

**HEALTHY SAN DIEGO  
 JOINT CONSUMER & PROFESSIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
 MINUTES – December 9, 2021**

**Members/Alternates Present:** Laverne Brizendine, Diane Bucon, Thomas Coleman, MD, Michelle Darnelle, Emily Do, Tina Hendizadeh, Kevin Kandalaft, Greg Knoll (Co-Chair), Donald Miller, MD, Kelly Motadel, MD, George Scolari, Harriet Seldin, DDS, Kristen Smith, Aaron Starfire, Caryn Sumek, Vivian Urquizu, Janet Vadakkumcherry, Ann Warren  
**HSD Staff Present:** Jamie Beam, Angela Galba-Davis, Sherinna Paguio, Heather Summers, Jennifer Tuteur, MD  
**Guests:** James Rucker, Jacinto Perez, Kristin Dimou, Eduardo Chavez, Porchia Rich, Stephanie Gioia-Beckman, Victoria Floyd, Ivonne Velasquez, Christy Rosenberg, Patricia King, Dijana Beck, Kitty Bailey

<i>ITEM</i>	<i>DISCUSSION</i>	<i>ACTION</i>
<b>I. Welcome and Introductions</b>		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Meeting called to order at 3:00 p.m. by Greg Knoll.</li> <li>Introductions were made.</li> </ul>	
<b>II. Public Comment</b>		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>None</li> </ul>	
<b>III. Healthy San Diego (HSD) Subcommittee Reports</b>		
<b>Quality Improvement Subcommittee</b> <i>(Valerie Martinez)</i>	George Scolari Reporting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Quality Improvement Subcommittee meeting was cancelled for the month of December. Instead, the health plans met to collaborate on the MOA with the County. The MOA will be sent to the County on December 15<sup>th</sup>.</li> </ul>	
<b>HSD COVID-19 Taskforce</b> (George Scolari)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>There was a COVID-19 Taskforce meeting this month. An update on COVID was given and there was also a discussion on the vaccination rates for the Medi-Cal population compared to the entire San Diego population. The taskforce assessed what individual and collective actions can be taken to improve vaccination rates among the health plans' members. The Health Education and Cultural Linguistic Workgroup (HE/CL) created posters in 12 languages to promote vaccinations. The posters will be posted to the COVID website.</li> </ul>	
<b>HSD CalAIM Workgroup</b> (George Scolari)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The CalAIM Workgroup met this month. This meeting focused on open dialogue and discussing participants' questions and concerns.               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Brianna Nielson, representing Aurrera Health Group and the Department Health Care Services, stated a Communications Workgroup will be created under the CalAIM umbrella. The Communications Workgroup will ensure members are receiving consistent quality care.</li> <li>-Nilanie Ramos gave a Behavioral Health Services update.</li> <li>-Greg Knoll gave his Consumer Center update.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-The Healthy San Diego Kickoff Event was received positively. The event was recorded and will be posted on the County’s SDAIM website.</li> <li>- Whole Person Wellness (WPW) has approximately 232 clients left to transition to Enhance Care Management (ECM). Heather worked hard to setup meetings with each health plan, such as PATH and Exodus, to review every single case. The Workgroup is working to ensure all members transition to ECM and continue to receive the services they receive under the Whole Person Wellness umbrella.</li> </ul>	
<b>IV. Action Items</b>		
<b>Approval of minutes from previous meeting</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• November 10, 2021, meeting minutes were approved.</li> </ul>	
<b>Continuance of Teleconferencing Meeting Option Pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The continuation of teleconferencing was approved for this committee and subcommittees.</li> </ul>	
<b>V. CalAIM Reports (Greg Knoll)</b>		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The committee continued to discuss CalAIM implementation status.</li> </ul>	
<b>VI. Presentation</b>		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Barbara Jiménez presented an Introduction to the Department of Homeless Solutions &amp; Equitable Communities.</li> </ul>	<i>Angela will send the presentation to the committee.</i>
<b>VII. Information/Updates (Written or Oral)</b>		
<b>A. Public Health Services (PHS)</b> <i>(Tom Coleman, MD)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• COVID-19 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-The County announced the first Omicron COVID-19 case was identified in a San Diego resident who recently traveled abroad. The patient was vaccinated and received a booster. The patient was not hospitalized and is under isolation.</li> <li>-The Average Daily Case Rate increased over the last several weeks, with most recent average of daily cases at 740.</li> <li>-COVID-19 Confirmed Hospitalizations and ICU patients increased both over the last 30 days as well as the last 14 days (25% and 12% increases, respectively, over the last 2 weeks).</li> <li>-Per CDC Levels of Community Transmission, San Diego County is at the highest level, “High Transmission”. It’s important to emphasize continued vaccination, but also the non-pharmaceutical interventions.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<i>Angela will send the Public Health Report and the information regarding the Implicit Bias Training to the committee.</i>

	<p>-The delta variant is driving the current increase. It has been the dominant circulating strain for several months.</p> <p>-As of today, 2,388,047, 75.9% of eligible San Diegans (&gt;=5 years old) are now fully vaccinated. Currently, 528,256 have received a booster. The FDA has approved boosters for 16-17 year olds.</p> <p>-CAHAN #44, 12/2/21 – SARS-CoV-2 virus variant of concern B.1.1.529 (Omicron) gives an overview of this variant, with request from providers to submit specimens for Whole Genome Sequencing from individuals with infection confirmed by nucleic acid testing who meet certain criteria. CAHANs can be viewed at:  <a href="https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/hhsa/programs/phs/cahan_san_diego/Alerts.html">https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/hhsa/programs/phs/cahan_san_diego/Alerts.html</a></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Yesterday’s Influenza Watch shows 535 (increased from 287 cases last month), 0 deaths, 0 outbreaks – still slightly ahead of prior 5-year average (excluding last season).</li> <li>• Update on shigellosis outbreak in people experiencing homelessness (PEH) (CAHAN from 10/11/21) – 41 confirmed and 7 probable cases among PEHs (increased from 38 and 3, respectively, in 11/19/21 update), working with CDPH and have determined that we are reaching levels of transmission that are typical for this disease. No source of the outbreak has currently been identified.</li> <li>• Perinatal Equity Initiative Implicit Bias Training meets the requirements of SB 464, 2 parts: 1st is online and can be completed anytime; 2nd is forthcoming in January 2022 and will be a 90-minute Zoom with registrant discussion and reflection. CMEs and CEUs offered, register at <a href="https://sandiegoibt.learnupon.com">https://sandiegoibt.learnupon.com</a>.</li> <li>• Maternal, Child, and Family Health Services is conducting a fluoride varnish training tomorrow through our Local Oral Health Program, and Child Health and Disability Prevention Program. There will be health plan staff present to learn about the training. The staff will then implement a train-the-trainer model to educate individual plan providers. This supports the fluoride varnish quality improvement project that the health plans are working on under the umbrella of the Quality Improvement Subcommittee.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>B. Behavioral Health Services/Board Conference (Nilanie Ramos)</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No report</li> </ul>	

<p><b>C. Aging and Independence Services</b> (Kristen Smith)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The MSSP program will return to being a carved-out service in a few weeks. As the state increased the number of slots, MSSP will increase availability to over 600. The recommended ratio of social workers to clients was also changed. This will be increased gradually to ensure social workers will be available to take care of clients. Additional staff may need to be hired. In the next few weeks, flyers will be sent out. This outreach targets most vulnerable Medi-Cal clients who are at the cusp of going into skilled nursing, but with good care management, can be kept out of skilled nursing.</li> <li>• Enrollment in Home Supportive Services (IHSS) continues to increase. Initiative for recruitment this year focused on ensuring eligible populations, including the increasing number of caregivers, are informed about IHSS. Our enrollment is exceeding 34,000 now, and for caregivers it's almost 30,000.</li> <li>• AIS still has a homebound vaccination program, which receives about 100 calls a week. The program serves those eligible for the vaccine and is homebound due to any kind of medical condition.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>D. Medical Care Services Division/Healthy San Diego Statistics</b> (Heather Summers)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Healthy San Diego statistics for October 2021 shows a slight uptake in enrollment. Those enrolled in Managed Care total 832,743 and total Medi-Cal enrollment is 920,975. There are 90.4% enrolled in Managed Care.</li> <li>• The default rate for San Diego is 41.5% and 39.8% statewide.</li> <li>• Eligibility data for November 2021 shows CalFresh recipients were up 10.14% from last year; child recipients are up 4.53% and seniors are 16.84% up from last year.</li> <li>• CMS and General Relief recipients are both down from last year.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>VIII. Agenda Items For Next Meeting</b></p>		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• None</li> </ul>	
<p><b>IX. Adjourn</b></p>		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Meeting adjourned by Greg Knoll at 4:50 p.m.</li> </ul>	

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

Thursday, January 13, 2022, from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Minutes recorded and transcribed by Angela Galba-Davis