

Alameda CalAIM PATH Collaborative

August 28, 2026



Welcome!

- Host yourself (grab water, coffee, excuse yourself at any time).
- Restrooms are to the right and then another left. Men's restrooms are the first door on your right in the hallway. Women's restrooms are at the end of the hallway.
- We will be taking some photos during the event. If you wish to not be in photos, please let us know at the check-in table.
- We will be running a mic to help ensure that everyone can hear each other!

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
10:00-10:10 am	Welcome and Introductions	BluePath Health
10:10-10:40 am	Local CalAIM Success Stories	La Familia, East Bay Innovations, April Parker Foundation
10:40-11:00am	Federal and State Policy Overview	BluePath Health
11:00-11:10 am	Local Efforts to Support Medi-Cal Members	Alameda County Health
11:10-11:15 am	Announcements	BluePath Health
11:15-12:00 pm	Provider Networking	

Who's in the Room?



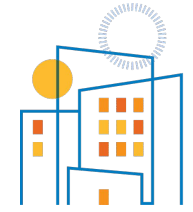
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ALAMEDA COUNTY COMMUNITY FOOD BANK



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SAHA SATELLITE AFFORDABLE HOUSING ASSOCIATES

BOSS Building Opportunities for Self-Sufficiency

BACS Bay Area Community Services

Sutter Health Alta Bates Summit Medical Center

balance financial wellness

EAH HOUSING A roof is just the beginning

MOM'S MEALS

Lotus Bloom



FredFinch Youth & Family Services

EDEN YOUTH

LMB SOLUTIONS

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Alameda County Health



TIBURCIO VASQUEZ Health Center



Insight Housing Building Community Together

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BUILDING FUTURES free from homelessness and family violence

SageSurfer

LifeLong Medical Care Health Services For All Ages a californiahalthcenter

Thank you for joining us in July!

The session featured:

- A provider spotlight on the impact of Medically Tailored Meals and Medically Supportive Food
- An overview of updates from Alameda Alliance for Health on Community Supports Referral Best Practices

July Meeting Materials:

- [Meeting Slides](#)
- [Meeting Recording](#)
- [Meeting Q&A](#)



Project Open Hand
meals with love

Provider Spotlight: East Bay Innovations



Strengthening Prevention, Care, and Long-Term Stability

eastbayinnovations.org

EBI's Mission

To arrange and provide personalized support that enables individuals with disabilities to live in their own homes, work in jobs of their choosing, and feel a sense of membership in their community.

EBI's Transitional Care/Case Management (TCCM) Department provides HCBS, in addition to a variety of services through CalAIM.



EBI's Role

To provide intensive housing navigation services, tenancy sustaining services, and complex medical case management services for Medi-Cal Alameda Alliance for Health beneficiaries in the community.

Population of focus:

- Individuals who are experiencing homelessness, and have at least one complex physical, behavioral, or developmental health need
- Adults at risk of avoidable hospitalization or ED utilization
- Adults living in the community who are at risk for long-term care (LTC)
- Adult nursing facility residents transitioning to the community

Person Centered Care Planning

Evaluating the clients needs and helping them develop a plan that is meaningful to them.



01

Integrated Medical & Clinical Support

Engaging the client with appropriate healthcare linkages to promote health and wellness.

02

Functional & In-Home Assistance

Bringing supports to the home to enable them to live as independently as possible for as long as possible.

03

Housing Retention

Addressing housing needs to prevent eviction or reinstitutionalization.

04

Psychosocial & Mental Health Support

Developing short term and long term goals to promote overall wellness and stability.



Transition from Nursing Nursing Facility

Key phases throughout the transition process



Long Term Services & Supports



Health Care Services

- Plan of Treatment
- Nursing Care Services
- Nutrition Services
- Allied Health, Other therapies
- Durable Medical Equipment & Supplies



Financial services

- Medi-Cal codes
- Money Management
- SSI/SSP payments



Environmental Services

- Home & Vehicle Modifications
- Assistive Technology
- Household set-up



Social Services

- Peer Support
- Recreation, Cultural, & Spiritual Connections



Supporting Services

- Family & Friends
- Personal Attendants
- Emergency Backup
- Housing
- Transportation



Education/training Services

- Independent living skills & life skills development
- Caregiver training & management
- Emergency planning



Other Services

- Waivers
- Employment Services
- Supplemental services



Waivers & CalAIM

Programs and services offered as an alternative to nursing homes and are primarily Medi-Cal funded.

01



Home and Community Based Alternatives Waiver (HCBA)

Comprehensive menu of services provided in the home like nursing, personal care, case management, and emergency response systems. No age requirement.

02



Medi-Cal Waiver Program (MCWP)

Direct care services to persons living with HIV as an alternative to nursing home. Comprehensive services include, case management, long term home health, meals, personal care.

03



CalAIM

Enhanced Care Management & Community Supports provided to most vulnerable populations experiencing homelessness, chronic illness and disabilities.

04



PACE

Comprehensive menu of services for adults 55+ where participants can receive medical care, personal care, meals, rehab therapies, and social services.

05



Other Waivers

MSSP, CBAS, ALW, CCT



Case Study: EBI Transition Services

Supporting a client from the nursing facility to affordable housing



Situation

- Client referred by street health team.
- Currently unhoused and living on the street.
- Deterioration in health.
- Admitted to a Skilled Nursing Facility.



Background

- 82 year old gentleman living with HIV and COPD.
- Housing lost after death of wife; struggled to manage.
- Long history of housing stability throughout life.



Assessment

- EBI collaborates with street team to locate client.
- Comprehensive assessment completed.
- Enrollment in transition program.
- Active search for suitable housing.



Outcome

- Successfully housed in HOPWA unit.
- Connected to primary care services.
- Has caregiver through IHSS.
- Collaborative support from EBI, caregiver, and property manager.



Thank you!

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Provider Spotlight: La Familia/FESCO



Our Facilities

FESCO operates two facilities serving families experiencing homelessness in Alameda County through Coordinated Entry (CE).



Les Marquis House

Hayward

- Emergency shelter for families with children
 - The only local program also serving single fathers and adolescent boys
- 5 bedrooms / 25 beds
 - Serves 4–6 families at any given time
- Average stay: 30–90 days
- On-site: employment & education linkages, childcare, 3 meals/day
- Free individual and family therapy at the adjacent Greg Smith Counseling Center
- Computer lab, vegetable/herb garden, free Wi-Fi and hotspots, children's activities several times/week



Banyan House Transitional Program

Cherryland

- 8-unit co-housing program; families are leaseholders
 - Pay 30% of income at program entry
 - Receive 10% rent kickback at exit, used toward deposit on next home
- Case management services several times/week
- Parent support groups and life skills education classes
- Children's services: one-on-one homework help and activities from activity leaders and student volunteers
- 3 meals/day; county-funded playground equipment on site

Housing Community Supports (HCS) Program

CalAIM Services & Program Model

1 Housing Navigation & Referrals

Provides housing navigation for up to 25 individuals or families per Housing Navigator, through referrals from Alameda County's CalAIM program.

2 Document-Readiness Support

Helps participants gather ID, Social Security cards, and verification of income, disability, and homelessness, supporting Coordinated Entry (CE) matching.

3 System Navigation & Supportive Services

Assists with SSI applications, Homeless Court (fines, license reinstatement), General Assistance, Medi-Cal, CalFresh, and connections to primary care and mental health services.

4 Move-In Assistance

Coordinates security deposits, first month's rent, and up to \$5,000 in move-in assistance for essential household items and furniture once a client is approved for housing.

5 Tenant Sustaining Services (TSS)

If ongoing supportive services aren't available at the new housing site, clients can transition to TSS for up to six months to support a successful, independent transition.

6 Outreach, CE Assessments & Open-Door Policy

Conducts CE assessments and outreach countywide, submits reverse referrals to CalAIM for review, and welcomes former clients back for support months or years later, capacity permitting.

Jane, Joe & Mia

Les Marquis House



Jane, Joe, and their three-month-old daughter, Mia, entered Les Marquis House and were referred to FESCO's Housing Community Supports (HCS) program after being approved for services.

The team worked closely with the family for approximately four months before they decided to leave the shelter unexpectedly, making it more difficult to keep them engaged. The team quickly shifted outreach efforts and successfully maintained contact with the family.

Within the next couple of months, the family was matched to permanent housing through Home Stretch. FESCO guided them through the leasing process with the property manager at Nellie Hannon Apartments in Emeryville and coordinated their move-in assistance, including funding to furnish their new home. They have continued to maintain stable housing successfully.



Edward

Housing Community Supports (HCS)



Edward entered FESCO's Housing Community Supports program in October 2025 through one of the organization's shelter partners. He had experienced homelessness in South Hayward for more than 12 years and was living with the effects of a traumatic brain injury, including significant memory loss.

Although he was well known throughout the Weeks Park community, locating him for appointments often required early mornings, late afternoons, and a great deal of persistence. The team remained committed to meeting Edward wherever he was and maintaining consistent engagement. After many months of advocacy, coordination, and determination, Edward was matched to and moved into an apartment in Berkeley.

Recognizing that the transition to permanent housing can be difficult, the team seamlessly connected him to Tenant Sustaining Services (TSS) for ongoing support. As he adjusted to housing, his Housing Navigator continued regular home visits and coordinated an Enhanced Care Management (ECM) referral to ensure he received a higher level of medical and behavioral health support.



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All individuals in these photos consented to their photos being included in this slide deck.

Provider Spotlight: April Parker Foundation

Federal and State Policy Changes Impacting Medi-Cal

Major Federal and State Policy Changes

Key Change	Effective Date	Affected Population(s)
Public Charge Final Rule	September 18, 2026	Applicants for Lawful Permanent Residence (LPR) ¹
H.R. 1: Community Engagement / Work Requirements	January 1, 2027	New Adult Group, ages 19 to 64 (with numerous exemptions) ²
H.R. 1: Retroactive Coverage Limit	January 1, 2027	New Adult Group, ages 19 to 64 and Medi-Cal members seeking Medi-Cal outside the New Adult Group ³
Transition to FFS Medi-Cal	January 1, 2027	Adults with Unsatisfactory Immigration Status (UIS) ⁴
CalAIM Waiver	January 1, 2027	All Medi-Cal members
H.R. 1: 6-Month Eligibility Checks	March 1, 2027	New Adult Group, ages 19 to 64 (with some exemptions) ⁵

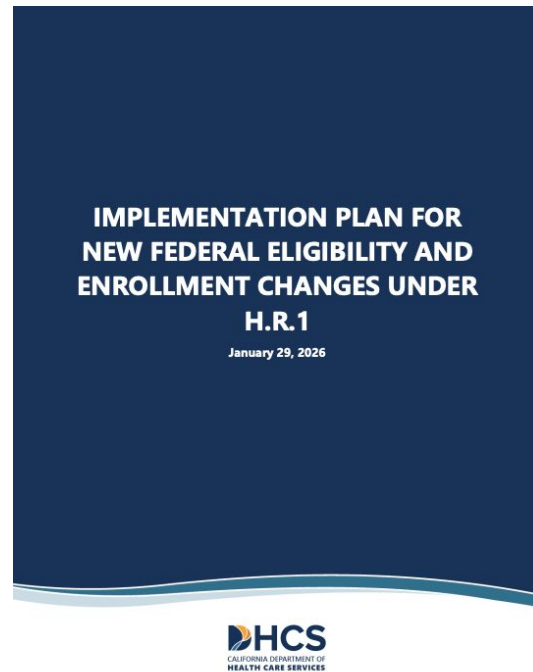
**As of August 2026. Policy developments are fast-moving, and subject to change*

DHCS Resources on H.R. 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

Stay informed of Medi-Cal changes using [DHCS' Medi-Cal Changes webpage](#).



Source: [DHCS - California H.R.1 Implementation Plan](#)
Source: [DHCS - Tracking Federal Policy Impacts on Medi-Cal](#)

H.R. 1 Work and Community Engagement Requirements (WCER)

Effective January 1, 2027, work and community engagement requirements apply to some adults in Medi-Cal aged 19 to 64.

Individuals can satisfy requirements through:



80 hours per month of work, community service, and/or “work program” participation



Have monthly income at least 80 times the federal minimum wage (\$580 per month in 2026)



Enrolled in education at least half of time

Many Members Will Qualify for Exemptions

Exemption Categories

- Children (0-18)
- Adults 65 and older
- Pregnant people (during pregnancy and one year after)
- Parents of children ages 0-13
- People with serious physical or mental health conditions, or substance use problems
- People released from jail or prison in the last 90 days
- People on Medicare Part A or Part B
- American Indians or Alaska Natives
- People under age 26 who were in foster care on their 18th birthday
- **Medically frail**

“Medically Frail” Definition

As currently proposed by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), **the exemption for Medical Frailty includes documentation of a qualifying condition *and* documentation that the condition limits someone's ability to meet work requirements.**

- States are required to develop and maintain a list of conditions, and provide a process for individuals to request consideration if a condition is not listed.
- CMS names some conditions that are ***not expected*** to qualify: Asthma, hypertension, anemia, generalized pain, pre-diabetes, Type I or II diabetes, obesity, psoriasis, headaches, ADHD, individuals with SUD in stable recovery (defined as 5+ years).

Short-Term Hardship Exceptions

- **Emergency declaration:** Resided in a county with a federally-declared emergency or disaster
- **Unemployment rate:** Resided in a county with an unemployment rate of 8% or 1.5 times the national unemployment rate (whichever is lower)
- **Inpatient care:** Was in an inpatient hospital, nursing facility, or intermediate care facility, etc.
- **Travel for care:** Traveled outside of the individual's community for an extended period for medical care for themselves or for their dependent

H.R. 1 Six-Month Eligibility Checks

Beginning March 1, 2027, H.R. 1 requires an eligibility renewal process **every 6 months** for the New Adult Group. The six-month renewal requirement only applies to individuals in the New Adult Group.

The following are not in the New Adult Group and are therefore not subject to this requirement including:

- Pregnant or postpartum people,
- Former foster youth age 25 and younger,
- Alaska Natives or American Indians,
- People under age 26 who were in foster care on their 18th birthday

H.R. 1 Retroactive Coverage Limit

Beginning January 1, 2027, DHCS will limit retroactive Medi-Cal coverage for individuals **who submit their renewal within 90 days** after losing Medi-Cal coverage (often referred to as the “90-day cure period”).

Individuals in the **New Adult Group** may qualify for up to **one month** of retroactive coverage. **All other individuals** may qualify for up to **two months** of retroactive coverage.

- **No exemptions apply** to this provision; the one-month/two-month split applies uniformly to coverage groups.

Identifying Members at Risk for Coverage Loss

While many members will experience simplified redetermination processes through automatic (also called *ex parte*) verification, some are more likely to encounter barriers, such as:

Individuals experiencing homelessness

Individuals who are self-employed

Individuals with minimal contact with the health care system

Individuals with data mismatches across employment, school, health care, and their benefits

Individuals needing to provide documentation of medical frailty

Keeping Members Covered

Opportunities to help keep members covered:



**Monitor Medi-Cal
redetermination
dates.**



**Track participation in
volunteering or work
programs.**



**Document evidence
of conditions that
impair ability to
work.**

Transition to Fee-for-Service Medi-Cal

Beginning January 1, 2027, some members will get their care through Fee-for-Service (FFS) Medi-Cal instead of a health plan. DHCS estimates this will impact **about 2 million Medi-Cal members** statewide. Under FFS, members are still able to access health care, and Medi-Cal still pays for services. As of now, DHCS states that **ECM and Community Supports will not continue in FFS Medi-Cal.**

This applies to the following groups:

- People who are undocumented,
- Some people with green cards who are in the five-year waiting period before they can get full-scope federal Medicaid,
- People considered Permanently Residing in the U.S. Under Color of Law (PRUCOL), meaning they are allowed to stay in the U.S. even without formal immigration status.

Additional Changes Impacting Immigrant Communities

- **Beginning July 1, 2027**, Medi-Cal members that fall into the following categories will no longer be able to access full-scope Medi-Cal (primary and ongoing care) and transition to restricted-scope (emergency, pregnancy-related services, and nursing home care):
 - Refugees and asylees
 - Humanitarian parolees
 - Survivors of domestic violence or human trafficking, and others
- **Beginning July 1, 2027**, others members – those who are non-citizens who don't qualify for federally-funded Medi-Cal, but who California continues to cover fully using state funds – will be required to pay a monthly premium.

Public Charge Final Rule

The Department of Homeland Security issued a final rule on July 20, 2026, officially removing the current DHS rule on Public Charge. Public Charge only applies to some programs and some immigrants. The final rule goes into effect on September 18, 2026.

“The state is also developing a **dedicated Public Charge webpage that will serve as a central source for updates, resources, and guidance as additional information becomes available**. Californians are encouraged to check the CalHHS website for the latest guidance.”

[CalHHS Statement - July 16, 2026](#)

CalAIM 1115 Waiver & Community Supports

CalAIM Section 1115 Waiver Renewal Request Submitted

In May, the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) submitted their renewal request for the CalAIM 1115 Demonstration Waiver.

The application:

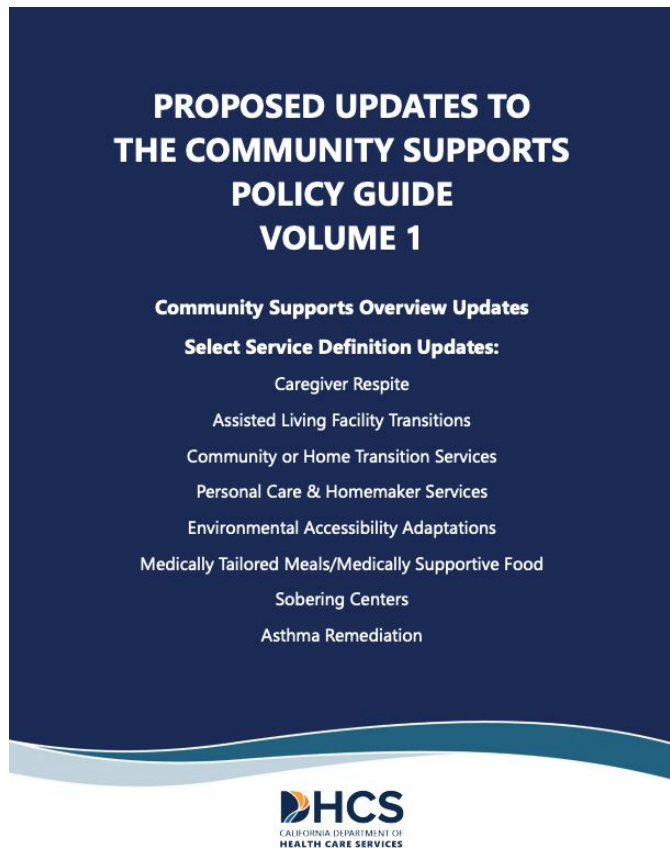
- Transitions ECM and 12 Community Supports to alternate authorities
- Proposes Employment Supports and BridgeCare Pilots as two new programs to serve Medi-Cal members
- Does not seek continuation for the PATH initiative, including CITED, TAM, CPI, and PATH JI, which will sunset in December 2026

**STATE OF CALIFORNIA
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE
SERVICES**

**Medicaid Section 1115
Demonstration Five-Year
Renewal Request:
Continuing CalAIM
Demonstration**

May 2026

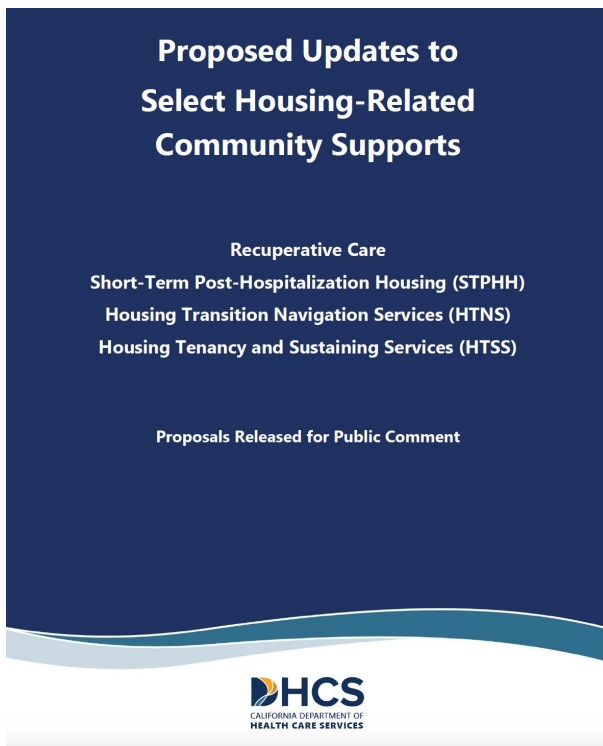
Proposed Updates To The Community Supports Policy Guide Volume 1



Updates include:

- Provider screening and credentialing requirements
- Eligibility criteria adjustments for certain Community Supports, including Medically Tailored Meals/Medically Supportive Food
- Service time-limits
- Documentation and referral pathway requirements

Proposed Updates to Select Housing-Related Community Supports



Updates include:

- Transition of Recuperative Care to In Lieu of Services (ILOS) authority and sunset of Short-Term Post-Hospitalization Housing
- Six-month authorization periods and formalized graduation/discontinuation criteria for Housing Transition Navigation and Housing Tenancy and Sustaining Services
- Updated payment practice recommendations for provision of these housing services

Source: [Proposed Updates to Select Housing-Related Community Supports](#)

Local Efforts to Support Medi-Cal Members

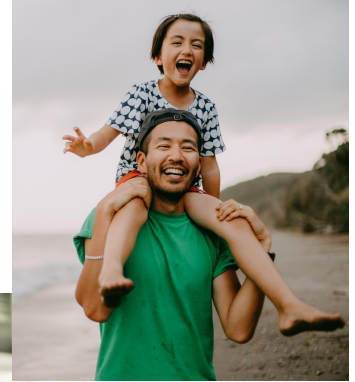
Health Insurance Enrollment Assistance Program

Alameda County Health
Office of the Agency Director
<https://health.alamedacountyca.gov/>



Health Insurance Enrollment Assistance Program

- The Health Insurance Enrollment Assistance Program is a cross-agency program under Alameda County Health (ACH).
- The unit consists of 8 bilingual Health Insurance Technicians (HITs) housed at the ACH office in San Leandro.
- HITs provide free assistance in-person at the ACH office, at contracted mobile locations, and over the phone, to help residents understand their health coverage options and apply for programs they may qualify for.
- HITs are client-centric and have the unique ability to serve the whole family, regardless of citizenship status.



- HITs provide Alameda County residents with **information, screening, referrals, and application assistance**, related to the following public benefit programs:
 - Medi-Cal
 - Covered California
 - HealthPAC
 - Kaiser Community Health Coverage Program
 - CalFresh
- HITs are unable to:
 - Check Medi-Cal/CalFresh case status
 - Check Medi-Cal/CalFresh renewal dates
 - Process updates/changes to Medi-Cal/CalFresh cases
- For help with the above issues, please:
 - Contact Alameda County **Social Services** at **1-888-999-4772** OR
 - Encourage clients to create an online account at **benefitscal.com**



Health Insurance Enrollment Assistance Enrollment Locations

- Alameda County Health office
 - 1-800-422-9495
- Oakland Unified School District
 - 510-273-1516
- Hayward Unified School District
 - 510-723-3857 x 4
- San Leandro Unified School District
 - 510-667-6214
- Street Level Health Project
 - 510-533-9906



Contact us with any questions, for help with screening or to schedule an appointment

1-800-422-9495

Monday thru Friday 8:30am-5:00pm

hitassist@acgov.org

Best practiceS when referring clients to the **Health Insurance Enrollment Assistance Program**:

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

Announcements

September's Collaborative Meeting

Financial Planning & Sustainability Tools for CalAIM CBOs

September 25, from 10:00 – 11:00 am on Zoom

Please join a hands-on session offered by BluePath Health and Primary Care Development Corporation focused on financial planning and sustainability for CBOs delivering CalAIM services. Participants will explore best practices and practical tools to support their organizations at any stage of CalAIM service delivery.



Peer Networking

Thank You: CalAIM Success Stories

We are continuing to gather CalAIM success stories, and today's an opportunity to write yours!

Following today's launch, we'll include success stories in our newsletters going forward!

Alameda CalAIM PATH Collaborative Success Stories



The Alameda CalAIM PATH Collaborative is facilitated by BluePath Health as part of the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) Providing Access and Transforming Health Initiative (PATH)



Peer Networking Opportunity

- **Three** structured table topics available for peer discussion, or
- Use this time to network freely with fellow participants
- The floor is yours — connect in whatever way is most useful to you!

Policy Changes

Children & Youth Providers

Success Story Building Blocks Workshop

Closeout Instructions

Hand in your survey
as you grab your lunch.
**We will conclude the
program at noon.**

Thank you!

**Thank you for joining and
see you on September 25
focused on Financial
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