

## **Workforce and Employment Committee Agenda [Revised]**

Wednesday, June 19, 2024

Lake Arrowhead Resort

27984 CA-189, Lake Arrowhead, CA 92352

Pinecone and Acorn Room

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Meeting ID: 874 1115 1669 Passcode: WEC2024

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1:30 pm to 5:00 pm

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| <b>1:30 pm</b> | <b>Welcome, Introductions, and Housekeeping</b><br><i>Walter Shwe, Chairperson and All Members</i>  |              |
| <b>1:35 pm</b> | <b>Review and Accept April 2024 Draft Meeting Minutes</b><br><i>Walter Shwe, Chairperson and All Members</i>  | <b>Tab 1</b> |
| <b>1:40 pm</b> | <b>Overview of Peer Support Specialist, Community Health Worker (CHW), and Certified Wellness Coach (CWC) Providers</b><br><i>Christian Jones, State Policy Analyst, Office of Health Workforce Development (OHWD), California Department of Health Access and Information (HCAI)</i><br><i>Sharmil Shah, Assistant Deputy Director, OHWD, HCAI</i><br><i>Alexandria Simpson, Medi-Cal Behavioral Health Division, California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS)</i><br><i>Michael Freeman, Assistant Deputy Director, Health Care Benefits and Eligibility, Department of Health Care Services</i>  | <b>Tab 2</b> |
| <b>2:10pm</b>  | <b>Public Comment</b>   |              |
| <b>2:15 pm</b> | <b>Panel on Distinctions and Overlap Between Peer Support Specialist, CHW, and CWC Provider Types</b><br><i>Sharmil Shah, Assistant Deputy Director, OHWD, HCAI</i><br><i>Christian Jones, State Policy Analyst, Policy Section, HCAI</i><br><i>Anne Powell, Health Program Specialist II, OHWD, HCAI</i><br><i>Alexandria Simpson, Medi-Cal Behavioral Health Division, DHCS</i><br><i>Michael Freeman, Assistant Deputy Director, Health Care Benefits And Eligibility, DHCS</i><br><i>Katie Andrew, Director of Government Affairs for Quality &amp; Behavioral Health, Local Health Plans of California</i><br><i>Tonica Robinson, Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health</i><br><i>Guyton Colantuono, Executive Director, Project Return Peer Support Network</i><br><i>Mary Mojica, Project Return Peer Support Network</i> | <b>Tab 3</b> |
| <b>3:00 pm</b> | <b>Break</b>  |              |

- 3:10 pm**      **Panel on Distinctions and Overlap Between Peer Support Specialist, CHW, and CWC Provider Types (Continued)**  
*Sharmil Shah, Assistant Deputy Director, OHWD, HCAI*  
*Christian Jones, State Policy Analyst, Policy Section, HCAI*  
*Anne Powell, Health Program Specialist II, OHWD, HCAI*  
*Alexandria Simpson, Medi-Cal Behavioral Health Division, DHCS*  
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*Mary Mojica, Project Return Peer Support Network*
- 3:30 pm**      **Public Comment**
- 3:35 pm**      **May Revision Health Workforce Budget Cut Updates**  
*Ashneek Nanua, Health Program Specialist II and All members*
- 3:45 pm**      **Public Comment**
- 3:50 pm**      **Break**
- 4:00 pm**      **California Department of Rehabilitation Presentation on Cooperative Programs Data**      **Tab 4**  
*Gina Rambeau, Cooperative Programs Section, CA Department of Rehabilitation*
- 4:50 pm**      **Public Comment**
- 4:55 pm**      **Wrap up/Next Steps**  
*Walter Shwe, Chairperson and All Members*
- 5:00 pm**      **Adjourn**

*The scheduled times on the agenda are estimates and subject to change.*

**Public Comment:** Limited to a **2-minute maximum** to ensure all are heard.

### **Workforce and Employment Committee Members**

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