

Medi-Cal Dental Advisory Committee Meeting



Meeting Minutes

Thursday, December 7, 2023 – 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Sacramento County Public Health Education Programs
9616 Micron Avenue, Suite 900 – Conference Room 1
Sacramento CA 95827

Zoom Meeting ID: 160 974 4937

Facilitator: Jonathan Porteus, Chair

Scribe: Jennifer Fitzpatrick

Members Present:

- James Musser
- Shannon McConnell
- Cynthia Stuart
- Sunanda Bandyopadhyay
- Michelle Monroe
- Rachel Shafer
- Julie Gallelo
- Katie Andrew
- Cathy Levering
- Roshani Mehta
- Jonathan Porteus

Members Absent:

- Olivia Kasirye
- Darrell Kenworthy
- Vanessa Stacholy
- Bilee Hernandez
- Robin Blanks-Guster
- Tim Martinez

Members Called in:

- Mary Jess Wilson
- Monica Montano

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Public Present in person or teleconference: Adrianna Alcala-Beshara, Adriane Sawyer, A Figueras, Alisha Gutierrez, Anastasia Dodson, Barbara Aved, Bre Stark, Brittany Vacura, Cardia Losil, Cynthia Johnston, Chris Llamas, Candy Stirdivant, Cherag Sarkari, Debbie Blanchard, Denise Canacari, Danielle Cannarozzi, Dorothy Seleski, Destiny Rockwood, D Ferber, Debra Payne, E Cruz, Eddie Hu, Emily Bautista-Manley, Felicia Fondren, F Saldana, Gurvir Sidhu, Jennifer Duong, Jennifer Fitzpatrick, Katherine Martinez, K Morrill, Kelsey Hovey, Judy Lema, Liz Bishop, Linh Le, Margaret Delmore, May Saeturn, N Young, Navish Reddy, Peter Mendoza, Rhoda Gonzales, Robin Muck, Rosanna Jackson, Susan McLearn, Sarah Costa, Tatevik Movsesyan, Tiffany Turner.

2:00	Welcome and Introductions	Meeting called to order at 2:04 pm Jonathan Porteus.
2:05	Approve Meeting Minutes (Action)	October 5, 2023 meeting minutes reviewed by the Committee. Motion to approve: Cathy Levering Second: James Musser Motion Carried.
2:07	Approve Meeting Minutes (Action)	November 14, 2023 meeting minutes reviewed by the Committee. Motion to approve: Cynthia Stuart Second: Julie Gallelo Motion Carried.
2:08	Approve New MCDAC Member- Morgan Musser (Advocate) (Action)	Committee approves new member Morgan Musser (Advocate). Motion to approve: Cathy Levering Second: Roshani Mehta Motion Carried
2:10	Approve Amended Committee Charter (Action)	Cathy Levering proposed an amendment to the amended MCDAC Charter: No single organization shall be represented by more than one voting member. Motion to approve: James Musser Second: Cathy Levering Motion Carried.
2:15	DHCS Update	Presented by Adrianna Alcala-Beshara <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Medi-Cal Dental Program/Cal AIM Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approvals just came through for the following program updates: RDH/AP/EF enrollment in Medi-Cal will be aligned with state standard requirement to have contractual agreement with a dental provider and no longer require that the provider be Medi-Cal enrolled. Medi-Cal RDH/AP/EF can arrange for care coordination to a Medi-Cal enrolled dental provider through referral to the telephone service

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center; provider manual criteria for prior authorization requests can be changed without going through the state amendment process.

- [Cal AIM Performance Update \(August 2023\)](#) shared. Note: DHCS is working on updating the system to include a field for non-binary gender designation.

b. Continuous Coverage Unwinding

- DHCS continues member outreach efforts to spread awareness of renewal period. Information and materials are available in provider offices, online, and through telephone service line.

c. Dental Managed Care Contract Procurement Update

- Responses due 2/22/2024. New contracts will go live 1/1/2025. Responses to the second Q&A period will be released soon.

d. Sacramento County Medi-Cal Dental Fact Sheet

- Shared by Katherine Martinez. DHCS is implementing MCDAC requested changes to the Fact Sheet. Changes to include Top Denied Procedure codes and TAR requests are forthcoming and will be included in future Fact Sheets. Future Rendering Provider counts will indicate FFS/DMC crossover. Discussion regarding specialty provider counts will continue at the next DHCS/MCDAC meeting.



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e. [FFS vs. DMC Performance Fact Sheet](#) shared by Adrianna.


- Going forward, Dental Managed Care plans will update MCDAC on All Plan meetings with DHCS and any corrective actions to maximize transparency.
- DHCS is waiting for a decision from MCDAC on a suitable comparison county.
- Suggestion made for dental providers to be included at All Plan meetings on a quarterly basis.
- Suggestion made for quality measures to be included in DMC evaluation.

f. 1915(b) CalAIM Waiver Plan Parity with FFS

- DHCS received the letter of comment from MCDAC and is working on a response.

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	Motion to approve postponing remaining agenda items to a following meeting.	Motion to adjourn the Stakeholder and Subcommittee updates to January 18, 2024. Moved: Julie Gallelo Second: Jim Musser Motion carried.
	MCDAC Work Plan Updates	Item adjourned to next meeting.
	Center for Oral Health/Early Smiles Sacramento Update	Item adjourned to next meeting.
	California Dental Association Update	Item adjourned to next meeting.
	Dental Plan Updates	Item adjourned to next meeting.
4:20	Announcements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Program Updates on Medicare and Medi-Cal Dual Eligibility: Anastasia Dodson, DHCS Office of Medicare Innovation and Integration Deputy Director presents an update on Medi-Medi Plans affecting Medi-Cal Dental benefits for Medicare eligible members.  <p>Sacramento Expansion County N</p>
4:36	Adjournment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting adjourned at 4:36 pm by Jonathan Porteus. Adjourned meeting is January 18, 2024.

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