
Palliative Care and SB 1004

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Meeting Objectives

- Outline the contents of SB 1004 and the stakeholder engagement process
- Create a common understanding of palliative care
- Review accomplishments, opportunities and challenges in increasing access to palliative care
- Begin exploring key issues that will inform development of DHCS guidance
- Overview of different palliative care models



Policy Development for Implementation of SB 1004

- DHCS is developing guidance for Medi-Cal managed care plans, including standards and technical assistance around services and population.
- DHCS is pleased to partner with stakeholders on this important policy area. This effort is consistent with the Department's Strategic Plan, Quality Strategy, and with DHCS's ongoing efforts to develop and promote best practices to improve the care experience for Medi-Cal consumers.



Policy Development Next Steps

- Learn and share information from palliative care models already underway in California.
 - Use data and stakeholder feedback to identify:
 - Potential population/condition/prognosis eligibility
 - Services/providers
 - Fiscal structure
 - Performance and outcome measures
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Other DHCS Palliative Care Efforts

- Pediatric Palliative Care Waiver
- Section 2703 Health Homes
- 1115 Waiver Renewal:
 - Workforce Development – Increased Provider Training
 - Delivery System Reform Incentive Payments (DSRIP) 2.0
- Coordinated Care Initiative



Overview of Today's Agenda

- SB 1004 & Palliative Care Opportunities: *Presentation and Q&A (1 hour & 15 minutes)*
- Palliative Care in the Safety Net – Developing Specialist Services and Leveraging Community Resources: *Presentation and Q&A (50 minutes)*
- Lunch & Review Resources *(45 minutes)*
- Demand and Supply: *Data Presentation and Q&A (40 minutes)*
- Efforts to Increase Access and Capacity: *Panel Presentation and Q&A (1 hour)*
- Core Elements, Clinical Models, and Key Challenges: *Q&A (45 minutes)*

