am	Welcome and Introductions	BluePath Health
10:05-10:15am	MCP Updates	Kaiser Permanente
10:15-10:55am	H.R. 1 Implementation	Alameda County Health
10:55-11:00am	Announcements and Closing	BluePath Health

MCP Updates



Alameda County PATH CPI

Vanessa Davis, Medi-Cal Local Engagement

April 2026



Update on Medically Tailored Meals Network Expansion

CalAIM Justice Involved Training | Probation 101

Probation 101 is a two-hour training designed for individuals looking to gain a baseline understanding of California Community Corrections, with an emphasis for system partners with limited exposure to the juvenile and criminal justice system.

COURSE DATES

Course 1: April 21 | 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

[REGISTER HERE](#)

Course 2: April 22 | 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

[REGISTER HERE](#)

Course 3: April 23 | 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

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This training is offered in partnership with and funded by Health Net Community Solutions, Blue Cross of California Partnership, Molina Healthcare of California, and Kaiser Permanente.



CalAIM Justice Involved Trainings | Future training opportunities

COUNTY, STATE AND FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS OF CALAIM

One Day Training

May 28 | 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM
May 29 | 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM
June 4 | 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM
June 5 | 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

WHAT IS CALAIM & WHO IS ELIGIBLE

One Day Training

May 12 | 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM
May 13 | 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM
May 14 | 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

REENTRY PLANS AND TRANSITION PLANNING

One Day Training

September 15 | 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM
September 16 | 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM
September 17 | 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM
September 18 | 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

ENHANCED CARE MANAGEMENT (ECM) – ADULT

Option 1 – 2 Day Course

June 16 | 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM
June 17 | 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Option 2 – 2 Day Course

June 16 | 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM
June 17 | 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM

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June 23 | 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM
June 24 | 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Option 4 – 2 Day Course

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June 24 | 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM

Option 5 – 2 Day Course

June 30 | 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM
July 1 | 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Option 6 – 2 Day Course

June 30 | 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM
July 1 | 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM

ENHANCED CARE MANAGEMENT (ECM) – JUVENILE

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July 28 | 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM
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Kaiser Permanente Appendix Items

Included in this meeting's appendix will be....



CaAIM (ECM/CS/CHW) Referral Information



Network Lead Entity Office Hours Information

- Current Providers
- Prospective Providers



Contact Information for Independent Living Systems (ILS), one of Kaiser Permanente's Network Lead Entities



Streamlined Authorization Recommendations for Enhanced Care Management

Have additional questions?

Contact your county's Medi-Cal Engagement Representative!

Vanessa Davis

Alameda County

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H.R. 1 and Medi-Cal Policy Changes



Key Changes to Medi-Cal Under H.R. 1

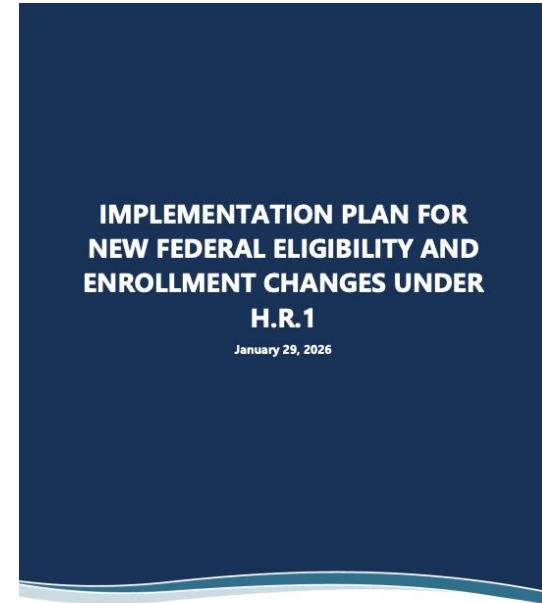
Key Change	Effective Date	Affected Population(s)
Immigrant Eligibility	October 1, 2026	Numerous groups of immigrants including refugees and asylees (no longer eligible for federal funds and will move to restricted scope Medi-Cal)
Community engagement/Work requirements	January 1, 2027	New Adult Group, ages 19 to 64 (with numerous exemptions)
6 month renewals	January 1, 2027	New Adult Group, ages 19 to 64 (with some exemptions)








Preparing for HR 1 Implementation

In January 2026, the Department of Health Care Services released an implementation plan outlining their strategy to address H.R. 1 impacts on Medi-Cal, including:

- Work and Community Engagement Requirements
- Six-Month Renewals
- Immigrant Coverage Changes



DHCS Guiding Principles for H.R. 1 Implementation

-  **Automate** to protect coverage
-  **Communicate** with clarity and connection
-  **Simplify** the renewal experience
-  **Educate and train** those who serve Medi-Cal members
-  **Provide** timely and transparent communication

Projecting Impacts of Medi-Cal Policy Changes

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April 24, 2026

Kimia Pakdaman, Senior Program Specialist, Alameda County Health



Alameda County Health

Background

- In 2025, Alameda County Health partnered with The Better Government Lab to project impacts of Medi-Cal policy changes
- Estimates and visualizations were made in collaboration with Social Services Agency, Alameda Alliance for Health, Community Health Center Network, and Alameda Health System



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GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY

M | **Ford School of Public Policy**
UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

- Estimates are based on several data sources:
 - Social Services Agency
 - California Department of Health and Human Services
 - Kaiser Family Foundation
 - Well-Being and Basic Needs Survey (Urban Institute)
 - Survey of Income and Program Participation (US Census Bureau)
 - Other states that have implemented similar policies

Timeline: Important Changes to Medi-Cal & CalFresh



Feb 2026

Dec 2026

Dec 2027

Policies Do Not
Apply to
207,429 enrollees

207,429
enrollees can
potentially keep
coverage

Policies Apply to
284,000 enrollees
(58% of all Medi-Cal)

106,200
enrollees can
potentially
keep coverage

88,500 enrollees
may lose coverage
(18% of all Medi-Cal)

89,000 enrollees
may lose coverage
(22% of all Medi-Cal)

~491,000
total enrollees
in
Feb 2026

~178,000 lose (36%)
Full-Scope Medi-Cal between
Jan 2026 – Dec 2027*

**does not include estimates of reenrollment*

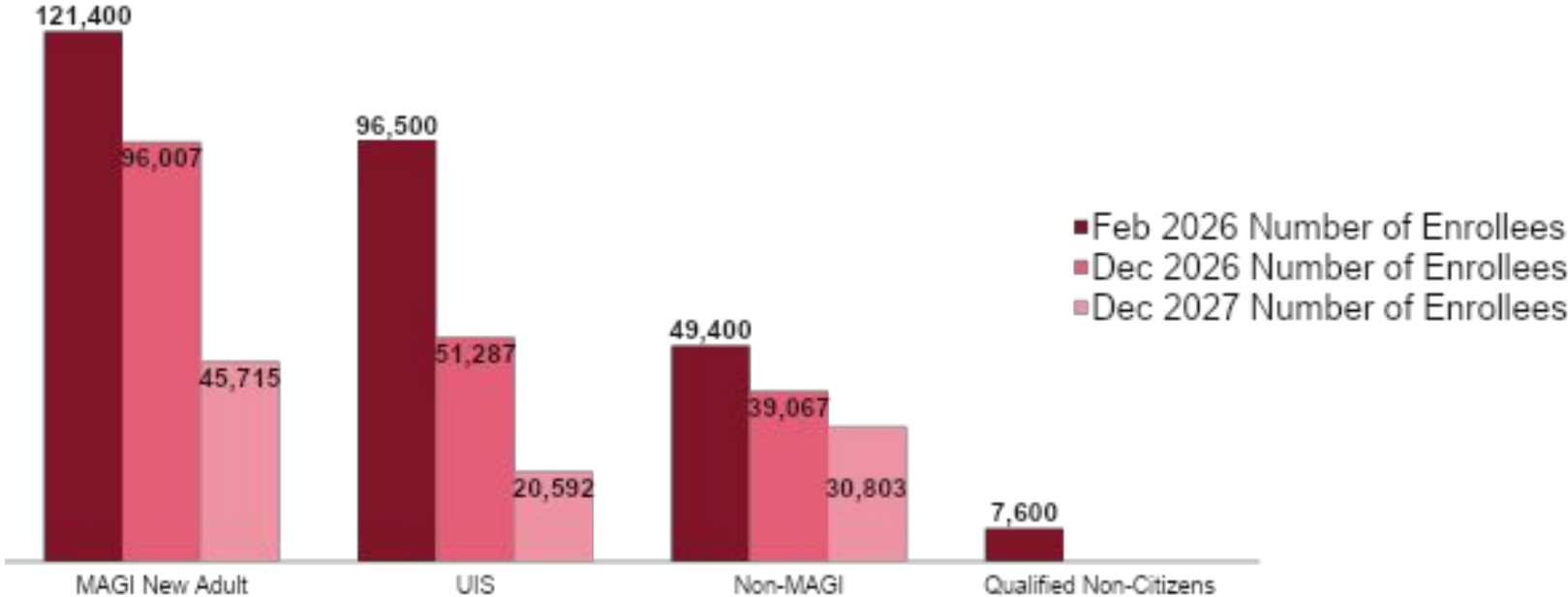
All numbers are estimates and rounded.
See appendix for underlying
assumptions.

Other Projections for Consideration

- Berkeley Labor Center
 - **~127,000** enrollees lose coverage in Alameda County by Jan 1, 2028
 - [Projected reduction in Medi-Cal coverage due to federal H.R.1 and 2025-26 State Budget, by county, 2028](#)
- DHCS
 - **~1.8 million** enrollees (**12%** of total Medi-Cal enrollees) lose coverage in California
 - [Implementation Plan for New Federal Eligibility and Enrollment Changes under H.R.1](#)

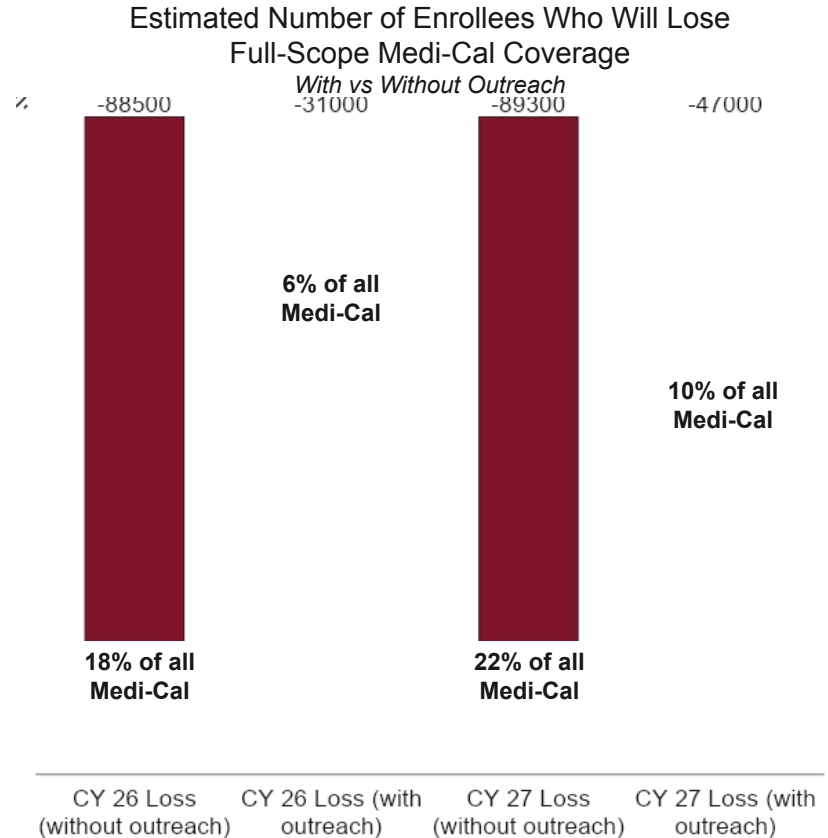
Largest Impacts on MAGI New Adult and UIS groups

Estimated Number of Enrollees, by Medi-Cal Group

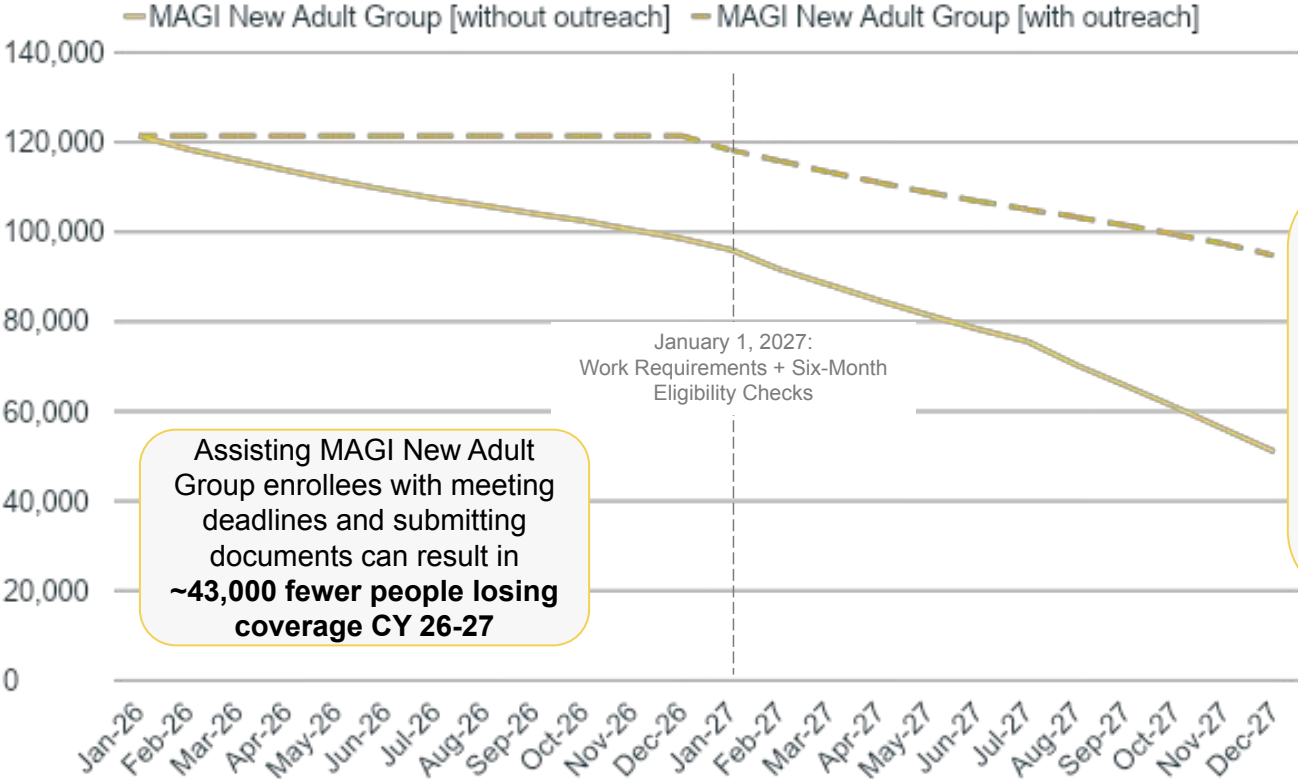


What can we do?

With proper assistance, procedural denials can be greatly reduced: **99,000 can stay on Medi-Cal** with targeted outreach, enrollment assistance, collecting and submitting documentation, and overall application support



Estimated Coverage Loss: MAGI New Adult Group



Assisting MAGI New Adult Group enrollees with meeting deadlines and submitting documents can result in **~43,000 fewer people losing coverage CY 26-27**

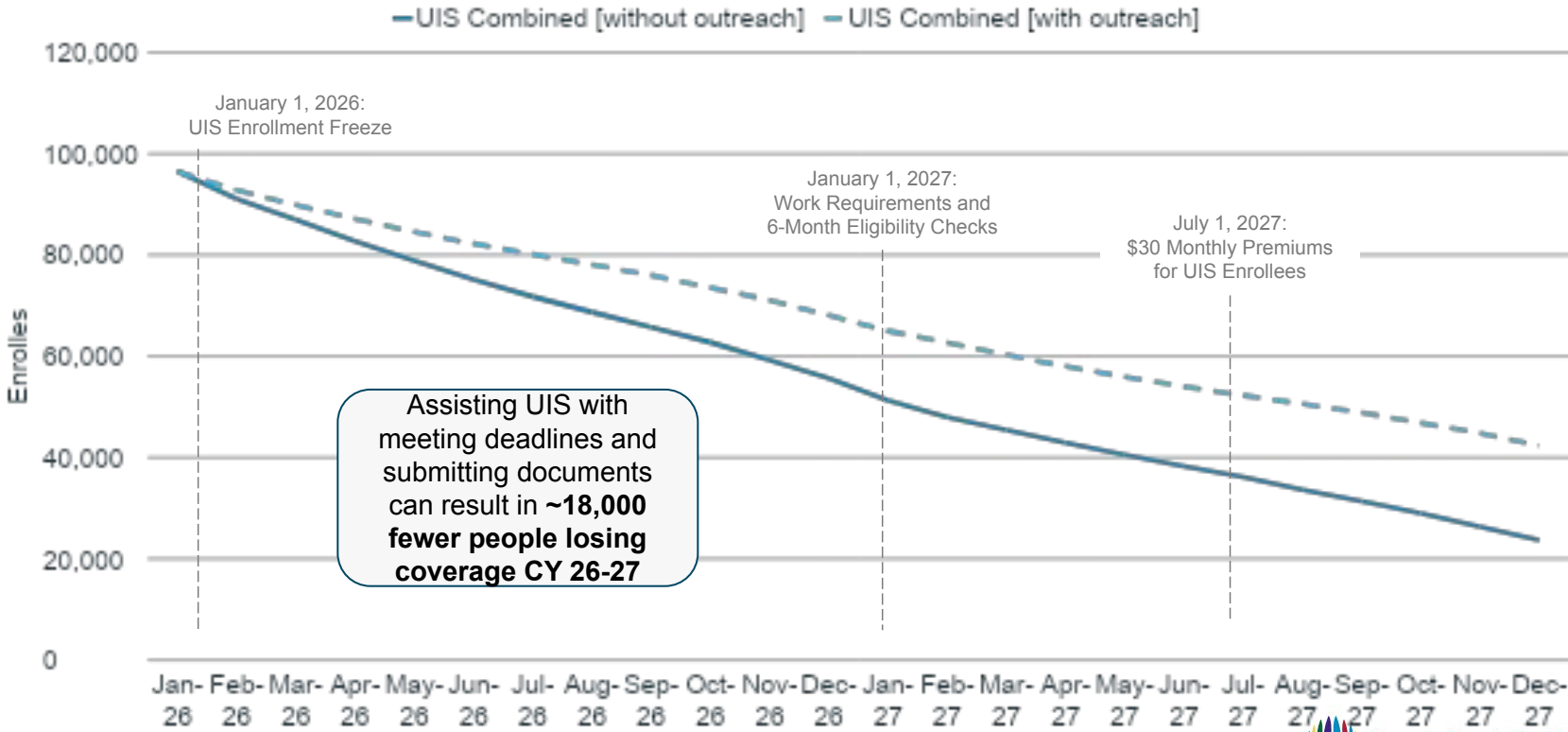
January 1, 2027:
Work Requirements + Six-Month Eligibility Checks

This refers to the group of adults that ACA expanded Medi-Cal to in 2014 who meet the following criteria:

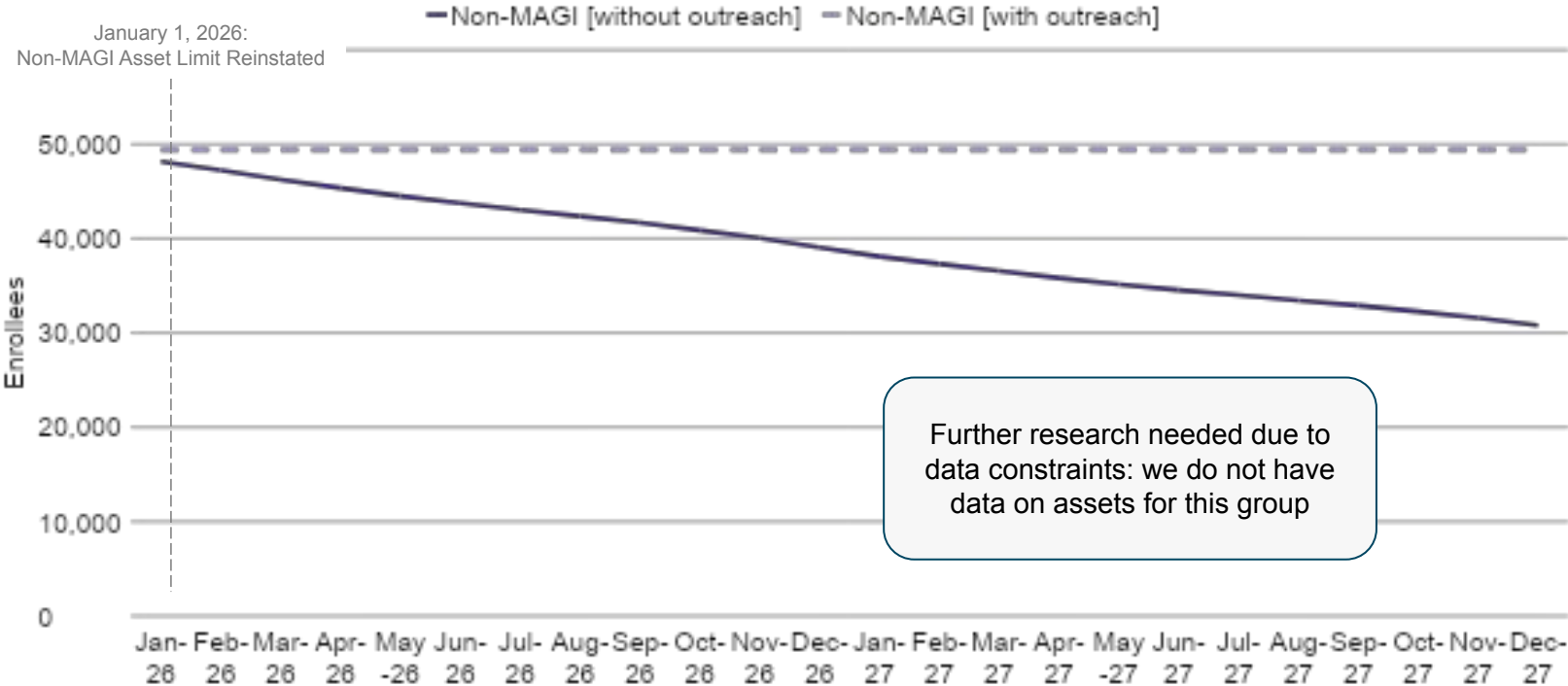
- aged 19-64, and
- not pregnant, and
- income below 138% of the Federal Poverty Level, and
- not entitled to or enrolled in Medicare Part A or B

This group is eligible based on their income alone, and does not go through a disability eligibility process

Estimated Coverage Loss: Unsatisfactory Immigration Status (UIS)



Expected Coverage Loss: Non-MAGI Asset Limit Change (2026-2027)



Estimated Coverage Loss: Qualified Non-Citizens

- Qualified non-citizens will no longer be eligible for federally funded Medi-Cal coverage, which will impact all lawfully residing immigrants.
- This group will be still be eligible for restricted-scope Medi-Cal.
- Qualified Non-Citizens include:
 - Refugees
 - Asylees
 - Amerasian immigrants
 - Individuals granted withholding of deportation or removal
 - Conditional entrants granted before April 1980
 - Individuals granted humanitarian parole (e.g., certain Afghans who aided US operations, people fleeing Ukrainian war)
 - Individuals paroled in the US for one year or more
 - Battered non-citizens or the parent or child of a battered non-citizen
 - Victims of human trafficking

Feb 2026 – Total QNC Enrollees with Full-Scope Medi-Cal	Oct 1, 2026 – Total QNC Enrollees with Full-Scope Medi-Cal <u>after</u> Policy Change
7,600	0

Key Takeaways

1. Maintain your Medi-Cal and CalFresh as much as possible

2. Keep your mailing address and phone # updated with your local social services agency and on BenefitsCal.com

3. Submit documents on time. Deadlines are often communicated via snail mail

4. Reach out for help: Contact your social services agency, caseworker, and doctor to request assistance with your benefits

Note: CoveredCA assists with Medi-Cal applications over the phone or via an appointment (<https://www.coveredca.com/support/contact-us/>)

Find your county office at <https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/Medi-Cal/Pages/county-office.aspx>

How to enroll or re-enroll for Medi-Cal and CalFresh

- **Online:** www.BenefitsCal.com - The fastest way to upload documents and check status
- **In-Person:** Local SSA offices in Hayward and Oakland. Other offices can be found here: <https://socialservices.alamedacountyca.gov/contact-us/Our-Offices>
- **Phone:** Alameda County Social Services Agency (SSA) at 1-888-999-4772
- **Berkeley Free Clinic's Certified Enrollment Counselors:** Call (510) 548-2570 or fill out form www.tinyurl.com/CEC-Assistance-Form
- *[Only Medi-Cal]* **Health Insurance Technicians:** assistance with applying for benefits (see next slide)

Contact Alameda County's Health Insurance Technicians with any questions, help with screening or to schedule an appointment

Location	Contact Information
<p>Alameda County Health Office of the Agency Director 1000 San Leandro Blvd., Suite 300 San Leandro, CA 94577</p>	<p>Monday thru Friday; 8:30am-5:00pm 1-800-422-9495 hitassist@acgov.org</p>

Best practice when contacting HITs on behalf of a client:

- 1) One referral per e-mail
- 2) Include the preferred language in the subject line
- 3) In the e-mail include: the full name of the contact person, phone number, and the service they are requesting assistance with.
- 4) Please encourage clients to answer all calls, have voicemail set up if possible, and listen to all messages after the referral is made.

Assumptions on Enrollment Projections

Assumption	Impacted Population	Percent Impact out of Population Group	Percent Impact out of Total Medi-Cal Population	Sources
% avoid Medi-Cal due to immigration fear	UIS	31%	6.1%	<u>Estimates from 2019 Well Being and Basic Needs Survey (WBNS)</u>
% not exempt or meeting work requirements	MAGI New Adult	21%	5.2%	<u>Estimates from National 2023 SIPP Data, Kaiser Family Foundation Estimates</u>
% procedural denials among eligibles	All	20%	11.3%	Estimated from post-COVID renewals data (CalHSS), Arkansas and Georgia's similar waivers
% of Non-MAGI who enrolled after asset limit was eliminated	Non-MAGI	38%	0.04%	Alameda County Social Services Agency

Q&A

Announcements and Closing

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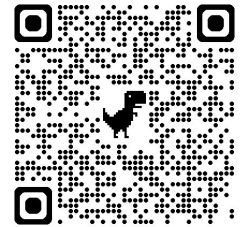
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Technical Assistance Marketplace (TAM) Update

Eligibility Criteria



Projects will be approved for **NEW TA Recipients only** (except for transitional rent support or as determined by DHCS)

There is a limit of **ONE project per TA Recipient**

TA projects may **not exceed \$150k**, must be **within 12 months**, should be **at least 4 weeks in length** and should **start at least 4-6 weeks after submission**

TA Recipients not yet contracted with an MCP for ECM and/or Community Supports will be **required to provide a rationale** for how their proposed TA project will support their contracting efforts

Impact on Alameda Providers



Providers are encouraged to **apply for funding at earliest convenience** as approval is not guaranteed

It is not necessary to be a contracted provider, however a **letter of attestation** and intent to contract will be required

<https://www.ca-path.com/ta-marketplace>

Access to Care for JI Youth Webinar

Expanding Access to Care for Justice-involved Youth through the Justice-Involved Reentry Initiative and Children and Youth Behavioral Health Initiative

Thursday, May 7, 2026

3 to 4 p.m PDT

[Advance registration required](#)

The webinar will:

- Provide an overview of DHCS's Justice-Involved Reentry Initiative and Children and Youth Behavioral Health Initiative, and how these efforts are expanding access to behavioral health care.
- Explain new benefits for Peer Support Specialists, Community Health Workers, and Certified Wellness Coaches.
- Highlight implementation and engagement opportunities, featuring community-based organizations, available resources, and a provider spotlight on youth reentry services.

Coverage Ambassador Webinar

Get and Keep Your Community Covered

Wednesday, May 27, 2026

11 a.m. to 12 p.m PDT

[Advance registration required](#)

The webinar will:

- Provide an overview of the DHCS Coverage Ambassador Program, which supports Medi-Cal members in maintaining coverage and connecting to available services and resources.
- Review the [Birthing Care Pathway](#), which is designed to address physical, behavioral, and health-related social needs of pregnant and postpartum Medi-Cal members.

End-of-Meeting Poll

**Thank you for joining and
see you at our in-person
meeting next month!**




Questions? Please email pathinfo@bluepathhealth.com.

Appendix

Submitting Referrals | ECM, CS, and CHW

Kaiser Permanente (KP) has a no-wrong-door approach to referrals.

- Referrals are accepted from any source (members, providers, family, community organizations, etc.)
- Referrals may be placed via email, via phone, or through KP Health Connect.

	AREA
	PHONE (Member)
	EMAIL (Counties/CBOs)

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA COUNTIES

1-833-721-6012 (TTY 711)
Monday-Friday (closed major holidays)
8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Send completed referral form to
REGMCDURNS-KPNC@kp.org

Subject line: “ECM Referral” or “CS Referral” or “CHW services request”

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA COUNTIES

1-866-551-9619 (TTY 711)
Monday-Friday (closed major holidays)
8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Send completed referral form to
RegCareCoordCaseMgmt@kp.org

Subject line: “ECM Referral” or “CS Referral” or “CHW services request”

NEW: For KP contracted providers/organizations submitting referrals to your own ECM/CS/CHW organization, please send the referral form directly to your contracted Network Lead Entity.

Additional NLE Provider Support | Contact Information & Office Hours

Kaiser Permanente is working with Network Lead Entities (NLEs) to develop a network of community-based ECM, CS, and CHW providers.



ECM/CHW Contracted Providers

Second Thursday of the Month

1:00 – 2:00 pm

CS Contracted Providers

Fourth Thursday of the Month

1:00 – 2:00 pm

Prospective Providers

First Thursdays of the Month

1:00 - 2:00 pm

Questions?

ILSCAProviderRelations@ilshealth.com

Phone number: 844-269-3447

Contracted Providers

Tuesdays

3:00 - 4:00 pm

[Register and Join Here](#)

Prospective Providers

Second/Fourth Thursdays of the Month

12:00 - 1:00 pm

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Questions?

network@fullcirclehn.org

Phone number: 888-749-8877

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Email: Hubinfo@picf.org

Phone: 818-837-3775

* Partners In Care only serves the Southern California region

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NLE: Independent Living System (ILS) | Contact Information



General Questions?
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Counties: Alameda, Amador, Contra Costa, Marin, Napa, Placer, Sacramento, San Francisco, San Joaquin, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Solano, Sonoma, Stanislaus, Sutter, Yolo, Yuba

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Southern CA

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442- 414-2285

Counties: Imperial, Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, Ventura

Streamlined Authorization for Enhanced Care Management (ECM)

Below summarizes Kaiser Permanente's streamlined ECM authorization process.

Details

- Streamlined Authorization is ***only*** for ECM providers who are currently contracted with Network Lead Entities (NLEs).
- Streamlined Authorization applies ***only*** to ECM, not CS or CHW.
- Providers can begin working with members right away, but they must submit an ECM referral through their NLE no later than 5 working days before the end of the streamlined authorization period.
- Total Streamlined Authorization period is 30 days or up to the date KP makes and communicates the authorization, whichever comes first.
- Providers will be paid for the 30-day ECM authorization period.
- Streamlined Authorizations route back to the original provider and ECM Lead Care Manager through the NLE.

Do's & Don'ts

- **DO** submit an ECM referral through contracted NLEs.
- **DO** indicate "Streamlined Authorization" on the referral form
- **DO** add the first date of start of services to completed referral.
- **DO** submit an ECM referral no later than 5 business days before the Streamlined Authorization period ends.
- **DON'T** submit a Streamlined Authorization for CS or CHW; the Streamlined Authorization is for ECM only.

How To Submit

- Email the ECM referral directly to the contracted NLE.
 - Full Circle Health Network: referral@fullcirclehn.org
 - Independent Living Systems: kpreferrals@ilshealth.com
 - Partners in Care Foundation: ECM@picf.org
- Send any questions directly to the contracted NLE.
- To resolve issues, email the NLE and cc: medi-cal-externalengagement@kp.org