



BIG NEWS:

easier eligibility verification for small groups

Effective immediately, Covered California for Small Business (CCSB) has simplified the eligibility process for new small groups with **3 or more enrolling employees**.

What's new?

- Groups previously insured can now **submit their prior carrier bill** instead of a DE-9C.
- For enrolling employees not listed on the prior carrier bill, you can provide either a **DE-9C** or **30 days of payroll records**.

Acceptable verification options for 3+ enrolling employees:

1. The most recent **DE-9C**, or
2. **Payroll records** from the past 30 days (for businesses operating less than 3 months), or
3. **NEW:** A **prior carrier bill** listing enrolling employees.

Updated Participation Guidelines

To offer coverage through CCSB, **at least 70% of eligible employees** must be enrolled

in **credible coverage**.

Credible coverage includes:

- Employees enrolling in CCSB
- Employees with other coverage through a spouse's employer, military (TRICARE), Medi-Cal, Medicare, Covered California (Individual & Family), or other minimum essential coverage.

These updates are designed to **streamline verification** and make it easier for you to help small businesses, and their employees secure the coverage they need.

If you need further assistance, please contact SmallBusiness@covered.ca.gov.

Thank you for your continued partnership!

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