

Desk Aid 52 - Health Care Reform Terms and Acronyms

Term	Definition
Affordable Care Act (ACA)	Provides quality and affordable health care for all Americans.
Advanced Premium Tax Credit (APTC)	Premium tax credits that help defray insurance costs for individuals and families when purchasing insurance through Covered California.
California Healthcare Eligibility, Enrollment, and Retention System (CalHEERS)	The automated system that will support Covered California's programs.
California Health Exchange	Also known as Covered California; Developed to assist citizens and legal immigrants in obtaining health insurance coverage.
Cost Share Reduction (CSR)	A decrease in cost sharing for an eligible individual enrolled in the Exchanged.
Health Care Reform (HCR)	Another name for the Affordable Care Act.
Horizontal Integration	Offering customers other self- sufficiency services if eligible.
Modified Adjusted Gross Income (MAGI)	New methodology that standardizes how income and household composition is calculated to determine Medi-Cal eligibility starting in 2014.
Mixed Cases	Households whose members include individuals that are covered under APTC and Medi-Cal.
Non- MAGI	Current Medi-Cal eligible population. i.e. elderly, disabled, and medically needy, among others.
SAWS 2 Plus	Revised SAWS 2; To include application for all of the new health care programs.
Single Streamlined Applications	Universal application for the new health care programs.
Quick Sort Transfer	Also known as the Warm Hand Off; Transfer of an applicant form the Covered Ca. service center to a County call center.
Request for Tax Household Information (RFTHI)	New supplemental form used for determining eligibility to MAGI or APTC programs.