

Terms of the Week

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Modified Adjusted Gross Income (MAGI)

The MAGI structure was adopted into the Affordable Care Act (ACA) to use when determining income eligibility for Insurance Affordability Programs (IAPs).



MAGI Medi-Cal

AKA: "Medi-Cal Expansion", is a budgeting methodology, applying to children and adults (with or without dependents), which includes:

- Children
- Pregnant Women
- Parents/Caretaker Relatives
- Adults age 19 to 64



Non-MAGI Medi-Cal

Refers to those not eligible for expanded Medi-Cal under MAGI rules, but who qualify for an existing Medi-Cal program under the old budgeting rules. This includes programs such as:

- Long Term Care (LTC)
- Aged, Blind, Disabled (ABD)
- Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
- Medicare Savings
- Aid to Families with Dependent Children - Medically Needy (AFDC-MN)



CalHEERS

California Healthcare Eligibility, Enrollment, and Retention System (CalHEERS) is a computer system which will support Covered California's insurance exchange programs and include functionality to determine MAGI Medi-Cal eligibility. This system will also have an interactive web portal, allowing individuals and small businesses to directly access affordable health coverage. CalHEERS is similar to C-IV and C4Yourself.



Mixed Cases

Households whose members include individuals that are covered under Covered California exchange programs *and* Medi-Cal (including MAGI and Non-MAGI Medi-Cal cases).