



Undocumented Children Will Now Have Access to Medi-Cal



Governor Jerry Brown is expanding Medi-Cal to all low-income children younger than 19 in California. This includes all undocumented children. The tentative start date is May 15, 2016. This bill (now a law) is called SB75.

Medi-Cal is free or low-cost health coverage for children and families with lower incomes. It provides preventive medical care and treatments including vision, dental and mental health. Undocumented children will be eligible for full-scope Medi-Cal.

Children with restricted-scope Medi-Cal (also known as “emergency Medi-Cal”) will automatically shift to full-scope Medi-Cal. You do not have to fill out a new application

Your Information Will Be Confidential

Any personal information shared when enrolling your children into restricted-scope or full-scope Medi-Cal is confidential. The information used to enroll will never be shared with immigration enforcement. Many immigrant families are concerned that enrolling in Medi-Cal will negatively affect their applications for immigration status. Enrolling yourself or your children in Medi-Cal is not a “public charge” that could affect your immigration status.

Four Things to Know About Medi-Cal Expansion

1. Undocumented Children Are Eligible

Children and youth younger than 19, whose families meet the income guidelines, qualify for full-scope Medi-Cal. Here are some income eligibility examples:

- Family of 4 - \$64,505 annual income or \$5,375 per month
- Family of 5 - \$83,730 annual income or \$6,978 per month
- Family of 6 - \$86,637 annual income or \$7,220 per month

2. It is Free or Low-Cost

Medi-Cal is free for families who meet income requirements. For families who must pay, the monthly premiums are \$13 per child up to a family maximum of \$39 per month.

3. Enroll Your Kids Now

Medi-Cal expansion will begin as early as spring 2016, but you can enroll your child in restricted Medi-Cal now. Doing so will help them transition to full-scope Medi-Cal as soon as possible.

- **Apply On Line:** Click on the “Your Benefits Now” link.
- **Apply in Person:** Visit the nearest [Office Location](#)
- **Apply by Mail:** Mail application to Medi-Cal Mail-In Application Office, P.O. Box 7267, Los Angeles, CA 90007-9819. [Click here](#) to download the application.

4. What You Need to Bring to Enroll

When you apply for Medi-Cal, bring as many of the following items as you can. Not all items are required for enrollment.

- Proof of Identity (driver’s license or photo ID)
- Proof of Income (current pay stub or bank statement)
- Child’s Birth Certificate or Legal Resident Card
- Proof of Residency (telephone or electric bill)
- Medi-Cal Cards of other family members, if applicable