

Sacramento County Public Health Advisory Board

Meeting Minutes

December 3, 2014, 12:00 – 1:30pm

Primary Care Center

4600 Broadway

Sacramento, CA 95820

Conference Room 2020

Moderator: Morgan Staines - Chair

Scribe: Mark Thorpe - Staff

Board Attendees: Morgan Staines, Raquel Simental, Peter Simpson, Michelle Rivas, Pheng Lee, Dr. Robert Meagher, Mildred Kahane, Dr. LeOndra Clark Harvey, Michael Blair, Sherry Patterson-Jarrett, Dr. Olivia Kasirye

Board Members Excused: Dr. Sandy Damiano, Dr. Adam Dougherty

Board Members Absent: Allie Shilin Budenz, Dr. William Douglas

Guests: Steven Orkand, Marcia Jo

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Topic	Minutes
Welcome and Introductions	Meeting began at 12:10pm
Minutes Review	November minutes: Approved
Appointments and Vacancies	<p>HIV Health Services Planning Council:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PHAB Approved 1 appointment and 6 reappointments. <p>Vacancies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PHAB has currently 2 vacancies: 1 Health Care, and 1 Public Health. • Peter Simpson and Dr. Robert Meagher will be terming out at the end of the year. • Raquel Simental will resign at the end of the year. <p>Action Item: Mark Thorpe will send out a list of active Boards and Committees to the group.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HSCC: Sherry and LeOndra expressed interest • Medi-Cal Advisory: Sherry expressed interest • Executive: Pheng and Michael expressed interest
PHAB Executive Committee Officer Election	<p>Action Item: PHAB tasked the Executive Committee with making recommendations for Officer Elections. PHAB Executives invited all interested members to come to the December meeting. Anyone interested in joining the Executive Committee can e-mail Mark Thorpe with their information.</p>
Primary Health Services Division Update	<p>Marcia Jo sitting in for Dr. Sandy Damiano:</p> <p>MEDI-CAL MANAGED CARE ADVISORY COMMITTEE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LAST MEETING: Minutes, data and documents are now posted. Committee members – please review all documents. We covered a great of information and data. • NEXT MEETING: January 26, 2015 3 PM – 5 PM. Agenda will be posted in January. Tentative topics: Data 2014, Mental Health networks and access (MHP/Plans), 2015 topics, etc. • LINK: http://www.dhhs.saccounty.net/PRI/Pages/Sacramento-Medi-Cal-Managed-Care-Stakeholder-Advisory-Committee/BC-MCMC.aspx

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GMC DATA

- **As of November 1**, GMC enrollment total was **375,625** which is an enrollment take-up of **11,034** for the month. *Take-up for the period of January 1 – November 1 = 114,696*
- **Enrollment by plan**: Anthem Blue Cross 143,361; Health Net 118,127; Kaiser 62,354 and Molina 51,783.
- **Other data discussed at the meeting is posted** – Hospital ED (homeless); Criminal Justice population; MAGI/Non-MAGI enrolled (Managed care / FFS).

STATE DHCS

- **Managed Care Division** – splitting structure in two, creating two new divisions – operations (contract management and transitions of populations) AND monitoring (network adequacy/accessibility, quality).
- **RFA Comment Period** – now closed. DHCS is reviewing comments. Will share a Q&A document when available.
- **Rural Non-COHS Counties** – transition began 12/01/14. Approximately 22,000 new plan enrollees. Will also make Community Based Adult Services a managed care benefit.

ELIGIBILITY, ENROLLMENT & NAVIGATION

- **PENDING Medi-Cal Applications** – 21,814 as of 10/31/14. Per DHA this includes cases that are pending from CalHEERS and cases in CalWIN system waiting to be processed. As of December 1, the State pending list is approximately 99,900. They expect to clear the pending applications by the end of the month.
- **Express Lane** – 270,864 individuals have been enrolled through the Express Lane. A second waive of express lane outreach took place in October and November. Individuals on CalFresh can “opt in” to Medi-Cal. They can do so by calling HCO or using the web portal. See link: <http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/medi-cal/eligibility/Pages/ExpressLane.aspx>
- **Medi-Cal Outreach & Enrollment AB 82** – CBOs delivering this service include: Wind Youth Services, Strategies for Change, La Familia, Sacramento Covered, CARES, Child Action, Harm Reduction, Southeast Asian Center, Gender Health Center, and Crossroads.

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	<p>Target populations include persons with mental health/substance use disorders, homeless, young men of color, criminal justice population (county jail, parole, probation), families with mixed immigration status, and persons with limited English proficiency. <i>Services are anticipated to begin later this month.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Mental Health Navigators</u> – DHHS Behavioral Health awarded TLCS the navigator contract. There will be 14 Navigators. Locations - Emergency Departments, Loaves & Fishes/Friendship Park, Main Jail, and MHTC ISU. Program start up is anticipated no later than July 2015. <p>OTHER</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>UCD will sever ties with Health Net Medi-Cal Managed Care</u> – This change is effective January 1. This impacts 3,700 enrollees who will shift from UCD to the River City Medical Group. • <u>Healthcare for the Undocumented</u> - Sen. Lara introduced SB 4 which would expand Medi-Cal and subsidized coverage to undocumented immigrants. • <u>See new issue brief November 2014</u> – Ready, Set, Enroll: Early Returns: The Impact of Coverage Expansion on Payer Mix, Demand for Services, Access and Patient Expectations at Calif Community Clinics. Prepared by Pacific Health Consulting with funding by Blue Shield of California Foundation. http://www.blueshieldcafoundation.org/sites/default/files/publications/downloadable/Ready%20Set%20Enroll%20Nov%20UpdateFINAL%20Nov17_2014.pdf • <u>Medi-Cal Rate</u> – See article in California Healthline today regarding the two year Medicaid bump and implementation of the FFS 10% reduction: http://www.californiahealthline.org/capitol-desk/2014/12/primary-care-medical-providers-about-to-be-hit-by-double-ratecut-whammy
Public Health Division Update	<p>Dr. Olivia Kasirye:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public Health Department has been coordinating with the Center for Disease Control and California State regarding Ebola outbreak and preparedness information on a weekly basis. • Currently there are 35 designated Ebola Hospitals across the Nation. • Kaiser South Sacramento and UC Davis are designated Ebola Hospitals.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staffing support is available to handle Ebola cases and staff quarantines in the designated hospitals. • Southern California will have Ebola designated hospitals but they are working on approval. • Flu Season is starting; no reports of cases so far this season.
Needle Exchange	<p>Peter Simpson</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Peter passed out a handout regarding Syringe Exchange Impact Summaries. • Chapter 18 of the Health and Safety Code allows local organizations, like Harm Reduction Services, to provide Needle Exchange Programs within communities that do not already have a program set up through local Government. • Currently, only Sacramento City allows Needle Exchange programs within City limits. • Last year, Harm Reduction Services has worked to distribute ¼ million new syringes and removed about 50 trash can size containers of used needles for disposal in Sacramento City and would like to expand into the County limits. • The application process is very complicated and requires community organization for sites outside Sacramento City limits. • Each site requires a separate application, written consent from the owner of the property (or lease holder), and an endorsement from the Local Citizen’s Committee, Drug Free Zone, or Neighborhood Watch. • Rancho Cordova, the La Riviera Light Rail Station, Roseville Train Yards, and Elk Grove are areas that can benefit from Needle Exchange Programs. • Pharmacies within Sacramento can legally sell clean needles to customers without a prescription, but pharmacies opt-out because they don’t want to encourage drug abuse. • Individuals carrying syringes must provide evidence showing the needles came from a Doctor, Pharmacy, or Needle Exchange Program. HRS provides cards for all exchanges to prevent unnecessary citations. • 250 people infected with HIV and 12,000 infected with Hepatitis C due to used syringe infections, not to mention several abscess infections that often require Emergency Room visits and overnight hospitalization. • Cost of the Needle Exchange Program for Sacramento County: Free • Next year, Harm Reduction Services set a goal to distribute 1 million clean needles, and remove used needles, at no cost to the community by utilizing Grant Funding.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Since 2007, there have been no police objections, emergencies, or negative events associated with the current syringe exchange program within Sacramento City. <p><u>Action Item:</u> Peter Simpson would like PHAB to support expanding the current Needle Exchange Program into Sacramento County, and asks that PHAB reviews the best method for making a recommendation to the Board of Supervisors requesting that they vote to allow legal syringe exchange programs within Sacramento County.</p> <p><u>Action Item:</u> Members of PHAB would like to see additional information that includes data or studies performed that show the success of the current program within Sacramento City.</p> <p><u>Action Item:</u> PHAB assigned the topic to the Executive Committee for further research and evaluation.</p>
Visioning Statement Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PHAB Executives presented the final version of the revised statement: “Sacramento is a community that supports a comprehensive vision of public health by promoting healthy people, healthy environments, economic sustainability, and safe communities.” <p><u>Action Item:</u> PHAB voted to approve the statement: Approved</p>
MAPP Process Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Kasirye followed-up on a concern regarding the origins of the MAPP Community Survey. She stated the survey was adapted from a template provided by the National Association of County and City Health Officials and was used by other Counties during their accreditation process. • Dr. Kasirye addressed concerns regarding the purpose and direction of the MAPP Committee.
Public Comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Steven Orkand: Commented positively on the Visioning Statement.
Adjourn	Meeting ended at 1:30pm