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CalAIM Managed Long-Term Services and Supports (MLTSS) and Duals Integration Workgroup Charter

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Background

California Advancing & Innovating Medical (CalAIM) is a multi-year DHCS initiative to implement overarching policy changes across all Medi-Cal delivery systems, with the objectives of:

- Identifing and managing member risk and need through whole person care approaches and addressing Social Determinants of Health;
- Moving Medi-Cal to a more consistent and seamless system by reducing complexity and increasing flexibility; and
- Improving quality outcomes, reduce health disparities, and drive delivery system transformation and innovation through value-based initiatives, modernization of systems, and payment reform.

Purpose

Under CalAIM, DHCS is proposing to transition Cal MediConnect (CMC) and the Coordinated Care Initiative (CCI) to a statewide Managed Long-Term Services and Supports (MLTSS) and Dual Eligible Special Needs Plan (D-SNP) structure. This policy is intended to help meet the statewide goals of improving care integration and person-centered care, under both CalAIM and the California Master Plan for Aging (MPA). DHCS is working with health plans, stakeholders, and the U.S. Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) to transition and expand services statewide.

Scope and Objectives

The CalAIM MLTSS and Duals Integration Workgroup is being established to provide an opportunity for stakeholders to collaborate and provide feedback on the Department's policy and operational efforts for dual eligibles and the CCI transition within the CalAIM initiative. Workgroup topics will include:

- How to provide dually eligible beneficiaries with quality, integrated care through D-SNPs, Medi-Cal managed care plans, and other CalAIM initiatives;
- Opportunities and challenges around how to implement a statewide aligned MTLSS and D-SNP structure;
- Policies such as model of care contract requirements and consumer protections; and

• Leveraging lessons learned from CCI and other integrated care models, including development of integrated member materials, requiring consumers in advisory boards, requiring dementia specialists in care coordination efforts, and coordination of carved-out LTSS benefits.

Workgroup Meeting Structure

- Meetings will be conducted via webinar.
- Meetings are open to the public and will be moderated via webinar. DHCS does not anticipate limiting workgroup members to a specific list of stakeholders, but may change the format if needed.
- Presentations and discussion are welcome from all stakeholders.
- The workgroups will be a solution-focused, collegial environment for respectfully expressing different points of view.
- The workgroup meetings will be a mechanism for direct communication and problem solving with DHCS.

Meeting Schedule

The CalAIM MLTSS and Duals workgroup meetings will be once a month, based on need. The meeting schedule and times will be finalized closer to the meeting date.