

The Alluma Quick Screener: What is it and how can it get Californians the help they need as quickly as possible?

What is the Alluma Quick Screener?

The Quick Screener is a fast and easy-to-use online tool that allows Californians to see if they may be eligible for two of California's largest food and medical assistance programs – CalFresh and Medi-Cal – before taking the time to fill out an application. The tool is completely anonymous and can be used from any computer, tablet or smartphone. Users answer a minimal number of questions, receive preliminary eligibility results, and get linked to program information and applications to apply for benefits. They also will see a list of other resources that may be useful. View the Quick Screener [here](#).

Who can use the Quick Screener?

It can be used by anyone with a California ZIP code, computer or mobile device, and online access, at any time. It can be used by someone seeking help, or a person or agency assisting someone who is seeking help.

Is the Quick Screener available in languages other than English?

The tool is currently available in English and Spanish.

How long will the screening process take?

Less than three minutes.

Do people need to include their name and contact information?

No. The screener is completely anonymous and does not require a sign-in or email address.

How is the Quick Screener different from other tools available?

Unlike other tools, the Quick Screener is anonymous – people don't need to plug in their name or personal information to complete the screening process. The tool also allows people to check for their potential eligibility for both Medi-Cal and CalFresh at the same time.

What kinds of questions does the Quick Screener ask?

The tool asks for minimal information in order to determine potential eligibility, including:

- ZIP code
- Number of people who live with you
- Monthly Income
- Food-sharing in the household

How can the Quick Screener be helpful during the COVID-19 pandemic?

Millions of people are looking for assistance with their essential financial, healthcare and nutrition needs – many for the first time in their lives. Allowing them to determine quickly if they may qualify for Medi-Cal and CalFresh benefits – and to then connect immediately to the appropriate applications – will save time searching for the right place to apply, and filling out applications before they know if they're eligible. Agencies and organizations that are helping Californians to enroll in benefits – with many staff working under more challenging circumstances away from their office – can use the Quick Screener to assess more swiftly if an applicant qualifies, or they can refer the applicant directly to the tool.