

Medi-Cal Enrollees Prepare for New Community Engagement Requirements; Health Net Launches "Get Informed, Stay Covered" to Educate Members - Apr 1, 2026

*Health Net commits \$1 million to public information effort to help eligible residents maintain Medi-Cal coverage under new federal and state rules*

SACRAMENTO, Calif., April 1, 2026 /PRNewswire/ -- [Health Net](#), one of California's most experienced Medi-Cal managed care health plans and company of [Centene Corporation](#) (NYSE: CNC), is launching "*Get Informed, Stay Covered*," a campaign to educate Medi-Cal enrollees about critical changes to federal and state eligibility rules.

A 2025 federal law requires certain adults eligible for Medi-Cal to meet new work or community engagement standards. These requirements are expected to take effect January 1, 2027. Health Net is working to ensure members understand upcoming changes and the actions they can take now.

"Keeping up with Medi-Cal work requirements and new rules could feel confusing or overwhelming to some," said Dorothy Seleski, Medi-Cal Plan President at Health Net. "That's why Health Net walks alongside people — sharing clear, practical guidance and offering steady support. It's important folks feel understood, confident and covered at every step."

Under the new federal law, many Medi-Cal enrollees will need to complete 80 hours per month of approved activities — such as work, job training, volunteering, or school — to maintain coverage. Some people may qualify for an exemption to the rules to receive coverage. Exemptions include:

- Parents of young children;
- Individuals with disabilities;
- Pregnant people;
- [Others with special circumstances.](#)

The state will check eligibility when members apply for Medi-Cal coverage and every six months after that, giving members 30 days to provide documentation if needed. California's Department of Health Care Services lists preliminary information [on their website](#) and is expected to release detailed guidance by June 2026.

### ***Get Informed, Stay Covered* campaign**

Health Net has committed \$1 million to help educate Medi-Cal enrollees about the new requirements. More information about these grants will be forthcoming.

The *Get Informed, Stay Covered* campaign is a multipronged effort to support its members and providers in navigating this policy change. This campaign will include:

- Multilingual outreach to members, using a variety of communication types;
- Targeted outreach to vulnerable members — supported by real-time assistance from community representatives, including clinics and county offices;
- Proactive, sustained face-to-face engagement with providers, community-based organizations, and local partners to deliver hands-on education, toolkits and other support.

"As Medi-Cal work and community engagement requirements move toward implementation, it's critical that Californians have clear, accurate information well in advance," said Assemblymember Jessica Caloza, California Assembly District 52. "Efforts like Health Net's *Get Informed, Stay Covered* campaign play an important role in helping residents understand what's changing and how to stay connected to the coverage they rely on."

As a highly experienced managed care plan, Health Net is working closely with policymakers to implement these changes in the least disruptive manner possible. Working hand-in-hand with state and county partners, Health Net will provide clear, timely guidance to its members and providers as this new policy takes shape. While these requirements will not be enforced until 2027, Health Net urges members to:

- Watch for updates from the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) and Health Net as the new rules take effect.
- Learn about exemptions and reporting options.
- Reach out to California DHCS early with any questions.

Medi-Cal currently provides coverage to approximately 14.9 million Californians across the state.

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