LEVERAGING THE OPPORTUNITY OF CALIFORNIA'S MEDI-CAL TRANSFORMATION TO IMPROVE HOMELESSNESS SYSTEM RESPONSE IN MONTEREY COUNTY

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CalAIM

The goals of the CalAIM initiative are:

- Address California's physical and mental health needs
- Improve and integrate care for Californians
- Be a catalyst for equity and justice
- Work together to build a healthier state

Enhanced Care Management (ECM)

A Medi-Cal managed care benefit that will address clinical and non-clinical needs of high-need, high-cost individuals through the coordination of services and comprehensive care management.

Community Supports (CS)

Services that Medi-Cal managed care plans are strongly encouraged, but not required, to provide as medically appropriate and cost-effective alternatives to utilization of other services and settings such as hospitals or skilled nursing facility admissions.

7 of the 15 Community Support services underscore the importance of helping people attain or sustain stable, appropriate housing.

Housing Transition Navigation Services
Housing Deposits
Housing Tenancy and Sustaining Services
Short-Term Post-Hospitalization Housing
Recuperative Care (Medical Respite)
Day Habilitation Programs (1/1/2026)
Transitional Rent (1/1/2026)

Nursing Facility Transition / Diversion to Assisted Living Facilities (7/1/2025) Community Transition Services / Nursing Facility Transition to a Home (1/1/26) Personal Care and Homemaker Services **Environmental Accessibility Adaptations** (Home Modifications) Medically Tailored Meals/Medically-Supportive Food **Sobering Centers** Asthma Remediation (7/1/2026) **Respite Services**

A Community Action Plan to End Homelessness

Develop a Recommendation and Action Plan to enhance Monterey County's response to homelessness by integrating ECM and housing-focused CS benefits for Medi-Cal eligible individuals into the services we provide as county departments and with external partners.

Key tasks include conducting a cross-sector assessment of services, identifying gaps, inefficiencies, and funding constraints, and recommending an optimal organizational structure for service expansion.

Goal 1: Enhance County Response to Homelessness

Goal 2: Leverage CalAIM Funding

Goal 3: Strengthen Cross-Sector Coordination

Goal 4: Create an Action Plan for Expanding Homelessness Services

TIMELINE

April-25 May-25 Jun-25 Jul-25 Aug-25 Sep-25 Oct-25 Nov-25 Dec-25 Jan-26 Feb-26

Project Deliverables

- 1. Kickoff Meeting & Cross-Sector Level-Setting
- 2. Current Landscape Assessment & Key Informant Interview Preparation
- 3. Key Informant Interviews & Focus Groups
- 4. Asset Mapping & Gap Analysis
- 5. Leadership & Stakeholder Engagement Sessions
- 6. In-Person Sessions & Findings Review
- 7. Development of Recommendation Plan
- 8. In-Person Rollout & Action Planning Session

