MEMBER SERVICES ADVISORY GROUP

Meeting Agenda

Thursday, February 10, 2022 10:00 – 11:30 a.m.



Teleconference Meeting

(Pursuant to Assembly Bill 361 signed by Governor Newsom, September 16, 2021)

Important notice regarding COVID-19: In the interest of public health and safety due to the state of emergency caused by the spread of COVID-19, this meeting will be conducted via teleconference. The following alternatives are available to members of the public to view this meeting and to provide comment to the Advisory Group.

1. Members of the public wishing to join the meeting may do so as follows: Join on your computer or mobile app: <u>Click here to join the meeting</u>

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- 2. Members of the public wishing to provide public comment on items not listed on the agenda that are within jurisdiction of the commission 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, February 9, 2022 to MSAG@ccah-alliance.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 five minutes.
 - b. Public comment during the meeting, when that item is announced.
 - i. State your name and organization prior to providing comment.
 - ii. Comments are limited to five minutes.
- 3. Mute your phone during presentations to eliminate background noise.
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10:00 – 11:30 a.m.

- 1. Call to Order by Chairperson Beleutz. A. Roll Call
- 2. Approve findings that the state of emergency continues to impact the ability of members to meet safely in person and/or State or local officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing.
 - A. Report: Staff report and recommendation on above topic.

3. Oral Communications.

- A. Members of the public and may address the Advisory Group on items not listed on today's agenda, up to a maximum of 3 minutes per person, with oral communications time not to exceed 20 minutes in total.
- 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.

4. Comments and announcements by Advisory Group members.

A. Advisory Group members may provide comments and announcements.

5. Comments and Announcements by Plan Staff.

A. Plan staff may provide comments and announcements.

Consent Agenda Items:

- 6. Approve Member Services Advisory Group minutes of August 12, 2021.
- 7. Approve Member Services Advisory Group minutes of November 4, 2021.

8. Accept Plan Staff Reports:

- A. Current Enrollment
- B. Current Call Statistics Report
- C. Member Appeals and Grievance Report

Regular Agenda Items:

9. 2022 – 2026 Strategic Plan 10:15 – 10:25 a.m. *Inform*: Ronita Margain, Regional Operations Director, will provide an overview of the Alliance's 2022 – 2026 Strategic Plan.

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10:15 a.m.

10:05 a.m.



10:10 a.m.

10:00 a.m.

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10. Member Services Call Center

<u>Inform and Feedback</u>: Gisela Taboada, Member Services Call Center Manager, will provide an overview of the Member Services Call Center and solicit feedback.

11. Member Grievance Overview

10:35 – 10:45 a.m.

10:25 - 10:35 a.m.

Inform: Sarah Sanders, Grievance and Quality Manager, will provide an overview of the member grievance system, trends, and issues.

12. Adjourn

The next meeting of the Member Services Advisory Group, after this February 10, 2022 meeting:

 Santa Cruz – Monterey – Merced Thursday, May 12, 2022 10 – 11:30 a.m. Locations: Videoconference from Alliance Offices in Scotts Valley, Salinas, and Merced

Members of the public interested in attending should call the Alliance at 800-700-3874 to verify meeting dates and locations prior to the meetings.

The complete agenda packet is available for review at Alliance offices, and on the Alliance website at <u>https://thealliance.health/tag/msag/</u>. The Committee complies with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Individuals who need special assistance or a disability-related accommodation to participate in this meeting should contact the Alliance at least 72 hours prior to the meeting at MSAG@ccah-alliance.org or 800-700-3874. Committee meeting locations in Salinas and Merced are directly accessible by bus.







DATE:	February 10, 2022
TO:	Member Services Advisory Group
FROM:	Ronita Margain, Regional Operations Director
SUBJECT:	AB 361 – Brown Act: Teleconferencing Meeting Procedures

<u>Recommendation</u>. Staff recommend the Advisory Group consider making the following findings by majority vote, pursuant to Government Code § 54953 (e) (3), to allow for the Advisory Group to meet remotely through teleconferencing, due to the present state of emergency, under the permissions provided via AB 361:

(A) The Advisory Group has considered the circumstances of the state of emergency.(B) Any of the following exists:

- (i) The state of emergency continues to impact the ability of members to meet safely in person.
- (ii) State or local officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing.

<u>Summary</u>. AB 361 (Statutes 2021) amended Government Code § 54953 to modify rules requiring the physical presence of members of a public agency for the purposes of conducting a public meeting during declared states of emergency and when state or local officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing. In order to meet while implementing the permissions provided in AB 361, the Advisory Group must make the above referenced findings by majority vote and must reconsider the circumstances every 30 days.

<u>Background</u>. On September 16, 2021 Governor Newsom signed AB 361 (Rivas) which allows a local agency to use teleconferencing without complying with certain Brown Act requirements as long as notice and accessibility requirements are met, public members are allowed to observe and address the local agency body at the meeting, and the local agency body has a procedure for receiving and swiftly resolving requests for reasonable accommodations.

Under the provisions of AB 361, during a proclaimed state of emergency and when state or local officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing, a public body may meet via the abbreviated teleconferencing procedures when the public body has determined by majority vote that, as a result of the emergency, meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees.

<u>Discussion</u>. When the Advisory Group last met for its November 4, 2021 meeting, the circumstances regarding COVID and the Omicron variant were not yet present as they currently stand. Since the November meeting, the State has entered a new COVID surge and on December 15, 2021 the Governor issued a new Statewide mask mandate which requires all individuals in California to wear a mask in both indoor public spaces and workplaces. To meet via teleconferencing as permitted by the Brown Act (as amended in AB 361) during a proclaimed state of emergency, the Advisory Group must consider the

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current circumstances of the state of emergency and, by majority vote, find that the state of emergency impacts the ability of members to meet safely in person and/or State or local officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing.

In order to continue to utilize teleconferencing under these procedures after this meeting and if the state of emergency remains active or state or local officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing, the Advisory Group must, no later than 30 days after this meeting and every 30 days thereafter, reconsider the circumstances of the state of emergency.

Fiscal Impact. There is no fiscal impact associated with this agenda item.

Attachments. N/A



Meeting Minutes

Thursday, November 4, 2021

Teleconference Meeting (Pursuant to Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-29-20)

Members Present:

Humberto Carrillo John Beleutz Margaret O'Shea Rebekah Capron Celeste Armijo Enid Donato Tamara McKee

Members Absent:

Alene Smith Alexandra Heidelbach Ashley Lynne Gregory Candi Walker Debby Perez Doris Drost Elsa Quezada Ericka Peterson Leo Demushkane Linda Jenkins Lupe Chavez Martha Rubbo Michael Molesky Myisha Reed Rex Resa Sylvia Wilson Vivian Pittman

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Staff Present:

Deborah Pineda Kayla Zoliniak Jessie Newton Luis Somoza Maureen Wolff Oscar Sanchez Ronita Margain Yomayra Gomez Quality and Health Programs Manager Administrative Specialist Care Coordination Manager Member Services Director Communications Content Specialist Quality Improvement Project Specialist Regional Operations Director Member Services Project Specialist

1. Call to Order by Chairperson Beleutz.

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

No changes to the agenda were made.

Self-introductions were made.

2. Oral Communications.

Chair Beleutz opened the floor for any members of the public to address the Committee on items listed in the agenda.

Chari Beleutz announced Health Projects Center is relaunching California Community Transitions Program to assist individuals in Santa Cruz, Monterey, and San Benito counties transition from skilled nursing facilities to home.

3. Comments and Announcements by Member Services Advisory Group Members.

Chair Beleutz opened the floor for Advisory Group members and Plan Staff to make comments.

R. Margain announced Van Wong will be the new Alliance Chief Operating Officer.

Consent Agenda Items:

4. Chair Beleutz opened the floor for approval of the Consent Agenda.

Action: Quorum was not met and no was action taken.

Advisory Group member inquired about a further breakdown of the "Other" category in the Member Appeals and Grievance Report. L. Somoza will look into a further breakdown of the category.

Advisory Group member inquired about Member Appeals and Grievance Report and Call Statistics Report trends and corrective actions taken by the Alliance. L. Somoza will look into this information.

Regular Agenda Items:

5. VIP COVID-19 Vaccine Member Incentive

O. Sanchez, Quality Improvement Project Specialist, shared information about the Alliance's COVID-19 vaccine member incentive.

Advisory Group members recommended publishing list of participating providers, mailers to members, and partnering with community-based organizations to disseminate flyers.

6. Office Reopening

R. Margain, Regional Operations Director, shared the Alliance offices are scheduled to reopen February 1, 2022. The next Member Services Advisory Group meeting is scheduled to be held in person. Details will be announced when available.

7. Member Engagement Efforts Discussion

L. Somoza, Member Services Director and R. Margain, Regional Operations Director, shared the Alliance is returning to in-person member engagement and inquired what member engagement meant to Advisory Group members.

Advisory Group members recommended the Alliance continue attending in-person outreach events and to meet members where they are such as schools, faith-based organizations, and sport events

8. Proposed Dates for 2022

The proposed dates for 2022 will be submitted to the Santa Cruz-Monterey-Merced Managed Medical Care Commission for approval.

- Thursday, February 10, 2022
- Thursday, May 12, 2022
- Thursday, August 11, 2022
- Thursday, November 10, 2022

<u>Adjourn</u>:

Chair Beleutz adjourned the meeting of November 4, 2021 at 10:47 a.m. to February 10, 2022 at 10 a.m. via videoconference from Alliance Offices in Scotts Valley, Salinas, and Merced unless otherwise noticed.

Respectfully submitted, Kayla Zoliniak Administrative Specialist



Meeting Minutes

Thursday, August 12, 2021

Teleconference Meeting (Pursuant to Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-29-20)

Members Present:

Alene Smith Humberto Carrillo John Beleutz Margaret O'Shea Michael Molesky

Members Absent:

Alexandra Heidelbach Ashley Lynne Gregory Candi Walker Celeste Armijo **Debby Perez** Doris Drost Elsa Quezada Enid Donato Ericka Peterson Leo Demushkane Linda Jenkins Lupe Chavez Martha Rubbo Myisha Reed Rebekah Capron Rex Resa Shebreh Kalantari-Johnson Sylvia Wilson Tamara McKee Vivian Pittman

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Staff Present:

Jennifer Mockus Kayla Zoliniak Lee Xiong Maureen Wolff Ronita Margain Sky Collins Yomayra Gomez Community Care Coordination Director Administrative Specialist Grievance Supervisor Communications Content Specialist Regional Operations Director Web and Digital Media Developer Member Services Project Specialist

1. Call to Order by Chairperson Beleutz.

Chair Beleutz called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.

No changes to the agenda were made.

Self-introductions were made.

2. Oral Communications.

Chair Beleutz opened the floor for any members of the public to address the Committee on items listed in the agenda.

M. O'Shea inquired about the CommonSpirit contract renewal. R. Margain stated an agreement was reached and Provider Services will follow-up for additional questions.

3. Comments and Announcements by Member Services Advisory Group Members.

Chair Beleutz opened the floor for Advisory Group members and Plan Staff to make comments.

M. Molesky proposed mandates for dual eligible members and the SWOT survey presented at the Board meeting as topics for the next Member Services Advisory Group meeting.

R. Margain announced Luis Somoza is the new Alliance Member Services Director.

Consent Agenda Items:

4. Chair Beleutz opened the floor for approval of the Consent Agenda.

Action: All consent items approved.

Regular Agenda Items:

5. New Website User Feedback

Sky Collins, Web and Digital Media Developer, shared the Alliance's new website address,

design, and features.

Advisory Group members expressed the new website address and design are more user friendly than before.

6. Enhanced Care Management and In Lieu of Services Overview

Jennifer Mockus, Community Care Coordination Director, provided an overview of Enhanced Care Management.

- Collaboration with local providers and organizations will begin soon and will expand to include more community-based organizations and hospitals by the end of the year.
- The state provided strict eligibility criteria and the Alliance will identify the members.

Jennifer Mockus provided an overview of In Lieu of Services.

- The initial ILOS services to be implemented will be based on services currently being provided through the Whole Person Care pilot: housing transition and navigation services, housing deposits, and housing tenancy and sustaining services. Sobering centers will be available in Monterey County.
- Medically tailored meals will continue to be available for members.
- The Alliance Board approved a recuperative care pilot which will be available to members, although not as an in lieu of services program.

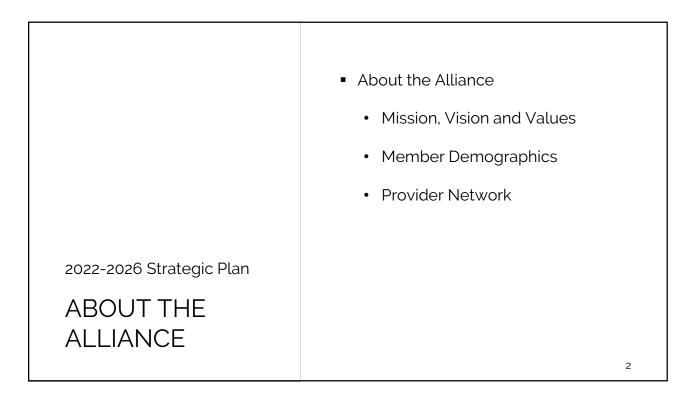
An Advisory Group member inquired about dental coverage for Medi-Cal/Medi-Care members. J. Mockus stated the State of California recognizes this as an issue and is evaluating potential changes.

Adjourn:

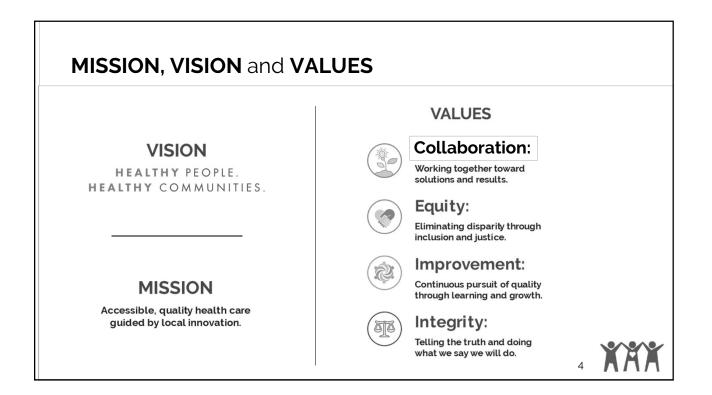
Chair Beleutz adjourned the meeting of August 12, 2021 at 10:56 a.m. to November 4, 2021 at 10 a.m. via teleconference unless otherwise noticed.

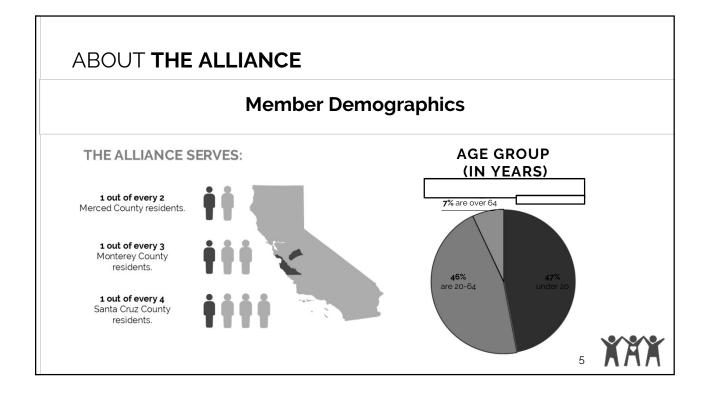
Respectfully submitted, Kayla Zoliniak Administrative Specialist

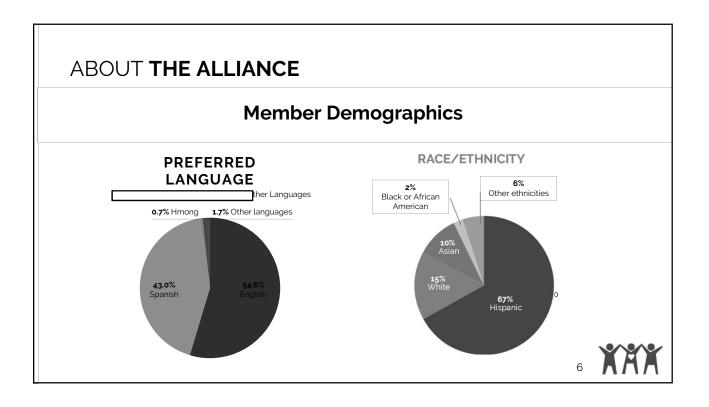




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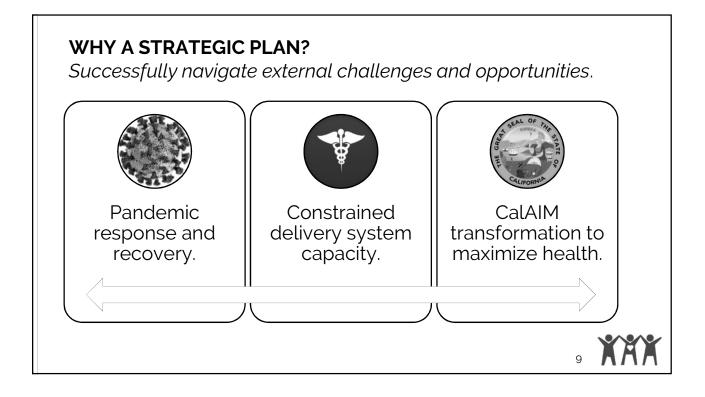
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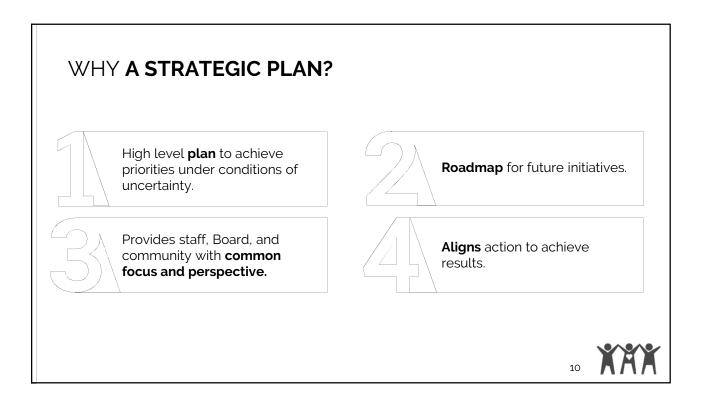
Provider Network

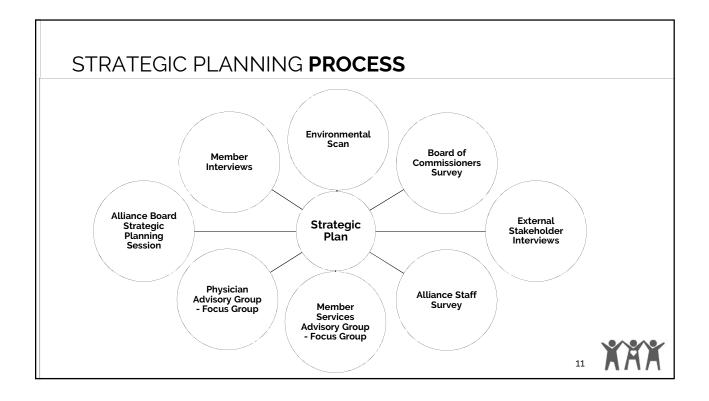


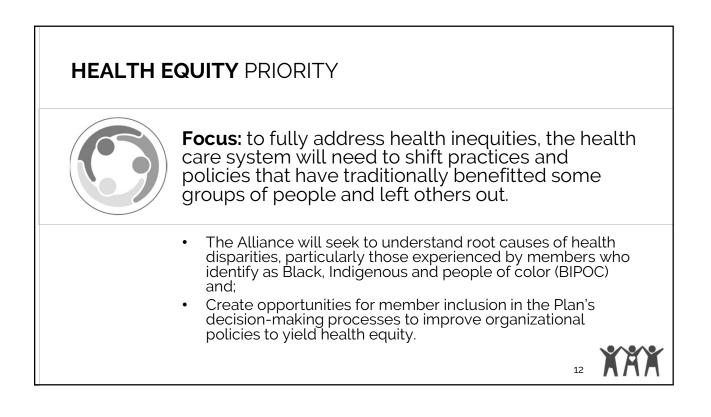
- The Alliance's provider network includes more than **11,990 providers.**
- The Alliance partners with **86% of primary care physicians** and **85% of specialists** in its service area.











HEALTH EQUITY GOALS



Goal 1:

Eliminate health disparities and achieve optimal health outcomes for children and youth.

Goal 2:

Increase member access to culturally and linguistically appropriate health care.

PERSON-CENTERED DELIVERY SYSTEM TRANSFORMATION PRIORITY



Focus: create a system that yields member health through shared decision making and action, rather than a system that simply delivers health care services.

- Center on the people served rather than the services delivered.
- Honor the dignity and self-determination of members.
- Focus on health as the intended result.

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PERSON-CENTERED DELIVERY SYSTEM TRANSFORMATION GOALS



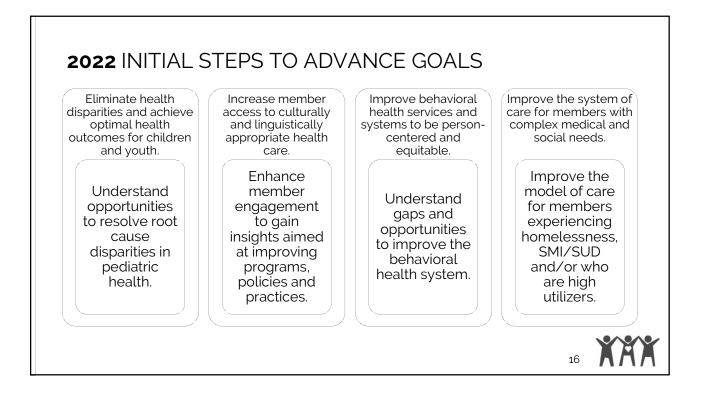
Goal 1:

Improve behavioral health services and systems to be person-centered and equitable.

Goal 2:

Improve the system of care for members with complex medical and social needs.

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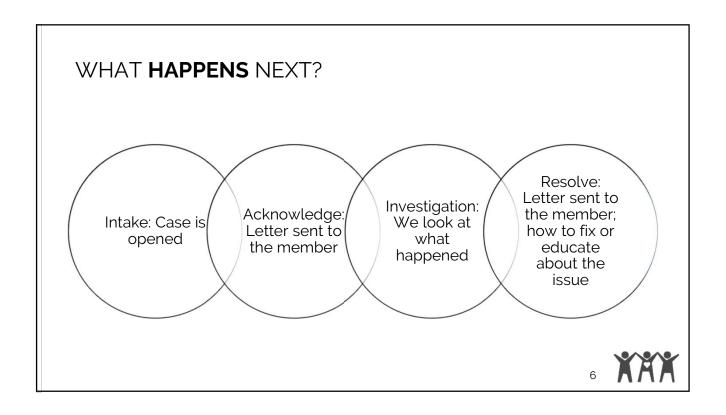


	AGENDA:	
	 What is a Grievance or Appeal Filing a Grievance or Appeal What happens Data and Review What does the Alliance do? Questions 	
Grievance Overview		
2/10/2022		
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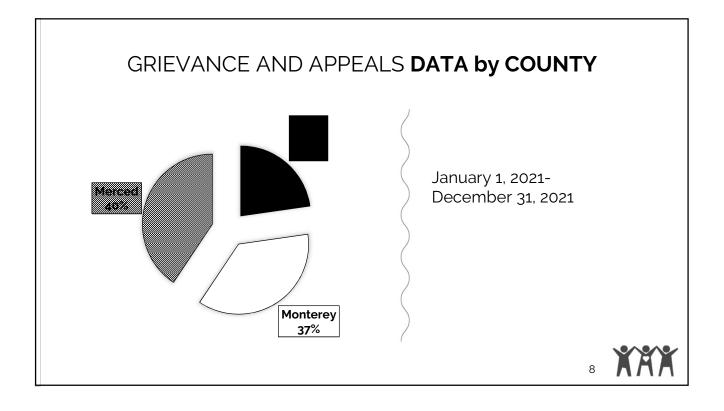
Member	Complaint about Alliance (or provider) benefits services: quality of care, quality of service, long
Grievance	wait times, communication issues.
Appeal	 When a member does not agree with an Alliance decision to deny or change services.
State Fair	A formal legal process members may request
Hearing	when they do not agree with an individual Appeal decision.

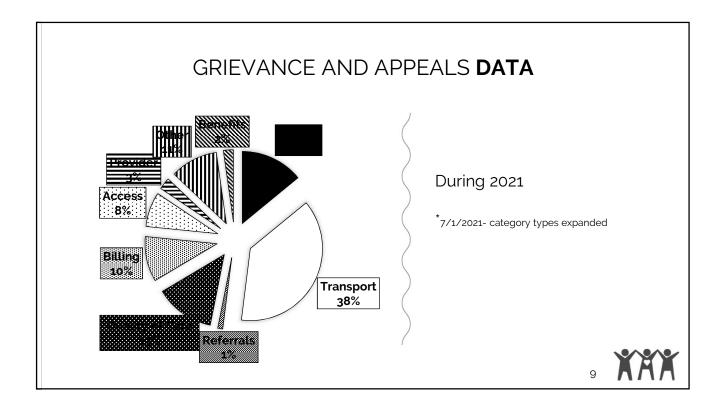
DW LONG DO M	EMBERS HAVE TO FILE?
Member Grievance	• No time limit. May be reported at any time from the date the issue occurred.
Appeal	• Must be made within sixty (60) days from the denial letter, which is called a Notice of Action (NOA).
State Fair Hearing	 Must be filed within one hundred and twenty (120) days of a Notice of Appeal Resolution (NAR letter.

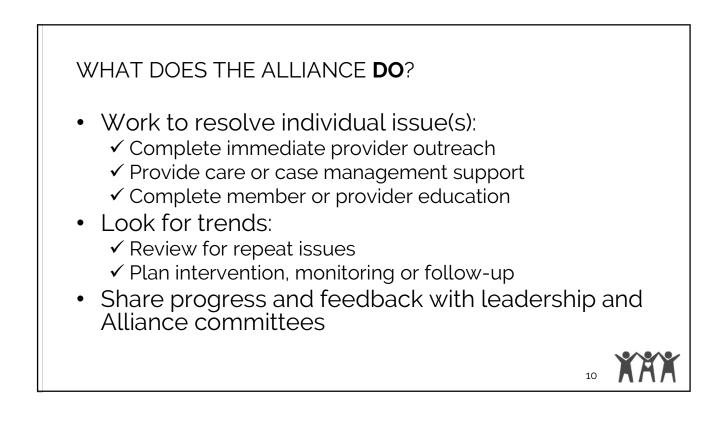


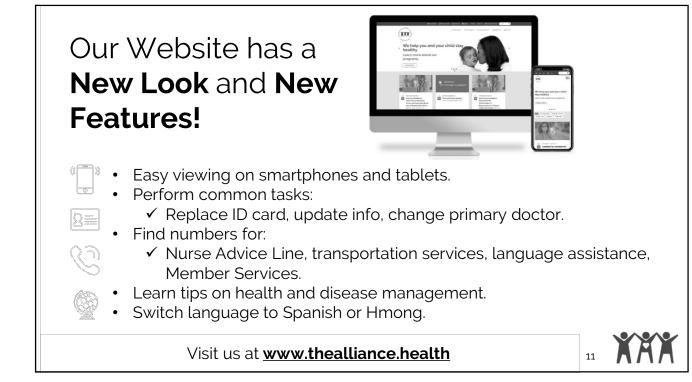


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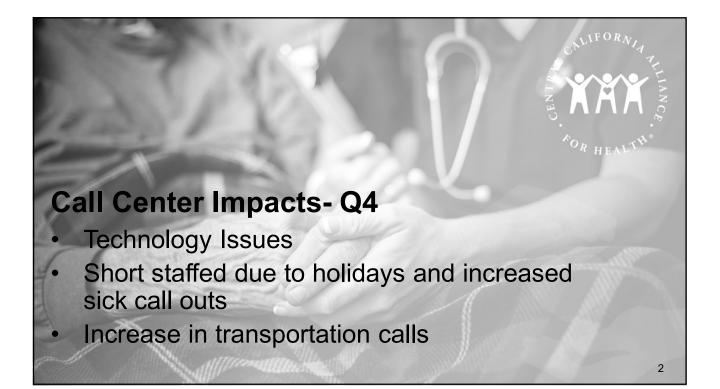




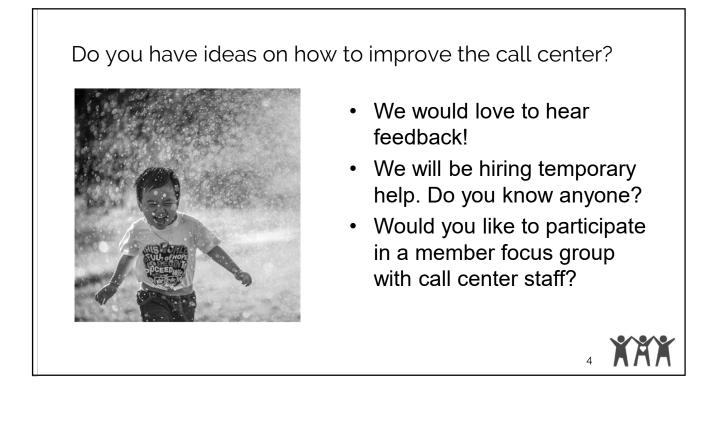


Call Center Updates

Member Services Advisory Group Gisela Taboada, MS Call Center Manager 2/10/2022



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 Enrollment Report

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 County: All
 Program: IHSS & Medi-Cal

 Aid Cat Roll Up: All
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Membership Totals by County and Program, % Change Month-over-Month and % Change Year-over-Year 180K 165,223 160K 140K-132,131 Members--> Monthly --> Yearly --> 120K # of Members 100K 80K 72,114 60K 40K Program County 20K - O SANTA CRUZ MONTEREY + MERCED 0K February 2021 April 2021 June 2021 August 2021 October 2021 December 2021 February 2022 Feb 2021 May 2021 Program.. ProgramCo.. Mar 2021 Apr 2021 Jun 2021 Jul 2021 Aug 2021 Sep 2021 Oct 2021 Nov 2021 Dec 2021 Jan 2022 Feb 2022 SANTA CRUZ 72,114 73,664 73,904 74,088 75,279 Medi-Cal 72,466 72,908 73,466 74,531 75,004 75,235 75,534 MONTEREY 164,694 165,657 166,551 167,554 168,245 168,930 169,423 170,176 170,752 171,287 171,746 172,982 MERCED 132,131 132,894 133,685 134,765 135,350 136,083 136,865 137,805 138,527 138,960 139,506 140,577 IHSS MONTEREY 529 516 512 505 501 498 509 516 513 515 517 511

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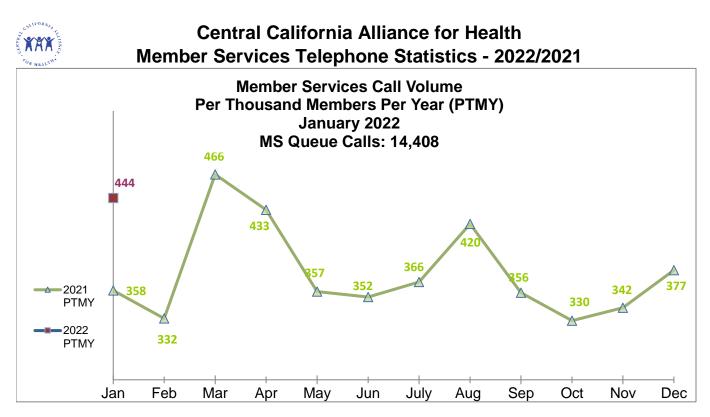
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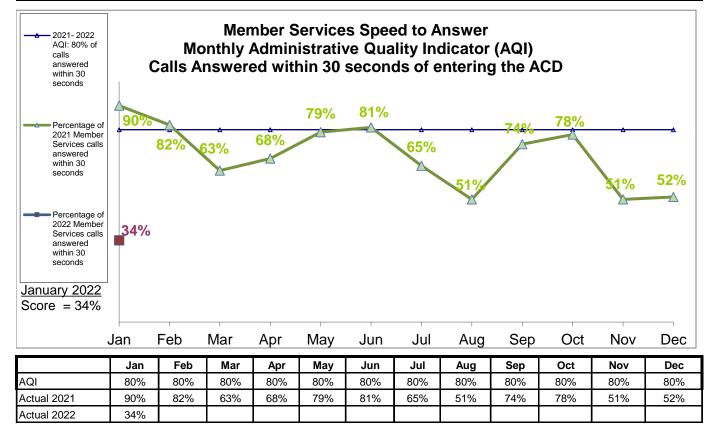
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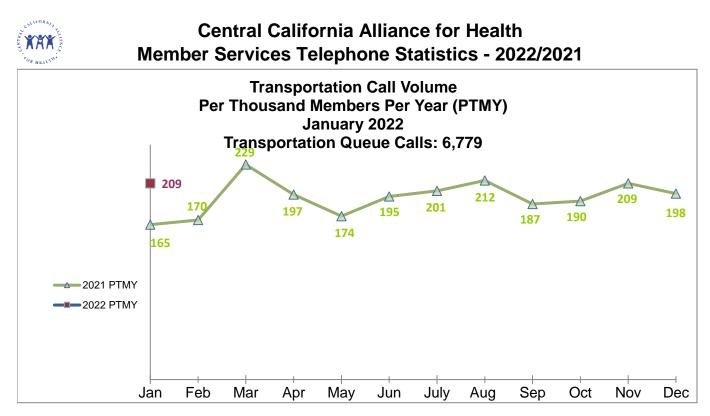
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Total Members

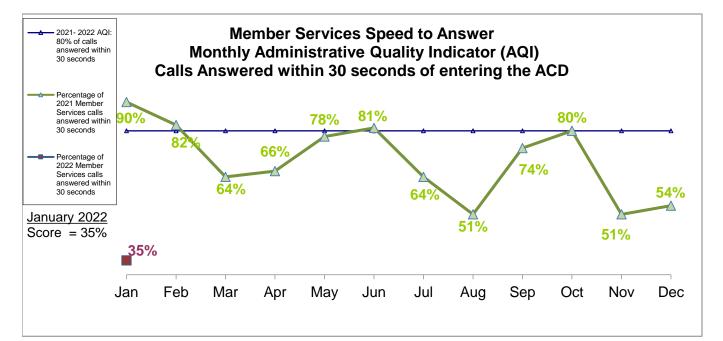


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Call Volume	10,921	10,206	14,388	13,459	11,188	11,052	11,546	13,318	11,348	10,547	10,995	12,151
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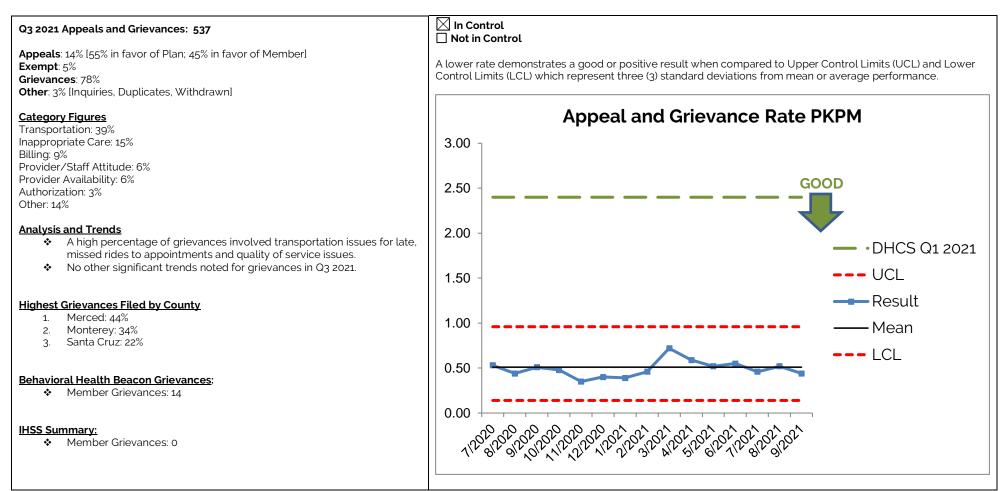
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Call Volume	5,029	5,222	7,060	6,117	5,446	6,132	6,335	6,714	5,944	6,095	6,749	6,378
Rate PTMY	165	170	229	197	174	195	201	212	187	190	209	198
Call Volume	6,779											
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	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	Мау	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
AQI	80%	80%	80%	80%	80%	80%	80%	80%	80%	80%	80%	80%
Actual 2021	90%	82%	64%	66%	78%	81%	64%	51%	74%	80%	51%	54%
Actual 2022	35%											



Member Appeals and Grievance Report Q3, 2021



	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
2020 Enrollment	334,394	337,611	337,444	341,861	346,268	350,131	352,983	355,570	358,607	359,810	362,135	364,785
A&G Issues	173	167	141	107	108	162	187	157	183	173	126	146
Rate PKPM*	0.52	0.49	0.42	0.31	0.31	0.46	0.53	0.44	0.51	0.48	0.35	0.40
2021 Enrollment	367,138	369,436	371,493	373,618	376,251	377,718	379,353	380,797	382,949			
A&G Issues	145	170	269	222	195	206	173	197	167			
Rate PKPM*	0.39	0.46	0.72	0.59	0.52	0.55	0.46	0.52	0.44			

*Grievances Per 1,000 Member Month

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