MEDI-CAL ELIGIBILITY PROCEDURES MANUAL

What is Medi-Cal?

 Health care coverage for qualifying persons who live in California, who have income and resources below established limits



Who can get Medi-Cal?

- · Persons 65 or older
- · Persons who are under 21 years of age
- Certain adults between 21 and 65 years of age, if they have minor children living with them
- · Persons who are blind or disabled
- · Pregnant women
- · Persons receiving nursing home care
- · Certain Refugees, Asylees, Cuban/Haitian Entrants

Do I have to be a U.S. citizen to get Medi-Cal?

No, documented and undocumented aliens may be eligible for Medi-Cal. Some persons
may receive pregnancy related and emergency services only; others are eligible for full
Medi-Cal benefits depending on their alien status

When Medi-Cal says "a minor child," what does it mean?

· A child married or unmarried under 21 years of age living in your home or away at school

What do I do to get Medi-Cal coverage?

- · Complete and send in the enclosed application
- · Send copies of any required documentation (See instructions)

How can my family and I qualify for Medi-Cal coverage?

If you are in one of the groups listed in "Who can get Medi-Cal?" above:

- We look at your income and subtract some expenses you pay to decide your family's countable income for Medi-Cal
- We look at things you and your family own (bank accounts, vehicles, etc.) to see if you meet the resource limit. Please Note: Not all the things you or your family own are counted; your local welfare office can give you more information

If I do not fall into one of the covered groups, how can I get coverage?

· Contact your local welfare office for information about medical services in your county



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