

**HEALTHY SAN DIEGO
 JOINT CONSUMER & PROFESSIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
 MINUTES – March 10, 2022**

Members/Alternates Present: Laverne Brizendine, Diane Bucon, Thomas Coleman MD, Jack Dailey, Emily Do, Kimberly Fritz, Kathleen Lang, Sarah Legg, Valerie Martinez, Donald Miller, MD, Nilanie Ramos, James Schultz, MD (Co-Chair), George Scolari, Harriet Seldin, DDS, Kristen Smith, Caryn Sumek, Sayone Thihalolipavan, Janet Vadakkumcherry, Paul Van Duine, Ann Warren, Lindsey Wright,

HSD Staff Present: Jamie Beam, Grace Choe, Angela Galba-Davis, Jennifer Tuteur, MD, Eric McDonald, Sherinna Paguio

Guests:

ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION
I. Welcome and Introductions		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting called to order at 3:00 p.m. by James Schultz. Introductions were made. 	
II. Public Comment		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None 	
III. Presentation		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> New Justice Involved Health and the Connection to SD AIM (Sayone Thihalolipavan, MD, Public Health Medical Officer, Justice Involved Health, Medical Care Services Division) 	
IV. Healthy San Diego (HSD) Subcommittee Reports		
<p>Quality Improvement Subcommittee <i>(Valerie Martinez)</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The California Department Health Care Services (DHCS) sent out a draft All Plan Letter (APL) regarding the redetermination at the end of the public health emergency. The County and DHCS will work together to coordinate outreach. The HE/CL group is working on a list of provider trainings for 2022. The Facility Site Review Tool was sent out to DHCS, the plans are reviewing any changes. Community-Based Adult Services (CBAS) notified members facility services will start on April 1. Remote services are available through June. California Children’s Services (CCS) has met directly with the health plans and each case has been transitioned over. Medical RX has improved, and the prior authorization requirements have been lifted. 	
<p>Behavioral Health Subcommittee <i>(George Scolari)</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Behavioral Health <p>There are three different funding opportunities under Healthy San Diego.</p>	

-First, there is the Student Hero Help Incentive Program Task Force. Under Cal-AIM, \$25 million will be divided by San Diego health plans in accordance with percentage of membership by population. This funding will be utilized to enhance student behavioral health services in the schools. To participate, schools submitted an attestation to George Scolari by March 1. A Deputy Director presented on behalf of the Children, Youth, and Family Services to 48 school superintendents. Six school districts opted in.

-Secondly, there is the Cal-AIM Incentive Payment Program. \$100 million will be divided by percentage of health plan enrollment. Providers can apply for grants to receive money. Transform Health was selected as the consultant by the Managed Care Plans to implement the application and payment process. Legal Aid Society will serve as the fiscal agency and will contract with Transform Health. On April 30, there will be a Healthy San Diego Incentive Program Roundtable in lieu of the Cal-AIM Work Group meeting. Transform Health CEO, Lisa Chan-Sawin will be the keynote speaker. The Work Group will discuss community engagement, stakeholder involvement, and a plan to inform providers how to apply for funding.

-The third incentive program offered through CalAIM is the Homeless and Housing Program. However, it is not confirmed that San Diego will receive \$100 million in incentive dollars until the HSD Health Plan Leadership team meets with the CEO of the Regional Task Force on Homelessness. All three incentive programs were established within San Diego County to ensure all seven health care plans receive funding in a fair and equitable manner.

The **COVID-19 Task Force** was created to work with the County on members placed at the Convention Center or County-funded hotel rooms. A few individuals are still utilizing hotel rooms through the program; however, the focus of the Roundtable will change directions on how to improve vaccination rates for children.

The **Healthy San Diego Work Group** introduced the available funding opportunities in their meeting. New providers struggled working with multiple health plans due to

	<p>unfamiliarity. As Healthy San Diego maintains over 100 members, the Work Group will work to streamline the process and make the transition smoother.</p>	
<p>V. Action Items</p>		
<p>Approval of minutes from previous meeting</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> February 10, 2022, meeting minutes approved as amended. 	
<p>Continuance of Teleconferencing Meeting Option Pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The continuation of teleconferencing was approved for this committee and subcommittees. 	
<p>VI. Chairs' Reports</p>		
<p>A. Health Services Advisory Board (HSAB) (Co-Chairs)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Advisory Committee recently met for its quarterly meeting and discussed updates to their regular standing agenda items. The California Department of Aging and Public Health notified the group that membership must improve. The committee introduced their new Communications Work Group led by Aurora Health Services, on behalf of the Department of Health Care Services. 	
<p>B. CCI/Cal MediConnect Advisory Committee Update (Greg Knoll)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Cal Medi-Connect program will end December 2022. Beginning January 2023, members will transition to a Dual Special Needs Program where Medicare and Medicaid will be under one health plan without high level requirements. 	
<p>VII. CalAIM Report (Greg Knoll)</p>		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The committee discussed CalAIM implementation. 	
<p>A. Medi-Cal RX</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jim Schultz Authorization issues have improved. However, the same problem may occur again towards the end of June when prior authorizations expire. There are continued concerns that children may have difficulty accessing psychiatric medications. - The Cover My Meds website is difficult to use. The HELP on Cover My Meds site is helpful. There has been a quicker response when using paper form. 	
<p>B. Transitions of Special Populations - HHP and WPW</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> George Scolari Approximately 3000 to 5000 members were transitioned smoothly. Whole Person Wellness divided 223 members among the Health Plans. There are no reports of members not able to receive care. Jack Dailey 	

	<p>In March, DHCS indicated it will create a special liaison specifically for families with children enrolled in CCS to discuss Medi-Cal RX.</p>	
<p>VIII. Information/Updates (Written or Oral)</p>		
<p>A. Public Health Services (PHS) <i>(Tom Coleman, MD)</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Last month, the governor rolled out The Smarter Plan which focuses on shots, masks, awareness readiness, testing education, and for treatment. Operational at the end of February, this is the first statewide plan to assist in transitioning the state from a pandemic to an endemic state. The CDC also issued guidance on prioritizing case investigation and contact tracing for COVID-19. • California Department of Public Health and other counties embraced discontinuing the mask mandate. However, there is recommendation for masks to be worn indoors irrespective of vaccination status. There are high-risk categories of individuals that should continue to masks. • Effective Saturday, wearing masks at K-12 and children in childcare settings will no longer be mandatory. • Masks are still mandatory on public transit, emergency shelters, cooling and heating centers, and other healthcare settings. • The County is following both the CDC guidance and California Department of Public Health guidance. The County plans to prioritize high-risk individuals 65 years and older for case investigations, congregate living facilities, and contract tracing. The County will also support high risk settings and outbreak responses. The County will move back to focused efforts in epidemiology and immunization. Some of the data reports that historically have been published will no longer be published. • Boosters are still one of the most critical aspects of ongoing prevention. The latest data shows only 55% of eligible San Diego residents have taken it. 	
<p>B. Behavioral Health Services/Board Conference (George Scolari)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Behavioral Health Director spoke about the crisis stabilization unit, where individuals can go in lieu of a psychiatric unit. In September 2019, the Board of Supervisors authorized for Tri City Hospital Psychiatric Health Facility to be built, replacing the previous, smaller health facility in North County. The Children, Youth and Families System of Care Emergency Screening Unit provides crisis stabilization, with 941 children rescreened during the 2nd quarter. 	

<p>C. Aging and Independence Services <i>(Kristen Smith)</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aging and Independence Services (AIS) increased staff for IHSS and caseload for MNSP. AIS plans to present these updates to the Health Plan Care Coordinators. The Homebound Vaccine Program is still active and has reached out to vaccinated individuals for their boosters. One of the Board initiatives is technology for IHSS recipients. The initiative would help recipients use tablets to connect to social support and to telehealth if needed. 	
<p>D. Medical Care Services Division/ Healthy San Diego Statistics <i>(Heather Summers)</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Healthy San Diego shows the enrollment numbers have steadily increased. The County now has over 1 million enrolled in Medi-Cal. Refer to the attached slides for details on enrollment, the default rate and overall eligibility statistics. 	
<p>IX. Agenda Items For Next Meeting</p>		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None 	
<p>X. Adjourn</p>		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting adjourned by Jim Schultz at 5:00p.m. 	

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

Thursday, May 9, 2022 from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Via Zoom

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