

MY HEALTH LA

LA County Department of Health Services

“Older Adult Expansion”

February 16, 2022





50+ Transition



MHLA:

- Feb. 9th: 1st Notice sent to MHLA participants 50 years and older by May 31, 2022. (Letter sent in English and Spanish)
- Data from Nov. 2021 (DPSS):
 - Nearly 60,000 and about 27,000 had restricted Medi-Cal.
 - Lists to clinics – let us know if there are any discrepancies with full-scope enrollees. Disenroll at end of February.
- **Please enroll in restricted Medi-Cal before April 30, 2022.**



50+ Transition - Communications

Communications:

- MHLA texts, robocalls.
- MHLA website changes and adds.
- MHLA flyers.
- Advocates statewide are also developing materials.
- Recommended language from the State (for calls, social media, etc): [I22-02 \(ca.gov\)](#)



50+ Transition – First Letter

- Sent in English and Spanish.
- Good news! Starting May 1, 2022, older adults who are 50 years of age or older living in California are eligible for full-scope Medi-Cal benefits. Your immigration status does not matter. Full-scope Medi-Cal is health insurance. Medi-Cal provides complete health benefits including medical, dental, vision, mental health, medications, and more.
- You are currently enrolled in My Health LA (MHLA). MHLA is not health insurance. Because you can get full-scope Medi-Cal, you will not be eligible for MHLA after the older adult expansion.
- If you have restricted (emergency) Medi-Cal, there is nothing you need to do. **If you do not have restricted (emergency) Medi-Cal, we urge you to apply before April 30, 2022.**



50+ Disenrollment

- Disenrollment plan:
 - May 1st participants 50+ enrolled in Restricted Medi-Cal will be disenrolled.
 - By Aug 1st everyone will be disenrolled.
 - Disenrollment will take place by the end of the month of participant birthday.
 - Example: if patient is turning 50 Sept. 12, 2022, they will be disenrolled from MHLA by Sept. 30th.
- Please get out the word.



50+ Other Changes

- Contract changes on May 1st.
- Also changing the logic in One-e-App.
- Anyone who is 50 will no longer be eligible to sign up and should be directed to sign up for Medi-Cal instead.
- MHLA participants who are in managed care plans will not be able to get specialty care at DHS sites.
- We will work with clinics to identify possible concerns about specialty care and to ensure continuity for high-risk patients.



50+ Transition - State

State update:

- Webinar Thursday, Feb 17th @ 2pm
- 1st Notice – 1st week of March
- LA County estimated transition population (already on restricted Medi-Cal) – more than 126,000.
- State link: [OlderAdultExpansion \(ca.gov\)](https://www.ca.gov/olderadultexpansion)



Health for All

- Governor's Budget – further expansion of full-scope Medi-Cal for individuals ages 26-49, regardless of immigration status.
- No sooner than Jan. 1, 2024.





Active Member Lookup Tool

- We encourage all clinics to reach out to those participants who have not applied for Medi-Cal and emphasize how important it is to apply before May 1, 2022.
- The Active Member Lookup Tool was designed to assist your clinic's System Administrator with:
 - Looking up the next renewal date for each participant
 - Figure out who is age 50+ or 49, about to turn 50.
 - <https://web.microsoftstream.com/video/a59f73f9-bbee-4149-9fe7-a169604bcae6>



MHLA Website



My Health LA (MHLA)

My Health LA is a no-cost health care program for low-income individuals who live in Los Angeles County. Participants must be 26 or older and unable to get health insurance.

> [Learn More](#)



<http://dhs.lacounty.gov/MHLA>

Thank you!

