

Public Health Insurance for Immigrants



Eligible immigrants may qualify for coverage through state Medicare and Medicaid agencies, as well as health insurance marketplaces for Medicaid applicants. Resources for immigrants who are interested in learning more about public health insurance include:

- **USA.gov:** provides information on finding health insurance; understanding Medicare, Medicaid, and CHIP; and paying for medical care.
- **State Health & Value Strategies:** offers an overview of affordable health coverage for immigrants.
- **State health departments:** offer state-specific resources for immigrants seeking health insurance. California, for example, offers Medi-Cal (the state's Medicaid program) to all adults 50 years and older who meet economic eligibility rules, regardless of their immigration status.
- **Public Health Insurance for Children:** The federal government: provides some special public insurance options for immigrant children. The Children's Health Insurance Program empowers states to provide coverage to pregnant women and children (depending on the state) who are lawfully residing in the U.S.