

Appendix B: A Basic Medi-Cal Library

Local Resources:

Local County's Medi-Cal Eligibility Manual
Contact list of Medi-Cal Fair Hearing representatives for local county

Federal Resources:

42 U.S.C. § 1396 *et seq.*
42 C.F.R. § 430 *et seq.*

CMS: State Medicaid Manual
www.cms.hhs.gov/Manuals/PBM/itemdetail.asp?filterType=none&filterByDID=-99&sortByDID=1&sortOrder=ascending&itemID=CMS021927

CMS: Dear State Medicaid Director Letters
www.cms.hhs.gov/SMDL/

USA.gov
www.usa.gov

(Links to many official federal and state government Web sites can be found through this Web site. Access to bills in Congress as well as statutes and regulations. Rules, regulations, and policies of government agencies. Executive orders and other presidential activities.)

California-specific Resources:

California Welfare and Institutions Code, particularly § 14000 *et seq.*
California Code of Regulations, Title 22, § 50,000 *et seq.*

California Code of Regulations
<http://ccr.oal.ca.gov>

Official California Legislative Information
www.leginfo.ca.gov/
(Text and history of current and recent bills in the state legislature)

Medi-Cal Eligibility Procedures Manual
www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/medi-cal/eligibility/Pages/MedEligProcManual.aspx

All-County Welfare Directors Letters (ACWDL)
www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/medi-cal/eligibility/Pages/ACWDLbyyear.aspx
(ACWDLs from 1978 to the present. Medi-Cal Eligibility Branch/Division Information Letters (MEBILs and MEDILs) from 1995 to the present.)

Master Index to the All County Welfare Directors Letters
www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/medi-cal/eligibility/Pages/ACWDLMasterIndex.aspx

Medi-Cal Provider Manuals and Bulletins

www.dhcs.ca.gov/ProvGovPart/Pages/BulletinsManuals.aspx

Manual of Criteria

[www.dhcs.ca.gov/formsandpubs/publications/Documents/Medi-Cal PDFs/Manual of Criteria.pdf](http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/formsandpubs/publications/Documents/Medi-Cal%20PDFs/Manual_of_Criteria.pdf)

(Information on specific medical procedures and details of services covered by Medi-Cal)

Medi-Cal Managed Care Webpage

www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/Pages/Medi-CalManagedCare.aspx

(Medi-Cal managed care information, policy letters from the state to plans, reports on quality of care under Medi-Cal managed care)

Medi-Cal Deficit Reduction Act of 2005 Citizenship Requirements Web page

www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/medi-cal/Pages/DRA.aspx

(Forms and information on implementation of the DRA citizenship verification requirements in California)

CDSS Online Manual of Policies and Procedures

www.cdss.ca.gov/ord/PG319.htm

(Includes rules and procedures for state hearings)

Medical Care Statistics Section

www.dhcs.ca.gov/dataandstats/statistics/Pages/MCSSHomePage.aspx

(Statistics on Medi-Cal and beneficiaries)

Medi-Cal Eligibility Guide: How to Get and Keep Low-Income Health Coverage by the Western Center on Law & Poverty. Spring 2005. Available from WCLP.

The Guide to Medi-Cal Programs, Third Edition, by Manjusha P. Kulkarni for the California HealthCare Foundation, 2006. Available at: www.chcf.org/topics/medi-cal/index.cfm?itemID=20387.

California Advocacy Organization Resources:

Health Consumer Alliance:

www.healthconsumer.org

Fact sheets on the Medi-Cal programs, charts, flowcharts, advocates' issue briefs, and reports on Medi-Cal and health care issues in California

National Health Law Program

www.healthlaw.org

An Advocate's Guide to the Medicaid Program by Jane Perkins and Sarah Somers, June 2001. May be ordered from the NHeLP Los Angeles office.

[Preparing and Managing a Medicaid Case: An Introductory Guide.](http://www.healthlaw.org/link.cfm?8475) (July '06, posted Jan. '07)
<http://www.healthlaw.org/link.cfm?8475>

[NHeLP's Medicaid Manual for New Attorneys](http://www.healthlaw.org/link.cfm?8476) (Dec. '06, posted Jan. '07)
<http://www.healthlaw.org/link.cfm?8476>

California Advocates for Nursing Home Reform
www.canhr.org

Good resources for nursing home information, effects of assets on Medi-Cal eligibility, Medi-Cal liens.

Western Center on Law & Poverty
www.wclp.org

Other Helpful Web Resources:

Kaiser Family Foundation www.kff.org
Lots of great reports, statistics, information about health care and Medicaid nationally

Families USA www.familiesusa.org
Information for advocates nationally on many health care issues.

Center on Budget and Policy Priorities www.cbpp.org
Policy analyses of health issues and Medicaid

California Budget Project www.cbp.org
Good policy and fiscal analyses of state budget and health care.

California Office of AIDS www.cdph.ca.gov/programs/aids/Pages/Default.aspx
Information on programs, including ADAP, available to people living with HIV/AIDS

HealthCareCoach.com www.healthcarecoach.com
Web site by NHeLP. Designed for people with insurance to stay insured and keep health care costs down while bringing their health care concerns to the attention of policymakers.
