





## HEALTHY SAN DIEGO JOINT CONSUMER & PROFESSIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES – July 8, 2021

Members/Alternates Present: Laverne Brizendine, Diane Bucon, Thomas Coleman, MD, Michelle Darnelle, Kimberly Fritz, Kevin Kandalaft, Greg Knoll (Co-Chair), Kathleen Lang, Valerie Martinez, Kelly Motadel, MD, Jennipher Ohmstede, Nilanie Ramos, James Schultz, MD (Co-Chair), George Scolari, Harriet Seldin, DDS, Kristen Smith, Aaron Starfire, Caryn Sumek, Vivian Urquizu, Ann Warren, Lindsay Wright

HSD Staff Present: Jamie Beam, Grace Choe, Angela Galba-Davis, Chris Lee, Eric McDonald, MD

Guests: Eduardo Chavez, Sarah Lyman, Christy Rosenberg, Melisa Stout-Penn, Garrick Wong **DISCUSSION ACTION ITEM** I. Welcome and Introductions • Meeting called to order at 3:00 p.m. by Greg Knoll. • Introductions were made. II. Public Comment None III. Presentation • There was a presentation on the FY 21/22 HHSA Budget by Ardee Apostol, Assistant Finance Officer for HHSA. IV. Healthy San Diego (HSD) Subcommittee Reports • Health Education & Cultural/Linguistics Workgroup (HE/CL) **Quality Improvement** Subcommittee --The poverty simulation, offered in partnership with COPE, had over 120 participants. Due to a high-volume waitlist for (Valerie Martinez) the simulation, the workgroup will hold a second event in November. --There is an Implicit Bias Training planned for August. The workgroup is going to meet with Dr. Coleman tomorrow to discuss a potential collaboration. --An ACEs webinar is planned for September. It will be an update on the current state and requirements of ACEs, and additional resources for providers and practices. The workgroup looks to partner with Aurrera Health. --The CalAIM Kickoff Event is October 22<sup>nd</sup>. The HE/CL workgroup will support the kickoff event, offering any technical/admin support and refreshments. --The HE/CL workgroup declined the Childhood Obesity Initiative's request to financially sponsor an event in the amount of \$2,400 to \$8,000. --DCHS formally invited the HE/CL workgroup to present the Pediatric Provider Toolkit on October 27<sup>th</sup>. The workgroup requested to present in partnership with Meredith Kennedy at the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) due to a prior partnership with the local AAP. The panel will represent the Healthy San Diego HE/CL entity and not individual health plans.

- Facility Site Review Workgroup (FSR)
- --Effective July 1<sup>st</sup>, the expectation is to resume activities and return to the standard program operations which includes FSR activities. The Medical Monitoring Unit sent a site review tracker that allows every health plan to communicate strategies focused on resuming FSR activities and address backlogs of FSRs.
- --The FSR workgroup is collaborating on a training requested by San Ysidro Health Clinic.
- Consumer Center for Health Education & Advocacy (CCHEA)
   --The Consumer Center and Legal Aid are still working remotely, with limited staff at the office. There is no foreseeable change in remote working.
  - --There is involvement in statewide DHCS Stakeholder meetings, specifically about the post pandemic eligibility policy planning. These meetings focus on redetermination processing and the notices that will change when the health pandemic orders are lifted.
  - --CCHEA provides Cultural Competency Training regarding serving gender diverse and trans individuals, one of the three populations that is a focus this year, in addition to immigrants and individuals with limited English proficiency.
- Health Plan Workgroup (HPWG)
  - --George Scolari gave the COVID-19 update. Dr. McDonald requested vaccination data be shared and verified for accuracy, as well as provide information on how the workgroup can partner with the County to conduct outreach to unvaccinated individuals.
  - --The health plans have MOUs with the County for a variety of areas. The workgroup will acquire representatives from each area not already represented, such as refugees and TB. Representatives will present an update and reconnect with the correct contacts each month at the Health Plan Workgroup meeting. The first one will be in September with the TB Program.
- San Diego Regional Center Workgroup (SDRC)
  - --The workgroup has not met recently. A meeting will be scheduled in a couple of months.

	Health Plan - AIS Workgroup	
	The next quarterly meeting will be rescheduled. The focus of	
	the meeting is the MSSP transition back to the County. A	
	meeting with DHCS took place two weeks ago and focused on	
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	ensuring the California Department of Aging and DHCS aligned	
	with their requirements and expectations for counties, MSSP	
	programs, and health plans particularly in coordination of	
	care.	
	QI Topic - Blood Lead Screening: Feedback from health plans'	
	QAS are being finalized. The next steps are going to be	
	developing baseline rates and then identifying methodology	
	on monitoring and intervention. The proposed intervention	
	was to test in-house and assess if this is a service that can be	
	provided. Additional sites are also being surveyed.	
	QI Topic - Fluoride Varnish Application: Dr. Olinger estimates	
	about only 5% of practices are offering fluoride varnish. He	
	suggested meeting with Nancy Starr, who provided a rundown	
	on the program that she offers and is looking for plan	
	practices. They have a training specifically focused on fluoride	
	varnish application. Training will also include billing, ordering	
	supplies, and administering varnish. Methods of collaboration	
	were discussed resulting in the suggestion of providing health	
	plan data. The plan is to develop a pre and post-test to assess	
	knowledge, behavior, and then fluoride varnish application	
	rates following her training interventions. Any subsequent	
	trainings would be offered by the HE/CL Workgroup.	
Behavioral Health	The Behavioral Health Subcommittee is invited to the larger	
Subcommittee (BHS)	CalAIM Workgroup meeting for a special presentation on the	
(George Scolari)	Community Information Exchange by 211.	
-	Dr. Nicole Esposito gave an update on Population Health.	
	County Behavioral Health Services is working on a Naloxone	
	distribution plan as well as working with the Sheriff's to set up	
	medication assisted treatment (MAT).	
	Marissa Varond from the McAlister Institute shared that peer	
	support specialists are now an approved benefit under the	
	Drug Medi-Cal Organized Delivery System. These peers have	
	life experiences dealing with substance abuse, working with	
	other substance abusers, and are familiar with reimbursement	
	processes. The McAllister Institute walk is on September 25,	
	2021, at Liberty Station.	
	Tabatha Lang gave an update on their Behavioral Health	
	Services Dashboard. They are working to decrease the	
	turnaround time for appointments. There was also a	
	discussion regarding availability of psychiatric beds for	
	children. Specifically in San Diego, the issue is due to children	

	with developmental problems unable to return to a group	
	<ul><li>home.</li><li>Catherine Nacario from NAMI gave an update on services they</li></ul>	
	provide and shared that they've expanded to Imperial County.	
	Nilanie Ramos shared about the Behavioral Health Operations	
	Team Meeting. There was discussion about mental health	
	services in schools and health plan covered services versus	
	County covered services. In addition, a new mandatory	
	screening tool will be released soon.	
	Cassidy Acosta gave an update on Aurrera Behavioral Health.	
	Their contract for the Coordinated Care Initiative and Cal	
	MediConnect has ended and they are shifting into a CalAIM	
	focus.	
	Greg Knoll gave a presentation on the DHCS Cal MediConnect	
	Dashboard that compares all the health plans and quality	
	withhold scores.	
HSD COVID-19 Taskforce	This task force was originally set up for our health plan	
(George Scolari)	members that were placed at the Convention Center and	
(Scorge Scorarry	County funded hotel rooms. Meetings will continue as there	
	are still a few members in County funded hotel rooms.	
HSD CalAIM Taskforce	The health plans are working towards covering services similar	
(George Scolari)	to In Lieu of Services (ILOS).	
(333.333,	Susan Bower, representing the Regional Task Force, shared	
	the new voucher program, which includes 300 housing	
	vouchers to help pay partial rent payments. These vouchers	
	can only be used by clients linked to some form of a case	
	management service.	
	Whole Person Wellness (WPW) will transition on January 1 <sup>st</sup> .	
	There are currently 221 members. Members who are receiving	
	WPW through either Exodus or Path will be receiving services	
	through December 31st paid for by the County and will	
	transition to the health plans on the following day. With this	
	transition, Exodus and Path will be able to offer some	
	additional services.	
V. Action Items		
Approval of minutes	• June 10, 2021, meeting minutes were approved.	
from previous meeting		
VI. CalAIM Reports (Greg Kn		
	Chair proposed that starting this meeting through the end of	
	the year, CalAIM Reports will be on every agenda. Committee	
	discussed sharing implementation status without revealing	
	anything proprietary to increase opportunities for	
	collaboration.	

VII. Cha	irs' Reports	
B. C	Health Services Advisory Board (HSAB) Co-Chairs) CCI/Cal MediConnect Advisory Committee Update	<ul> <li>There was a detailed presentation regarding the Hepatitis C Elimination Implementation Plan Board Letter by Jeff Johnson, Chief of the Epidemiology and Immunizations Services Branch, and Patrick Loose, Chief of the HIV, STD, and Hepatitis Branch.</li> <li>The Board discussed the Mental Health Contractors Association of California Letter.</li> <li>There was discussion about scheduling another advance as HSAB has done every year for the last few years.</li> <li>A committee to do the Community Inspiration Awards was discussed and also development of a Youth Advisory Board and Youth Board Members.</li> <li>No Report</li> </ul>
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	ormation/Updates (Wi	
S	Public Health Services (PHS) Tom Coleman, MD)	• COVID-19  -Almost 1.9 million San Diego residents are fully vaccinated.  Over 140,000 in San Diego have had the first shot of Moderna or Pfizer but not the second shot. Bottom line is that a single dose is significantly less effective, especially against new variants.  -The COVID-19 Watch released yesterday looked at cases from the beginning of January. From January 1 <sup>st</sup> , 99.8% of the deaths and 99.9% of the hospitalizations in 99.1% of the cases were either unvaccinated or only partially vaccinated. There have only been 3 deaths of those fully vaccinated.  -There are concerted efforts to fully vaccinate populations in the health equity zip codes, both within and outside of the county. Due to vaccine hesitancy, we continue to stress the efficacy and safety of the vaccines.  -There are two MARC (Monoclonal Antibody Regional Center) facilities in the county, one in Chula Vista and the other in Hillcrest. The number to find out about eligibility and schedule
s C	Behavioral Health Services/Board Conference Nilanie Ramos)	<ul> <li>an appointment is 619-685-2500.</li> <li>The Behavioral Health Services Procurement Board letter goes to the Board on July 13<sup>th</sup>. If approved, this Board letter would authorize competitive solicitations, single source procurements, and an amendment to extend an existing contract to support critical behavioral health services.</li> </ul>
lı S	Aging and ndependence Services Kristen Smith)	At the State's transition meeting this month, it was stated when MSSP goes back to being carved out in January 2022, there will also be parallel guidance surrounding coordination. Members will still be receiving their services from AIS and the

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	<ul> <li>AIS social workers will continue to coordinate as much as they have with the health plans arranging services.</li> <li>AIS will be getting more staff and continuing our COVID-19 expansion of meals through our federal Senior Nutrition Program. We expect expanded funding to continue.</li> <li>AIS's efforts with homebound vaccinations are continuing with referrals from 211 and the State's MyTurn system for homebound residents of all ages. Providers can call 211 to get patients on the list.</li> <li>The Alzheimer's Project Clinical Roundtable just released their third edition of the clinical guidelines. Dr. McDonald is now serving on the Clinical Roundtable.</li> </ul>
	Our free community programs, such as Feeling Fit Exercise Classes, are resuming now that the county is reopening. Individuals can be referred via the AIS website (www.aging.sandiegocounty.gov). There is also information on several other programs available on the website.
D. Healthy San Diego Statistics (Grace Choe)	<ul> <li>For the month of May, the raw numbers show a total of 800,513 enrolled in managed care, out of a total of 879,778 enrolled in Medi-Cal which results in 91%.</li> <li>The County's default rate went up to 42% in April, which is the highest rate within the past year. However, that month the State was also at a higher rate of 37%. In May, the County's rate did go back to 37% and the State's rate was 36%.</li> <li>There are 932,702 unduplicated Medi-Cal recipients from June 2020 to June 2021.</li> </ul>
IX. Health Care and Legislative	e Updates
	• None
X. Agenda Items For Next Me	eting
	• None
XI. Adjourn	·
	Meeting adjourned by Greg Knoll at 4:45 p.m.

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

Thursday, September 9, 2021, from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. *Via Zoom* 

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