

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

Meeting Minutes

July 22, 2021, 5:00 PM – 6:00 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			
Addie Hernandez	<input type="checkbox"/> Present <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Absent	Jonathan Porteus	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present <input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Debra Payne	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present <input type="checkbox"/> Absent	Ravinder Khaira, MD	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present <input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Edwin Kirby	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present <input type="checkbox"/> Absent	Ryan Quist	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present <input type="checkbox"/> Absent
Chevon Kothari	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present <input type="checkbox"/> Absent	Stacy Lorenzen	<input type="checkbox"/> Present <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Absent
John Landefeld, MD	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present <input type="checkbox"/> Absent		
County Staff to SCHA		Consultants to SCHA	
Jenine Spotnitz	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present <input type="checkbox"/> Absent	Lisa Chan-Sawin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present <input type="checkbox"/> Absent
		Dawn Hawkins Johnson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Present <input type="checkbox"/> Absent

Agenda Item	Time
<p>1. Welcome and Agenda Review – Chevon Kothari, Committee Vice-Chair</p> <p>Vice Chair Chevon Kothari convened the meeting at 5:07 pm and reviewed the agenda.</p>	5:00 – 5:05 pm
<p>2. Discussion and Action: Review Managed Care Plan (MCP) Assessment Metrics and Process – Dr. Ravinder Khaira, Committee Chair</p> <p>The Committee reviewed and brainstormed assessment metrics. They discussed various source of information, including audits, screening and attestation documents, and specific metrics, such as vaccinations and whether they are indicated during anesthesia for certain vulnerable patients.</p> <p>The Committee discussed the assessment process, including the approach of setting certain standards as threshold requirements for the MCP vetting process; the need to consult with County Counsel regarding options for ensuring the process is confidentiality, such as utilizing an ad hoc committee with technical expertise; considerations for MCPs to indicate proprietary information; and the need to maintain anonymity of reviewers. The Committee discussed approaches</p>	5:05 – 5:45 pm

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<p>including assigning expert reviewers numbers to ensure their names are not documented with their scores, and to report back aggregate scores to the Commission. The Committee noted that the next steps will be to develop scoring criteria for the assessment.</p> <p>Several Commissioners discussed the feedback to the state regarding the number of MCPs that would operate in Sacramento after the next procurement cycle. A Commissioner noted previous workgroups which had recommended moving forward with three MCPs: Kaiser plus two other MCPs. The Committee agreed to discuss this further and see if they wanted to recommend more plans.</p>	
<p>Public Comment – <i>One comment per person, limited to two minutes.</i></p> <p>Aaron Starfire, Aetna Better Health, stated that he appreciated the Committee’s focus on quality, the background discussion regarding confidentiality and competitive bids. He supported back end conversations with Counsel and expressed it ws a good idea to determine in advance the best way to get all the detail to make recommendations as the Commission sees fit. He stated that Health Plans will need measures to assure confidentiality of information that is due to the Commission in advance of the RFP, as otherwise they would be showing their hand to all their other competitors. He acknowledge the Committee has thought of that, and it is a big deal for Health Plans. He stated that if confidentiality to some degree cannot be given, it may be hard for plans to respond at all, and he wants to be in a position to provide all that can be helpful to the Commission.</p>	5:45 – 5:55 pm
<p>3. Next Steps and Adjournment – <i>Chevon Kothari, Committee Vice-Chair</i></p> <p>Chevon Kothari adjourned the meeting at 5:53pm.</p>	5:55 – 6:00 pm

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.