



BHT PERFORMANCE MEASURES

EQ-1: Disparities in Behavioral Health Services for People with Mental Health Needs

FY 24-25 Rates

As part of California’s Behavioral Health Transformation (BHT), the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) has developed BHT performance measures intended to capture progress on 14 statewide behavioral health (BH) goals. These performance measures will be used for transparency, planning, population health, and—over time and as appropriate—performance targets will be enforced. Additional details can be found in the Behavioral Health Services Act (BHSA) County [Policy Manual](#) and in the BHT Performance Measures [Specifications Manual](#).

This document contains the official fiscal year (FY) 24-25 rates for the following BHT performance measure:

Measure Details	Description
Measure Name	Disparities in BH Services for People with Mental Health (MH) Needs (EQ-BHSRV1-WMH)
Measure Description	Percent of Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander (NH/PI), Black, or Asian Medi-Cal members living with MH needs who received one or more core clinical services to address BH <i>compared with</i> percent of Medi-Cal members living with MH needs who received one or more core clinical services to address BH.
Measure Background	This novel measure focuses on racial and ethnic disparities in utilization of one or more core clinical services to address BH during a 12-month period among people enrolled in Medi-Cal or receiving other county BH

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	services¹ living with an identified MH need. This measure currently includes only Medi-Cal members, but DHCS is exploring including non-Medi-Cal members who receive county BH services in this measure at a future date. Identified as one of the “Cross-Goal Equity” Measures, this measure focuses on an intervention—BH services appropriate to meet a person’s individual MH needs—that is essential to advance all 14 statewide BH goals and where disparities are pervasive. Through data analysis, DHCS identified three populations of focus that experience significant and geographically pervasive disparity in access to one or more core clinical services to address BH: Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander (NH/PI), Black, and Asian populations. This measure is a stratification of One or More BH Services for People with MH Needs (BHSRV1-WMH); it includes all Medi-Cal members with an identified MH need and assesses whether they received core clinical services to address BH regardless of whether they are served by the Specialty Mental Health Services (SMHS) or Non-Specialty Mental Health Services (NSMHS) system. For more background on this measure, see BHSRV1-WMH. Reducing disparities for this measure requires coordination between County Behavioral Health Plans (BHPs) and Medi-Cal Managed Care Plans (MCPs). For the MCP rate, all members assigned to an MCP are included in their rate if they meet denominator criteria for identified MH needs. For the BHP rate, because BHPs do not have assigned members, all Medi-Cal members in that county

¹ In addition to Medi-Cal members, DHCS will explore over time including people who receive county BH services but are not enrolled in Medi-Cal. This includes, but is not limited to, services funded by the BHSA, 1991 and 2011 Realignment, and the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)'s Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness, Mental Health Block Grants, and Substance Use Prevention, Treatment, and Recovery Services Block Grants. This version of the specification only includes Medi-Cal members. DHCS will explore whether non-Medi-Cal recipients of county BH services could be incorporated into the eligible population of this measure at a future date.

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	(defined by their county of responsibility assignments ²) are included in their rate if they meet denominator criteria for identified MH needs.
Measure Steward	DHCS
Measure Goal	This measure is 1 of 3 "Cross-Goal Equity" Measures.
Measure Category	N/A
Responsibility	Medi-Cal MCPs and County BHPs

Table 1. Statewide Rates

State	Total Population	Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	Black or African American	Asian
California	65.93%	58.33%	62.13%	62.07%

Table 2. County Behavioral Health Plan Rates

County Behavioral Health Plan	Total Population	Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	Black or African American	Asian
Alameda	64.96%	48.88%	60.22%	61.41%
Alpine	59.34%	N/A	N/A	N/A
Amador	62.57%	S	64.29%	60.71%
Butte	67.11%	56.41%	61.83%	60.16%
Calaveras	63.29%	S	57.14%	55.56%
Colusa	69.48%	S	54.17%	65.63%
Contra Costa	67.68%	63.78%	63.59%	63.16%
Del Norte	65.49%	S	63.33%	60.76%
El Dorado	65.90%	S	56.45%	58.27%

² A Medi-Cal member's county of responsibility is the official source for determining which County BHP is financially accountable for SMHS and substance use disorder treatment services for that member. In some cases, this may be different than the member's county of residence. See Behavioral Health Information Notice [24-008](#) for more information.

County Behavioral Health Plan	Total Population	Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	Black or African American	Asian
Fresno	62.16%	63.70%	55.73%	59.60%
Glenn	66.45%	S	61.54%	54.10%
Humboldt	73.11%	64.10%	72.70%	68.38%
Imperial	72.67%	S	64.31%	72.62%
Inyo	64.07%	S	S	S
Kern	69.44%	73.42%	63.02%	69.03%
Kings	61.37%	63.16%	54.10%	62.77%
Lake	66.06%	S	61.29%	74.07%
Lassen	66.30%	N/A	53.85%	57.14%
Los Angeles County	62.55%	53.24%	60.76%	60.50%
Madera	69.32%	S	61.85%	67.52%
Marin	73.74%	66.67%	72.47%	70.33%
Mariposa	65.86%	S	61.90%	S
Mendocino	69.70%	S	62.04%	68.66%
Merced	63.02%	39.13%	57.68%	67.93%
Modoc	67.45%	N/A	S	S
Mono	74.52%	0.00%	S	S
Monterey	75.08%	63.01%	70.56%	70.40%
Napa	71.18%	S	64.77%	66.89%
Nevada	74.09%	S	72.22%	74.68%
Orange	63.92%	58.51%	62.48%	59.18%
Placer	68.78%	42.86%	66.88%	63.69%
Plumas	63.27%	S	64.00%	S
Riverside	72.27%	71.50%	68.96%	71.38%
Sacramento	63.09%	53.33%	61.33%	63.55%
San Benito	68.08%	S	64.00%	68.13%
San Bernardino	69.62%	60.60%	66.10%	69.33%

County Behavioral Health Plan	Total Population	Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	Black or African American	Asian
San Diego	68.31%	62.16%	61.69%	63.22%
San Francisco	69.37%	55.60%	65.18%	70.23%
San Joaquin	59.42%	46.62%	55.09%	58.05%
San Luis Obispo	73.63%	76.19%	67.15%	65.15%
San Mateo	71.90%	62.42%	71.55%	68.93%
Santa Barbara	74.40%	76.67%	70.02%	70.77%
Santa Clara	63.72%	58.89%	62.79%	57.34%
Santa Cruz	77.03%	62.96%	73.02%	73.25%
Shasta	70.88%	67.65%	67.80%	66.78%
Sierra	55.56%	S	N/A	S
Siskiyou	67.42%	S	68.66%	55.00%
Solano	67.11%	58.80%	65.48%	63.18%
Sonoma	71.42%	72.86%	66.38%	66.41%
Stanislaus	56.00%	37.96%	53.19%	48.24%
Sutter/Yuba	64.94%	56.10%	62.11%	63.55%
Tehama	63.60%	S	57.32%	54.41%
Trinity	65.67%	S	S	51.35%
Tulare	64.36%	62.50%	59.46%	60.09%
Tuolumne	66.25%	S	59.46%	72.41%
Ventura	64.46%	66.67%	63.95%	56.61%
Yolo	70.79%	67.65%	66.44%	69.51%

Table 3. Medi-Cal Managed Care Plan Rates³

Medi-Cal Managed Care Plan	Total Population	Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	Black or African American	Asian
AIDS Healthcare Foundation	74.90%	S	67.44%	S
Alameda Alliance for Health	63.09%	47.04%	58.50%	60.12%
Anthem Blue Cross	62.94%	58.70%	59.98%	61.13%
Blue Shield of CA Promise Health Plan	67.83%	57.81%	62.61%	64.33%
CalOptima	62.64%	57.84%	61.14%	57.93%
CalViva Health	64.30%	66.67%	57.48%	61.43%
CenCal Health	74.18%	C	68.43%	67.48%
Central California Alliance for Health	71.12%	55.10%	62.58%	68.97%
Community Health Group Partnership Plan	68.60%	60.35%	62.12%	62.24%
Community Health Plan of Imperial Valley	72.76%	S	65.65%	69.14%
Contra Costa Health Plan	66.25%	65.81%	61.01%	61.52%
Gold Coast Health Plan	63.86%	65.38%	63.93%	54.97%
Health Net Community Solutions	62.37%	47.24%	59.35%	61.86%
Health Plan of San Joaquin	56.36%	41.79%	53.29%	54.21%
Health Plan of San Mateo	71.61%	62.69%	70.08%	68.30%

³ In this release, the Medi-Cal MCP rates listed are not at the county level, but rather for all counties statewide in which the plan operates.

Medi-Cal Managed Care Plan	Total Population	Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	Black or African American	Asian
Inland Empire Health Plan	72.55%	65.87%	68.87%	72.09%
Kaiser Permanente	74.64%	68.18%	72.56%	70.70%
Kern Family Health Care	71.28%	73.85%	65.55%	70.82%
L.A. Care Health Plan	61.38%	50.94%	59.94%	58.12%
Molina Healthcare of California	64.05%	61.01%	57.44%	60.08%
Mountain Valley Health Plan	68.11%	S	61.90%	C
Partnership Health Plan of California	68.70%	61.10%	63.40%	63.60%
San Francisco Health Plan	69.96%	54.95%	66.22%	71.41%
Santa Clara Family Health Plan	62.43%	58.02%	63.74%	55.21%

"S" represents values that are based on less than 11 individuals which are not shown in accordance with the DHCS Data De-identification Guidelines (DDG) Version 3.0.

Values reported as "0.00" indicate that no events were observed.

Values reported as "N/A" indicate that no persons qualified for the denominator.

"C" denotes complementary data that is not shown to comply with DHCS DDG Version 3.0 to prevent the re-derivation of other sensitive information.