

**COUNTY MEDICAL SERVICES PROGRAM (CMSP)
BACKGROUND INFORMATION
MAY 2019**



Medical, Dental and Pharmacy Coverage for Low Income Adults in 35 Counties

- CMSP provides:
 - Coverage for adults ages 21-64 (incomes up to 300% FPL)
 - Full scope benefit coverage for legal residents
 - Emergency benefit coverage for undocumented adults
 - No-cost primary care benefits for all CMSP enrollees
- Path to Health (*Camino a la Salud*) provides:
 - No-cost primary care benefits for undocumented adults (up to 138% FPL)
 - Aligns with Governor's priority of Medi-Cal coverage expansion
 - Initial member enrollment goal: 25,000 (future goal: 50,000)

Projected CMSP Budget for FY 2019-20

- Approximately \$42 million (with program expansions)
- AB 85 allocation (current law) projected to be @ \$45 million
- AB 85 allocation (budget proposal) projected to be \$0

CMSP Reserve and Future Budgets

- @ \$382 million (as of February 2019)
- Budget of approximately \$65 million per year (after full implementation of program expansions)
- If \$0 AB 85 allocation, CMSP Reserve nearly depleted by the end of FY 2026-27

Governing Board Efforts Since 2015

- Expanded CMSP eligibility to 300% FPL, increased allowable assets for eligibility, and reduced members' monthly share of cost by 75%
- Established Path to Health program (effective 2/1/19)
- Funded grants for local health priorities in CMSP counties
- Funded educational loan repayment programs for healthcare professionals

Program Expansion Concepts Approved in 2019

- Expansion of primary care benefit to uninsured CMSP county residents through new on-line enrollment system (in addition to full-scope CMSP)
- Expansion of Path to Health to cover undocumented adults ages 65+
- Grant Program for CMSP counties to address locally defined indigent care needs in areas of behavioral health, homelessness, and others
- Grant Program for contracting hospitals and health centers to fund specialty care services for uninsured residents of CMSP counties

Future CMSP Budget Priorities

- Continue to address county indigent health care needs (WIC Section 17000)
- Expand Path to Health to maximum enrollment (50,000)
- Support county indigent care priorities (behavioral health, homelessness, other)
- Fund specialty care for uninsured residents of CMSP counties