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**To:** IPAs and PCPs  
**From:** IEHP – Provider Relations  
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**Subject:** **Over 99,000 IEHP Members May Be Eligible for CalFresh**

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**Effective July 1, 2019**, IEHP Members who receive Supplemental Security Income/State Supplementary Payment (SSI/SSP) or more commonly known as “SSI”, may be eligible for CalFresh benefits, formerly known as food stamps. This is an excellent opportunity to address food insecurity for over 99,000 IEHP Members who are seniors or people with disabilities regardless of line of business. The benefits of CalFresh include:

- Members receiving SSI benefits may qualify for CalFresh.
- CalFresh is monthly cash assistance for buying select food only.
- If Members receive CalFresh aid, their SSI benefits **will not** be reduced or eliminated.
- Members can use an electronic benefit transfer (EBT) debit card to buy groceries and fresh produce at participating stores.

To learn more about CalFresh or to find out if Members qualify, call (877) 847-3663 to be directed to your local CalFresh office. **Members can apply starting June 1, 2019 and benefits begin as early as July 1, 2019.**

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the IEHP Care Management Team at (888) 262-4347 and follow the prompts.

As a reminder, all communications sent by IEHP can also be found on our Provider portal by following: <https://www.iehp.org/en/providers/plan-updates>.