

Frequently Asked Questions HealthPAC Transition of 19-25 year old members to Medi-Cal Senate Bill 104 Young Adult Expansion

1. What is Senate Bill 104?

Senate Bill (SB) 104 enacted the Young Adult Expansion, which provides full scope Medi-Cal benefits for individuals ages 19-25 regardless of immigration status starting January 1, 2020.

The Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) has more information on the implementation of SB 104 at the following website: https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/medi-cal/eligibility/Pages/YoungAdultExp.aspx

2. How many HealthPAC enrollees 19-25 years of age will be eligible for full scope medi-cal on January 1, 2020?

As of October 1, 2019, there are 1,939 number of HPAC enrollees 19-25 years of age. Of these 1,506 have incomes at or below 138% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL).

The remaining 433 enrollees with incomes above 138% FPL – 200%FPL will remain in HPAC.

3. Will HCSA send out notices to the eligible population?

Yes, HCSA will send out notices in English and Spanish to the eligible population at the end of October.

4. Will the eligible HealthPAC population be disenrolled from HealthPAC on January 1, 2010?

No, HCSA will not disenroll this population. Rather, their HPAC coverage will end at the time of renewal when they will need to go through the process to determine if they are still eligible for HealthPAC or Full Scope Medi-Cal.



5. Can the eligible HPAC population keep their medical home when they transition or enroll in medi-cal?

Yes, HPAC enrollees that transition or enroll into full scope medi-cal can keep their HPAC medical home. Once their medi-cal enrollment has been approved, they can select a provider through Health Care Options, which includes the same providers in the HPAC network.

6. What number should a clinic and/or participant call to determine if they are still eligible for HealthPAC?

Questions from clinics and participants should be directed to HPAC Customer Service (1-877-879-9633). HPAC Customer Service is available Monday-Friday from 8:30 am – 5:00 pm.

7. When will the State initiate the transition of eligible beneficiaries from restricted Medi-Cal to full scope Medi-Cal?

The State has communicated that they will begin the transition of eligible beneficiaries from restricted Medi-Cal to full scope Medi-cal at the end of November 2019.

8. What happens when the eligible population turns 26 years of age?

When an Alameda County resident from this population turns 26 years of age and meets all HPAC eligibility requirements, they can enroll into the program.

9. Is the new eligible population subject to public charge?

No, the new eligible population is not subject to public charge, because the full scope medi-cal benefits they receive is funded using state dollars.

10. Is the HealthPAC population subject to public charge?

No, HPAC is not a part of the newly proposed public charge rule.