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The Child Health and Disability Prevention (CHDP) Gateway is being rebranded as the Children's Presumptive Eligibility (CPE) Portal. CPE is a means for providers to grant temporary, full-scope Medi-Cal coverage to eligible applicants through an online portal.

Effective for dates of service on or after July 1, 2024, Medi-Cal providers, not including dentists, can participate in CPE and enroll children into temporary Medi-Cal coverage. The availability of CPE enrollment applications for Medi-Cal dentists is delayed due to an unforeseen systems issue. A status update for our Medi-Cal dentists will be released by July 12, 2024.

In the meantime, dentists interested in participating in CPE can complete the following steps to start the process to become a Qualified Provider (QP):

1. Register and establish login credentials on the [Medi-Cal \(medical\) Learning Portal](#).
2. Complete the CPE Computer-Based Training (CBT). This training is available to dental providers prior to the program effective date for dentists. QPs must ensure all staff who will assist members with CPE enrollment complete the required trainings.

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Upon implementation of CPE for dental providers on a future date, dentists will also need to register and establish login credentials and complete the CPE Provider Agreement in the [Medi-Cal \(medical\) Provider Portal](#). **Note: This is different from the Medi-Cal Dental Provider Portal.** Providers must read all provisions of the Provider Agreement prior to electronically signing.

When the provider submits a CPE enrollment transaction for an applicant, the applicant will receive a Medi-Cal eligibility determination in real time and can print their contingent approval notice immediately. As listed below, CPE eligibility requirements are the same as they are under the CHDP Gateway. Determinations are based on the applicant/family's self-attestation of facts on the application.

Applicants are potentially eligible for Children's Presumptive Eligibility if they are:

- Under the age of 19
- A California resident
- Not receiving Medi-Cal
- Within the income limits for their household size
- Have not exceeded two PE enrollment periods in the last 12 months

Providers are encouraged to follow the [Electronic Services Transition](#) page of the Medi-Cal Providers website for news and updates and review the [Medi-Cal Provider Portal User Guide](#).

For more information on the CPE program, please email ChildrenPE@dhcs.ca.gov.