HEALTHY SAN DIEGO (HSD)
CONSUMER & PROFESSIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES – November 13, 2025

Members/Alternates Present: Suzanne Afflalo, Neeta Alengadan, Asya Anderson, Amanda Berry, Jack Dailey (Consumer Chair), Michelle Darnelle, Joanne Franciscus, Kim Fritz, Alfie Gonzaga, Kristi Jones, Robin Joy Maxson, Donald Miller, Jennipher Ohmstede, Harriet Seldin, Caryn Sumek, Heather Summers, Patrick Tellez (Professional Chair), Sayone Thihalolipavan, Jennifer Tuteur, Janet Vadakkumcherry, Lindsey Wade, Ann Warren, Lindsey Wright

HSD Staff Present: Jamie Beam, Lynn Carr, Brittany Charity-Walker, Luwam Kidane, Lee Laydon, Cynthia Nambo, Alison Sipler, Michael Worman

Other Participants/Guests: Kitty Bailey, Nora Bota, Erin Brennan-Burke, Parell Brown, Lillian Chen, Camey Christenson, Emily Do, Tyler Durden, Wendy Ferguson, Andrew Gregor, Skylar Hanson, Lex Jackson, Michael Kennedy, Sarah Legg, Trixy Joy Manansala, Alex Martinez, Angela Martinez, Donald Miller, Monica Montano, Oluwatosin Oyadiran, Rhonda Perkins, Joe Prickitt, Christy Rosenberg, Fadra Whyte, Parrel Williams, Judith Yates

Public Comment: Salvador Tapia

ITEM	***DISCUSSION***	***ACTION***
I. Welcome and Introductions	The Consumer & Professional Advisory Committee (CPAC) was called to order by Professional Chair Jack Dailey at 3:03 p.m.	
II. Public Comment	One public comment was made: 1. Salvador Tapia and representatives from the HSD Medi-Cal Managed Care Plans presented a recognition award to Alison Sipler.	
III. Action Items		
A. Approval of the Meeting Minutes from September 11, 2025	On MOTION of Dr. Tuteur, seconded by Kim Fritz, the September 11, 2025, Meeting Minutes were approved with one correction, with all Committee Members present voting yes.	
B. County Counsel Updates (Andrew Gregor)	Andrew Gregor provided an update on the following items: ▪ Senate Bill (SB) 707 – Open meetings: meeting and teleconference requirements. The bill was signed by Governor Gavin Newsom on October 3, 2025; it includes amendments to the Brown Act regarding open and public access to meetings of a legislative body. County Counsel will work to create a summary of changes and impacts to provide to the CPAC body. ▪ CPAC By-laws Amendment – In January 2025, the CPAC by-laws were amended following a year-long restructure process. At the September meeting, my recommendation was to make further administrative revisions to the by-laws to ensure they align with County Board Policy A-74 (Advisory Committees). An ad hoc by-laws committee was appointed with the purpose of completing the by-laws revision to put forward at a future CPAC Regular Meeting for approval. There have been no meetings yet. We will consider SB 707 in these by-law revisions.	

IV. Presentation		
A.	**Self-Sufficiency Services Updates** (David Sagaz, Human Services Program Manager, Self-Sufficiency Services) Highlights regarding State Fiscal Year 2025/26 Enacted State Budget Medi-Cal changes included: ▪ Reinstating asset test limits for Non-Modified Adjusted Gross Income (MAGI) Medi-Cal effective January 1, 2026, with a $130,000 limit for individual and $65,000 per additional household member (up to 10 individuals). Customers will need to self-attest to property information. A Property Questionnaire will be included in renewal packets that go out in November for renewals due January 2026. Renewal packets for customers should be updated by March 2026 and will include property questions. ▪ Freezing full-scope enrollment for adults aged 19+ with Unsatisfactory Immigration Status (UIS) effective January 1, 2026. Applicants with UIS ages 19+ will be eligible for restricted Medi-Cal which covers emergency services only. Individuals currently receiving full scope through one of the expansions will continue to receive full scope unless they are discontinued. ▪ Elimination of dental benefits for adults aged 19+ with UIS effective July 1, 2026. Individuals with Satisfactory Immigration Status will retain their full scope dental benefits. Individuals with UIS, will retain their full scope benefits without dental. Individuals with UIS who apply on or after January 1, 2026, will be Restricted Scope; i.e., emergency services only (Fee-For-Service with no Managed Care Plan). ▪ $30 monthly premiums for adults aged 19-59 with UIS effective July 1, 2027. Premiums will apply to Newly Qualified Immigrants who are under the 5-year bar and individuals claiming Permanently Residing Under Colof of Law (PRUCOL) status. There will be no cap to the premiums as they will be tied to each individual. Individuals who are incarcerated, pregnant, aged 18 years and younger, or aged 60 years and older will not be subject to the premiums. After non-payment of 90 days, individuals will be moved to Restricted Scope. ▪ Another H.R. 1 provision being monitored are the work requirements for Medicaid recipients who are part of the MAGI Affordable Care Act (ACA) expansion group identified with the 'M1 A code'. These individuals are adults who do not have dependents. ▪ Exceptions to work requirements are being investigated that are specific to California; for example, California's minimum wage is higher than federal minimum wage. The current work requirement is 80 hours per month on average; CA DHCS is trying to use previously reported income to determine if the average required dollar amount is met. If amount is over, the hope is that CMS will approve of the situation to meet the work requirement. For CMS, individuals have the option to volunteer for the 80 hours, but documentation will need to be provided for verification. ▪ DHCS is considering different systems to ensure people are meeting work requirements so that verification is less hands-on for verification. This is set	

	to go live December 31, 2027, but there is a 'Good Faith Waiver' for states that can be requested but California assumes it will be requirement. Questions/comments: ▪ Jack Dailey: Is it true that most people who will lose Medi-Cal coverage will be from failure to submit renewal information? - Response: Property verification may be a reason why people may discontinue. Self-Sufficiency Services (SSS) will try to call the customer and they may get a voicemail from a SSS Eligibility Worker to call back and verify information. There is a 90-day grace period to re-establish eligibility. ▪ Lindsey Wright: When someone calls, do you use the language prefer? - Response: Yes, or language services are used if a SSS Eligibility Worker is not available in the preferred language. ▪ Janet Vadakumcherry: What are emergency services? - Response: It is if they have to go to the Emergency Department. ▪ Michelle Darnelle: Beginning July 1, 2027, there will be a $30 Premium? - Response: For the same group who has Full Scope Medi-Cal but UIS, the State will implement $30 monthly premium. ▪ Michelle Darnelle: How is the premium paid/collected? - DHCS will use a contractor to provide bills to the customer. The customer has up to 90 days to make a payment. If don't make or catch up on their payment, they will be reduced to Restricted Scope (emergency only). ▪ Michelle Darnelle: How many patients are expected to have to pay the monthly premium in San Diego County? - Response: We are not ready to gauge because the effective date is so far out (July 1, 2027). ▪ Luwam Kidane: Who is a qualified immigrant? - Response: With H.R. 1, the federal government defined who is a qualified immigrant. Redefinition of who is a qualified immigrant will be effective October 1, 2026. ▪ Caryn Sumek: In the County behavioral health system of care, Severe Mental Illness/Substance Use Disorder would be exempt from the work requirement if they are covered by the County Mental Health Plan. - Response: It applies to people who meet Specialty Mental Health Plan criteria. ▪ Jack Dailey: Do asset verification burdens, renewals, work requirements, and exemption requests present an operational challenge? - Response: SSS has been exempt from requesting property information for the past year. Operationally, we are getting ready to do live trainings throughout offices. We will do technical assistance calls with staff and supervisors to ensure there is no over-verifying or making it difficult for customers to provide the information. ▪ Jack Dailey: Thank you to the SSS team. We are here to partner and work with you to serve County residents efficiently and accurately.	
V. HSD Reports & Discussion		

A. HSD CPAC CalAIM Task Force Updates (Kim Fritz / Jennifer Tuteur)	Dr. Jennifer Tuteur reported: ▪ The last meeting was on August 14, 2025. There were 14 members and 18 guests who participated. ▪ For background, the CalAIM Task Force was formed by the Board of Supervisors to increase enrollment in all 14 Community Supports (CS) so that 25% of those eligible would be enrolled by January 1, 2026, and 100% of those eligible would be enrolled by January 1, 2028. ▪ The group agreed on a strategy to initially focus on a smaller set of CS services to identify some opportunities for collaboration and quick wins. The prioritized CS services are: 1) Medically Tailored Meals/Medically Supportive Food (MTM/MSF), 2) Housing Transition Navigation Services (HTNS), 3/4) Short-Term Post-Hospitalization Housing/Recuperative Care (STPHH/RC). ▪ An update was also provided on the countywide public awareness campaign and the development of materials to promote CS services. Flyers have been created in multiple languages to increase awareness. The County has also formed a partnership with the YMCA of San Diego County and the San Diego Wellness Collaborative/Neighborhood Networks to hold in-person and virtual community engagement events. ▪ The MTM/MSF objective is for healthcare and community providers to assess patients and refer eligible members to MTM/MSF; actions to support this include standardizing eligibility criteria, streamlining the referral process, and standardizing provider assessments and screening tools. ▪ For HTNS, the objective is for HTNS providers to collaborate with community partners, like shelters, homeless outreach teams, and so forth, to conduct training and outreach together; actions include partnering with street medicine providers, recovery residences, and so forth. ▪ For STPHH/RC the objective is to improve workflows and referral pathways to increase timely referrals, so we get prior authorization done before individuals are discharged from the hospital or from a facility; the actions include working with existing groups like the Recuperative Care Workgroup and figuring out how to calculate the 180-day global cap.	
B. **Medi-Cal Transformation Task Force** (Dr. Heather Summers)	Dr. Heather Summers reported: ▪ The Medi-Cal Transformation Task Force is Healthy San Diego's non-Brown Act meeting that is directed by the Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA). The purpose is to support contractual and regulatory requirements; improve health and well-being, preventive health care knowledge, and health care utilization of Medi-Cal Managed Care members. ▪ The HSD Medi-Cal Transformation Task Force Steering Committee is overseen by the Medical Care Services (MCS) Director and includes the Co-Chairs of the three Leadership Teams. The goal of this Steering Committee is to funnel up information from various workgroups and over to this meeting for the Consumer & Professional Advisory Committee. ▪ The Medi-Cal Transformation Task Force last met on August 27, 2025. ▪ Key updates: - Federal and State Medi-Cal changes continue to be a point of concern.	

	- The County and MCPs are continuing to make progress on the DHCS-required Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). MOU oversight and collaboration on activities will be carried out through the various workgroups of the Medi-Cal Transformation Task Force through the Health Plan Operations Workgroup. Questions/comments: ▪ Jack Dailey: Are the MOUs publicly available? - Response: The MOUs have not been executed yet and will be made public once that occurs.	
C. Emerging Trends and Issues (Jack Dailey)	This item was not addressed.	
D. Strategic Presentation Topics - 2026 (Dr. Heather Summers)	This item was not addressed.	
E. Meeting Schedule - 2026 (Dr. Heather Summers)	This item was not addressed.	
V. Chairs Report		
A. Health Services Advisory Board (Dr. Harriet Seldin)	This item was not addressed	
B. Behavioral Health Advisory Board (Judith Yates)	This item was not addressed.	
IV. CalAIM Reports		
A. Providing Access and Transforming Health Collaborative / Intrepid Ascent (Skylar Hanson)	This item was not addressed.	

B. Medi-Cal Rx	This item was not addressed.	
C. Health Plans / Advocates / Consumers / Clinical & Social Service Providers	This item was not addressed.	
VII. Information / Updates		
A. Public Health Services (Dr. Sayone Thihalolipavan)	This item was not addressed.	
B. Behavioral Health Services (Kristi Jones)	This item was not addressed.	
C. Aging and Independence Services (Dalija Dragisic)	This item was not addressed.	
D. Medical Care Services (Dr. Heather Summers)	This item was not addressed.	
E. Healthy San Diego Statistics (Michael Worman)	This item was not addressed.	
VIII. Future Agenda Items	This item was not addressed.	
IX. Adjourn	Meeting adjourned by Jack Dailey at 3:46 p.m.	

THE NEXT HEALTHY SAN DIEGO CONSUMER & PROFESSIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULED

Thursday, January 8, 2026, from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. *Via Zoom and in person*

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