

About L.A. Care Health Plan



Mission Statement

L.A. Care's mission is to provide access to quality health care for Los Angeles County's vulnerable and low income communities and residents and to support the safety net required to achieve that purpose.

Overview

Celebrating its 15th anniversary this year, L.A. Care Health Plan (Local Initiative Health Authority of Los Angeles County) is an independent local public agency created by the State of California to provide health coverage to low-income Los Angeles County residents. With more than one million members in five product lines, L.A. Care is the nation's largest public health plan.

L.A. Care Health Plan is governed by 13 board members representing various stakeholder groups, including consumer members, community clinics, physicians, federally qualified health centers, children's health care providers, Los Angeles County Department of Health Services and hospitals.

L.A. Care promotes individual and community health through a variety of activities including a Community Health Investment Fund that has awarded more than \$132 million to support the safety net and expand health coverage, a robust system of consumer advisory groups, two Family Resource Centers that offer free health education and exercise classes to the community and significant investments in Health Information Technology for the benefit of the more than 10,000 doctors and other health care professionals who serve its members.

Programs

- **Medi-Cal.** In addition to offering a direct Medi-Cal line of business, L.A. Care works with three subcontracted health plans to provide coverage to Medi-Cal members. These Partners are Anthem Blue Cross, Care 1st Health Plan, and Kaiser Permanente.
- **Healthy Families Program.** Healthy Families, California's Children's Health Initiative Program, provides health coverage to children who do not qualify for Medi-Cal but whose families cannot afford private health insurance.
- **L.A. Care's Healthy Kids.** Sponsored by First 5 LA and the Children's Health Initiative of Greater Los Angeles, Healthy Kids provides health coverage for children who do not qualify for Medi-Cal or Healthy Families, up to 300% of the Federal Poverty Level.
- **L.A. Care Health Plan Medicare Advantage (HMO SNP).** The L.A. Care Medicare Advantage (HMO SNP) provides coordinated care for Los Angeles County seniors and people with disabilities who are eligible for Medicare and Medi-Cal.
- **Personal Assistance Services Council - Service Employees International Union Homecare Workers Health Care Plan.** L.A. Care provides health coverage to Los Angeles County's In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS) workers, who enable our most vulnerable community members to remain safely in their homes by providing services such as meal preparation and personal care services.