

Keep Coloradans Covered

End of Medicaid Continuous Coverage

C4HCO Board Meeting Feb. 13, 2023

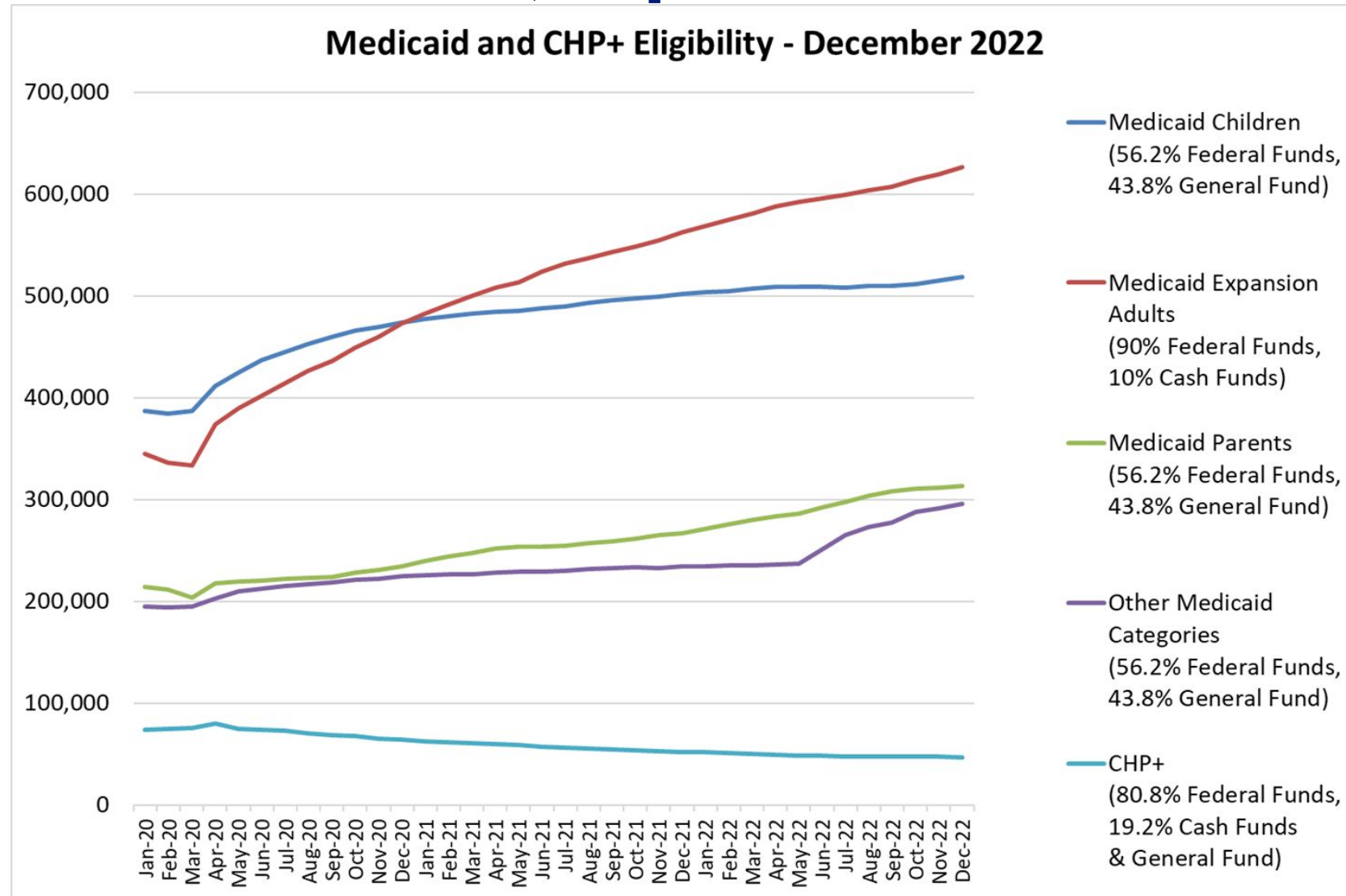
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Serving 1.75M Coloradans, up 40% or 500k



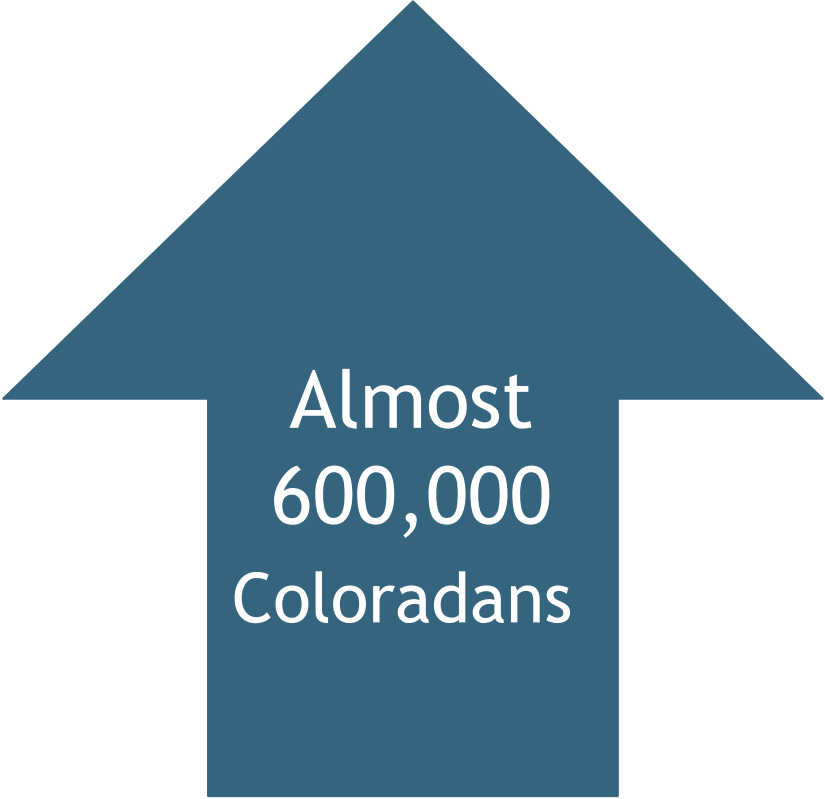
- Covering 1 in 4 Coloradans
- 43% of the state's children
- 43% of births



End of PHE Continuous Coverage

- After more than three years of keeping people covered on Medicaid/CHP+, PHE continuous coverage is ending
- We have continued processing renewals for the last 3+ years, but now we will act on eligibility
- The Dept. is taking the full 12 months to review eligibility of all 1.75M current members (14 mos including notices)
- Starting this May with notices going out starting in March, based on each member's annual renewal month

Medicaid Impact Comparison



Almost
600,000
Coloradans

2014-2017

Medicaid Expansion


ACA



About
500,000
Coloradans

Mar 2020-2023

COVID-19 Public
Health Emergency



Est.
>325,000
Coloradans

PHE Continuous
Coverage Ends

May 2023-May 2024+

Keep Coloradans Covered: 3 Key Operational Goals

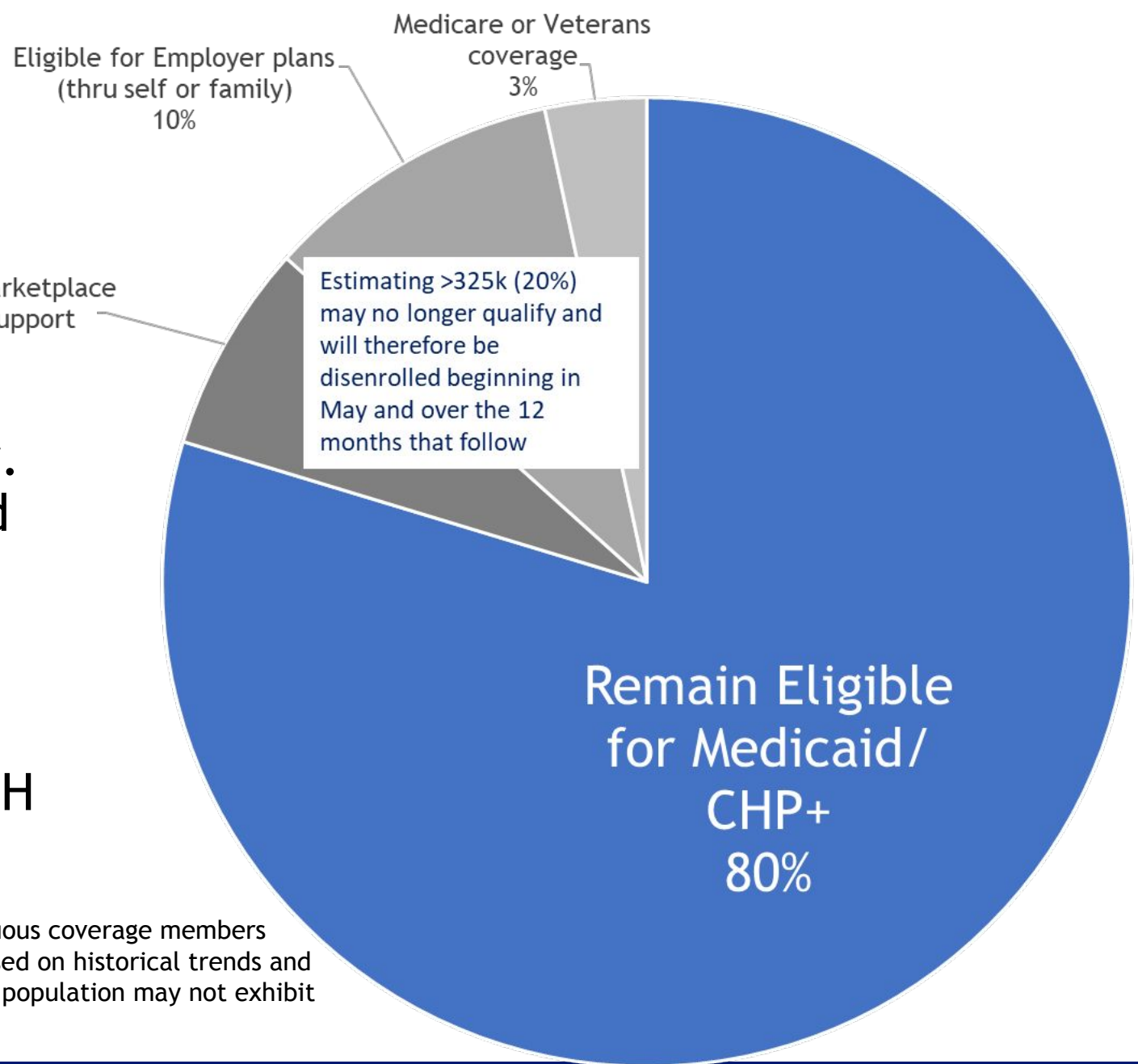
1. Member continuity of coverage
2. Member experience, smooth transitions
3. Minimize impact to eligibility workers and state staff



- Help all stakeholders understand the magnitude of this movement - **est. >325k**
- Avoid gaps in coverage and the *devastating consequences of that*
- Help counties with resources and expertise to answer calls, process changes/apps, etc.
- Recognize the affordability challenges for Coloradans moving from Medicaid to Commercial
- Understand everyone's roles and responsibilities - EXECUTE
- **Successfully navigate est. >325k Coloradans to other affordable coverage**

Estimations for 1.75M on Medicaid

- **About 80%** of Medicaid & CHP+ members will continue to qualify.
- **About 20%**, est. >325k, will need to transition to other affordable coverage
- **As the C4H Board**, consider the importance of the 7% C4H qualification projection & the C4H projected membership growth.



Note: The Department does not have complete information on continuous coverage members who have not completed their verifications. These estimations are based on historical trends and information available on the continuous coverage population, but this population may not exhibit the same trends as prior populations to the same extent.

Related Communications

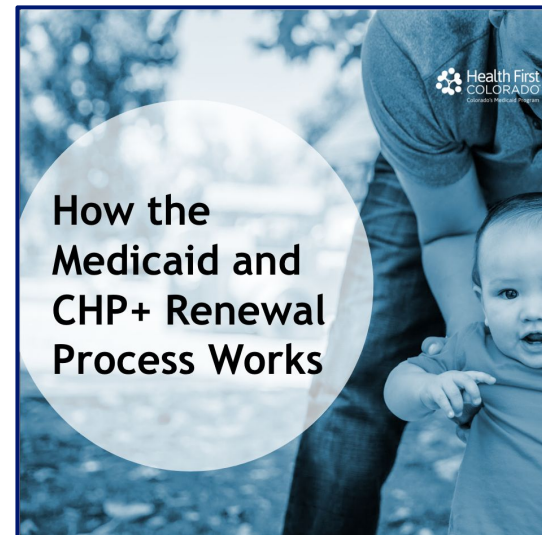
Mass Comms: Press Release. Press Interviews. At A Glance Messaging.
Role Clarity Meetings: carriers, brokers, providers, advocates, etc.

Video Series - Accessible for partners and members to understand key actions in the renewal process (English and Spanish)

Update your address

Preparing for renewals

Take action on your renewal!



hcpf.colorado.gov/covid-19-phe-planning

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How Connect for Health can help

1. **Increase Special Enrollment Period** from 60 days to 16 months, like healthcare.gov
2. **Assisters** - need to ensure this resource is ready, promoted and widely used
3. **Partnership** - need your partnership in helping direct people to the most appropriate coverage (under age 26, employer sponsored, Medicare)
4. **Other?** (i.e.: link to employers, in complement to brokers and carriers)

Help Us Keep Coloradans Covered

- ❑ To stay informed and receive the most up to date information on the end of the Continuous Coverage Requirement, bookmark the PHE Planning Page: hcpf.colorado.gov/covid-19-phe-planning
- ❑ Sign up for the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency Updates Newsletter to receive important updates and new tools as they are released
- ❑ Register for Quarterly Webinars: Next Community Partner Webinar
April 26, 2023 1:00-2:30pm
- ❑ Download the Communication Toolkits
- ❑ Check the regularly updated FAQs





Questions?

Discussion

