

MEDICAL STANDARDS AND EVALUATION COMMITTEE (MSEC)



Tuesday, February 10, 2026, 4:00 PM – 5:30 PM
County Operations Center
5530 Overland Ave, San Diego, CA 92123 (Room 124)

A quorum for this meeting is seven (7).

Committee Members Present: Dr. Laura Bamford | Dr. Rosemary Garcia | Dr. David Grelotti (Chair) | Yessica Hernández | Mikie Lochner | Shannon Paugh | Karla Quezada-Torres | Edith Saville | Dr. Stephen Spector

Committee Members Absent: Dr. Jeannette Aldous (Co-Chair) | Dr. Winston Tilghman | Dr. Martha Rodriguez | Dr. Fadra Whyte

Agenda Item	Action	Follow-up
1. Welcome and moment of silence, comments from the Chair	Dr. Grelotti called the meeting to order at 4:07PM and introductions were made. A moment of silence was observed.	
2. Public Comment	None	
3. Sharing our Concerns	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A request that non-HPG members sign required forms for participation. - A reminder that providers should treat their patients with care and respect. 	
4. Action: Approve the consent MSEC agenda (which includes the February 10, 2026 agenda and November 04, 2025 minutes	<p>Motion: Approve the consent MSEC agenda (which includes the February 10, 2026 agenda and November 04, 2025 minutes</p> <p>Motion/Second/Count (M/S/C): Quezada-Torres/Saville/8-0</p> <p>Abstentions: Grelotti</p> <p>Motion Carries</p>	
5. Old Business:		
a. None.		
6. New Business:		
a. Mental Health Service Utilization Report i. Discuss additional data requests	<p>Dustin Walker presented the FY23-FY24 Mental Health Service (MHS) Utilization Report and the following discussion occurred.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A question regarding why utilization had decreased while the need continued to increase. - A clarification that some of the data does not include individuals accessing services outside of the Ryan White system. 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A clarification that individuals receiving psychiatric medications from primary care providers are not represented in the data. - A clarification that underspending is often due to staff vacancies. - A clarification that the number of contracted agencies did not change. However, information regarding staffing amongst those agencies is unknown. 	
<p>b. Discussion: Mental Health task force or working group</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A clarification that a working group would comprise fewer than a quorum of this committee and would not need to follow the Brown Act. - A clarification that a task force would be created by the HPG and therefore would be open to other members and the public. - A reminder that the Clinical Quality Management (CQM) meetings are currently looking at mental health. - A question regarding the limitations and restrictions of a task force. - A clarification that conflict of interest requirements would still apply to a task force due to the Brown Act. - A clarification that a task force is more limited than a working group but would allow consumers receiving services to be part of the process. - A reminder that the Priority Setting and Resource Allocation Committee will be creating the questions for the needs assessment survey. - A suggestion to create a working group that could build the foundation for a task force. - A clarification that CQM meetings should be the starting point that can inform a task force. 	<p>HPG Support Staff will forward CQM meeting information to committee.</p>
<p>c. Discussion: Update the Mental Health and Psychiatric Medication</p>	<p>The committee reviewed the Mental Health Services Standards documents and the following discussion occurred. Packet Page 11 (Document Page 1)</p>	

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<p>Management Service Standards</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Add “partners” to be inclusive of couples. - Change psychosocial stress to mental health crisis. - Add a timeline for the intake. <p>Page 12 (Page 2)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Add “provider will provide referrals back to primary care providers as appropriate”. - Add Medications and adherence to medication regimens. <p>Page 13 (Page 3)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Add a timeline for treatment plans or frequency of visits. - Add a section for frequency and duration. <p>Discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A suggestion that training should be incorporated into the Service Standard documents to hold providers accountable. - A reminder that the Universal Standards incorporated language regarding training. - A clarification that timelines are highly encouraged and can be monitored on the contract side. - A question regarding incorporating whole person care language being applied to each of the Service Standards section. - A clarification that the integration has been primarily through case-management. - A reminder that wait times for mental health services should be considered when reviewing standards. 	
<p>d. Discussion: Review meeting schedule and identify priorities for 2026 work plan</p>	<p>Tabled.</p>	
<p>7. Other Updates:</p>		
<p>a. STD and Mpox Update (Dr. Tilghman)</p>	<p>Tabled.</p>	

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b. Committee member updates	Tabled.	
8. Future agenda items for consideration	Tabled.	
9. Announcements	Tabled.	
10. Next meeting date:	Date: May 12, 2026, Time: 4:00 PM – 5:30 PM Location: TBD	
11. Adjournment	The meeting was adjourned at 5:35PM	