

State of California—Health and Human Services Agency Department of Health Care Services



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TO: Local Governmental Agency (LGA) Coordinators for the Targeted

Case Management (TCM) Program

SUBJECT: Unsatisfactory Immigration Status (UIS) Beneficiaries

This Policy and Procedure Letter (PPL) provides clarification to LGAs participating in the TCM program that claims for beneficiaries with a UIS are not eligible for federal financial participation (FFP) through the TCM program. Furthermore, the LGAs are responsible to fund TCM services provided to UIS beneficiaries through local funds and no state general fund (SGF) will be expended for this population.

UIS Beneficiary Claims

As of January 1, 2021, LGAs must cease submitting claims to DHCS for TCM services provided to beneficiaries with a UIS and are responsible for funding TCM services provided to these beneficiaries. TCM services provided to UIS beneficiaries are ineligible for both FFP and SGF. DHCS is making edits to the TCM Online System which will result in the system appropriately denying claims that are ineligible for FFP and/or SGF for the UIS beneficiaries.

UIS beneficiaries are identified as those individuals who fall into at least one of the following groups:

- 1. Non-Qualified Non Citizens, individuals who have either entered the United States bypassing immigration authorities or who have overstayed their visa.
- Qualified Non-Citizen (QNC) beneficiaries who are not federally eligible for full scope Medi-Cal
- 3. Immigrants who are Permanently Residing Under Color Of Law (PRUCOL) and are not federally eligible for full scope Medi-Cal
- Senate Bill 75 (Chapter 18, Statutes of 2015) beneficiaries are not federally eligible for full scope Medi-Cal

- 5. Young Adult Expansion (YAE) beneficiaries ages 21 to 25 include undocumented immigrants and certain lawfully present immigrants who are not QNCs and are not federally eligible for full scope Medi-Cal
- For participants of the Trafficking and Crime Victim Assistance Program
 (TCVAP), a cash assistance program for non-citizen victims of crime who are in
 need of immediate services and who are obtaining a legal humanitarian status or
 assisting in the prosecution of a crime, the following aid codes do not qualify for
 FFP: 7V, 5V, 4V, 2V

Emergency and pregnancy related services provided to UIS beneficiaries are eligible for FFP. However, TCM is not provided in emergencies and is not an emergency related service. Therefore, UIS beneficiaries as defined above who are eligible for restricted scope Medi-Cal are only eligible for pregnancy related services under the TCM program. LGAs must adequately document the pregnancy related TCM services provided to a UIS beneficiary to properly claim FFP for those services.

Ensuring the fiscal integrity of the TCM program is one of the highest priorities for DHCS. Therefore, DHCS will provide separate and additional guidance explaining how to identify beneficiaries with UIS at the LGA level and how to report non-claimable encounters in the TCM Cost Report.

Please email DHCS-TCM@dhcs.ca.gov for any questions regarding this PPL.

Sincerely,

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