



THE VALUE OF IEHP

Local health plans in California, primarily serving Medi-Cal members, provide high-quality, cost-effective care through strong, community-based networks. Organized as a Joint Powers Agency, Inland Empire Health Plan (IEHP) is a local, not-for-profit, public health plan serving 1.4 million residents of Riverside and San Bernardino counties through government-sponsored programs. As a local plan, IEHP reinvests revenue directly into community wellness programs and local healthcare priorities.

KEY BENEFITS OF LOCAL PLANS

Rooted in Community

- Plans are established in the same communities they serve.
- Leaders, employees and providers live locally.
- Proximity fosters trust and deeper connection.

Community Reinvestment

- Plans invest in community health workers, grassroots coalitions and family support programs.
- Leaders collaborate on local wellness initiatives.
- Social and cultural roots are strengthened regionally.

Quality Boost

- California's local plans consistently improve quality scores.
- Results include safer hospitals, stronger preventive care, and improved behavioral health access.
- Care coordination is smoother for families managing multiple medical needs.

WHY IT MATTERS

Expanding Access and Equity

- Marginalized communities receive culturally responsive, coordinated and dignified care.
- Wider provider networks include community clinics and independent physicians.
- Rural residents access connected care closer to home.

Innovation With Purpose

- Local plans adapt quicker to community needs.
- New technologies and integrated care models are developed.
- Schools and nonprofits benefit from strong partnerships.
- Communities enjoy an investment in workforce development.

Real Value

- Contracting with providers, vendors and community organizations supports small businesses and generates local tax revenue.
- Community Supports and Enhanced Care Management Services help reduce overall healthcare costs by preventing avoidable hospitalizations, ER visits and long-term institutional care.
- Healthier outcomes are driven by the belief that every resident deserves dignity, compassion and the opportunity to receive Optimal Care and live a Vibrant Life.