



Strategic Planning Committee

Wednesday, October 16, 2024

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)
- Redding Huddle Room 2 (2525 Airpark Road, Redding, CA)
- Grizzly Creek Conference Room (1036 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA)
- Sutter County Location (545-B Garden Highway Yuba City, CA)
249-299 Nevada Street, Auburn, 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 4/17/2024 Minutes (Decision) Dean Germano, Chair

6. Health Plan Update..... Amy Turnipseed

7. State Budget/Legislative Update..... Dustin Lyda

8. Member Experience Discussion..... Dr. Robert Moore & Isaac Brown

9. Adjournment..... Dean Germano, Chair

Upcoming meetings:

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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Meeting Minutes

Attendees:

Members or designee: Dean Germano, Nancy Starck, Doreen Bradshaw, Tim Rine, Kathryn Powell, Cathryn Couch, Sarah Eberhardt-Rios

Guest: Casey Fatch, CEO of Shasta Regional Medical Center

Staff: Katherine Barresi, Amy Turnipseed, Patti McFarland, Wendi West, Naomi Gordon, Dani Ogren, Dustin Lyda, Victoria Meyer, Jennifer Lopez, Jessica Cifolelli

Topic	Lead		Follow-up
Updates / Introductions	Dean Germano, Chair	Amy Turnipseed convened the meeting at 9:30 a.m. Amy Turnipseed introduced Casey Fatch, CEO of Shasta Regional Medical Center.	
Committee Member Comments	All	There were no comments.	
Public Comments	All	There were no public comments.	

Approval of the Agenda	Amy Turnipseed	<p>The committee approved the agenda for the Strategic Planning Committee meeting on July 17, 2024</p> <p><i>Cathryn Couch approved, and Tim Rine seconded.</i></p>	
Previous Minutes Approval	Amy Turnipseed	<p>The approval of meeting minutes for the Strategic Planning Committee meeting on April 17, 2023, were approved as written.</p> <p><i>Nancy Starck motioned to approve, and Cathryn Couch seconded.</i></p>	
HealthPlan Update	Amy Turnipseed	<p><u>Ms. Turnipseed gave the following updates:</u></p> <p>Amy Turnipseed provided an update on Partnership’s efforts to establish a Medicare/D-SNP line of business by 2026, as required by DHCS. There are currently 92,815 Partnership members over the age of 65 across our 24 counties who qualify for both Medi-Cal and Medicare. A Notice of Intent to Apply must be submitted to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) by November 2024, with the full application and Model of Care (MOC) due in February 2025. Plans may request an exemption from launching the D-SNP product in counties where significant financial losses are anticipated, although DHCS has not yet clarified the exemption process or criteria. Partnership is evaluating how to effectively launch the D-SNP and which counties might require an exemption.</p>	

<p>State Budget Update</p>	<p>Dustin Lyda</p>	<p>Proposition 56 Funding Reduction: Reduces funding for Proposition 56 supplemental payments for physician services by \$193.4 million (\$77.1 million Proposition 56 funding) in 2024-2025.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All other Proposition 56 supplemental payments remain fully funded. • The Budget includes \$907.4 million (\$192.6 million General Fund) for all Proposition 56 supplemental payments, inclusive of \$465.2 million for physician services. • Certain providers currently receiving Proposition 56 supplemental payments, including physician services, will receive MCO Tax rate increases. <p>The budget shortfall and declining Proposition 56 revenue require the State to reduce its prior commitments to backfill Proposition 56 funding. Given the proposal to continue increasing physician services through MCO tax revenue in CY 2025, providers will still receive an increase in reimbursement; however, the proposal to reduce Proposition 56 funding will dampen this increase.</p> <p><i>Dean Germano raised concerns about the impact of Proposition 35, specifically noting that it seems like provider reimbursement is a reoccurring issue when new state budgets are released. More than 40 California hospitals have stopped offering labor and delivery services over the last few years. Patients wait months to see a doctor for important preventative care, and often cannot get an appointment for specialty care when needed.</i></p> <p><i>Dean Germano mentioned that the use of the MCO tax in relation to Proposition 35 protections might follow a pattern seen in past budgets.</i></p>	
<p>Board Retreat Discussion</p>		<p><u>Ms. Amy Turnipseed gave the following updates on the Board Retreat:</u></p> <p>The 2025 Board Retreat will take place in April of 2025. It has been shared that key topics of interest are Artificial Intelligence, Medicare Managed Care and Rural health benefits for our members. Amy requested to please email her with any potential guest speaker options.</p>	<p>More details to be provided.</p>

Adjournment	Dean Germano	Mr. Germano adjourned the meeting at 10:55 a.m.	
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