

Medi-Cal Dental Advisory Committee Meeting



Meeting Minutes

Thursday, February 1, 2024 – 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: 161 423 7216

Facilitator: Jonathan Porteus, Chair

Scribe: Jennifer Fitzpatrick

Members Present:

- James Musser
- Michelle Monroe
- Jonathan Porteus
- Roshani Mehta
- Sunanda Bandyopadhyay
- Cathy Levering
- Julie Gallelo
- Monica Montano
- Vanessa Stacholy
- Timothy Martinez
- Robin Blanks-Guster
- Cynthia Stuart
- Shannon McConnell
- Rachel Shafer
- Bilee Hernandez

Members Absent:

- Mary Jess Wilson

Members Called in:

- Darell Kenworthy
- Olivia Kasirye

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Public Present in person or teleconference: Adrienne Sawyer, Alisha Gutierrez, Annaly Quintero, Adrianna Alcala-Beshara, Bre Stark, Brian Jones, Brittany Vacura, Chris Llamas, Cynthia Johnston, Cynthia Smith, David Goodman, Debbie Blanchard, Danielle Cannarozzi, Debra Payne, Destiny Rockwood, D Ferber, Dorothy Seleski, Doreena Wong, Denise Canacari, Eddie Hu, Eric Hansen, Francisco Lepe, Felicia Fondren, Griselda Zamora, Helen Pham, Jan Resler, Jay Anderson, Jennifer Duong, Jennifer Fitzpatrick, K. Morrill, Kristy Wiese, Judy Lema, Lisa Hooks, Liz Bishop, Margaret Delmore, May Saeturn, Morgan Musser, N Young, Navish Reddy, Paul Glassman, Robin Muck, Rosanna Jackson, Cherag Sarkari, Susan McLearn, Tiffany Turner, Tracy Ngo.

2:05	Welcome and Introductions	Meeting called to order at 2:05 pm by Jonathan Porteus.
2:06	Approve Meeting Minutes (Action)	January 18, 2024 minutes reviewed by the Committee. Motion to approve: Robin Blanks-Guster Second: Cathy Levering Motion Carried.
2:08	Approve Proposal to Change MCDAC Fact Sheet Comparison County to Contra Costa and Alameda (Action)	Proposal reviewed by the Committee. Motion to approve: Cathy Levering Second: Dr. Bandyopadhyay Motion Carried.
2:09	Approve Report of MCDAC Goals and Accomplishments for 2022 and 2023 (Action)	MDAC Goals and Accomplishments Report reviewed by the Committee. Motion to approve: Cynthia Stuart Second: Dr. Timothy Martinez Motion Carried.

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<p>2:10</p>	<p>Community Health Works Presentation</p>	<p>Presented by Griselda Zamora, Director of Community Health Works and Kimberly Arredondo-Blanco, Project Manager</p> <p>Questions, Answers and Comments followed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adrianna Alcalá-Beshara reinforced that both FFS and DMC provide transportation. The link is: https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/medi-cal/Pages/Transportation.aspx • Adriana Alcalá-Beshara clarifies the process for switching to DMC is to contact the phone line at 800-322-6384 and communicate that the member cannot find a provider within the time and distance standards; the case will be reviewed. Specialists are included in these standards. If the case meets requirements, members will be assigned to a DMC plan. If there is an urgent need, the switch will be processed in a matter of days. <div style="text-align: right;">  <p>CoHeWo - Partner Presentation.pdf</p> </div>
<p>2:40</p>	<p>MCDAC Subcommittee Updates</p>	<p>a. Dr. Porteus reviewed the seventeen Oral Health Needs Assessment Recommendations. MCDAC will select 3 areas of focus to work on this year.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Porteus volunteers to work on recommendation to encourage local Alcohol and Drug programs to engage in oral health. • Workgroup formed to address creating additional capacity in Sacramento hospitals and surgery centers for general anesthesia (GA) procedures and recruit one new oral surgeon: Dr. Porteus, Morgan Musser, Dr. Glassman, Cathy Levering, Dr. Sarkari. • Work group formed to address improvement of disparities and inequities in oral health care: Julie Gallelo, Robin Blanks-Guster, Brian Jones, Dr. Glassman, Debra Payne, Bilee Hernandez, Lisa Hooks. • Workgroup formed to increase opportunities for integration of oral health in general health settings, and promotion of oral health in more community needs assessments/surveys, particularly for seniors: Cynthia Stuart, Michelle Monroe, Timothy Martinez, Dr. Sarkari. • Dental Plan Dental Directors have begun meeting regularly and will work to include the Sacramento FQHC Dental Directors—Dr. Lisa Nguyen and Dr. Brittany Vacura. <p>b. FFS Provider Network Adequacy Subcommittee: Cathy Levering, Debra Payne, Dr. Sarkari, Cynthia Stuart, Adrianna Alcalá-Beshara to consult.</p>

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3:50	Center for Oral Health/Early Smiles Sacramento Update	Presented by Rachel Shafer 100 children with urgent care needs were referred to Smiles for Kids Day in February.
3:55	CDA Update	Presented by Monica Montano Funding for the \$50 million grant program to expand dental clinics to serve more patients with special health care needs was delayed. Coalition group to address reallocation of the funding has been formed. CDA encourages applications.
4:00	Dental Plan Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updates were presented at the January meeting, so none were provided today.
4:03	Announcements	Dr. Musser expresses concerns about translators that don't show up as scheduled or who may provide inadequate translation.
4:05	Adjournment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting adjourned at 4:05 pm by Jonathan Porteus. • Next Meeting April 4, 2024 2:00 -4:00 pm