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**ISSUE:**

Following the conference call discussion at the April meeting with Rollin Ives from the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) about the Behavioral Health Service Needs Plan, the Healthcare Reform (HCR) Committee developed a list of questions for DHCS. The HCR Committee had several concerns regarding stakeholder inclusion, particularly for the California Mental Health Planning Council to fulfill the statutory mandates. Ives suggested that the HCR Committee develop a list of questions to have Jane Adcock relay to Vanessa Baird.

The following list is composed of the questions the HCR Committee would like DHCS to address:

1. How does the Planning Council remain involved before key mental health decisions are made?
2. How can the PC remain involved before decisions are made in regards to the Behavioral Health Service Needs Plan?

Recommendation:

- (a) Focus group/PC/ Local Board or Commission or
- (b) PC has direct contact with TAC before plan is released building on the strength of stakeholder process from the needs assessment, recognizing that it worked well and ask for similar model of needs assessment with service plan
3. Ask DHCS to develop FAQ or talking points related to what the service plan means for someone new to Medi-Cal services.

Recommendation:

- (a) Develop standard enrollment process rather than relying on counties.
4. How will DHCS take lessons learned from Seniors with Disability Enrollment and apply that to the Medi-Cal Expansion and Dual Expansion?
5. Has the State issued any guidance for counties to prepare for October 1<sup>st</sup> enrollment? Since the May Revise has any discussion taken place? How can the PC know what DHCS is doing and provide input?

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Jane Adcock, Executive Director, California Mental Health Planning Council will discuss DHCS responses to the aforementioned questions.