Meeting Agenda

Thursday, August 8, 2024

10:00 – 11:30 a.m.



Location: In San Benito County:

Community Services & Workforce Development – Conference Room 1161 San Felipe Road, Building B, Hollister, CA. 95023

In Santa Cruz County:

Central California Alliance for Health – Board Room 1600 Green Hills Road, Suite 101, Scotts Valley, CA, 95066

In Mariposa County:

Mariposa County Health and Human Services – Catheys Valley Room 5362 Lemee Lane, Mariposa, CA 95338

In Merced County:

Central California Alliance for Health – Board Room 530 West 16th Street, Suite B, Merced, CA 95340

In Monterey County:

Central California Alliance for Health – Board Room 950 East Blanco Road, Suite 101, Salinas, CA 93901

- 1. Members of the public wishing to provide public comment on items not listed on the agenda that are within jurisdiction of the Advisory Group or to address an item that is listed on the agenda may do so in one of the following ways.
 - a. Email comments by 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 7, 2024 to MSAG@ccahalliance.org.
 - i. Indicate in the subject line "Public Comment". Include your name, organization, agenda item number, and title of the item in the body of the e-mail along with your comments.
 - ii. Comments will be read during the meeting and are limited to three minutes.
 - b. In person during the meeting when that item is announced.
 - i. State your name and organization prior to providing comment. ii. Comments are limited to three minutes.

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1. Call to Order by Chairperson Beleutz.

A. Roll call

- B. Establish quorum
- C. Supplements and deletions to the agenda
- D. Review Member Services Advisory Group purpose statement
 - i. The MSAG ensures community and member participation in establishing the Alliance's public policy in quality, health equity, disparities, population health, children services, and other ongoing plan functions.

2. Oral Communications.

- A. Members of the public may address the Advisory Group on items not listed on today's agenda that are within the jurisdiction of the Advisory Group. Presentations must not exceed three minutes in length, and any individuals may speak only once during Oral Communications.
- B. If any member of the public wishes to address the Advisory Group on any item that is listed on today's agenda, they may do so when that item is called. Speakers are limited to three minutes per item.

3. Comments and Announcements by Advisory Group members.

A. Advisory Group members may provide comments and announcements.

4. Comments and Announcements by Plan Staff.

A. Plan staff may provide comments and announcements.

Consent Agenda Items:

5. Approve Member Services Advisory Group minutes of February 8, 2024

6. Accept Plan Staff Reports:

- A. Current Enrollment
- B. Member Appeals and Grievance Report
- C. Community Engagement Report

Regular Agenda Items: 10:15 a.m.

7. Alliance Language Assistance Services

Inform: The Alliance Cultural & Language team will present on the language assistance services at the Alliance.

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8. Alliance Communications Update 10:45 – 11:15 a.m. *Inform*: Linda Gorman, Marketing and Communications Director, will provide an overview of the Alliance's Communications Department.

9. Adjourn

The next meeting of the Member Services Advisory Group, after this August 8, 2024 meeting:

Member Services Advisory Group Thursday, November 7, 2024 10 – 11:30 a.m. Locations for the meeting (linked via videoconference from each location):

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Meeting Minutes

Thursday, May 9, 2024

10 – 11:30 a.m.

In Santa Cruz County:

Central California Alliance for Health 1600 Green Hills Road, Suite 101, Scotts Valley, California

In Monterey County:

Central California Álliance for Health 950 East Blanco Road, Suite 101, Salinas, California

In Merced County:

Central California Alliance for Health 530 West 16th Street, Suite B, Merced, California

In San Benito County:

Community Services & Workforce Development (CSWD) Building 1161 San Felipe Road, Building B, Hollister, California

In Mariposa County:

Mariposa County Health and Human Services 5362 Lemee Lane, Mariposa, California

Members Present:

Alma Mandujano-Orta Doris Drost Guadalupe Barajas-Iniguez John Beleutz Juana Chávez de Guízar Michael Molesky Moncerat Politron Rebekah Capron

Members Absent:

Candi Walker Carolina Meraz Francis Wong Humberto Carrillo Community Advocate Consumer Consumer Advocate Community Advocate Consumer Consumer, Commissioner Community Advocate Community Advocate

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Janna Espinoza	Consumer, Commissioner
Juana Chávez de Guízar	Consumer
Margaret O'Shea	Consumer
Mimi Park	Consumer
Staff Present:	

Community Engagement Coordinator Quality and Health Programs Manager Community Engagement Program Manager Provider Data Manager Providers Services Director Continuum of Health Manager - Adult Behavioral Health Program Manager Community Engagement Coordinator MS Administrative Assistant Community Engagement Director Community Engagement Program Manager Member Services Supervisor

<u>Visitor:</u>

Jamie Berry

Clarisa Gutierrez

Desirre Herrera

Gabriela Chavez

Janet Kruppner Jessie Dybdahl,

Maria Colomer

Ronita Margain

Stacie Simmons

Veronica Olivarria

Maura Middleton

Julie Norton

Jessie Newton, RN

Mariposa Community Member

1. Call to Order by Chairperson Beleutz.

Chairperson Beleutz called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

Roll call was taken and a quorum was present.

An addition to the agenda was added. See topic # 9.

2. Oral Communications.

Chairperson Beleutz opened the floor for any members of the public to address the Advisory Group on items not listed on the agenda.

Jamie Berry, a community member from Mariposa was present. She requested that the Alliance provide more options at events for those that are hard of hearing. She also requested more events in the Mariposa community on topics such as mental health awareness, suicide prevention and women's health and safety. She encouraged the Alliance to provide more information to the community about any upcoming events.

3. Comments and announcements by Member Services Advisory Group (MSAG) members.

Chairperson Beleutz opened the floor for Advisory Group members to make comments.

Advisory Group Member Doris Drost noted that she is recieving feedback from members in the community that they are potentially being released by their doctors but do not know

why. She was reminded to encourage members to call the Member Services department, using the number on the back of their cards and for help getting (re) assigned to a provider.

Community partner Alma Mandujano-Orta updated that Natividad Medical Center has a weekly Farmers Market. They also do outreach in the community and help community members with any needs they may have.

Commissioner Molesky updated that effective May 1, 2024, the 504 Rule to Strengthen Protections Against Disability Discrimination has been enacted. The rule advances the promise of the Rehabilitation Act and helps protect people with disabilities from being discriminated against in any programs or activities funded by HHS.

4. Comments and announcements by Alliance staff.

Chairperson Beleutz opened the floor for Alliance staff to make comments.

No members of the Alliance Staff addressed the Advisory Group

Consent Agenda Items (5 – 6):

Chairperson Beleutz opened the floor for approval of the Consent Agenda.

Action: Consent Agenda approved.

Regular Agenda Items (7 – 8):

7. Community Resources

R. Margain presented on the resources available to the community. The purpose of this presentation was to solicit feedback from the group in regard to the information that is provided on the Alliance website, the e-newsletter called the Beat and the community engagement report, that is provided with the meeting packet. The group was asked if these outlets disseminate information for useful and helpful.

- Not all members of the group are familiar with these channels for information but will now view them, especially the website.
- J. Beleutz noted that he uses the Alliances website regularly for understanding who's providing what and understanding the scope of services for the Alliance offers. He also reviews both The Beat and the community engagement report.
- D. Drost noted that she has received The Beat and enjoyed it and found it useful. She also likes to go back and re-read issues.

8. Alliance Provider Directory

J. Kruppner provided a demo of the Provider Directory, located on the Alliance website. The goal was to gain feedback on understandability and usefulness to members. She moved through the online Provider Directory highlighting areas that would be helpful, such has how to sort, find a provider, change the language etc. As well as how to find information for our providers such as Carelon for Mental Health, VSP for eye care and Pharmacy. In reviewing the site some committee members noted :

- Nurse Advice Line should be more prominent.
- Track openings for VSP providers somehow.

- Help members understand that they need to contact Carelon, VSP and Delta Dental for their list of providers as our site does not list them.

9. Provider Network Development

J. Dybdahl followed up the Provider Directory presentation by soliciting feedback on the Provider Network. She asked for feedback on the following topics:

- What should providers know about the Alliance members; how can we help educate providers?
 - Better education for the front office staff in order to help better educate the doctor. Doctors often do not seem to be too knowledgeable about the Alliance and services offered. Especially important when providers are developing a treatment plan for members.
 - Refresher training for PSR to update provider offices on new and updated benefits.

- What other providers would you like to see in the Alliance network?

- Better women's healthcare providers, especially for women over 60.
- Alternative medicine such as Chinese medicine.
- More acupuncture providers

Adjourn:

The meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

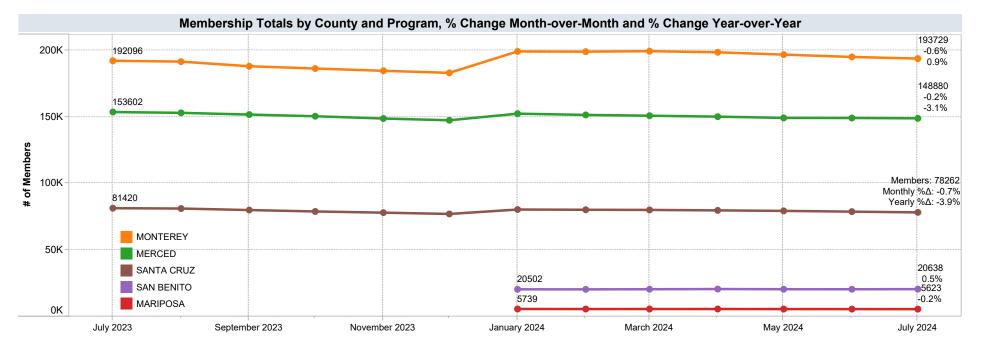
Respectfully submitted, Maura Middleton Administrative Assistant Member Services Advisory Group Coordinator



Enrollment Report

County: None Program: None Aid Cat Roll Up: None Data Refresh Date: 7/9/2024 6:07:33 AM

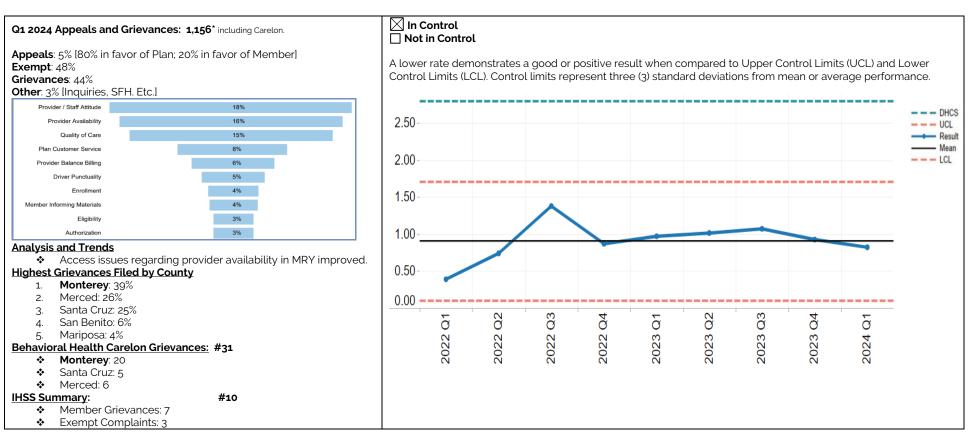
Enrollment Month 7/1/2023 to 7/31/2024



LOB	County	Jul 2023	Aug 2023	Sep 2023	Oct 2023	Nov 2023	Dec 2023	Jan 2024	Feb 2024	Mar 2024	Apr 2024	May 2024	Jun 2024	Jul 2024
Medi-Cal	SANTA CRUZ	81,420	81,144	80,013	78,949	78,057	77,082	80,402	80,227	80,099	79,762	79,371	78,814	78,262
	MONTEREY	191,422	190,767	187,297	185,577	183,874	182,328	198,390	198,239	198,589	197,739	195,985	194,227	192,998
	MERCED	153,602	152,994	151,695	150,447	148,730	147,424	152,363	151,439	150,845	150,137	149,186	149,118	148,880
	MARIPOSA							5,739	5,686	5,709	5,705	5,666	5,636	5,623
	SAN BENITO							20,502	20,471	20,559	20,707	20,580	20,543	20,638
IHSS	MONTEREY	674	681	682	683	691	697	700	700	705	720	726	732	731
Total Men	nbers	427,118	425,586	419,687	415,656	411,352	407,531	458,096	456,762	456,506	454,770	451,514	449,070	447,132



Member Appeals and Grievance Report Q1, 2024



		Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	Мау	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
2023	MemberMonths	420,221	421,742	423,195	426,113	427,756	428,853	427,127	425,589	419,667	415,634	411,325	407,472
	Case Count	321	425	480	376	488	436	448	459	455	479	369	295
	Case Count Per 1000 MM .	0.76	1.01	1.13	0.88	1.14	1.02	1.05	1.08	1.08	1.15	0.90	0.72
2024	MemberMonths	458,015	456,585	456,194									
	Case Count	394	385	346									
	Case Count Per 1000 MM .	0.86	0.84	0.76									

*Grievances Per 1,000 Member Month





Recent Community Events

Attended as of July 1, 2024

	April - June 2024
Mariposa County	3 events
Merced County	15 events
Monterey County	15 events
San Benito County	7 events
Santa Cruz County	6 events
Total	46 events

Here are a few of the events we attended:

Mariposa County

• Mariposa Butterfly Festival

Merced County

• Week of the Young Child in Merced & Los Banos 2024

Monterey County

• Dia del Nino En el Parque Cesar Chavez

San Benito County

• Jovenes de Antano Senior Center Community Resource Fair

Santa Cruz County

• Kids Day Downtown Santa Cruz 2024





Upcoming Community Events

Planned as of July 1, 2024

	July - September 2024
Mariposa County	3 events
Merced County	11 events
Monterey County	6 events
San Benito County	1 events
Santa Cruz County	6 events
Total	27 events

Here are a couple of the events we will be attending:

<u>Mariposa County</u>

Mariposa Certified Farmers Market

- When: Wednesday, August 7, 2024, 4:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.
- Where: 5029 Stroming Road, Mariposa CA The Mariposa Certified Farmers' Market is committed to our community's health.

Merced, Monterey & Santa Cruz County National Night Out 2024

• When: Tuesday, August 6, 2024

Merced: 6pm-9pm Monterey: 4pm-7pm Santa Cruz: 3pm-7pm

• Where:

Merced: 1045 W. 25th street, Merced, CA 95340 Monterey: Salinas Sports Complex 1034 N. Main St. Salinas CA Santa Cruz: 451 Green Valley Rd., Watsonville, CA 95076

National Night Out strengthens the relationship between neighbors and law enforcement while bringing back a true sense of community. It also provides a great opportunity to bring local organizations and neighbors together.

San Benito County

Resiliency Health Fair and Youth Listening Circle

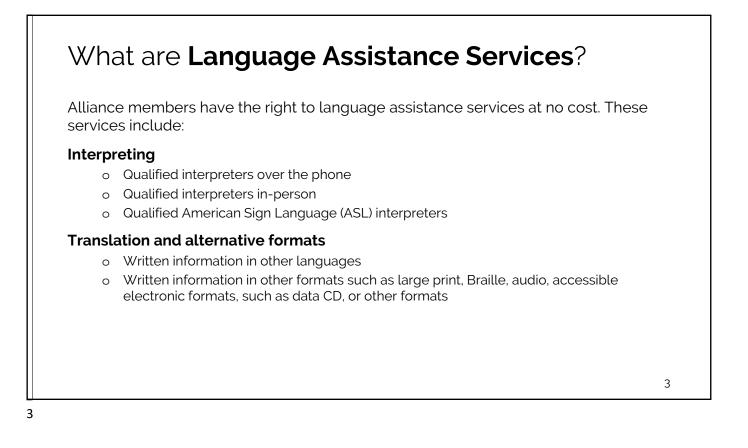
- When: Saturday, July 13, 2024, 4 .m. 6:30 p.m.
- Where: Family Resiliency Center 351 Tres Pinos Rd. Suite 100-A

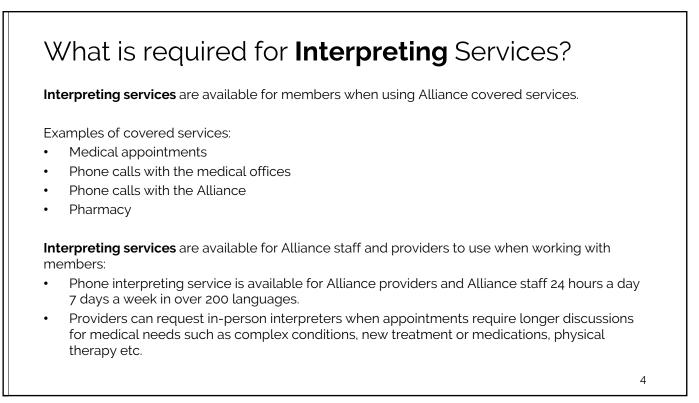
The Family Resource Center is hosting a community space for youth 12 years of age and older to access community health resources.

Alliance Language Assistance Services

Desirre Herrera, Ivonne Muñoz, Osiris Ramon August 8, 2024







When is Translation Services used?

Translation services are used by internal Alliance departments to translate written documents to inform of Alliance covered services and any notifications regarding benefits.

Examples of this include:

- Evidence of Coverage (EOC)
- Notice of Action letters (NOAs)
- Grievance letters
- Meeting packets (ex. MSAG, WCMAG)
- Member Newsletters

What is Alternative Format Selection (AFS)?

Alternative Forma Selection (AFS) is when a member requests documents in a format that meets their individual needs.

Examples of alternative formats are:

- Large print
- Audio CD
- Data CD
- Braille

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How can members **access** Language Assistance Services?

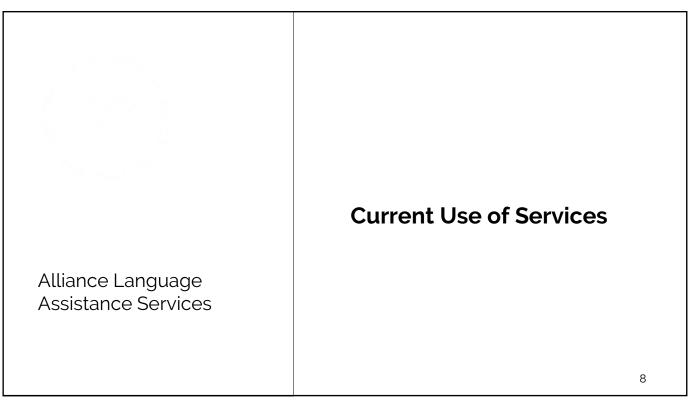
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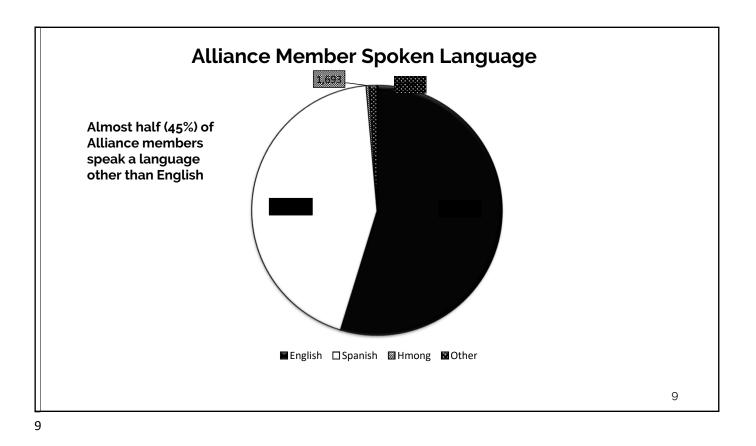
- Members can inform their doctor's office that they would like an interpreter and which language they need.
- Member can inform the Alliance that they need help getting an interpreter for their medical appointments.

If members would like help with **written documents or need documents in an alternative format** from the Alliance:

• Member Services can help if letters from the Alliance are not in their preferred language or format.

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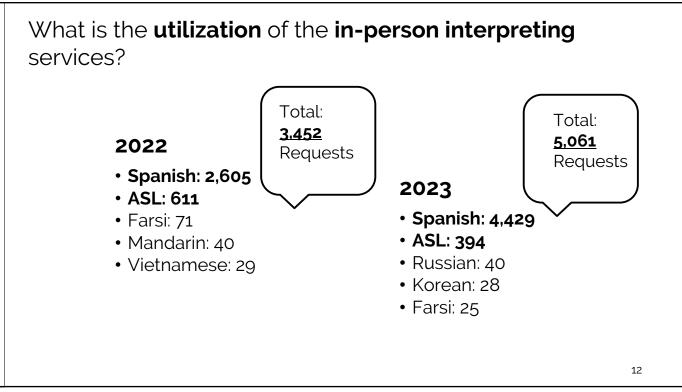




What is the **utilization** of the **phone interpreting** services?

	2022	2023
Alliance Providers	16,740	18,786
Alliance Staff	9,413	11,075
Total Calls	26,153	29,861

What is the utilization of the in-person interpreting services? County 2022 2023 Santa Cruz 2,086 1,403 Merced 652 1,574 Monterey 1,397 1,401 Total Requests 5,061 3,452 2024 data will include expansion counties of Mariposa and San Benito 11 11



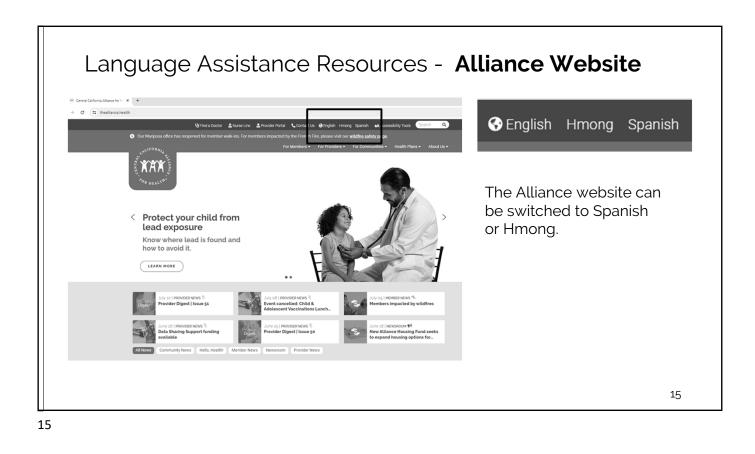
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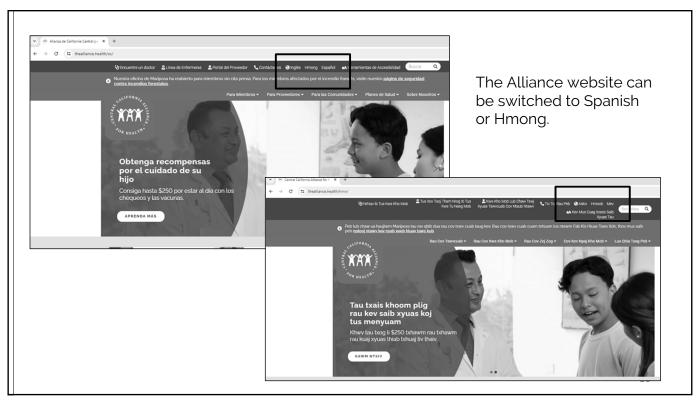
Translation Type	2022	2023
*General	354	447
Notice of Action	4,329	5,678
Grievance	1,706	1,405
Total	6,389	7,530

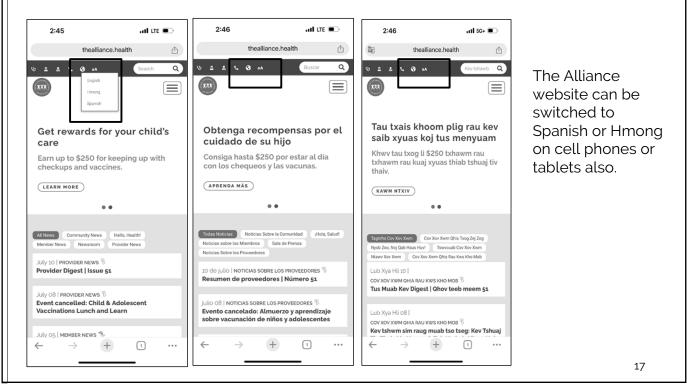
*General translations can be for Alliance materials, flyers, meeting packets, website updates

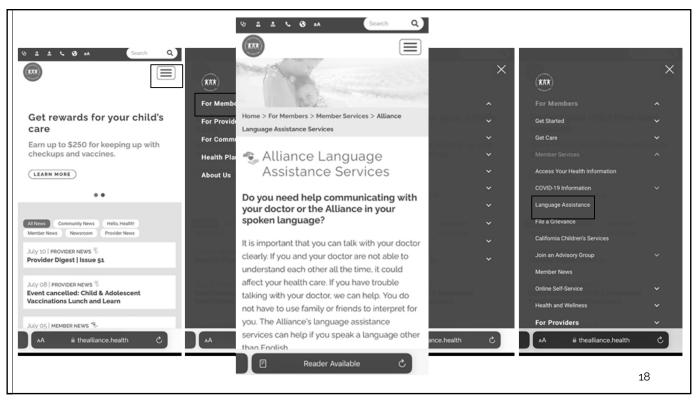
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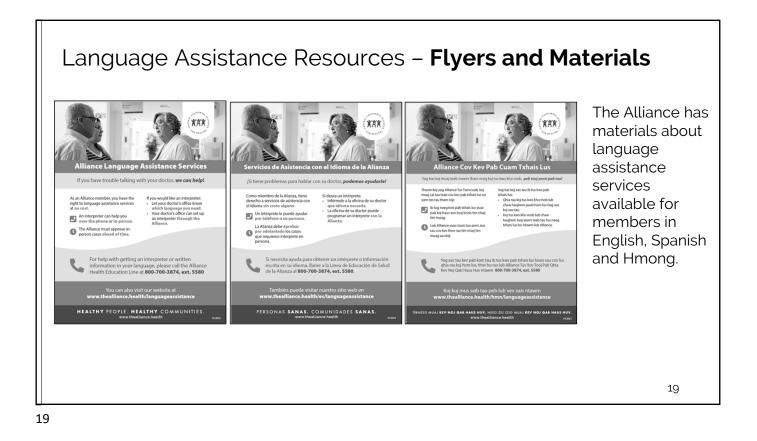
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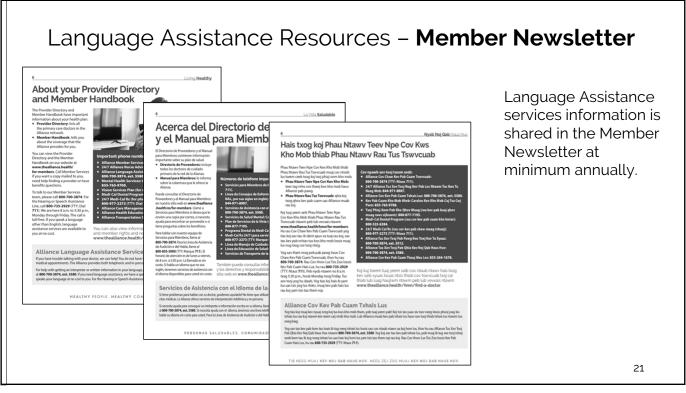


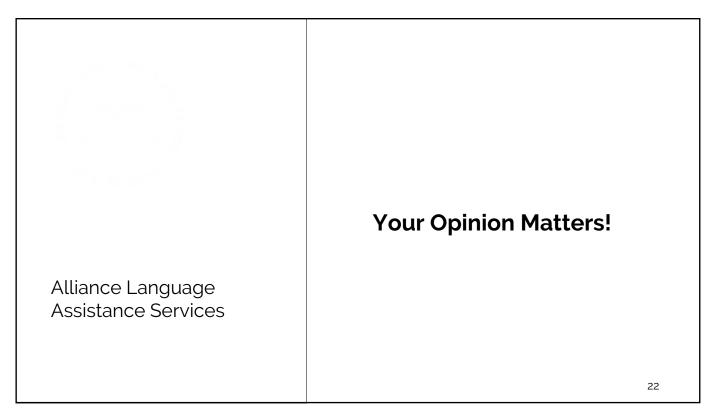


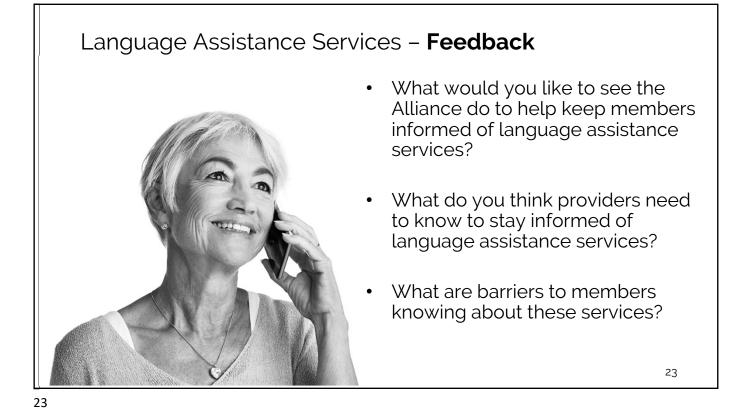


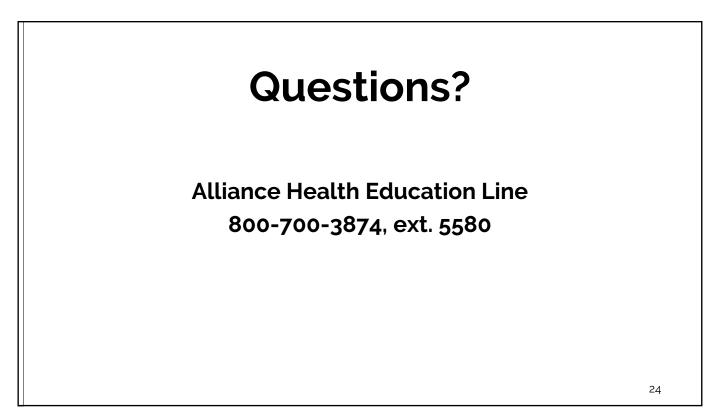








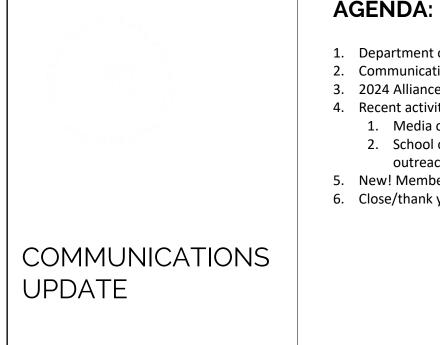




MSAG – Communications Update

August 2024

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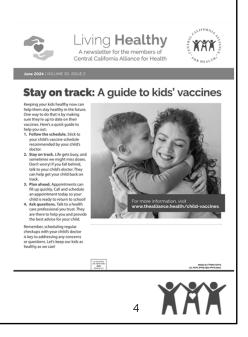
- 1. Department overview
- 2. Communications channels
- 3. 2024 Alliance communication priorities
- 4. Recent activities
 - 1. Media campaigns and collaborations
 - 2. School outreach / community outreach
- 5. New! Member texting
- 6. Close/thank you

DEPARTMENT OVERVIEW

The Marketing and Communications department aligns and oversees communication activities across the organization. The department oversees the communication strategy and manages Alliance communications channels and tools to deliver timely messages to members, providers, employees and other stakeholders.

ALLIANCE COMMUNICATIONS CHANNELS

- Member and Provider Bulletins (newsletters).
- The Beat community email newsletter.
- Provider Digest and Flash email newsletters.
- www.thealliance.health website.
- Facebook and LinkedIn social media channels.
- Communications collateral and outreach support flyers, brochures, fact sheets, promotional material, etc.
- Paid media channels, where appropriate.



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2024 COMMUNICATIONS PRIORITIES – County expansion support.

- Redetermination ensuring members renew Medi-Cal post pandemic.
- Well-checks back-to-school spring campaign
 - Children
 - Adult preventive care
- Vaccines summer/fall campaign
 - Infants and children
- Increasing member awareness on benefits and services–
- Grow audience reach on social channels

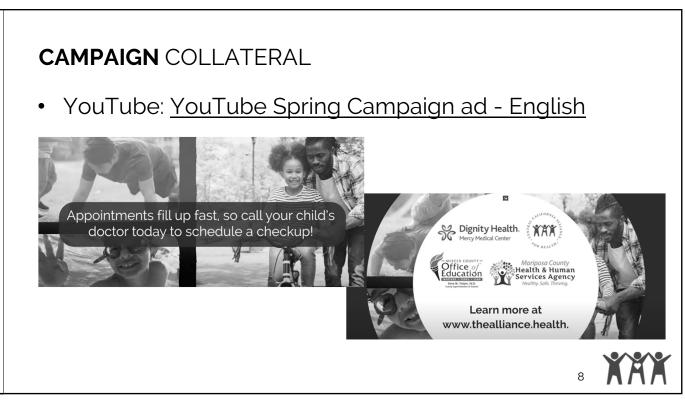


Recent Activities

BACK TO SCHOOL CO-BRAND CAMPAIGN

- Spring campaign. Bi-lingual paid media campaign.
 - Social media
 - Snapchat and YouTube
 - School flyers
 - Radio ads and interviews
 - DMV ads
 - Partner promotions
- Merced audience, families with kids in school.
- Urges parents to schedule summer check-ups.
- Campaign partners:
 - Merced County of Education.
 - o Mercy Medical Center.
 - Mariposa Health and Human Services Agency.





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