

GGHI Update: HSF/SF PATH and Health Reform

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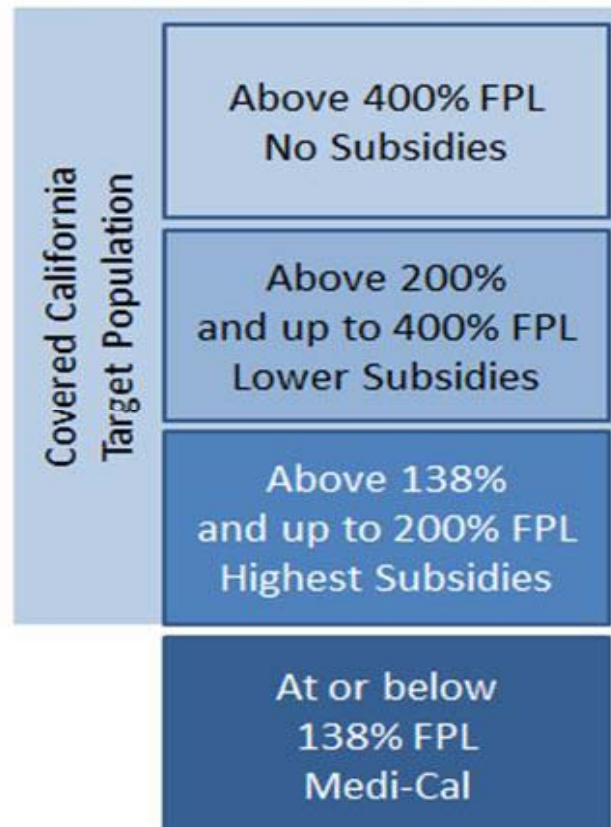
Key Provisions of Affordable Care Act (“Obama Care” to Expand Health Insurance Coverage (January 1, 2014)

- Individual Mandate
 - Requires U.S. citizens and legal residents to have qualifying health coverage or pay a tax penalty
 - Exemptions for financial hardship, religious objections and Native Americans; excludes undocumented and incarcerated
- Medi-Cal Expansion
 - To all eligible childless adults with incomes up to 138% Federal Poverty Level (FPL) based on modified adjusted gross income
- Health Insurance Exchange (California’s is called Covered California)
 - New online marketplace where customers can buy health insurance
 - Subsidies to offset cost of purchasing health insurance for 138% FPL – 400% FPL

Population With New Options for Coverage in 2014

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Target Population and Program Eligibility
Based on Federal Poverty Levels of Households



Assistors Critical to Coverage!

- In 2014, uninsured San Franciscans' have new options for affordable health insurance
- San Francisco Certified Application Assistors (CAAS) played key role during implementation of Healthy Families in 1990s
- Assistors and community organizations made the implementation of Healthy San Francisco (HSF) and San Francisco Promotes Access to Health Care (SF PATH) successful
- Health reform offers further continuation of your role and expertise (paid assistors/or navigators) through linking applicants to new programs
- The State is creating a training program similar to the Healthy Families CAA program for Assistors/Navigators that will launch in Summer 2013- stay tuned!

Assisters Program Overview

Assister Enrollment Entities and Individual Assisters:

Types of Assister Enrollment Entities and Assisters:

- In-Person Assistance
- Navigators
- Collectively referred to as “Assisters Program”

What are Assister Enrollment Entities?

- Entities and organizations eligible to be trained and registered to provide in-person assistance to consumers and help them apply for Covered California programs.
- Entities that have access to Covered California’s targeted populations.

Who are Individual Assisters?

- Individuals who are employed, trained, certified, and linked to Assister Enrollment Entities to provide in-person assistance to consumers and help them apply for Covered California programs.
- Individuals who provide assistance in culturally and linguistic appropriate manners to consumers.



Assistor Responsibilities- Covered California

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Assisters Program Overview

Similarities between In-Person Assistance Program and Navigator Program:
Roles and responsibilities include:

Roles & Responsibilities:	In-Person Assistance Program	Navigator Program
1. Conduct public education activities to raise awareness of the availability of Covered California products	-	X
2. Distribute fair and impartial information concerning enrollment into qualified health plans	X	X
3. Facilitate enrollment into qualified health plan available through Covered California	X	X
4. Provide referrals to Consumer Assistance Programs	X	X
5. Provide information that are culturally and linguistically appropriate	X	X

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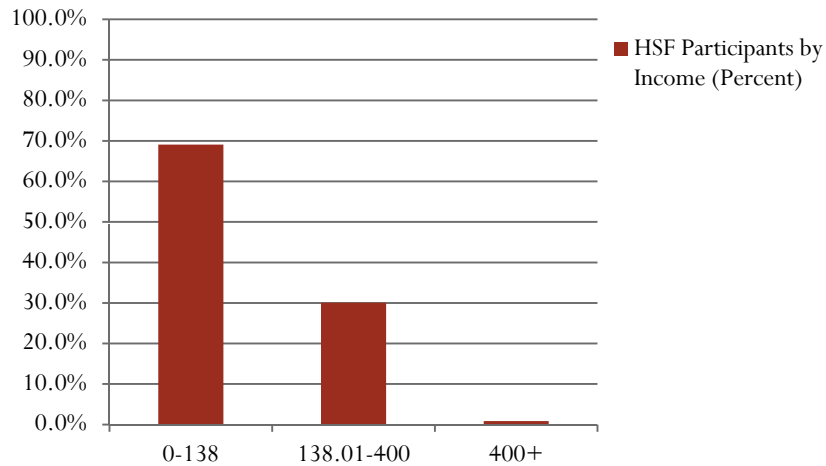
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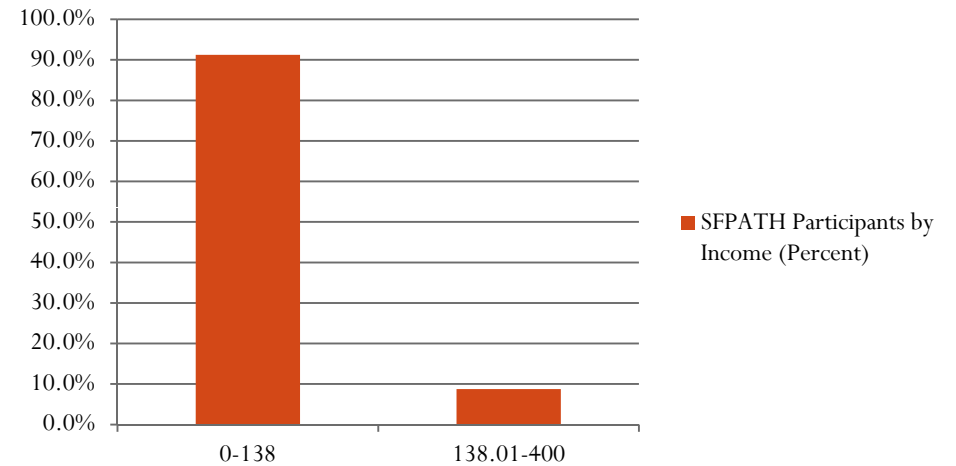
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Uninsured HSF & SF PATH Participants (Income Demographics)

HSF Participants by Income



SFPATH Participants by Income



Row Labels	HSF Count	SFPATH Count	Combined Total	Percent total
0-138	34,341	9,256	43,597	72.8%
138.01-400	14,941	888	15,829	26.4%
400+	419	0	419	0.7%
Grand Total	49,701	10,144	59,845	100.0%

Local Programs after Health Reform

CONFIRMED DECISIONS

Will Healthy San Francisco continue post ACA?	YES! San Francisco is committed to the uninsured. Programs under Federal Health Reform will not cover all individuals (undocumented, those with religious exemptions)
Will Healthy Kids continue post ACA?	YES! San Francisco is committed to the uninsured. Federal Health Reform will not cover all children (undocumented, those with religious exemptions)
How will SF PATH enrollees get into Medi-Cal?	Automatically- they will not have to re-apply. DPH is working with the State of California to move SF PATH enrollees into the Medi-Cal enrollment system (MEDS) before 2014.

Local Programs after Health Reform

UPCOMING DECISIONS FOR 2013

How will HSF participants under 138% FPL get into Medi-Cal?

DPH will be looking to Assistor Community to assist with education and outreach. DPH and its partners at the Human Services Agency are carefully reviewing options to support this transition.

How will HSF participants above 138% be connected to Covered California, the insurance exchange so they can be enrolled in a subsidized health insurance plan of their choice?

DPH will be looking to Assistor Community to assist with education and outreach. DPH and HSA and community partners are applying for grant funding to support outreach to this population. This outreach will build upon the navigation/application assistance foundation in San Francisco.

Stay Tuned: Health Reform

- Still unknowns about timing of roll-out of health reform and transition activities
- Ask your supervisor for information specific to your site's role in health reform activities
- Attend Golden Gate to Health Insurance Luncheons to learn more
- For HSF Application Assistors:
 - All system changes (new and existing) will be debuted at Refresher Trainings/ Assistor Newsletter
 - Updates to materials will be distributed through HSF Training Leads
- Want information on Covered California?
 - www.coveredca.com

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