

Federal and State Policy Changes-Implementation Update

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Changes Implemented

CalFresh

- Changes to CalFresh eligibility - removal of eligibility for refugees, parolees, battered noncitizens, trafficking victims, and asylees
- Able-Bodied Adults Without Dependents (ABAWD) Work Requirements
- Changes to the Standard Utility Allowances (SUA) policy

Medi-Cal

- Reinstitution of asset limits
- Medi-Cal expansion freeze

Upcoming Changes

CalFresh

- Changes to cost sharing for administrative funding

Medi-Cal

- Engagement/work requirements for certain Medi-Cal customers
- Six-month renewals for certain Medi-Cal customers
- Limits to retroactive Medi-Cal
- Premiums
- Elimination of dental services for customers with unsatisfactory immigration status

Communication and Partnerships

Keep Your Benefits Webpage

Includes:

- Policy changes and calls to action
- FAQs, flyers, social media messages, and a public facing toolkit
- Informational/instructional videos (for example-how to complete your Medi-Cal renewal)
- Opportunities to meet engagement/work requirements
- Recruitment for workfare/community service sites

Communication and Partnerships Continued

- Health and Nutrition Meetings – over 200 food and health community agencies meeting monthly
- Working with the managed care providers to expand data sharing efforts and benefits retention
- Working with other County Departments to share communication and serve as potential workfare sites
- Working with other County Departments and their partners to raise awareness of policy changes
- Working with the Center for Strategic Partnerships on recruitment of community service and workfare sites
- Leveraging existing partnerships (local community meetings, community colleges, etc.)
- Building new partnerships (street medicine providers, new non-profit and faith-based partners, etc.)

Questions?

