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Covered California Applauds Executive Action From the White House Outlining Plans to Build on the Affordable Care Act

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Covered California Executive Director Jessica Altman hailed today's [executive actions from President Biden's administration](#), which would expand access to coverage for American families by fixing the “family glitch” and directing federal agencies to continue working to expand affordable, quality health care coverage:

“In California, we are thrilled to see the Biden administration continue to strengthen and expand upon the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, bringing high-quality and more affordable health care coverage to millions of Americans.

“The administration’s solution to the ‘family glitch’ would allow more families to gain access to comprehensive health coverage through Covered California and exchanges across the country. And, under the American Rescue Plan, these families would benefit from generous financial help that makes their coverage more affordable than ever before.

“Over the past year, we have seen how much of a difference the American Rescue Plan has made in the lives of millions of individuals and families by increasing the financial help available to purchase health insurance and enabling individuals and families to get the care they need. We commend the administration’s efforts to extend the American Rescue Plan subsidies and look forward to continued engagement with Congress to help inform their deliberations.

“The Affordable Care Act has improved millions of lives over the past decade and is a vital part of the American health care system. We commend the Biden administration’s efforts to build upon the Affordable Care Act and to meet Americans’ health care needs now and in the future.”

About Covered California

Covered California is the state's health insurance marketplace, where Californians can find affordable, high-quality coverage from private, brand-name insurance carriers. It is the only place where individuals who qualify can get financial help to reduce their monthly premiums. Depending on their income, some people may qualify for California's low-cost or no-cost Medi-Cal program.

Covered California's mission is to increase the number of insured Californians, improve health care quality, lower costs, and reduce health care disparities through an innovative, competitive marketplace that empowers consumers to choose the health plan and providers that give them the best value. The organization is an independent part of the state government and is overseen by a five-member board appointed by the governor and the Legislature. For more information about Covered California, please visit www.CoveredCA.com.

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