



ACE Screenings by Medi-Cal Managed Care Plan (MCP) Network

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The California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) and the Office of the California Surgeon General are leading ACES Aware, a first-in-the-nation, statewide effort to screen for Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) and treat toxic stress to improve the health and well-being of Californians.

On January 1, 2020, DHCS began providing payment to certified, [eligible Medi-Cal clinicians](#) for conducting ACE screenings for children, adolescents, and adults up to age 64 with full-scope Medi-Cal. To become ACES Aware-certified, Medi-Cal clinicians must complete an [ACES Aware Core Training](#) (training) and [attest](#) to completing it.

There are two Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) clinicians must use based on the patient's ACE score:

- G9919: Patient's ACE score is 4 or greater (i.e., at high-risk for toxic stress). The screening was performed, and the result indicates that the patient is at high risk for toxic stress; education and evidence-based interventions (as necessary) should be provided.
- G9920: Patient's ACE score is between 0-3 (i.e., at lower risk for toxic stress). The screening was performed, and the result indicates that the patient is at lower risk for toxic stress; education and evidence-based interventions (as necessary) should be provided.

During the measurement period from January 2020 to June 2024¹, Medi-Cal clinicians conducted nearly **4,258,610** ACE screenings of approximately **2,395,443** unique Medi-Cal members across, based on Medi-Cal claims data.^{2,3}

This fact sheet highlights screenings by Medi-Cal managed care plans (MCP). Information about the number of ACE screenings conducted, as well as the number of certified Medi-Cal clinicians, will be published in June 2025.



ACE Screening Rate by Managed Care Plans – Data Highlights

- **Children, Adolescents, and Young Adults (ages 0 to 20):** MCP clinicians screened **1,583,584** individuals, representing 28.1% of unique Medi-Cal members 20 years of age and younger who were enrolled with a single plan in any continuous 12-month period between January 1, 2020 and June 30, 2024 (and were not dually eligible for Medi-Cal and Medicare). Fee-for-service (FFS) clinicians screened 9.6% of Medi-Cal members who were not enrolled in any plan during the measurement period (Exhibit 1).
- **Adults (Ages 21 to 64):** MCP clinicians screened **474,300** individuals, representing 6% of unique Medi-Cal members ages 21 through 64 who were enrolled with a single plan in any continuous 12-month period between January 1, 2020 and June 30, 2024 (and were not dually eligible for Medi-Cal and Medicare). Fee-for-service (FFS) clinicians screened 0.5% of Medi-Cal members who were not enrolled in any plan during the measurement period (Exhibit 2).

**Exhibit 1: ACE Screenings for Members Ages 0 to 20 by Medi-Cal MCP
(January 1, 2020, through June 30, 2024)**

Managed Care Health Plan	Number of Unique Members Screened	Medi-Cal Enrollment ⁴	Percentage of Medi-Cal Population Screened
Aetna Better Health of California	2,732	18,930	14.4%
Alameda Alliance for Health	41,016	118,089	34.7%
Blue Cross of CA Partnership	89,208	427,743	20.9%
Blue Shield of California Promise Health Plan	11,579	39,923	29.0%
CalOptima Health (COHS)	191,357	368,113	52.0%
CalViva Health	43,675	211,316	20.7%
California Health & Wellness Plan	9,046	106,091	8.5%
CenCal Health	29,965	105,651	28.4%
Central Coast Alliance (COHS)	49,891	200,251	24.9%
Community Health Group Partnership Plan	43,688	147,151	29.7%
Contra Costa Health Plan (LI)	6,887	95,028	7.2%
Gold Coast Health Plan	26,334	109,894	24.0%
Health Net Community Solutions, Inc.	184,888	692,358	26.7%
Health Plan of San Joaquin	27,525	214,026	12.9%
Health Plan of San Mateo	11,540	60,114	19.2%
Inland Empire Health	331,394	752,079	44.1%
Kaiser Permanente Cal, LLC	31,813	90,761	35.1%
Kern Health Systems	37,900	177,379	21.4%
L.A. Care Health Plan	275,511	998,797	27.6%
Molina Healthcare of California Partner Plan, Inc.	62,649	240,882	26.0%
Partnership HealthPlan of California	38,802	270,263	14.4%
San Francisco Health Plan	10,713	51,354	20.9%
Santa Clara Family Health Plan	24,375	126,051	19.3%
United Healthcare Community Plan	1,096	8,083	13.6%
Total ACE Screenings by MCP	1,583,584	5,630,327	28.1%
Total ACE Screenings in FFS	33,562	349,407	9.6%

**Exhibit 2: ACE Screenings for Members Ages 21 to 64 by Medi-Cal MCP
(January 1, 2020, through June 30, 2024)**

Managed Care Health Plan	Number of Unique Members Screened	Medi-Cal Enrollment ⁴	Percentage of Medi-Cal Population Screened
Aetna Better Health of California	1,972	37,746	5.2%
Alameda Alliance for Health	848	198,174	0.4%
Blue Cross of CA Partnership	22,582	615,675	3.7%
Blue Shield of California Promise Health Plan	9,374	96,149	9.7%
CalOptima Health (COHS)	35,134	556,929	6.3%
CalViva Health	16,901	234,081	7.2%
California Health & Wellness Plan	1,020	146,183	0.7%
CenCal Health	2,868	123,812	2.3%
Central Coast Alliance (COHS)	16,341	223,429	7.3%
Community Health Group Partnership Plan	19,513	205,613	9.5%
Contra Costa Health Plan (LI)	--	145,844	--
Gold Coast Health Plan	7,163	136,349	5.3%
Health Net Community Solutions, Inc.	51,431	1,000,895	5.1%
Health Plan of San Joaquin	4,507	238,867	1.9%
Health Plan of San Mateo	1,144	85,763	1.3%
Inland Empire Health	159,496	918,794	17.4%
Kaiser Permanente Cal, LLC	863	106,942	0.8%
Kern Health Systems	10,546	193,636	5.4%
L.A. Care Health Plan	72,145	1,590,694	4.5%
Molina Healthcare of California Partner Plan, Inc.	27,803	340,944	8.2%
Partnership Health Plan of California	9,667	396,771	2.4%
San Francisco Health Plan	453	119,210	0.4%
Santa Clara Family Health Plan	931	182,911	0.5%
United Healthcare Community Plan	1,214	19,053	6.4%
Grand Total	474,300	7,918,740	6.0%
Total ACE Screenings in FFS	8,924	1,663,614	0.5%

ACE Screening Rate by Managed Care Plans, Encounter Based – Data Highlights

- **Children, Adolescents, and Young Adults (ages 0 to 20):** MCP clinicians screened **1,501,231** individuals, representing 30.4% of unique Medi-Cal members 20 years of age and younger who were enrolled with a single plan in any continuous 12-month period between January 1, 2020 and June 30, 2024 (and were not dually eligible for Medi-Cal and Medicare) and have had at least one primary care visit in the same time period. Fee-for-service (FFS) clinicians screened 13.8% of Medi-Cal members who had a primary care visit but were not enrolled in any plan during the measurement period (Exhibit 3).
- **Adults (ages 21 to 64):** MCP clinicians screened **462,134** individuals, representing 7.6% of unique Medi-Cal members ages 21 through 64 who were enrolled with a single plan in any continuous 12-month period between January 1, 2020 and June 30, 2024 (and were not dually eligible for Medi-Cal and Medicare) and have had at least one primary care visit in the same time period. Fee-for-service (FFS) clinicians screened 1% of Medi-Cal members who had a primary care visit but were not enrolled in any plan during the measurement period (Exhibit 4).
- **Primary care providers (PCPs) were defined as:**
 - The rendering provider NPI was identified as a PCP at least once in the Managed Care Provider Listing file (based on the CHHS Open Data Portal <https://data.chhs.ca.gov/dataset/medi-cal-managed-care-provider-listing> file. In the Open Data Portal file, a PCP was shown by the data element PrimaryCare = Y.)
 - FQHC primary care visits were identified by CPT Code T1015 (Medical, per visit)
- **Risk Stratification for Toxic Stress:** In children, adolescents, and young adult Medi-Cal members ages 0 to 20 (and were not dually eligible, were continuously enrolled, and have had at least one primary care visit) who were screened by MCP clinicians, 93% of members had an ACE score between zero and three, and 7% had an ACE score of four or more. Of members ages 0 to 20 screened by FFS clinicians, 84% had an ACE score of zero to three, and 16% had an ACE score of four or more. Among adult



Medi-Cal members ages 21 to 64 (and were not dually eligible, were continuously enrolled, and have had at least one primary care visit) who were screened by MCP clinicians, 82% had an ACE score between zero and three, and 18% had an ACE score of four or more. Among adult Medi-Cal members screened by FFS clinicians, 84% had an ACE score between zero and three, and 16% had an ACE score of four or more.



Exhibit 3: Encounter-Based ACE Screenings for Members Ages 0 to 20 by Medi-Cal MCP Who Had At Least One Primary Care Visit (January 1, 2020 – June 30, 2024)

Managed Care Health Plan	# Unique Members Screened	Total Unique Members	Percentage of Medi-Cal Population Screened	# High Risk ACE Score (G9919)	# Low Risk ACE Score (G9920)	% High-Risk ACE Score (G9919)	% Lower Risk ACE Score (G9920)
Aetna Better Health of California	2,747	15,041	18.3%	197	2,550	7%	93%
Alameda Alliance for Health	40,802	105,735	38.6%	3,567	37,235	9%	91%
Blue Cross of CA Partnership	86,831	374,550	23.2%	4,960	81,871	6%	94%
Blue Shield of California Promise Health Plan	11,163	33,876	33%	783	10,380	7%	93%
California Health & Wellness Plan	8,985	96,705	9.3%	769	8,216	9%	91%
CalOptima Health (COHS)	162,574	286,496	56.7%	6,686	155,888	4%	96%
CalViva Health	41,953	192,642	21.8%	1,489	40,464	4%	96%
CenCal Health	29,704	98,719	30.1%	2,335	27,369	8%	92%
Central Coast Alliance (COHS)	49,209	183,980	26.7%	2,129	47,080	4%	96%
Community Health Group Partnership Plan	41,896	133,004	31.5%	2,944	38,952	7%	93%
Contra Costa Health Plan (LI)	6,798	83,521	8.1%	427	6,371	6%	94%
Gold Coast Health Plan	25,629	97,245	26.4%	1,393	24,236	5%	95%
Health Net Community Solutions, Inc.	178,757	603,868	29.6%	8,435	170,322	5%	95%



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Health Plan of San Joaquin	26,827	189,562	14.2%	1,051	25,776	4%	96%
Health Plan of San Mateo	11,344	51,704	21.9%	442	10,902	4%	96%
Inland Empire Health	316,769	662,969	47.8%	42,442	274,327	13%	87%
Kern Health Systems	36,392	161,148	22.6%	2,276	34,116	6%	94%
Kaiser Permanente Cal, LLC	31,517	85,589	36.8%	1,539	29,978	5%	95%
L.A. Care Health Plan	261,154	877,614	29.8%	11,391	249,763	4%	96%
Molina Healthcare of California Partner Plan, Inc.	58,118	198,160	29.3%	5,019	53,099	9%	91%
Partnership Health Plan of California	37,334	244,081	15.3%	4,186	33,148	11%	89%
San Francisco Health Plan	10,409	47,081	22.1%	317	10,092	3%	97%
Santa Clara Family Health Plan	23,585	113,622	20.8%	1,144	22,441	5%	95%
United Healthcare Community Plan	734	6,450	11.4%	79	655	11%	89%
Total ACE Screenings by MCP	1,501,231	4,943,362	30.4%	106,000	1,395,231	7%	93%
Total ACE Screenings in FFS	32,674	236,775	13.8%	--	27,474	16%	84%



Exhibit 4: Encounter-Based ACE Screenings for Members Ages 21 to 64 by Medi-Cal MCP Who Had At Least One Primary Care Visit (January 1, 2020 – June 30, 2024)

Managed Care Health Plan	# Unique Members Screened	Total Unique Members	Percentage of Medi-Cal Population Screened	# High Risk ACE Score (G9919)	# Low Risk ACE Score (G9920)	% High-Risk ACE Score (G9919)	% Lower Risk ACE Score (G9920)
Aetna Better Health of California	1,950	24,962	7.8%	242	1,708	12%	88%
Alameda Alliance for Health	835	147,997	0.6%	179	656	21%	79%
Blue Cross of CA Partnership	22,370	464,466	4.8%	3,487	18,883	16%	84%
Blue Shield of California Promise Health Plan	9,400	70,707	13.3%	1,851	7,549	20%	80%
California Health & Wellness Plan	1,017	121,948	0.8%	320	697	31%	69%
CalOptima Health (COHS)	32,125	373,132	8.6%	3,590	28,535	11%	89%
CalViva Health	16,672	192,903	8.6%	2,310	14,362	14%	86%
CenCal Health	2,861	97,797	2.9%	951	1,910	33%	67%
Central California Alliance (COHS)	16,332	184,648	8.8%	3,301	13,031	20%	80%
Community Health Group Partnership Plan	19,584	162,485	12.1%	3,033	16,551	15%	85%
Contra Costa Health Plan (LI)	--	115,814	--	--	315	--	--
Gold Coast Health Plan	7,155	104,054	6.9%	1,074	6,081	15%	85%
Health Net Community Solutions, Inc.	50,705	747,740	6.8%	5,990	44,715	12%	88%

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Health Plan of San Joaquin	4,412	188,390	2.3%	1,062	3,350	24%	76%
Health Plan of San Mateo	1,138	61,209	1.9%	56	1,082	5%	95%
Inland Empire Health	154,518	719,884	21.5%	38,074	116,444	25%	75%
Kern Health Systems	10,307	162,150	6.4%	1,033	9,274	10%	90%
Kaiser Permanente Cal, LLC	860	96,879	0.9%	115	745	13%	87%
L.A. Care Health Plan	70,281	1,215,667	5.8%	8,421	61,860	12%	88%
Molina Healthcare of California Partner Plan, Inc.	27,141	241,303	11.2%	4,312	22,829	16%	84%
Partnership Health Plan of California	9,555	318,480	3%	4,242	5,313	44%	56%
San Francisco Health Plan	450	94,912	0.5%	70	380	16%	84%
Santa Clara Family Health Plan	923	140,491	0.7%	66	857	7%	93%
United Healthcare Community Plan	1,159	13,309	8.7%	177	982	15%	85%
Total ACE Screenings by MCP	462,134	6,064,958	7.6%	84,023	378,111	18%	82%
Total ACE Screenings in FFS	8,906	936,227	1%	1,416	7,490	16%	84%



Exhibits 1-4 Data Notes:

¹ Data Extraction Date: 3/3/2025 from the DHCS Management Information System/Decision Support System (MIS/DSS) data warehouse

² "Number of ACE Screenings" and "Medi-Cal Enrollment" are rounded to the nearest 100 and may not sum to the total. "Percentage Medi-Cal Population Screened," "Percentage of High-Risk ACE Score," and "Percentage of Lower Risk ACE Score" are rounded to the nearest 0.1 percent.

³ The screens in this report are collected by capturing claims utilizing the designated G9919 and G9920 codes for ACE screenings. Some plans report implementing ACE screening during the measurement period without the electronic coding and capture of the G9919 and G9920 codes. Any additional screenings that were not documented with these codes would not be counted in this report.

⁴ "Medi-Cal Enrollment" is the count of distinct non-dual individuals who had been enrolled in a single plan from January 1, 2020 to June 30, 2024.

⁵ Cells with "--" have been suppressed in instances where values were at least one but less than 11, or whereby related data with values less than 11 not presented here could be deduced from the information in this table.