

S NOVEMBER MLTSS AND DUALS STAKEHOLDER WORKGROUP

Meeting Summary

On November 14, 2024, the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) hosted the November Managed Long-Term Services and Supports (MLTSS) & Duals Integration Workgroup.

Anastasia Dodson, Deputy Director of the Office of Medicare Innovation and Integration (OMII) and Christopher Tolbert, Section Chief of OMII at DHCS, started the meeting with updates on Medicare enrollment data for dual eligible members and the D-SNP Dashboard. After this presentation, Anastasia Dodson provided updates on the 2025 Dual Eligible Special Needs Plan (D-SNP) State Medicaid Agency Contract (SMAC) and D-SNP Policy Guide, the 2024 Exclusively Aligned Enrollment (EAE) D-SNP Default Enrollment Pilot, the 2026 Local Plan D-SNP Implementation, and the Medicare Special Enrollment Period (SEP) changes for 2025. Next, Joseph Billingsley, Assistant Deputy Director in the Health Care Delivery Systems (HCDS) at DHCS, presented a Medi-Cal Gap Analysis and Multi-Year Roadmap Project update.

In the next presentation, Tyler Brennan, Health Program Specialist in the Managed Care Quality and Monitoring Division (MCQMD) at DHCS, started the Community Supports spotlight on Medically Tailored Meals (MTM) with an overview of MTM for the dual eligible population in California. Following this, Melen Vue, Program Manager in Systems of Care at Health Net, and Laurie Schwartz, Director of CalAIM Provider Relations at Roots Food Group, presented on the delivery of MTM to their dual eligible members.

In the final presentation, Dr. Laura Miller, Medical Consultant in the Division of Quality and Population Health Management (QPHM) at DHCS, and Tyler Brennan provided an update on Enhanced Care Management (ECM) and Community Supports (CS), including a Quarter 1 2024 by Populations of Focus (POF) data update on ECM and CS. In the August MLTSS & Duals Integration Workgroup, DHCS provided a similar overview of ECM and CS data, which focused on ECM and CS resources available for all Medi-Cal members, including long-term care (LTC) facility residents, and presented updates on

dual eligible members receiving ECM and CS in Quarter 4 2023. More information can be found in the Enhanced Care Management and Community Supports Quarterly Implementation Report.

There were three opportunities throughout the workgroup for the audience to ask questions and share comments. Specifically, stakeholders had questions about the DHCS Medi-Cal Gap Analysis and Multi-Year Roadmap Project, the spotlight on MTM, and 2025 D-SNP SMAC and Policy Guide updates.

Cassidy Acosta from Aurrera Health Group concluded the meeting by sharing information about the upcoming topics and the date for the future MLTSS & Duals Integration Workgroup meeting. The recording and transcript of the November MLTSS & Duals Integration Workgroup meeting contain additional information about the presentation and discussion.

This was the last MLTSS & Duals Integration Stakeholder Workgroup of the year. The next DHCS MLTSS and Duals Integration Stakeholder Workgroup will be announced on the **DHCS** website soon.