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Community Organizations receive new funding to help Californians enroll in Medi-Cal and other programs with support from Health Net

Health Net awards \$1.965 million in grants to Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC), Community Based Organizations (CBO) and clinic consortia in California to improve access to quality care and educate residents about Medi-Cal benefits

Woodland Hills, CA (February 15, 2021) – Today, Health Net announced the award of \$1.965 million in grants to help enroll, educate and retain eligible members in Medi-Cal, the state’s medical assistance program for those falling 138% below the poverty line. The grant is part of Health Net’s investment of more than \$65 million dedicated to bridging the divide in access, equity and quality of care.

Health Net has awarded these grants through its 2021 Community & Infrastructure Investment Program. Twenty four California-based organizations received grants of up to \$90,000 to help increase enrollment in Medi-Cal across California over the next 13-months.

“Data shows that a large number of Californians that are eligible for Medi-Cal aren’t applying for benefits. You wouldn’t expect that in the midst of a pandemic,” said Brian Ternan, President and CEO of Health Net of California and California Health and Wellness. “Our community partners will use these grants to find and enroll newly-eligible people so California’s most vulnerable population can receive the quality health care they deserve.”

Roland Palencia, Community Benefits Director at L.A. Care Health Plan, and a grant review panel advisor, echoed Ternan’s sentiments.

“Expanding access to quality health care coverage during this pandemic and its resulting economic challenges is critically important,” said Palencia. “By ensuring we help those who qualify for health insurance to get signed up, we are helping our California communities stay healthy and safe through the pandemic and beyond.”

Organizations will use the grants to increase enrollment by:

- Amplifying awareness of available benefits
- Educating communities about the importance of health care coverage
- Helping newly eligible people enroll in health care coverage
- Assisting new enrollees in understanding and navigating the healthcare system
- Supporting existing members through the coverage renewal process

Recipients include:

- Alameda Health Consortium

- Ampla Health
- Asian Americans Advancing Justice for Los Angeles
- Asian Health Services
- Asian Pacific Health Care Ventures, Inc.
- Asian Resources, Inc.
- California Black Health Network
- California Coverage & Health Initiatives
- Camarena Health
- Clinicas de Salud del Pueblo, Inc.
- Community Clinic Consortium
- Comprehensive Community Health Centers, Inc.
- Family Health Care Network
- Sacramento Covered
- Kheir Clinic
- Saban Community Clinic
- Los Angeles LGBT Center
- Neighborhood Healthcare
- Northeast Valley Health Corp.
- Eisner Health
- St. John's Well Child and Family Center
- TCC Family Health
- United Health Centers of the San Joaquin Valley
- Valley Community Healthcare

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