



California Behavioral Health Planning Council

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AGENDA

October 20, 21, 22, and 23, 2026

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COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Tuesday, October 20, 2026

2:00 p.m. [Performance Outcomes Committee](#)

Wednesday, October 21, 2026

8:30 a.m. [Executive Committee](#)

10:30 a.m. [Patients' Rights Committee](#)

12:00 p.m. LUNCH (on your own)

1:30 p.m. [Workforce and Employment Committee](#)

1:30 p.m. [Legislation and Public Policy Committee](#)

Thursday, October 22, 2026

8:30 a.m. [Housing and Homelessness Committee](#)

8:30 a.m. [Systems and Medicaid Committee](#)

12:00 p.m. LUNCH (on your own)

Thursday, October 22, 2026

COUNCIL GENERAL SESSION

Room: Northrop-Stanley

Conference Call: (669) 900-6833 (Listen Only)

Meeting ID: 935 5434 7903 **Passcode:** 036985

1:30 p.m. Welcome and Introductions

Tony Vartan, Chairperson

1:35 p.m. Local Behavioral Health Services Overview

Tab A

Todd Schirmer, PhD, Behavioral Health & Recovery Services (BHRS) Director, Marin County

- Presentation (30 minutes)
- Council Member Question & Answer (10 minutes)
- Public Comment (5 minutes)

2:20 p.m. Success Over Stigma

Tab B

Kontrena McPheter, Peer Outreach and Advocacy Coordinator, Interim Inc.

- Introduction (5 minutes)
- Stories of Success (30 minutes)
- Council Member Discussion (10 minutes)
- Public Comment (5 minutes)

3:15 p.m. 15-Minute Break

3:30 p.m. Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) Update

Paula Wilhelm, Deputy Director, Behavioral Health, CA Department of Health Care Services

- Presentation (20 minutes)
- Council Member Question & Answer (5-7 minutes)
- Public Comment (4-5 minutes)

4:00 p.m. Committee Report-Outs

- **Performance Outcomes:** Noel O'Neill, Chairperson
- **Executive:** Tony Vartan, Chairperson
- **Patients' Rights:** Mike Phillips, Chairperson
- **Legislation and Public Policy:** Javier Moreno, Chairperson
- **Workforce and Employment:** Bill Stewart, Chairperson
- **Housing and Homelessness:** Maria Sierra, Chair-Elect
- **Systems and Medicaid:** Karen Baylor, Chairperson

4:50 p.m. General Public Comment

5:00 p.m. Recess

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

Friday, October 23, 2026

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8:30 a.m. Welcome Back, Re-Introductions & Announcements

Tony Vartan, Chairperson

8:40 a.m. Council Member Appointment and Acknowledgments

Jenny Bayardo, Executive Officer and Tony Vartan, Chairperson

- Council Member Term Expirations Announcements
- Acknowledgments and Appreciation

9:15 a.m. 2027 Areas of Focus

Tab C

Tony Vartan, Chairperson and Susan Wilson, Chairperson Elect

9:30 a.m. Integrated Plans Presentation

Tab D

- DHCS Overview of BHSA Integrated Plans: *Marlies Perez, Chief, Community Services Division, Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) (20 minutes)*
- County Presentations of Local Integrated Plan (45 minutes): *Imo Momoh, Director of Managed Care, San Francisco County Department of Public Health Behavioral Health Services Department and Jei Africa, Behavioral Health Director, San Mateo County Behavioral Health and Recovery Services*
- Council Discussion and Next Steps (15 minutes)
- Public Comment (10 minutes)

11:00 a.m. 20-Minute Break

11:20 a.m. Public Forums Report Out

Tab E

Performance Outcomes Subcommittee #2: Susan Wilson and Uma Zykovsky and Jenny Bayardo, Executive Officer

- Lessons Learned (10 minutes)
- Council Member discussion (10 minutes)

11:40 a.m. General Public Comment

11:55 a.m. Closing Remarks

Tony Vartan, Chairperson

12:00 p.m. Adjourn

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

2027 Council Meeting Schedule

- **January 19-22, 2027: San Diego, CA**
- **April 13-16, 2027: Folsom, CA**
- **June 15-18, 2027: Marina Del Ray, Los Angeles CA**
- **October 19-22, 2027: Greater Bay Area**