



Strategic Planning Committee

Wednesday, July 19th, 2023

9:30 – 11:00 a.m.

Meeting Locations:

Partnership HealthPlan of California Offices

The Fairfield East Board Room (4665 Business Center Drive, Fairfield, CA)

Santa Rosa Huddle Room (495 Tesconi Circle, Santa Rosa, CA)

Burney Falls Conference Room (2525 Airpark Road, Redding, CA)

Sue-Meg Conference Room (1036 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA)

1. Welcome & Introductions..... Dean Germano, Chair

2. Committee Member Comments:

At this time committee members may provide comments and announcements.

3. Public Comments:

At this time members of the public may address the Committee on any non-agenda item of interest to the public that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Committee.

Members of the public will have the opportunity to address the Committee on a scheduled agenda item during the Committee's consideration of that item. Speakers will be limited to three (3) minutes.

4. Approval of Agenda (Decision).....Dean Germano, Chair

5. Review & Approval of 4/18/2023 Minutes (Decision)Dean Germano, Chair

6. CEO Update.....Sonja Bjork

7. Governor's Budget & Legislative Update..... Dustin Lyda

8. CalAIM/ Five Year Timeline Review..... Amy Turnipseed

9. OB Services Dr. Robert Moore

10. Strategic Planning Update.....Sonja Bjork & Amy Turnipseed

11. Adjournment..... Dean Germano, Chair

Upcoming meetings: October 18, 2023

This agenda contains a brief description of each item to be considered. Except as provided by law, no action shall be taken on any item not appearing on the agenda.

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Strategic Planning Committee Meeting

Wednesday, April 19, 2023

10:00 a.m. – 10:50 a.m.

Meeting Minutes

Attendees:

Members or designee: Dean Germano, Paula Cohen, Tim Rine, Alicia Hardy, Melissa Marshall, MD, Kathryn Powell, Doreen Bradshaw, Nancy Starck, Jonathan Portney, Lewis Broschard, MD, Lance LeClair, Cathryn Couch

Staff: Patti McFarland, Sonja Bjork, Amy Turnipseed, Dani Ogren, Wendi West, Dustin Lyda, Mark Bontrager, Kirt Kemp, Jessica Cifolelli

Topic	Lead	Notes	Follow-up
Updates / Introductions	Amy Turnipseed	Convened the meeting at 10:05 a.m.	
Committee Member Comments	All	There were no committee member comments.	
Introductions	Amy Turnipseed	Jennifer Lopez was introduced to the committee.	
Public Comments	All	There were no public comments.	
Approval of the Agenda		<p>The committee approved the agenda for the Strategic Planning Committee meeting on April 19, 2023.</p> <p><i>Cathryn Couch motioned to approve, and Lance LeClair seconded.</i></p>	
Previous Minutes Approval		<p>The approval of meeting minutes for the Strategic Planning Committee meeting on January 18, 2023, approved as written.</p> <p><i>Melissa Marshall motioned to approve, and Cathryn Couch seconded.</i></p>	

PHC Update	Sonja Bjork	<p><u>Ms. Bjork gave the following updates:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• DHCS Updates – Partnership has been diligently working to review and prepare to meet the provisions of the January 1, 2024 DHCS contract amendment. The submission of deliverables is ongoing and DHCS collects “readiness” documentation in phases.	
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<p>Legislation Update</p>	<p>Dustin Lyda</p>	<p><u>Mr. Lyda gave the following Legislative updates:</u></p> <p>Legislative Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Governor’s budget is due by June 15, 2023 in order to go live on July 1, 2023. • The revised May budget should be publicized on or around May 10, 2023 which will show an updated picture of the State’s fiscal health. • The State budget was estimated to have a shortfall of \$22 billion dollars in January 2023, and we expect that number to be higher <p>AB 815 (Wood) Provider credentials: This bill would require the California Health and Human Services Agency to create and maintain a provider credentialing board, with specified membership, to certify private and public entities for purposes of credentialing physicians and surgeons and other health care providers in lieu of a health care service plan’s or health insurer’s credentialing process. The bill would require the board to convene by July 1, 2024, develop criteria for the certification of public and private credentialing entities by January 1, 2025, and develop an application process for certification by July 1, 2025.</p> <p>Position: Watch</p> <p><i>Dean Germano finds this potential direction to be unhelpful to rural healthcare. Dean has spoken to MD’s who say they will leave the state if this happens. Too great and too disruptive.</i></p> <p><i>In addition, Tim Rine brought up AB 1549 Assembly Bill (AB) 1549: Prospective Payment Reform. AB 1549 would update the Prospective Payment System (PPS) for Community Based Health Centers (CHCs) to reflect their investment in patient outcomes and whole-person care initiatives. Thereby requiring PPS rates to account for expanded services and care coordination costs. They see this bill as a way to supplement the losses they are incurring with these expensive services (like OB).</i></p>	<p>Amy to connect Dr Moore to Tim Rine regarding the Prospective Payment System.</p> <p>Dustin and Amy will be tracking the bill.</p>
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CalAIM/ Five Year Timeline Review	Amy Turnipseed	<p><u>Ms. Turnipseed gave the following updates:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Core system: PHC is moving forward with replacing our current claims system, Amisys. • CalAIM: Additional populations of focus added to ECM – LTC, at risk of institutionalization, and nursing home residents transitioning to the community; children and youth populations of focus. Populations Health Management Implementation. Justice-Involved Package. • New benefits going live January 2023: Doula and Dyadic Care. • Transportation In-House: Partnership will end its contract with MTM and manage both NEMT and NMT benefits. This change is effective April 1. • Redeterminations: Congress passed the Omnibus bill, which included the requirement for states to begin Medicaid eligibility redeterminations by April 1, 2023, even if the public health emergency is still in effect. • Expanded full-scope Medi-Cal benefits to all income-eligible adults aged 26-49 regardless of immigration status beginning no sooner than January 2024. • Repapering of DHCS Contract: Effective January 1, 2024, health plans will operate under the new, rigorous MCP contract, to provide quality, equitable and comprehensive coverage for Medi-Cal managed care members. The new contracts require partnerships with local health departments, local educational and governmental agencies, and other local programs and services, including social services, child welfare departments, and justice departments, to ensure member care is coordinated and members have access to community-based resources. • County Expansion into 10 Northern California counties. 	
Transportation Update	Wendi West	<p><u>Ms. West gave the following updates:</u></p> <p>Partnership brought non-medical transportation services in-house, effective April 1, 2023. During the first week, the Transportation Call Center was receiving around 1,100 calls a day but the volume has since decreased to around 400 calls a day. We currently have 48 contracted providers, versus the 36 providers contracted under our previous transportation vendor.</p>	

		Providers are invited to request a transportation training for their staff.	
Adjournment	Amy Turnipseed	<i>Ms. Turnipseed adjourned the meeting at 11.00 a.m.</i>	

In Five Years Timeline: Where will Partnership be?

Updated: July 2023

Year	Possible Program or Benefit change
2023	New core system: Partnership is moving forward with replacing our current claims system, Amisys. Expect to go live with the new system in August 2023.
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	County Expansion into 10 Northern California counties
2026	CalAIM: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> NCQA Accreditation is required for Medi-Cal Managed care plans, including NCQA Health Equity Accreditation (this HE requirement will be new for Partnership). All managed care plans will be required to have a DSNP product.
2027	CalAIM: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Full Integration pilots go-live. Administrative Integration of SMI & SUD services

Updated California Advancing and Innovation Medi-Cal (CalAIM) implementation timelines, per DHCS (updated July 2022) - <https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/CalAIM/Documents/CalAIM-Launch-Timeline-July-Update.pdf>