

Sacramento County Health Authority Commission Quality Improvement/Quality Assurance Committee Meeting Notes

Meeting Agenda

June 26, 2025, 3:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Meeting Location

7001 East Parkway, Sacramento, CA 95820

Commissioners in attendance:

Eddie Kirby, Dr. Ravinder Khaira (Chair), Cortney Maslyn

Notified absence: Dr. Richard Pan

Agenda Item
<p>1. Welcome, Agenda Review, and Updates – Dr. Ravinder Khaira</p> <p>Meeting started at 3:03pm.</p> <p>Dr. Khaira provided opening remarks to the subcommittee, and it's focus on providing quality assurance and oversight with data review to inform the general commission's decision making.</p>
<p>2. Presentation, Discussion, and Action: NORC Quantitative Data Planning – Praveen Karunatileka, NORC</p> <p>The focus of this meeting was on the quantitative data review for the County. NORC is contracted to assist the Health Authority with identifying, collecting and analyzing quantitative data from both publicly available data sources and data shared with the SCHA by Medi-Cal Managed care plans (MCPs). NORC reviewed the guiding principles for performance data, as previously discussed at the SCHA in May 2024. Priorities are to leverage existing data that is collected and reported.</p> <p>The SCHA Medi-Cal goals and data were narrowed to five areas: 1) Quality, 2) Access to Care, 3) Social Determinants of Health, 4) CalAIM, 5) Value Based Purchasing. Commissioner Kirby voiced that access to care, specifically specialty care was of particular interest, and aligns with the SCHA Ad-Hoc Specialty Care group. Examples of data sets for each of the five goal areas were provided and can be viewed in more detail in the PowerPoint presentation.</p> <p>The timeline for developing a proposal will be to bring a proposal to the general commission in August, for their feedback and/or approval.</p> <p><u>Discussion on data availability:</u></p> <p>QIQA Chair, Dr. Khaira expressed interest in leveraging the existing data sources for the plans, and to be able to look at a deeper level at a provider level. Jenine shared that the plans are hesitant to release more data beyond what they are already reporting, due to</p>

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the workload this brings on with analyzing and validating data. The goal would be if the SCHA can help support the plans by reviewing their data to make recommendations to help them improve their quality measures. Commissioners discussed whether there would be a way to make a smaller ask for more detailed data within a few specific goal areas where it appears that there are greater disparities on performance across all the plans.

The plans would prefer to provide data to the SCHA, at the same time as the state, if it is provided in a closed forum, with the data not having been validated yet. Commissioners voiced a desire to support the plans in improving their performance.

Discussion on measure selection

The Healthcare Effectiveness Data and Information Set (HEDIS) measures are reviewed to assess any performance disparities that are above or below the established benchmarks and the Managed Care Accountability Sets (MCAS) data set has about 40 of those HEDIS measures. The previous agreement with the plans is that the data request that the SCHA puts forward will be the ongoing standing data request, and not something that will be added to or changed later. Commissioners discussed a desire for stratification by demographics, zip code, etc. The Community Health Assessment (CHA) and Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) are collaborative spaces between the plans and the County where data sharing may be able to be leveraged.

The bold goals presentation from the plans to the SCHA last year was a great example of the plans bringing forward disaggregated data. Some discussion on the feasibility of partnering with the plans to get disaggregated data instantaneously, and not just one or two years later.

Other data points could be considered, such as mental health and substance use, and immunizations for children and adolescents. Further discussion at the next meeting to identify which metrics the plans would benefit from improving financially, from incentives to meet minimum state guidelines.

3. Public Comment – *One comment per person, limited to two minutes.*

No public comment

4. Next Steps and Adjournment – *Dr. Ravinder Khaira*

Meeting adjourned at 4:46pm

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