

Sacramento County Q3 Community Advisory Committee Meeting

September 30, 2025 Minutes

ATTENDEES		
Be Mom Aware: Jessica Walker - Chief	11 Medi-Cal Members	1 Public Attendee
Technology Officer & Director of		
Operations		
CHPIV: Denise Padilla - Community		
Liaison		
La Familia Counseling Center: Rachel		
Rios - Executive Director		
Maternal Mental Health Workgroup,		
Sacramento County Maternal, Child, and		
Adolescent Health Advisory Board:		
Robert Hickman - Chair		
Sacramento Native American Health		
Center, Inc.: Dr. Hakeem Adeniyi Jr		
Chief Clinical Officer		
United Way California Capital Region:		
Tahirih Kraft - Housing Director		

HEALTH NET ATTENDEES

Ayah Said, Ayleen Dimailig, Felisha Scott, Melen Vue, Dr. Pooja Mittal, Sydney Turner, Tarjani Padmani, Tianna Arbulu, and Dr. Timothy Martinez

The purpose of the Community Advisory Committees is to empower members to bring their voices to the table to ensure Health Net is actively driving interventions and solutions to build more equitable care. The CAC advocates for Health Net members by ensuring that Health Net is responsive to their diverse health care needs.

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION	NEXT STEPS / ACTION	OWNER
Call to order, Introductions, & Agenda Overview	 Call to order at 12:02pm. Committee members and Health Net staff introduced themselves. 	N/A	N/A
Legislative Update	Sydney Turner (Director, Public Policy) provided an update on federal and state changes to the healthcare system, including eligibility and access requirements and coverage limitations for those who are undocumented or have an unsatisfactory immigration status. Additionally, she talked about the potential impact of these changes on Medi-Cal coverage and how the Plan is preparing to support members maintain coverage throughout the changes.		
Dental Updates	Felisha Scott (Operations Manager, Medi-Cal Strategic Partnership) shared the changes to the Health Net Dental Managed Care Plan effective July 1, 2025 – if Members did not choose a dental plan, one was selected for		

	them. The Plan confirmed the member's Medi-Cal eligibility and benefits stay the same.		
Population Needs Assessment – Sacramento County	Tarjani Padmani (Manager, Clinical Pharmacy Services) presented the Health Net Medi-Cal membership profile for 2024, showing demographic breakdowns and health needs. The top needs identified include meals, housing, and medical needs. Ms. Padmani shared that Health Net connects members with community resources and promotes programs to address these needs. Additionally, she discussed the disease prevalence in Sacramento County and the importance of early intervention and prevention programs. Lastly, Ms. Padmani invited feedback from members about their experiences with Health Net's outreach and assistance.		
Non-Specialty Mental Health Services (NSMHS)	Melen Vu (Program Manager III, System of Care) presented the Non-Specialty Mental Health Services (NSMHS) outreach and education plan submitted to DHCS. The plan includes recommendations from community partners and strategies to increase utilization of NSMHS and reduce stigma. The outreach includes social media/email campaigns, provider trainings, and other activities focused on behavioral health topics.	Health Net to connect offline with stakeholders who requested a meeting	
	CAC stakeholders made suggestions on which social media platforms to use. Specific participants offered to meet directly with Health Net to further inform the strategy and connect to work their organization is doing for pregnant and postpartum individuals with mental health needs.		
Health Literacy Overview	Ayah Said (Health Equity Specialist) introduced the topic of health literacy and digital literacy. Health literacy involves the ability to find, understand, and use health information, while digital literacy involves using digital tools for health information. Health Net materials are required to be at a sixth grade reading level and culturally appropriate. The health equity team reviews and approves materials to ensure they meet these standards.		

Community Sharing/Open Forum	Committee members were invited to share items for Community Sharing/Open Forum. Members requested support.	
	Meeting was adjourned at 2:00pm.	

NEXT MEETING

Date: Thursday, December 4, 2025

Time: 12pm – 2pm

Location: https://centene.zoom.us/meeting/register/DrhD6mSoQJaAMeYLmaDtTA

*** If you can't join on Zoom and need a call-in number, please reach out to us at 916-935-9761 or CommunityAdvisory@centene.com ***