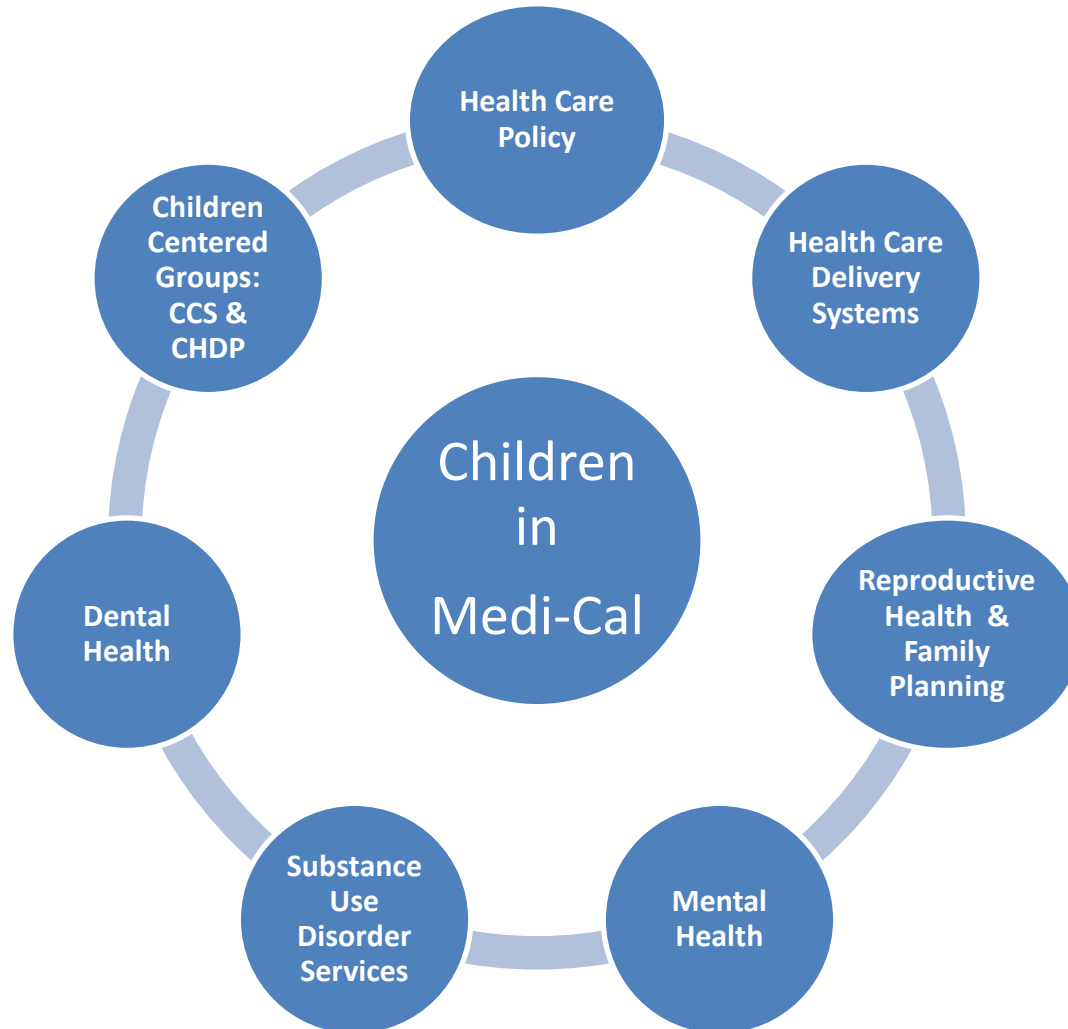




**Medi-Cal Children's Health Advisory Panel
March 18, 2015**

DHCS Stakeholder Groups Impacting Children's Health in Medi-Cal



HEALTH CARE POLICY

Stakeholder Advisory Committee (SAC)

The purpose of the SAC is to provide DHCS with feedback on 1115 Bridge to Reform waiver implementation efforts as well as other relevant health care policy issues impacting DHCS. SAC members are recognized stakeholders/experts in their fields, including, but not limited to, member advocacy organizations and representatives of various Medi-Cal provider groups. To view meeting materials, as well as materials from prior meetings, please visit the DHCS [website](#).

Eligibility and Enrollment: AB 1296 Eligibility & Expansion Stakeholder Workgroup

The AB 1296 stakeholder group meets regularly and includes representatives from DHCS, Covered California, CalHEERS, the Managed Risk Medical Insurance Board (MRMIB), counties, health plans, consumer advocates and other stakeholders to review issues related to eligibility, enrollment and retention. To review meeting materials from past meetings, please visit the DHCS [website](#).

Eligibility and Enrollment: Consumer-Focused Stakeholder Workgroup

The purpose of the Consumer-Focused Stakeholder Workgroup (CFSW) is to provide stakeholders an opportunity to review and provide feedback on a variety of consumer messaging materials. The forum focuses on eligibility and enrollment related activities and strives to offer an open discussion on Medi-Cal policies and functionality. CFSW participants are advocates from the consumer protection community, representatives of provider associations and experts in the health care field. To learn more, please contact DHCSoutreach@dhcs.ca.gov or visit the [CFSW meeting archive page](#).

HEALTH CARE DELIVERY SYSTEM

Medi-Cal Managed Care Division Advisory Group (MMCD AG)

The MMCD Advisory Group serves as a vehicle to facilitate active communication between the Medi-Cal Managed Care program and all interested parties and stakeholders. MMCD AG membership consists of advocacy groups, health plan

representatives, medical associations, and the State's enrollment broker. For meeting materials or additional information please visit the [MMCD AG Webpage](#).

REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH & FAMILY PLANNING

DHCS Office of Family Planning Stakeholder Meeting

The Office of Family Planning (OFP) is charged by the California Legislature “to make available to citizens of the State who are of childbearing age comprehensive medical knowledge, assistance, and services relating to the planning of families”. The purpose of family planning is to provide women and men a means by which they decide for themselves the number, timing, and spacing of their children. The OFP administers the Family Planning, Access, Care, and Treatment (Family PACT) program. Family PACT is California's innovative approach to provide comprehensive family planning services to eligible low income (under 200% federal poverty level) men and women. Family PACT serves 1.6 million income eligible men and women of childbearing age

OFP meetings are held the second Monday of each month and are used predominantly to discuss operational and policy issues related to the administration of the Family Planning, Access, Care, and Treatment (PACT) program and Medi-Cal family planning services. The meeting announcements are posted on the Family PACT [website](#).

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH: MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER SERVICES

Behavioral Health Forum

The Behavioral Health Forum focuses on addressing policy and program issues impacting public mental health and substance use disorder services (MHSUDS). The forum includes a Steering Committee, a consumer and family group, and three committees (Strengthen Specialty Mental Health and Drug Medi-Cal County Programs and Delivery Systems; Coordinated and Integrated Systems of Care for MHSUDS and Medical Care; and Coordinated and Useful Data Collection, Utilization, and Evaluation of Outcomes). DHCS structured the forum based upon stakeholder feedback that was compiled into a June 2013 report entitled “Stakeholder Recommendations for Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Services.” It's commonly referred to as the “Business Plan.” The co-chairs of the three committees will work with stakeholders on important issues and provide updates to the Steering Committee and consumer and family

group. The updates will include status reports on the department's progress toward addressing the recommendations, as well as seek additional stakeholder input. More than 100 program and policy issues identified in the Business Plan, as well as from other sources (e.g., the California Mental Health and Substance Use System Needs Assessment and Service Plan) have been organized into a table from which the subcommittees will organize their work. Meeting information and materials, including the table, can be downloaded from the DHCS [website](#). If you or anyone you know is interested in participating in one of the subcommittees, and/or the consumer and family member group, please contact us at MHSUDStakeholderInput@dhcs.ca.gov.

Behavioral Health Treatment

In consultation with stakeholders, DHCS has developed and defined eligibility criteria, provider participation criteria, utilization controls, and the delivery system for BHT services. DHCS may enter into exclusive or nonexclusive contracts on a bid or negotiated basis, including contracts for the purpose of obtaining subject matter expertise or other technical assistance in implementing BHT services. Additional information can be found at the [Behavioral Health Treatment Webpage](#).

Substance Use Disorder Waiver Advisory Group

DHCS convenes regular Substance Use Disorder (SUD) waiver advisory group meeting in Sacramento. DHCS is requesting an 1115 demonstration waiver from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) in order to operate the SUD Drug Medi-Cal (DMC) program as an organized delivery system. The goal of the waiver is to improve the quality and availability of substance use disorder treatment services for California's members. The waiver will also support coordination and integration across systems to the benefit of the members, with the goal of more appropriate use of health care, such as reduced emergency rooms and hospital inpatient visits. This structure will coordinate with county public safety systems to improve the coordination of mental health and substance use disorder services to better support offenders in their reentry back into the community. Stakeholder input is critical to this effort. Interested parties are welcome to attend the SUD waiver advisory group meeting in person or on a conference call at 1-888-769-9728 (passcode 6585523). Public comment can be provided at MHSUDStakeholderInput@dhcs.ca.gov. Meeting agendas and materials are posted on the DHCS [website](#).

Governor's Prevention Advisory Council (GPAC)

The GPAC coordinates the State's strategic efforts to reduce the incidence and prevalence of inappropriate alcohol, tobacco and other drug use.

DENTAL HEALTH

Medi-Cal Dental Benefits

The Medi-Cal Dental Advisory Committee (MCDAC) discusses the mandatory Medi-Cal Dental Geographic Managed Care Program in Sacramento County and ways to alleviate issues with Medi-Cal beneficiaries' access to care, improving utilization of dental plans, and mechanisms to use in conducting outreach to beneficiaries and providers to educate them on the importance of oral health.

The Los Angeles Prepaid Health Program Stakeholder Meeting is essentially similar discussions, but the focus is on the Medi-Cal Dental Program in Los Angeles County, which offers both dental managed care and Denti-Cal (Fee-For-Service).

CHILDREN CENTERED GROUPS

CCS Redesign Stakeholder Advisory Board (RSAB)

DHCS has launched a stakeholder process to review models for organized delivery system(s) to deliver coordinated, whole-child care to children and youth with special health care needs. Models may vary based on geography or population. DHCS has also partnered with UCLA Center for Health Policy Research (CHPR) to assist in the redesign. For additional information regarding the CCS Redesign, information can be found at the [California Children's Services \(CCS\) Redesign Webpage](#).

The California Child Welfare Council (CCWC)

The Council Serves as an advisory body that is responsible for improving the collaboration and processes of the multiple agencies and the courts that serve the children in the child welfare system. In addition, the Council is charged with monitoring and reporting on the extent to which the agencies and courts are responsive to the needs of children in their joint care.