



CaIMHSA Board of Directors Meeting

Wednesday, August 25, 2021
12:00pm – 1:00pm
1 (669) 900-9128
Webinar ID – 882 1134 2661

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AGENDA

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Roll Call and Instructions**
3. **Instructions for public comment and stakeholder input**

The Board welcomes and encourages public participation in its meetings. This time is reserved for members of the public (including stakeholders) to address the Board concerning matters on the agenda. Items not on the agenda are reserved for the end of the meeting. Comments will be limited to three minutes per person and 20 minutes total.

For agenda items, public comment will be invited at the time those items are addressed. Because the meeting will be held by teleconference, each interested party is invited to inform CaIMHSA staff prior to discussion of the item by sending an email to laura.li@calmhsa.org indicating the item to be addressed. When it appears that there are several members of the public wishing to address the Board on a specific item, at the outset of the item, the Board President may announce the maximum amount of time that will be allowed for presentation of testimony on that item.

4. **Closed Session:** (Gov. Code § 54957.7(a)) The CaIMHSA Board of Directors will meet in closed session as permitted by Government Code Section 54957(b).
5. **Consent Calendar:**
 - a. CaIMHSA Board Meeting Minutes from June 30, 2021 ([page 3](#))
 - b. CaIMHSA Board Meeting Minutes from July 21, 2021 ([page 10](#))

Recommendation: Approval of Consent Calendar.

6. **Electronic Health Record (EHR)** ([page 14](#))

Recommendation: Approval of implementation of EHR Project and Execute Participation Agreements with Member Counties.

7. **CalAIM** ([page 16](#))

Recommendation: Approval of the development of a scope of work to assist in the implementation of CalAIM training and Execute an Agreement with DHCS.

8. **Payment Reform** ([page 17](#))

Recommendation: Approval of CalMHSA to enter into participation agreements to support counties with Payment Reform necessary activities.

9. President's Report

10. Executive Director's Report

11. Public Comments on Non-Agenda Items

Adjournment

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BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Luke Bergmann – Vice President, **San Diego County**
Ruben Imperial – Treasurer, **Stanislaus County**
Emi Botzler-Rodgers – Secretary, **Humboldt County**
Jei Africa, **Marin County**
Wendy Alt, **Calaveras County**
Ahmad Bahrami, **Fresno County (Alternate)**
Valerie Cahill, **Napa County (Alternate)**
Bill Carter, **Sonoma County**
Connie Cessna Smith, **Trinity County**
Sarah Collard, **Siskiyou County**
Jon Drake, **Monterey County (Alternate)**
Nicole Ebrahimi-Nuyken, **El Dorado County (Alternate)**
Katy Eckert, **Monterey County**
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Stacy Kuwahara, **Kern County**
Karen Larsen, **Yolo County**
Lisa Lewis, **Kings County**
Karen Lovato, **Mendocino County (Alternate)**
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Connie Moreno-Peraza, **Madera County**
Toni Navarro, **Tri-City**
Brett O’Brien, **Orange County (Alternate)**
Kevin Panyanouvong, **Stanislaus County (Alternate)**
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Ryan Quist, **Sacramento County**
Anne Robin, **San Luis Obispo County**
Jonathan Sherin, **Los Angeles County**
Sandra Sinz, **Solano County**
Suzanne Tavano, **Contra Costa County**
Karyn Tribble, **Alameda County**
Yvette Willock, **Los Angeles County (Alternate)**

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Lori Ashcraft

CALMHSA STAFF PRESENT

Amie Miller, Executive Director
Laura Li, Chief Administrative Officer
Don Ngyuen, Chief Financial Officer
Dawn Kaiser, Director of Managed Care Operations
Lucero Robles, Director of Quality Assurance and Compliance
Jeremy Wilson, Program Director & PIO
Julia Byrd, Administrative Manager
Brittany Ganguly, Program Manager
Michael Helmick, Program Manager
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Chris Watson, IT System Administrator

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Antoinette Bedros, Manatt, Phelps, & Phillips, LLP
Julie Tugend, Organizational Development Consultant
Chris Hershey, Cause Comm
Michelle Cabrera, CBHDA

AGENDA

A. Open Session

1. Call to Order

Amie Miller, CalMHSA Executive Director informed participants that President Dawan Utecht would not be able to attend the meeting. CalMHSA Treasurer, Ruben Imperial, called the Board of Directors meeting to order at 12:06 P.M. on Wednesday, June 30, 2021. Mr. Imperial directed Laura Li, Chief Administrative Officer of CalMHSA, to take roll.

2. Roll Call and Instructions

Ms. Li tallied Board Members and Alternates in attendance and found a quorum of the full Board of Directors was established.

3. Instructions for public comment and stakeholder input

Ms. Li reviewed the instructions for public comment and noted that items not on the agenda would be reserved for public comment at the end of the agenda. Public comment is called for after each agenda item. Laura Li instructed individuals on the phone to email Laura Li at laura.li@calmhsa.org to indicate which item they wish to address.

4. Closed Session: (Gov. Code § 54957.7(a)) The CalMHSa Board of Directors may meet in closed session as permitted by Government Code Section 54957(b).

- a. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – Initiation of litigation pursuant to Gov. Code section 54956.9(d)(4): (one matter)

5. Open Session:

Ms. Li announced that Members of the Committee would meet in closed session. All nonmembers were moved to the Zoom Meeting waiting room. Upon completion of the closed session, members of the public and staff were re-admitted to the meeting and Randall Keen, Legal Counsel for CalMHSa, noted there was nothing to report publicly.

6. Consent Calendar

Mr. Imperial acknowledged the consent calendar, consisting of the Meeting Minutes from the May 13, 2021, Board of Directors Meeting, Ratification of Audit Committee, and Ratification of Auditor. Mr. Imperial asked for comments from Board members. Hearing no comments or questions, he asked for a motion to approve the Consent Calendar. Upon hearing the motion and second, Mr. Imperial directed Members to vote.

Action: *Approval of consent calendar.*

Motion: *Ryan Quist, Sacramento County*
Second: *Karyn Tribble, Alameda County*

No public comment was heard.

Vote:
Yes – 36 Votes.

Karyn Tribble, Alameda County	Stacy Kuwahara, Kern County	Priya Mathew, Nevada County	Scott Gillman, San Mateo County
Nani Ellis, Alpine County	Todd Metcalf, Lake County	Brett O’Brien, Orange County	Donnell Ewert, Shasta County
Scott Kennelley, Butte County	Jonathan Sherin, Los Angeles County	Amy Ellis, Placer County	Sarah Collard, Siskiyou County
Wendy Alt, Calaveras County	Jei Africa, Marin County	Tony Hobson, Plumas County	Sandra Sinz, Solano County
Suzanne Tavano, Contra Costa County	Karen Lovato, Mendocino County	Ryan Quist, Sacramento County	Bill Carter, Sonoma County
Nicole Ebrahimi-Nuyken, El Dorado County	Sharon Jones, Merced County	Veronica Kelley, San Bernardino County	Ruben Imperial, Stanislaus County
Ahmed Bahrami, Fresno County	Amanda Greenberg, Mono County	Luke Bergmann, San Diego County	Toni Navarro, Tri-City
Emi Botzler-Rodgers, Humboldt County	Katy Eckert, Monterey County	Hillary Kunins, San Francisco City & County	Connie Cessna Smith, Trinity County
Leticia Plancarte-Garcia, Imperial County	Valerie Cahill, Napa County	Anne Robin, San Luis Obispo County	Karen Larsen, Yolo County

No – None Identified.

Abstentions – Connie Moreno Peraza, Madera County

Motion Passes.

7. CalMHSA Proposed Annual Budget Effective July 1, 2021

Mr. Imperial, also Chair of the CalMHSA Finance Committee, introduced the Proposed Annual Budget on page 12 of the Agenda Packet. The Chair asked for comments from Board members. Hearing no comments or questions, he asked for a motion to approve the Budget. Upon hearing the motion and second, Mr. Imperial directed Members to vote.

Action: *Accept Finance Committee's recommendation to approve the Proposed Annual Budget Effective July 1, 2021.*

Motion: *Karen Larsen, Yolo County*

Second: *Todd Metcalf, Lake County*

No public comment was heard.

Vote:

Yes – 36 Votes.

Karyn Tribble, Alameda County	Stacy Kuwahara, Kern County	Valerie Cahill, Napa County	Anne Robin, San Luis Obispo County
Nani Ellis, Alpine County	Todd Metcalf, Lake County	Priya Mathew, Nevada County	Scott Gillman, San Mateo County
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Leticia Plancarte-Garcia, Imperial County	Katy Eckert, Monterey County	Hillary Kunins, San Francisco City & County	Karen Larsen, Yolo County

No – None Identified.

Abstentions – None Identified.

Motion Passes.

8. Officers / Executive Committee / Finance Committee Election

Dr. Miller explained the Nominating Committee convened to fill committee vacancies and presented the proposed slate in compliance with CalMHSA's bylaws. Mr. Imperial asked for comments from Board members. Hearing no comments or questions, he asked for a motion to approve the Budget. Upon hearing the motion and second, Mr. Imperial directed Members to vote.

Action: Approval of the proposed slate of Officers, Executive Committee Members, and Finance Committee Members.

Motion: Leticia Plancarte-Garcia, Imperial County
Second: Karyn Tribble, Alameda County

No public comment was heard.

Vote:
Yes – 37 Votes.

Karyn Tribble, Alameda County	Todd Metcalf, Lake County	Brett O'Brien, Orange County	Sarah Collard, Siskiyou County
Scott Kennelley, Butte County	Jonathan Sherin, Los Angeles County	Amy Ellis, Placer County	Sandra Sinz, Solano County
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Lisa Lewis, Kings County	Priya Mathew, Nevada County	Donnell Ewert, Shasta County	

No – None Identified.
Abstentions – None Identified.

Motion Passes.

9. California Mental Health Equity Project

Dr. Miller briefed the committee on the potential contract with the Center for Applied Research Solutions (CARS). CalMHSA would serve as member for the Training Assistance Collaborative (TAC), assisting with outreach to County Behavioral Health Departments and their Staff with a goal of creating tools to support and streamline the development of stakeholder engagement plans. This is a two-year project which will begin July 1, 2021, pending Board approval. Mr. Imperial asked for comments from Board members. Hearing no comments or questions, he asked for a motion to approve the Budget. Upon hearing the motion and second, Mr. Imperial directed Members to vote.

Action: Approve CalMHSA to enter into a contract, not to exceed \$200,000, with Center for Applied Research Solutions (CARS).

Motion: Anne Robin, San Luis Obispo
Second: Connie Moreno-Peraza, Madera County

No public comment was heard.

Vote:

Yes – 37 Votes.

Karyn Tribble, Alameda County Nani Ellis, Alpine County	Todd Metcalf, Lake County Jonathan Sherin, Los Angeles County	Brett O'Brien, Orange County Amy Ellis, Placer County	Sarah Collard, Siskiyou County Sandra Sinz, Solano County
Scott Kennelley, Butte County	Connie Moreno-Peraza, Madera County	Tony Hobson, Plumas County	Bill Carter, Sonoma County
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Stacy Kuwahara, Kern County	Priya Mathew, Nevada County	Donnell Ewert, Shasta County	

No – None Identified.

Abstentions – None Identified.

Motion Passes.

10. WET Regional Partnerships

Executive Director Miller explained CalMHSA has had longstanding Workforce Education and Training (WET) regional partnerships with different models for each region in collaborations with California's Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development (OSHPD). CalMHSA aims to enter into a new agreement with a different business model; accepting funds directly on behalf of the Bay Area Counties (Alameda, City of Berkeley, Contra Costa, Marin, Monterey, Napa, San Benito, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Solano, Sonoma) to help facilitate and expedite the WET work. Dr. Miller introduced Jeremy Wilson, Program Director, CalMHSA who informed the Board that should other opportunities arise, CalMHSA will be able to pursue them more efficiently. The Executive Director clarified that Peer Support is a separate initiative to these Partnerships. Mr. Imperial asked for comments from Board members. Hearing no comments or questions, he asked for a motion to approve the Budget. Upon hearing the motion and second, Mr. Imperial directed Members to vote.

Action: *Approve CalMHSA to enter into agreements for the support and administration of existing or future workforce, education, training, and development projects to support behavioral health retention, expansion, or improvement activities.*

Motion: *Toni Navarro, Tri-City*

Second: *Bill Carter, Sonoma County*

No public comment was heard.

Vote:

Yes – 37 Votes.

Karyn Tribble, Alameda County	Todd Metcalf, Lake County	Brett O'Brien, Orange County	Sarah Collard, Siskiyou County
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No – None Identified.

Abstentions – None Identified.

Motion Passes.

11. President's Report

12. Executive Director's Report

Dr. Miller delivered her report, previewing some items that will be brought before the board in the future.

13. Public Comments

Ms. Li invited members of the public to make comments on non-agenda items.

Public comments from the following individual(s):

None.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 1:04 p.m.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Dawan Utecht – President, **Fresno County**
Ruben Imperial – Treasurer, **Stanislaus County**
Emi Botzler-Rodgers – Secretary, **Humboldt County**
Jei Africa, **Marin County**
Wendy Alt, **Calaveras County**
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Bill Carter, **Sonoma County**
Connie Cessna Smith, **Trinity County**
Sarah Collard, **Siskiyou County**
Michele Cruz, **Tulare (Alternate)**
Loretta Denering, **Ventura County (Alternate)**
Jon Drake, **Monterey County (Alternate)**
Holli Drobny, **Butte County (Alternate)**
Katy Eckert, **Monterey County**
Amy Ellis, **Placer County**
Pam Fisher, **Santa Barbara County**
Paige Greene, **Shasta County (Alternate)**
Gabriela Jimenez, **Imperial County (Alternate)**
Sevet Johnson, **Ventura County**
Sharon Jones, **Merced County (Alternate)**
Veronica Kelley, **San Bernardino County**
Michael Knight, **San Bernardino (Alternate)**
Stacy Kuwahara, **Kern County**
Karen Larsen, **Yolo County**
Amy Lindsey, **Glenn County**
Karen Lovato, **Mendocino County (Alternate)**
Priya Mathew, **Nevada County (Alternate)**
Amy McCann, **Riverside County**
Todd Metcalf, **Lake County**
Jenine Miller, **Mendocino County**
Connie Moreno-Peraza, **Madera County**
Toni Navarro, **Tri-City**
Marie Osborne, **Placer County**
UnChong Parry, **Kings County**
Leticia Plancarte-Garcia, **Imperial County**
Ryan Quist, **Sacramento County**
Erik Riera, **Santa Cruz County**
Anne Robin, **San Luis Obispo County**
Jonathan Sherin, **Los Angeles County**
Chris Starets-Foote, **Del Norte (Alternate)**
Karyn Tribble, **Alameda County**
Tony Vartan, **San Joaquin County**
Yvette Willock, **Los Angeles County (Alternate)**
Michael Wilson, **Tuolumne County**

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Shannon McCleerey-Hooper

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Elia Gallardo, CBHDA

AGENDA

A. Open Session

1. Call to Order

CalMHSA President, Dawan Utecht, called the Board of Directors meeting to order at 12:05 P.M. on Wednesday, July 21, 2021. Ms. Utecht directed Laura Li, Chief Administrative Officer of CalMHSA, to take roll.

2. Roll Call and Instructions

Ms. Li tallied Board Members and Alternates in attendance and found a quorum of the full Board of Directors was established.

3. Instructions for public comment and stakeholder input

Ms. Li reviewed the instructions for public comment and noted that items not on the agenda would be reserved for public comment at the end of the agenda. Public comment is called for after each agenda item. Laura Li instructed individuals on the phone to email Laura Li at laura.li@calmhsa.org to indicate which item they wish to address.

4. SB803 Peer Certification Update

Dr. Miller introduced Elia Gallardo, Michelle Cabrera, and Elissa Feld, CBHDA, who gave history of the SB 803 (Beall) Peer Support Specialist Certification. CalMHSA will ultimately work to implement a Statewide Peer Certification Program to go live in early 2022. Dr. Miller explained CalMHSA also hopes to conduct an RFP to identify 1-2 other entities to provide training and examination leading to Peer certification. CalMHSA will work to create a digital, web-based training at the lowest cost to Counties, addressing market scale and viability of the program. The CalMHSA certification will be the only certification accepted for use with the new Peer Support Specialist Medi-Cal billing code. It is directly tied to Medicaid reimbursement for Peer Support Services.

5. Subsidy Program

Dr. Miller explained that CalMHSA is working with regional partnership leads to identify opportunities to demonstrate the need for ongoing financial support for Workforce Education and Training (WET) activities, including streamlining the creation and submission of reports to California's Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development (OSHPD) and awarding education stipends and loan repayments by Fiscal Year 22/23.

6. EMR Project Update

Dr. Miller presented CalMHSA's vision for a statewide Electronic Health Record (EHR) system that aims to meet County-Specific needs and can be implemented Statewide. CalMHSA will administer a scenario-based RFP on behalf of Counties that have signed a participation agreement for the program. The aim will be to build out a sophisticated system that potentially utilizes custom coding to drive down the cost to counties. Ideally, CalMHSA would like commitment from counties interested in participating by the end of August.

7. President's Report

President Utecht delivered her report, expressing appreciation for the ongoing support and participation of Member Counties and their engagement with CalMHSA.

8. Executive Director's Report

Dr. Miller delivered her report, previewing items that will come before the Board at future meetings.

9. Public Comments

Ms. Li invited members of the public to make comments on non-agenda items.

Public comments from the following individual(s):

Lori Ashcraft

Shannon McCleery-Hooper

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

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AGENDA ITEM 6.0

SUBJECT: ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORD (EHR)

RECOMMENDATION:

Approval of implementation of EHR Project and Execute Participation Agreements with Member Counties.

CURRENT STATUS AND BACKGROUND:

California's County Behavioral Health Plans (BHPs) operate in an increasingly complex environment. As Specialty Mental Health and Substance Use Providers we are treating an expanded Medi-Cal population in an increasing amount of distress. We are being asked to provide meaningful solutions for societal issues from homelessness to mental health impacts of COVID-19. Simultaneously, the requirements for administering Behavioral Health Plans are rapidly evolving, with CalAIM documentation and payment reform on the horizon requiring swift adoption of highly technical changes.

Recognizing these needs, CalMHSA proposes a new solution: using our unique position as a Joint Powers Authority (JPA) to bring counties together into a semi-statewide collaborative to design, procure and implement a new Enterprise EHR solution that will support our current and future business needs. By providing a collaborative solution, we pool together our intellectual and technical resources as well as our purchasing power to create a solution during a time of potential risk and rapid change. This collaborative project will bring forward solutions to key business challenges such as:

- Master Client Index: shared repository of clients that begins prior to an assessment and allows complete timeliness tracking and identification of clients who may receive treatment across counties
- Master Consent: allows for compliant coordination among all relevant health, mental health, substance use and social service care providers
- Real Time Medi-Cal Eligibility: provides current eligibility status maximizing revenue capture
- Unified Solution for SMHS and SUD services: promotes coordination and administrative efficiency
- Flexible Billing Solution: spans current Short Doyle Phase II and future payment reform requirements
- Lean Clinical Record designed for documentation reform to reduce staff burden
- Structured Staffing/Program Hierarchy: allows easy access to position vacancy rate, productivity, and reporting relationships
- Embedded Quality Assurance Logic: reduces claiming errors and audit risk
- Natural Data Collection: meaningful reporting and evaluation by design

NEXT STEPS

Currently CalMHSA is soliciting/accepting Participation Agreements from interested counties. Participation Agreements allow CalMHSA to represent the number of engaged counties/end users to prospective vendors. Fees are based on county size and are funding Request for Proposal (RFP) development, vendor selection, and initial development work with national experts. Any fee balances are banked towards anticipated implementation



expenditures. Any county who signs a Participation Agreement at this stage is free to withdraw if they do not wish to move forward with the selected vendor, and to use the RFP and other developed products for their own purposes.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funding methodology will be based on county size to include X-Large, Large, Medium, Small and Frontier.



AGENDA ITEM 7.0

SUBJECT: CalAIM

RECOMMENDATION:

Approval of the development of a scope of work to assist in the implementation of CalAIM training and Execute an Agreement with DHCS.

BACKGROUND:

CalAIM provides an opportunity to foundationally shift the way California Mental Health and Drug Medi-Cal Plans (referred to collectively as Behavioral Health Plans or BHPs) operate as both plans and providers. For these transformational changes to evenly impact BHP operations and improve outcomes for beneficiaries across the state, robust change management and implementation training, tools and materials must be produced and delivered. Developing these materials at a statewide level would reduce administrative burden, prevent duplication of effort, and promote consistency across BHPs, freeing up local resources to focus on beneficiary health and wellbeing.

To meet the goals of the CalAIM initiative, CalMHSA provide:

- Transformation training Webinar highlighted key changes for Behavioral Health leadership
- CalAIM Implementation Templates
- Web based Training Videos

CalMHSA will develop eight online role-based manuals that can be easily downloaded. Four of the manuals will be designed for practitioners delivering Mental Health Plan (MHP) services, and four will be for practitioners delivering Drug Medi-Cal (DMC-ODS) services as follows:

MHP

- Medical Staff
- Non-Medical Licensed Practitioner of the Healing Arts
- Mental Health Rehabilitation Specialists and others
- Peer Support Specialist

DMC-ODS

- Medical Staff
- Non-Medical Licensed Practitioner of the Healing Arts
- Mental Health Rehabilitation Specialist and others
- Peer Recovery Specialist

FISCAL IMPACT

If selected, this program would be funded by DHCS.



AGENDA ITEM 8.0

SUBJECT: PAYMENT REFORM

RECOMMENDATION:

Approval of CalMHSA to enter into participation agreements to support counties with Payment Reform necessary activities.

CURRENT STATUS AND BACKGROUND:

Payment reform represents a very significant shift for behavioral health. CalMHSA will bring in consultants to support counties with the analysis and work needed to facilitate a smooth transition to the planned new payment methodology.