



Medi-Cal Children's Health Advisory Panel

Date: Thursday, September 9, 2021
Time: 9:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Webinar: [Register Here](#); Call-in participants who do not register for the webinar will not be able to make oral public comments.

9:30 – 9:40

Welcome and Introductions

Ken Hempstead, M.D., Chair

The Legislative Intent of AB 357 (Pan, Chapter 376, Statutes of 2014), as subsequently amended, states that the health and well-being of California's children should be among the state's top priorities, and it is imperative that every child in California has meaningful health coverage that includes benefits to support healthy growth and development. Children's health coverage should encompass more than just the treatment of diseases and illnesses, but should also cover services and care to promote healthy development and well-being, identify and address problems early on, and prevent chronic disease. Welfare and Institutions Code Section 14005.271 states that the Medi-Cal Children's Health Advisory Panel shall be an independent, statewide advisory board that shall advise the State Department of Health Care Services on matters relevant to all children enrolled in Medi-Cal and their families, including, but not limited to, emerging trends in the care of children, quality measurements, communications between the Department of Health Care Services and Medi-Cal families, provider network issues, and Medi-Cal enrollment issues.

- a. Roll Call of Members
- b. Review and Approval of June 24 Meeting Minutes

9:40 – 10:20

Opening Remarks by DHCS Director

Will Lightbourne and Jacey Cooper, DHCS

- a. COVID-19 Update
- b. Medi-Cal Rx Update
- c. Update on CalAIM and 1115 and 1915b Waiver Processes
- d. Legislative Update

10:20 – 11:20

Health Equity Areas of Focus

Palav Babaria, MD, and René Mollow, DHCS

- a. COVID-19 Vaccine Strategies for the Medi-Cal Population
- b. Community Health Workers and Doula Benefit
- c. Accountability Measures within the Managed Care Procurement

11:20 – 11:30

Break

- 11:30 – 12:30** Children’s Behavioral Health
Jacey Cooper, DHCS, and Daniel Lee, Psy.D, CSP, California Department of Education
a. Overview of Children and Youth Behavioral Health Initiative
b. Behavioral Health in Schools
- 12:30 – 12:35** Member Updates and Follow Up
MCHAP Members
- 12:35 – 12:50** Public Comment
Chair
- 12:50 – 1:00** Upcoming MCHAP Meeting – December 9, and Next Steps
Chair
Remaining Meeting Date for 2021:
- December 9

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