



Medi-Cal Older Adult Expansion FAQ

What does the new Medi-Cal Expansion say?

California will be expanding eligibility for full scope Medi-Cal to individuals who are 50 years or older, regardless of immigration status.

When does the new Medi-Cal Expansion go into effect?

The new Medi-Cal Expansion will go into effect as of May 1, 2022.

Who does the new Medi-Cal Expansion affect?

The new enrollee population consists of individuals who are 50 years of age or older in May 2022, who are not currently enrolled in Medi-Cal, but who apply for Medi-Cal after implementation of Older Adult Expansion and meet all eligibility criteria for full scope Medi-Cal, under any eligibility group.

What if I have Retroactive Medi-Cal?

Applicants can request retroactive Medi-Cal coverage for up to three months prior to the month of application.

However, under the Older Adult Expansion, full scope retroactive coverage will be available no sooner than the month of implementation, which is expected to be May 1, 2022.

A beneficiary must have active restricted scope Medi-Cal eligibility effective on the Older Adult Expansion implementation date in order to be automatically transitioned to full scope coverage.

What if I have Restricted Medi-Cal?

If you are currently enrolled in restricted Medi-Cal, you will be automatically enrolled in full scope Medi-Cal beginning on May 1, 2022.

What is included in Full Scope Medi-Cal?

Full scope Medi-Cal covers more than just care when you have an emergency. It gives you access to medical, dental, behavioral health and chiropractic services.

How do I apply for the Medi-Cal Expansion?

To apply now, please contact our Program and Resource Specialists at (760) 736-6734.

Individuals 50+ can apply for Medi-Cal online, by mail, telephone or in person.

If the applicant qualifies for full scope Medi-Cal under the Older Adult Expansion, they will receive the appropriate Notice of Action (NOA) notifying them of their eligibility for full scope Medi-Cal effective no sooner than the month of implementation, which is expected to be May 2022.

When will I receive my first notification?

All individuals included in the Older Adult Expansion will receive the first notice approximately 60 days prior to May 1, 2022 implementation.

It's important for you to be fully informed. How can TrueCare help?

- Our dedicated staff are here to answer your questions.
- We assist with the application process.
- TrueCare is not providing legal advice but can provide legal resources.
- Your information is kept confidential.

If you have any questions, please contact our Program and Resource Specialists at (760) 736-6734.