



County Medically Indigent Services Program Fact Sheet



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Purpose

The purpose of the County Medically Indigent Services Program (CMISP) is to provide medically necessary care to eligible indigents who are residents of Sacramento County. It is a program of “last resort”. CMISP is available to residents who have no other resources for health care, not eligible for any other health coverage programs, including Affordable Care Act options, and who meet the program’s eligibility requirements.

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Application for Health Coverage Programs Including CMISP

Persons who want to apply for health coverage programs, including CMISP services, may do so at the time they request medical or emergency dental services or when filling a prescription. Applicants will be evaluated for all other available health coverage programs prior to evaluation for CMISP program.

1. Medical Services

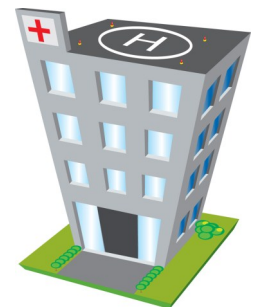
Patients are seen by appointment and on a walk-in basis. At the time you are seen at the Primary Care Center, you will receive application packet for the health coverage programs including CMISP.

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| Primary Care Center 4600 Broadway, Suite 2200 Sacramento, CA | <u>Clinic Phone Numbers</u> Main Line: 916-874-9670 Appointment Line: 916-874-8277 |
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2. Emergency Dental Services

Emergency dental services are provided by the Dental Clinic in the Primary Care Center. Application packets may be picked up at the Dental Clinic.

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| Primary Care Center—Dental Clinic 4600 Broadway, Suite 2100 Sacramento, CA | <u>Dental Clinic Phone Number</u> Main Line: 916-874-8300 |
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3. Pharmacy Services

CMISP patients may bring their prescription to the Primary Care Pharmacy. Patients without health care coverage will be given application packet for the health coverage programs including CMISP to apply.

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| Primary Care Pharmacy 4600 Broadway, Suite 1500 Sacramento, CA | <u>Pharmacy Phone Number</u> Main Line: 916-874-4342 |
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Eligibility Rules

CMISP eligibility may be approved if you have applied and were found not eligible for any other health coverage programs. You must provide the necessary proof and be determined eligible to qualify for CMISP services. Eligibility may be discontinued at any time if eligibility requirements are not met.

The following rules must be met to qualify for CMISP:

1. U.S. Citizenship or Immigration Status

United States citizens and lawful immigrants admitted to permanently reside in the United States may be eligible for CMISP.

2. Sacramento Residency

Applicants must have established residency in Sacramento County by physical presence and the intent to reside in Sacramento County.

3. Property

- **Real Property**

Property used as the home is exempt when calculating countable resources. Other real property is limited to a net value of \$6,000 and must meet the Income Producing rule.

- **Personal Property**

Personal property includes cash, checking or savings accounts, bonds, certificates of deposit (CD) and other forms of negotiable securities.

- ◇ One vehicle used for transportation is exempt
- ◇ Life insurance to be exempt must not exceed a face value of \$1,500.
- ◇ Essential household equipment, furniture, and personal tools, supplies and equipment needed for rehabilitation maintenance and self-support are exempt.

- **Property Reserve**

The total of all property reserves shall not exceed \$2,000 for a family of one and \$3,000 for a family of two. The property reserve increases with additional members.

4. Available Resources

All available resources must be utilized. A CMISP applicant and beneficiary must apply for all resources that may be available at no cost.

*Eligibility questions should be directed to **CMISP Eligibility** with the **Department of Human Assistance** at **916-874-9238**.*

5. Income

Cash, earnings, or contributions in-kind received by an applicant or beneficiary is considered income in the month of receipt. When the net nonexempt monthly income is over the Maintenance Need Limit, the beneficiary will be required to pay a share-of-cost before CMISP will pay for medical expenses.

There is no income limit for CMISP, however all applicants with income under the Medi-Cal income limits are evaluated for Medi-Cal programs first.

| Maintenance Need Limits | |
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| 1 person | \$600 |
| 2 persons | \$934 |

Client Responsibility

All CMISP applicants are required to apply for other health coverage programs, including Affordable Care Act options during annual open enrollment. If CMISP have been granted, the beneficiary is responsible for reporting changes to CMISP Eligibility, such as: changes in income, household composition, property, address or new eligibility for other health coverage programs. The report must be made within 10 days of the change.

Administrative Hearings

If you disagree with the action taken regarding your application for services through the County Medically Indigent Services Program (CMISP), you have a right to an Administrative Hearing by the Sacramento County Department of Human Assistance. You must request an Administrative Hearing within 10 days from the date you are notified of an action. To request a hearing, call (916) 874-3293.



CMISP Covered Services

Care in Primary Care Clinics and Medical Offices

1. Primary physician services: medical services such as diagnosis and treatment, outpatient surgical procedures, and emergency care.
2. Specialist care from referral: diagnostic consultation, short-term treatment services, long-term management of specific health problems.
3. Some diagnostic, x-rays, and laboratory tests.
4. Short term physical/occupational therapy, casts, dressings, minor surgery and injected medications.

Hospital Care

1. Inpatient, outpatient or surgical treatment center facilities.
2. Physician services such as consultation and treatment, assistant surgeons, anesthesiologist services, etc.
3. Use of operating room, intensive care, cardiac care, drugs and medicines, inpatient and on discharge; injections, dressings, casts, blood transfusions, x-rays and isotope therapy, inhalation therapy, emergency care, short-term physical therapy and other therapeutic services.

Prescription Drugs and Durable Medical Equipment

1. Drugs prescribed by a primary care physician or a County Medical Case Management consultant to whom the patient has been referred.
2. Durable medical equipment, prosthetic devices and medical supplies may be covered, subject to authorization.

Ambulance Service

Non-emergency ambulance service may be covered with prior authorization by Sacramento County Medical Case Management.

For more information about Scope of Services, go to:

<http://www.dhhs.sacounty.net/PRI/Pages/CMISP/GI-CMISP-Scope-of-Services.aspx>