



Stakeholder Update

California Advancing and Innovating Medi-Cal (CalAIM) Behavioral Health Timeline

Based on stakeholder feedback and internal analysis, DHCS will stagger certain CalAIM behavioral health implementation dates. This delay will allow DHCS to continue discussions with stakeholders and allow time for counties to implement and test the policies prior to the official go-live dates. The table below reflects the new go-live dates:

Policy	Go-Live Date
Changes to eligibility criteria for Specialty Mental Health Services (SMHS)	January 2022
Drug Medi-Cal Organized Delivery System 2022-2026	January 2022
Documentation redesign for substance use disorders & SMHS	July 2022
Co-occurring treatment	July 2022
No wrong door	July 2022
Standard screening & transition tools	January 2023
Payment reform	July 2023