

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE SERVICES
NOTICE OF GENERAL PUBLIC INTEREST
RELEASE DATE: NOVEMBER 29, 2022**

PROPOSED STATE PLAN AMENDMENT #22-0072 TO EXEMPT GUARANTEED INCOME AS INCOME AND RESOURCES FOR MEDI-CAL ELIGIBILITY PURPOSES.

This notice is to provide information of public interest about a proposed State Plan Amendment (SPA) by the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS). In 2021, California enacted a new state law, Welfare and Institutions Code § 18997(d) effective October 8, 2021, under which guaranteed income payments funded with a grant provided by the California Guaranteed Income Pilot Program are exempt income and an exempt resource for 12 months from receipt for Medi-Cal eligibility purposes. The proposed SPA, which is enclosed, clarifies this provision. DHCS requests input from members, providers, and other interested stakeholders concerning the proposed SPA #22-0072.

There is no federal fiscal impact with proposed SPA #22-0072 as it seeks only to exempt these payments as income and resources for 12 months from receipt for Medi-Cal eligibility purposes. The effective date of the proposed SPA is October 1, 2022. All proposed SPAs are subject to approval by the Federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).

PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENTS

Upon submission to CMS, a copy of the proposed SPA #22-0072 will be published at the following internet address:

<https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/formsandpubs/laws/Pages/PendingStatePlanAmendments.aspx>.

If you would like to view the SPA in person once it becomes available, please visit your local county welfare department. You may also request a copy of proposed SPA #22-0072 using the mailing or email addresses listed below.

Written comments may be sent to the following address:

Department of Health Care Services
Medi-Cal Eligibility Division
Attn: Sandra Williams
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Comments may also be emailed to PublicInput@dhcs.ca.gov. Please indicate

SPA #22-0072 in the subject line or message. A copy of submitted public comments to SPA #22-0072 may be requested in writing to the mailing or email addresses identified above.