

**NAME:** **HEALTHY SAN DIEGO JOINT COMSUMER AND PROFESSIONAL ADVISORY COMMITEE**

**LEGAL AUTHORITY:** Welfare & Institutions Code Section 14089.05

**MEMBERS APPOINTED BY:** Health and Human Services Agency (HHS) Director

**MEMBER COMPOSITION:** A Consumer Advisory Committee and a Professional Advisory Committee advise the Health and Human Services Agency Executive Director on matters of policy and operations for Medi-Cal Managed Care. The Consumer and Professional Advisory Committees may elect to meet jointly as the Healthy San Diego (HSD) Joint Consumer and Professional Advisory Committee (or HSD Joint Advisory Committee) as specified in the By-laws.

The Consumer Advisory Committee is limited to 17 members, and the Professional Advisory Committee is limited to 17 members. At least one of the members of each advisory committee shall be appointed by the Board of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors shall establish a number of members to serve on each advisory committee, with each Supervisor to appoint an equal number of members from his or her district.

**Consumer representation shall consist of the following members:**

- 1. Medi-Cal Beneficiaries** (3) – from nominations of individuals who are current or former recipients of Medi-Cal funded health services from various organizations in San Diego County that serve Medi-Cal beneficiaries;
- 2. Consumer Representative** (3) – one shall be the Executive Director of the Legal Aid Society of San Diego, and 2 others from nominees from the Legal Aid Society, said nominees shall have a demonstrated commitment to and experience in advocacy for consumer health issues;
- 3. Countywide Consumer Interests** (5) – selected by each member of the Board of Supervisors, who shall represent consumer health interests and have a demonstrated commitment and experience in addressing health care issues;
- 4. Organized Labor** (1) – from nominations from the local organized labor group and/or its affiliates, said nominees shall have demonstrated experience and concern with health care issues for employees;

5. **Business** (2) – reflective of large and small businesses, from nominations of any local, city, countywide and/or ethnic chamber of commerce, one of which shall be appointed from the Regional San Diego Chamber of Commerce;
6. **Advocate for Children’s Issues** (1) – from nominations from various San Diego County organizations (including San Diego County Commission on Children, Youth and Families) that represent the interests of children; said nominees shall have demonstrated experience in advocacy for children in health issues;
7. **Children with Special Needs** (1) – from nominations from various San Diego County organizations (including San Diego Regional Center and March of Dimes) that represent the interests of children with special needs; said nominees shall have demonstrated commitment and experience in advocating for this group or shall be parents of children with special needs;
8. **Foster Children** (1) – from nominations from the San Diego County Foster Care Services Committee representing foster parents who have an interest in assuring effective health care access services for children placed in foster homes;
9. **Mental Health Consumer** (2) – from nominations of the San Diego County Mental Health Advisory Board representing a patient (1) and a representative of a family that regularly utilizes mental health services in San Diego County;
10. **Taxpayer Representation** (2) – from nominations from various San Diego County organizations that represent taxpayer’s interests;
11. **Members at Large** (3) – from nominations from various community health advocacy organizations located in San Diego County;
12. **Others** (2) – nominated by the County of San Diego Health and Human Services Agency (HHS), to assure adequate geographic and underserved representation, not employees thereof.
13. **Consumers** (5) - designated by health plans as stated in #1 below under “Health Plans”.

**Professional representation shall consist of the following members:**

1. **Health Plans** - Only those health plans that are awarded HSD Medi-Cal contracts shall have a representative appointed to the Professional Advisory Committee. An equal number of consumer representatives shall be appointed to the Consumer Advisory

Committee for each plan on the Professional Advisory Committee.

2. **Physicians** (2) – from nominations by the San Diego County Medical Society, one of whom shall be the current Chief Executive Officer (or designee) of the San Diego County Medical Society;
3. **Physicians** (3) – representing traditional providers of Medi-Cal, each selected by the National Medical Association, San Diego Chapter; by the Hispanic Physicians Association, San Diego Chapter; and other medical associations in San Diego County representing traditionally underserved groups;
4. **Hospitals** (3) – 1 shall be the Chief Executive Officer (or designee) of the Hospital Association of San Diego and Imperial Counties; 2 other local hospitals with at least one being a Disproportionate Share Hospital (DSH);
5. **Nursing** (1) – from nominations of professional organizations representing nurses’ interests, with particular focus and expertise in community nursing and community health status;
6. **Public Health** (1) – the public health officer (or designee) of the County of San Diego Health and Human Services Agency (HHSA);
7. **Community Clinics** (1) – from nominations by the Council of Community Clinics or from not for profit clinics providing services to Medi-Cal beneficiaries;
8. **Education** (1) – nominated by publicly funded local colleges or universities, which prepare students for careers in public health or other health professionals; nominees must have demonstrated experience in addressing public health issues;
9. **Legal Profession** (1) – lawyer or judge, active or retired, whose practice reflects an interest and/or expertise in public health care issues;
10. **Mental Health Professional** (1) – from nominations by the local Mental Health Advisory Board;
11. **Optometry** (1) – from nominations by the San Diego County Optometric Association, of optometrists practicing in San Diego County who have an interest in publicly funded managed care systems;

**12. Pharmacy** (1) – from nominations by the San Diego County Pharmacists Association, of community pharmacists in San Diego County who have an interest in publicly funded managed care;

**13. Podiatry** (1) – from nominations by the San Diego County Podiatrists Association, of podiatrists practicing in San Diego County who have an interest in publicly funded managed care systems;

**14. Dentist** (1) – from nominations by the San Diego County Dental Society, of dentists who have significant interest in policies regarding publicly funded managed care;

**15. Other** (1) – from miscellaneous recommendations made by interested health providers in San Diego County.

**TERMS:** Each committee member shall serve a term of four years, unless otherwise indicated.

**DUTIES:** The Consumer and Professional Advisory committees are established in accordance with Welfare and Institutions Code Section 14089.05 to monitor Medi-Cal Managed Care issues or other issues concerning health care delivery that may impact upon this system and advise the Director, Health and Human Services Agency concerning those issues.

**MEETING DATE AND LOCATION:** Second Thursday of every month, 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.  
3851 Rosecrans St., San Diego Room  
San Diego, CA 92110

**COMPENSATION:** Members of the Advisory Board(s) shall serve without compensation.

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