

MEDI-CAL CHILDREN'S HEALTH ADVISORY PANEL (MCHAP) MEETING

Date: Thursday, November 6, 2025

Time: 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Meeting Location: Department of Health Care Services (DHCS)
1700 K Street (first floor, conference room 17.1014)
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10:00 – 10:10

Welcome, Opening Comments, Roll Call, and Agenda

Mike Weiss, M.D., Chair

- a. Review: The legislative intent of AB 357 (Chapter 376, Statutes of 2014), as subsequently amended, states that the health and well-being of California's children should be among the state's top priorities, and it is imperative that every child in California have meaningful health coverage that includes benefits to support healthy growth and development. Children's health coverage should encompass more than just the treatment of diseases and illnesses; it should also cover services and care to promote healthy development and well-being, identify and address problems early on, and prevent chronic disease. Welfare and Institutions Code Section 14005.271 states that the Medi-Cal Children's Health Advisory Panel shall be an independent, statewide advisory board that shall advise the State Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) on matters relevant to all children enrolled in Medi-Cal and



their families, including, but not limited to, emerging trends in the care of children, quality measurements, communications between DHCS and Medi-Cal families, provider network issues, and Medi-Cal enrollment issues.

- b. Member Roll Call
- c. Review and Approval of September 11, 2025, Meeting Minutes

10:10 – 10:50 **Improving Preventive Care Services through Medi-Cal for Kids and Teens**

Pamela Riley, MD, MPH, Assistant Deputy Director and Chief Health Equity Officer, Quality and Population Health Management

10:50 – 11:25 **Drug Medi-Cal and Drug Medi-Cal Organized Delivery System: Penetration Rate Data and Discussion**

Linette Scott, MD, MPH, Deputy Director and Chief Data Officer, Enterprise Data and Information Management;
Paula Wilhelm, MPP, MPH, Deputy Director, Behavioral Health

11:25 – 12:20 **The California Child and Adolescent Mental Health Access Portal (Cal-MAP)**

Petra Steinbuchel, MD, Director, University of California, San Francisco, Cal-MAP

12:20 – 12:50 **Break**

12:50 – 1:30 **Director's Update**

Michelle Baass, Director

- a. MCHAP Membership Renewal
- b. DHCS Updates

1:30 – 1:40 **Election of 2026 Chairperson**

Michelle Baass, Director

1:40 – 1:50 **Public Comment**

1:50 – 2:00 **Final Comments and Adjourn**



2026 Meeting Dates

- » March 12, 2026
- » June 11, 2026
- » September 10, 2026
- » November 5, 2026

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