

**CALIFORNIA HEALTH CARE PROGRAMS COMPARISON CHART**  
**Children's Health Access and Medical Program (CHAMP)**

| Questions                                | Medi-Cal<br>Percentage Program  | Child Health and Disability<br>Prevention (CHDP)  | The Healthy Families Program   |
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| <b>Who is eligible?</b>                  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Children birth to their 19<sup>th</sup> birthday</li> <li>• Pregnant women</li> </ul> <p>Note: Other Medi-Cal programs are available for certain adults.</p>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Children birth to their 19<sup>th</sup> birthday <b>or</b></li> <li>• Children birth to their 21<sup>st</sup> birthday if children have Medi-Cal (with a Share-of-Cost)</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Uninsured children (within certain income limits) from birth to their 19<sup>th</sup> birthday.</li> <li>• If you are 18 or under, and your income meets the requirements, you may be able to apply on your own.</li> <li>• Minors that are emancipated may be eligible to apply for themselves and their children.</li> </ul>            |
| <b>What are the income limits?</b>       | <p>For no-cost Medi-Cal:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Children birth up to 1 <b>and</b> Pregnant Women: up to 200% FPL</li> <li>• Children 1 through 5: up to 133% FPL</li> <li>• Children 6 through 18: up to 100% FPL</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Children birth to their 19<sup>th</sup> birthday: up to 200% FIG</li> <li>• Children birth to 21<sup>st</sup> birthday: on Medi-Cal with a Share-of-Cost</li> </ul>                | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Children birth to 1: 200% to 250% FIG</li> <li>• Children 1 through 5: 133% to 250% FIG</li> <li>• Children 6 through 18: 100% to 250% FIG</li> </ul>   |
| <b>What does it cost?</b>                | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If income falls within the limits services may be no-cost.</li> <li>• Share-Of-Cost (SOC) Medi-Cal costs vary based on family income. Families have to meet their SOC before Medi-Cal pays for services.</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No cost</li> <li>• If children have Medi-Cal and are found to need treatment during the CHDP screening exam, Medi-Cal will be billed for those treatment services.</li> </ul>      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• There are two costs for Healthy Families: <u>Premiums</u> paid every month are \$4 to \$17 per child. <u>Co-payments</u> of \$5 are paid for some services.</li> <li>• There is a monthly maximum of \$51 for premiums per family.</li> <li>• There is an annual cap of \$250 that the family must pay for health co-payments.</li> </ul> |
| <b>What are the resource limits?</b>     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Resources do not count for pregnant women and children who are eligible for no-cost Medi-Cal.</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Resources do not <b>count in this program.</b></li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Resources do not count in this program.</li> </ul>  |
| <b>Does immigration status matter?</b>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Citizens, Legal Permanent Residents and certain other immigrants may receive full-scope Medi-Cal.</li> <li>• Undocumented immigrants can still receive Restricted Medi-Cal for emergency conditions and pregnancy-related services only.</li> <li>• Undocumented immigrants may qualify for full-scope Medi-Cal if they have PRUCOL Status (contact CHAMP for more information)</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No, all children within the income limits for this program are eligible to receive CHDP services.</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• U.S. citizens and certain immigrants may qualify.</li> <li>• The immigration status of the parents or applicants is not requested.</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Is California residency required?</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• California residency is required.</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• California residency is required.</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• California residency is required.</li> </ul>  |
| <b>What documents are required?</b>      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Proof of income, identification, and California residency</li> <li>• Immigration status and Social Security number (SSN) or proof of application, <u>if applying for full-scope Medi-Cal</u></li> <li>• No SSN proof needed <u>if applying for Restricted Medi-Cal</u></li> <li>• Checking and savings account statements</li> <li>• Proof of pregnancy if pregnant</li> </ul>             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Self-stated monthly income – families state their incomes when they apply at their doctors' offices or clinic</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Proof of income</li> <li>• Proof of immigration status or citizenship <u>for the children</u></li> <li>• Proof of deductions</li> </ul>   |

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| Questions  | Medi-Cal Percentage Program   | Child Health and Disability Prevention (CHDP)  | Healthy Families  |
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| <b>Where can families apply?</b>                         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Applications for <u>children</u> and <u>pregnant women</u> who qualify for no-cost Medi-Cal may be mailed when complete. For an application call toll free 1-888-747-1222.</li> <li>• At Medi-Cal offices and other community sites such as clinics, hospitals and schools</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• At participating doctors or clinics that are “CHDP-approved”</li> <li>• At local CHDP offices and other community sites (clinics and schools)</li> <li>• Call toll free 1-800-993-CHDP to learn more</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Call toll free 1-888-747-1222 to request an application &amp; handbook in the mail.</li> <li>• Applications and assistance are available at community centers and places such as clinics, hospitals and schools.</li> </ul>  |
| <b>How long does it take to get benefits?</b>            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Up to 45 days</li> </ul> <p>Note: Another Medi-Cal program, Presumptive Eligibility, helps pregnant women and certain disabled people with temporary Medi-Cal coverage while their Medi-Cal applications are being processed.</p>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Children can immediately receive services if they qualify for CHDP.</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Completed applications must be processed within 10 days of when they are received.</li> <li>• Families should get an answer back in the mail within 20 days.</li> </ul>  |
| <b>What benefits are covered?</b>                        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Full-scope Medi-Cal covers: medical office visits, hospitalizations, dental and vision care, prescription medicines, mental health services, substance abuse services and needed medical tests.</li> <li>• Restricted Medi-Cal covers: emergency and pregnancy-related services.</li> </ul> <p>Note: Minor Consent or provides treatment for sexually transmitted diseases, drug and alcohol abuse, family planning, sexual assault, mental health, pregnancy and pregnancy-related services to children under the age of 21.</p>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CHDP covers preventive care services based on an age schedule.</li> <li>• Medical office visits, vision and hearing tests, dental screening, doctor and dentist referral</li> <li>• <b>Hospitalizations are not covered.</b></li> <li>• Medicines are given by prescription.</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Medical office visits, dental and vision care, hospitalizations, needed medical tests, prescription medicines, and mental health services.</li> <li>• All medically necessary services including preventive care.</li> </ul>   |
| <b>How and where do participants receive services?</b>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Most children will be in enrolled in managed care health plans (HMOs) except children in foster care, adoption assistance, those with Share- of-Cost Medi-Cal, and those with Restricted Medi-Cal as well as disabled children.</li> <li>• Health plan information is mailed to families after they are enrolled in Medi-Cal.</li> <li>• Individuals in an HMO must choose a primary care doctor and get referrals from their primary care doctors to see specialists.</li> <li>• Managed care plans must provide the same benefits as “regular” Medi-Cal.</li> <li>• Individuals not enrolled in managed care health plans may use “fee-for-service” (regular) Medi-Cal and may go to any provider who accepts Medi-Cal (fee-for-service).</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To find or verify that doctors are CHDP-approved, call the local CHDP office:<br/> Los Angeles Co.      800-993-CHDP<br/> Orange Co.            714-834-7700<br/> Riverside Co.         800-346-6520<br/> San Bernardino Co.   909-387-6499<br/> Santa Barbara Co.    800-288-8145<br/> Ventura Co.            800-781-4449</li> <li>• CHDP exams are provided by: CHDP-approved doctors, county health centers, some school districts, and Medi-Cal managed care doctors (if child is enrolled in Medi-Cal managed care).</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Services are provided through health plans.</li> <li>• Applicants choose health, dental and vision plans for their children when they apply.</li> <li>• Dental and vision services are separate plans.</li> <li>• The health plans send applicants information about their doctors, clinics, and hospitals.</li> <li>• Applicants must then choose a doctor for each of their children in Healthy Families.</li> </ul> |
| <b>What if participants have other health insurance?</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Medi-Cal might pay what the other health insurance does not.</li> <li>• Ask an Eligibility Worker or call the Health Insurance Premium Payment program (HIPPP) toll free 800-952-5294 if families need assistance paying for the insurance they have.</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Children may still be able to get CHDP even if they have health insurance - ask their CHDP doctors.</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Children who have not been insured for at least 90 days under employer-sponsored insurance are eligible for this program. Parents may have other insurance.</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Contact information:</b>                              | Visit Medi-Cal’s website at <a href="http://www.medi-cal.ca.gov">www.medi-cal.ca.gov</a>  | Visit CHDP’s website at: <a href="http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/chdp/Pages/default.aspx">www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/chdp/Pages/default.aspx</a>  | Call the Healthy Families Program at 1-888-747-1222 or visit their website at: <a href="http://www.healthyfamilies.ca.gov">www.healthyfamilies.ca.gov</a>   |

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| Questions  | Healthy Kids   | Kaiser Permanente Child Health Plan   |
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| <b>Who is eligible?</b>                                  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Children from birth to their 19<sup>th</sup> birthday</li> <li>Children who are not eligible for either no SOC Medi-Cal or Healthy Families.</li> </ul> <p>Note: Currently, applications are no longer being accepted for children greater than 5 ½ years old. Please call to find out if enrollment has been extended to other ages.</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Uninsured children up to age 19 who are not eligible for other public/private programs, such as Medi-Cal or Healthy Families.</li> </ul> <p>Note: Enrollment for this program is based on the available funding. Please check with the program to verify if they are accepting new applications.</p> |
| <b>What are the income limits?</b>                       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Children under age 19, between 0% FIG and 300% FIG.</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Children under age 19, between 0% FPL and 300% FPL</li> </ul>  |
| <b>What does it cost?</b>                                | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Monthly premiums range from \$0 to \$6 per child</li> <li>There is a \$5 co-payment for some services. (Maximum co-payment of \$250 per family per year)</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The monthly premium is \$8 or \$15 per child depending on families' incomes.</li> <li>Families only have to pay premiums for the first three children enrolled.</li> </ul> <p>There are co-payments for some services.</p>   |
| <b>What are the resource limits?</b>                     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Resources do not count in this program.</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Resources do not count in this program.</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Does immigration status matter?</b>                   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No. Undocumented children within the income limits for this program are eligible to receive services.</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No. Undocumented children within the income limits for this program are eligible to receive services.</li> </ul>   |
| <b>What documents are required?</b>                      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Proof of income and documentation for deductions</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Proof of income (last filed income tax return, W-2 forms or pay stubs, disability check stubs for the last complete calendar month)</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Where can families apply?</b>                         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Families can call 1-888-452-5437 to request an application or for more information.</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Call 800-255-5053 (free) to request applications.</li> <li>Applications must be mailed when complete.</li> <li>Applications are available at some schools.</li> </ul>  |
| <b>How long does it take to get?</b>                     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If application is submitted by the 19<sup>th</sup> the children will get enrolled the following month.</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>About 45 days to process the application.</li> <li>Coverage begins on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of the month following approval.</li> </ul>   |
| <b>What benefits are covered?</b>                        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This program offers health, dental, vision, prescription, and mental health services.</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Comprehensive preventive, primary, and specialty health care coverage: medical office visits, vision care, prescription drugs, mental health services, substance abuse services, health education, hospital services, and needed lab tests.</li> </ul>   |
| <b>How and where do participants receive services?</b>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Children receive medical services from LA Care Providers.</li> <li>Children receive dental coverage through Safeguard Dental and vision coverage through VSP Vision Care.</li> <li>Families that want to change their doctors can call 1-888-839-9909</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Children receive services through Kaiser Permanente medical offices and hospitals.</li> <li>Children receive dental coverage through DeltaCare USA, a subsidiary of Delta Dental California.</li> </ul>  |
| <b>What if participants have health other insurance?</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Children may be eligible for healthy kids even if they receive Restricted (Emergency) Medi-Cal or Share-Of-Cost Medi-Cal.</li> <li>Children currently enrolled in employer-sponsored insurance, Medi-Cal or Healthy Families are not eligible.</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Children cannot have other health insurance, such as employer coverage or health coverage through Medi-Cal or Healthy Families to be eligible for this program.</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Contact information:</b>                              | Please contact L.A. Care for more information at 1-888-452-5437 or visit their website: <a href="http://www.lacare.org">www.lacare.org</a>   | Please contact Kaiser Permanente Member Services at 1-800-464-4000 or visit their website at: <a href="http://info.kp.org/childhealthplan/">http://info.kp.org/childhealthplan/</a>   |

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