

Sacramento County Health Authority Commission General Meeting

Meeting Minutes

January 18, 2021, 3:00 – 5:00 PM

Meeting Location

In compliance with County, State, and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention directives related to the COVID-19 public health emergency, this meeting was held remotely via webinar and conference call.

Attendance

Name	Attendance	Name	Attendance
SCHA Voting Members			
Chet Hewitt, <i>Chair</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present <input type="checkbox"/> Absent	Kyle Stefano	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present <input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Addie Hernandez	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present <input type="checkbox"/> Absent	Marvin Kamras, MD	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present <input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Ann Boynton	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present <input type="checkbox"/> Absent	Michelle Monroe	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present <input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Debra Payne	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present <input type="checkbox"/> Absent	Phil Jackson	<input type="checkbox"/> Present <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Absent
Edwin Kirby, <i>Vice-Chair</i>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present <input type="checkbox"/> Absent	Ravinder Khaira, MD	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present <input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Jerry Bliatout	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present <input type="checkbox"/> Absent	Ryan Quist	<input type="checkbox"/> Present <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Absent
Chevon Kothari	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present <input type="checkbox"/> Absent	Stacy Lorenzen	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present <input type="checkbox"/> Absent
John Landefeld, MD	<input type="checkbox"/> Present <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Absent	Supervisor Patrick Kennedy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present <input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Jonathan Porteus	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present <input type="checkbox"/> Absent		
Kim Williams	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present <input type="checkbox"/> Absent		
SCHA Non-Voting Members			
Janice Milligan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present <input type="checkbox"/> Absent	Thiru Rajagopal	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present <input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Les Ybarra	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present <input type="checkbox"/> Absent	Martha Santana-Chin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present <input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Abbie Totten	<input type="checkbox"/> Present <input type="checkbox"/> Absent		
County Staff to SCHA			
Jenine Spotnitz	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present <input type="checkbox"/> Absent		

Agenda Item	Time
<p>1. Welcome/Opening Remarks and Updates – Chet Hewitt, Chair</p> <p>Chair Chet Hewitt convened the meeting at 3:00 pm. He thanked everyone for joining the meeting and noted the special meeting that happened earlier in the month to finalize and approve the Commission’s annual report to the Board. This will be submitted to the Board on Tuesday, January 25, 2022.</p> <p>Chair Chet Hewitt stated that a goal for today’s meeting is to consider priorities for the coming year and to form a comprehensive, strategic planning process. Some feedback has been received that will be discussed with the Commission.</p> <p>Chair Chet Hewitt welcomed Sarah Brooks, who will provide a presentation on the DHCS Draft Comprehensive Quality Strategy, which address both quality and health equity. If the Commission needs more time to review this, a special meeting can be scheduled for next Wednesday to accommodate this.</p>	<p>3:00 – 3:05 pm</p>

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<p>2. Agenda Review – <i>Jenine Spotnitz, Sacramento County Department of Health Services</i></p> <p>Jenine Spotnitz reviewed the agenda and noted that the 2022 Commission Calendar includes several adjusted meeting dates to accommodate Board of Supervisor meetings.</p>	<p>3:05 – 3:08 pm</p>
<p>3. Updates and Discussion</p> <p>A. <i>Consumer Protection Committee – Kyle Stefano, Chair, and John Landefeld, Vice-Chair</i></p> <p>Commissioners Kyle Stefano and John Landefeld noted that, due to schedules, the committee has not yet met this year but will meet on the 4th Thursday of the month.</p> <p>B. <i>Quality Improvement/Quality Assurance Committee – Ravinder Khaira, Chair, and Chevon Kothari, Vice-Chair</i></p> <p>Commissioners Dr. Khaira and Chevon Kothari reported that the Quality Improvement/Quality Assurance Committee completed its review of the draft of Sacramento-specific goals for Medi-Cal and identified which ones would be best addressed by the Commission. They noted that meetings would be reduced to once a month on the 2nd Thursday.</p> <p>C. <i>Ad Hoc Committee – Jenine Spotnitz</i></p> <p>Jenine Spotnitz noted that the Ad Hoc Committee’s work is underway. They have 9 expert reviewers for this confidential process. At this point, no other details can be shared other than that the review process is going well. The Ad Hoc Committee will report back with its MCP ranks during the February 4th Commission meeting.</p> <p>D. <i>Department of Health Services Director’s Update – Chevon Kothari</i></p> <p>Commissioner Chevon Kothari provided an update on ARPA funding, noting that the County has received 10M for its Social Health Information Exchange. This project will build out over a couple of years. More information will be shared as time goes on.</p>	<p>3:08 – 3:20 pm</p>
<p>4. Discussion and Action: Commission Budget Request and Planning for 2022 – <i>Jenine Spotnitz, Sacramento County Department of Health Services</i></p> <p>Commissioner Chevon Kothari reported that the Department of Health Services is requesting \$100,000 over FY 22-23 to support the Commission. She</p>	<p>3:20 – 3:50 pm</p>

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<p>discussed leveraging existing contracts and will keep the Commission updated on whether it is approved by the County Board of Supervisors.</p> <p>Commissioner Chevon Kothari noted that in the interim, other DHS funds have been identified that can be used to support the strategic planning process. The Commission intends to work with Bobbie Wunsch on this matter.</p> <p>Commissioner Chevon Kothari called for input on priority areas to support Commission planning and work. Some priority areas that have already emerged include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. Strategic planning;b. Monitoring and evaluation framework; andc. Beneficiary engagement. <p>Commissioner Michelle Monroe noted that one possible project is to develop a system/software product that can take in data for analysis.</p> <p>Commissioner Dr. Khaira noted that he thought most encounter data is derived via a claims based system, and that helps maintain data integrity across platforms.</p> <p>Lisa Chan-Sawin from Transform Health noted that the new Department of Health Care Access and Information (formerly OSHPD) is leading a statewide all payers claims database build out that is inclusive of encounter and claims data. She shared that more information about that effort is available here: https://hcai.ca.gov/oshpd-selects-platform-vendor-for-californias-new-all-payer-claims-database/</p> <p>Chair Chet Hewitt noted that he approved of this plan and that once an appropriation is made, the Commission can oversee what is included in the budget. Chair Chet Hewitt asked for more clarification about allocations for the beneficiary input process.</p> <p>Commissioner Martha Santana-Chin provided the following link that includes special terms and conditions that include enhancements to consumer and stakeholder feedback and engagement that might be helpful: https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/provgovpart/Documents/CalAIM-1915b-STCs.pdf</p> <p>Commissioner Ann Boynton asked if any more staff could be brought on to assist. Commissioner Chevon Kothari noted that there will be additional staffing to support the Commission.</p>	
<p>5. Presentation, Discussion, and Action: Commission Comments on Department of Health Care Services Draft Comprehensive Quality</p>	<p>3:50 – 4:45 pm</p>

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Strategy – Sarah Brooks, Sellers Dorsey

Sarah Brooks provided a presentation and facilitated a discussion concerning Commission comments on the Department of Health Care Services Draft Comprehensive Quality Strategy (<https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/Documents/DHCS-Comprehensive-Quality-Strategy-2022.pdf>). Sarah Brooks noted that DHCS is accepting comments until January 27, 2022. Sarah Brooks noted the draft comment areas including posting County-plan level data on an open portal with all performance metrics and using key demographics. The second draft comment area is stakeholder engagement and how to strengthen it. Commissioners drafted the following comments for DHCS:

Questions

1. How did DHCS define and select the indicators for the Bold Goals 50x2025, and what is the baseline performance for these indicators? The Commission would like to ensure that the goals are based upon the needs identified in the data.

Requests

2. In the open data portal, provide County-plan level data of:
 - a. all performance metrics and operational metrics (including eligibility statistics, network adequacy, timeliness standards, and complaints and grievances);
 - b. performance and operational metrics by key demographics (e.g., race, ethnicity, language, sexual orientation and gender identity (SOGI); and other data for health equity efforts)
 - c. health disparity metrics.
1. Strengthen stakeholder engagement
 - d. Ensure county-level representative samples are obtained at a regular frequency
2. Data collected on all levels (delegated and sub-delegated) need to be transparent. The subdelegated entity should document and submit data to the MCP for every encounter, and the MCP to DHCS, regardless of whether it is capitated or not.
3. Standardize quality and health equity data and reporting across DHCS and DMHC.
4. Ensure DHCS makes it easy for beneficiaries to update their contact information (including email address, cell phone). Include requisite permission for MCP and health care providers to reach out to beneficiaries.

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<p>5. Please provide at least 60 days for review of documents, and longer (e.g., 90 days) for long, significant documents.</p> <p>6. To account for geographic risk factors (e.g., air quality), consider collecting and reporting neighborhood-level data.</p> <p>Comments</p> <p>7. The overall efficacy of the quality will depend on the quality and consistency of the data the providers are able to send to the health plans, and the health plans to DHCS. It needs both encounter data and a lot of clinical data. Those are challenging to transmit well, and a lot of reconciliation is usually needed. It would be prudent for the state not to underestimate the amount of effort that will take for providers and MCPs as data collection moves forward.</p> <p>8. Encounter data received by MCPs and submitted to the state may not be the complete encounter data set because of lack of transmission of data to MCPs by IPAs and providers</p> <p>9. Consider the length of time it will take to collect a full SOGI data set, and it is important to set realistic timelines for this data to be collected.</p> <p>Chair Chet Hewitt called for public comment, and there was none.</p> <p>Commissioner Ryan Quist made a motion to approve the Commission’s comments for DHCS. Commissioner Michelle Monroe seconded the motion. The motion carried.</p>	
<p>6. Public Comment – <i>One comment per person, limited to two minutes.</i></p> <p>Chair Chet Hewitt called for public comment, and there was none.</p>	<p>4:45 – 4:55 pm</p>
<p>7. Closing Comments and Adjournment – <i>Chet Hewitt, Chair</i></p> <p>Chair Chet Hewitt noted that the next meeting is February 4, 2022 from 1:00 – 3:00 pm. He adjourned the meeting at 4:51 pm.</p>	<p>4:55 – 5:00 pm</p>

Members of the public are encouraged to attend. Public comments are accepted during designated time. Electronic or hard copies of documents are available upon request. To request documents, or if you wish to attend and need to arrange for an interpreter or a reasonable accommodation, please contact Jenine Spotnitz at SpotnitzJ@saccounty.net or (916) 216-1782. Electronic copies of documents will be emailed upon request and hard copies of documents may be picked up at 7001-A East Parkway, Sacramento, CA 95823. For more information regarding the Sacramento County Health Authority Commission, please visit our website at Sacramento County Health Authority.