Healthy San Diego Summary

In October 1994, California State legislation required the County of San Diego to move persons on CalWORKs and most Medi-Cal recipients into managed care. Healthy San Diego was developed over several years by a coalition of consumers, stakeholders and County of San Diego (County) Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA) staff. Health care is provided by several health plans which are designated by the County and approved by the State in a managed care contract. Healthy San Diego's goal is to establish and maintain a Medi-Cal managed care system that integrates public health functions and services of a local health department with private sector full-risk, full service health plans; and that also allows for patient choice, and local involvement of providers, consumers, and advocates.

The Vision of Healthy San Diego

- Patient choice in selecting health plans
- "Value added" local involvement in assuring quality and access
- Community defined local standards
  - Participation of traditional and safety net providers
  - Integration of public health services
- Local oversight, problem solving and continuous improvement of the delivery system

Healthy San Diego responsibilities are as follows:

County HHSA Staff – Provide administrative support. Identify issues and provide a local forum for problem solving of system-wide issues and development of standards.

Health Plans – Provide health care services.
Community Health Group, Blue Shield Promise, Kaiser Permanente, Molina Healthcare

Consumers/Professionals – Provide recommendations to County HHSA staff through the Healthy San Diego Consumer and Professional Advisory Committee and participate in problem solving of system-wide issues and development of standards.

State – Contract for services directly with the health plans

Federal Law:	Title XIX of the Social Security Act
Federal Admin Agency:	Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS)
Federal Regulations:	Code of Federal Regulations CFR Title 42, part 435 to end
State Law:	AB 2178 & SB 2139
State Admin Agency:	California Medical Assistance Commission (CMAC) State Department of Health Care Services (DHCS)
State Regulations:	Welfare & Institutions Code (W&I) Sections 14016.5, 14089, and 14089.5