



Board of Directors Meeting Agenda

July 8th , 2024 | 1:00-2:30pm

Meeting Location:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84448218971>

Board members: Anna Scott, Amanda Greenberg, Jennifer Kreitz, Kris Kuntz, Patricia Robertson, Eryn Dobyns

1. **Call to Order / Roll Call** *Anna Scott*
2. **Approval of Agenda** *Anna Scott*
Review proposed Agenda. Make revisions/additions, as necessary
3. **Approval of Meeting Minutes** *Anna Scott*
4. **Public Comment**
5. **HHAP Update** *Amy / Anna*
6. **CalAIM Presentation** *Isaiah Rich*
7. **HHAP Contracts** *Melissa Best-Baker*
8. **PIT/HIC Update** *Amy Wyatt*
9. **Constant Contact Sign-up** *Melissa Best-Baker*
10. **Roundtable**

Meeting Adjournment

Next meeting date: August 12th , 2024 Zoom only



Board of Directors Meeting Agenda

June 10th, 2024 | 1:00-2:30pm

Meeting Location:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/830704821>

Password: 547199

Board members: Anna Scott, Amanda Greenberg, Jennifer Kreitz, Kris Kuntz, Patricia Robertson, Erin Dobyns

1. **Call to Order / Roll Call**

Anna Scott

Attendees: Anna Scott, Amanda Greenberg, Patricia Robertson, Erin Dobyns, Jennifer Kreitz, Kris Kuntz, Pam Blackwell, Garrick Wong, Isaura Ocampo, Amy Wyatt

2. **Approval of Agenda**

Anna Scott

Review proposed Agenda. Make revisions/additions, as necessary

No additional meeting items.

3. **Approval of Meeting Minutes**

Anna Scott

Ms. Robertson moved to approve; Ms. Kreitz seconded

Ayes: Ms. Scott, Ms. Greenberg, Ms. Kreitz, Mr. Kuntz, Ms. Robertson, Ms. Dobyns

Nays: -0-

Absent: None

4. **Public Comment**

No public comment

5. **HHAP 5 MOU/ Update/ Action Item**

Amy / Anna

Ms. Wyatt reports that we are in the process of applying for HHAP 5 and one requirement is to enter into MOU between funded agencies. Note: Alpine is not funded under HHAP. Inyo County and Mono County receive separate applications. We have decided to pool all applications/funds into a combined set of projects. MOU sets forth the agreements between CoC, Inyo, and Mono, ensuring that counties commit to implementing the Homeless Action Plan (HHAP 5 application). The MOU was already approved but needed some changes that includes more specifics related to the homelessness plan. We are asking the ESCoC board to approve this updated MOU. As of now, the state has not said that we need to revise it, but we anticipate that they need more information. Also asking to approve Anna as the signer. Ms. Wyatt also provided an update on the application packet itself, stating that it was submitted with some updates related to gender equity and that we anticipate hearing back from the State by June 25 with any additional changes.

Ms. Greenberg moved to approve; Ms. Kreitz seconded

Ayes: Ms. Scott, Ms. Greenberg, Ms. Kreitz, Mr. Kuntz, Ms. Robertson, Ms. Dobyns

Nayes: -0-

Absent: None

6. HHAP 3 Obligation Action Item

Anna

Our region has received our HHAP 3 funding, which must be expended by June 30, 2026. The original budget has been revised (by ESCoC board in 2022) and we convened a workgroup to solve for the requirement that half that funding is obligated by the end of this FY. We were not ready to take action at the end of May, but the subcommittee has now met and in the packet we have two additional items showing the funding expenditures for HHAP 1 and HHAP 2. For HHAP 3 subcommittee proposes obligating \$379,583 for Silver Peaks and Access Apartments and/or Innsbruck Lodge. We think that a letter like below will be sufficient for CalICH to obligate the funds; Seek a motion obligating \$379,583 to Eastern Sierra Community Housing for the following projects.

Dear Ms. Meuchel:

Please accept this letter as confirmation that the Eastern Sierra Continuum of Care governing board has approved an obligation of Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) grant round 3 funding in the amount of \$379,583.00 to Eastern Sierra Community Housing in support of the following projects:

Silver Peaks Affordable Housing Project (capital expenditures): \$200,000.00

Access Apartments and/or Innsbruck Lodge (construction cost overruns): \$179,583.00

The Eastern Sierra Continuum of Care approved the obligation of HHAP 3 funding on June 10, 2024. A contract between the ESCoC Collaborative Applicant, Inyo County, and Eastern Sierra Community Housing will be drafted and executed by September 30, 2024.

Sincerely,

Anna Scott
Board Chair

Ms. Kreitz moved to approve; Ms. Dobyns seconded

Ayes: Ms. Scott, Ms. Greenberg, Ms. Kreitz, Mr. Kuntz, Ms. Dobyns

Nayes: -0-

Absent: None

Abstain: Ms. Robertson

7. HHAP Contracts

Melissa Best-Baker

The HHAP Contracts are moving forward – we heard today from Inyo County Counsel today re: the contract template. Ms. Best-Baker sent to Ms. Robertson and they will move forward ASAP. Also talked to CalCH about data needs, etc. and we are in a good place to move this forward.

8. CalAIM Referral Program

Kris Kuntz

Mr. Kuntz and Mr. Wong from Anthem and HealthNet, respectively, presented together on the “CalAIM Homeless System community Referral Pilot Program”

Homeless System Community Referral Program Overview

- Goal of program is to increase referrals from community-based housing and homeless organizations for ECM/CS services for Anthem and Health Net members
- CA Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) is expecting Medi-Cal Managed Care Plans (MCP's) to increase the number of members experiencing homelessness/at-risk to receive CalAIM Enhanced Care Management (ECM) and Community Supports (CS)
- ECM and CS housing services utilization were priority metrics in DHCS Housing and Homelessness Incentive Program (HHIP)
- DHCS expects that the majority of ECM/CS referrals for people experiencing homelessness/at-risk will come through local community partners (shelters, outreach, supportive housing, Coordinated Entry, etc.) serving the population.
- Anthem and Health Net are hoping to use this pilot program not just to increase members connected to critical housing and health services, but to engage community partners (who are the best entities to identify members in need), to become familiar with the referral process and build it in to how they are providing effective services for people in their programs.

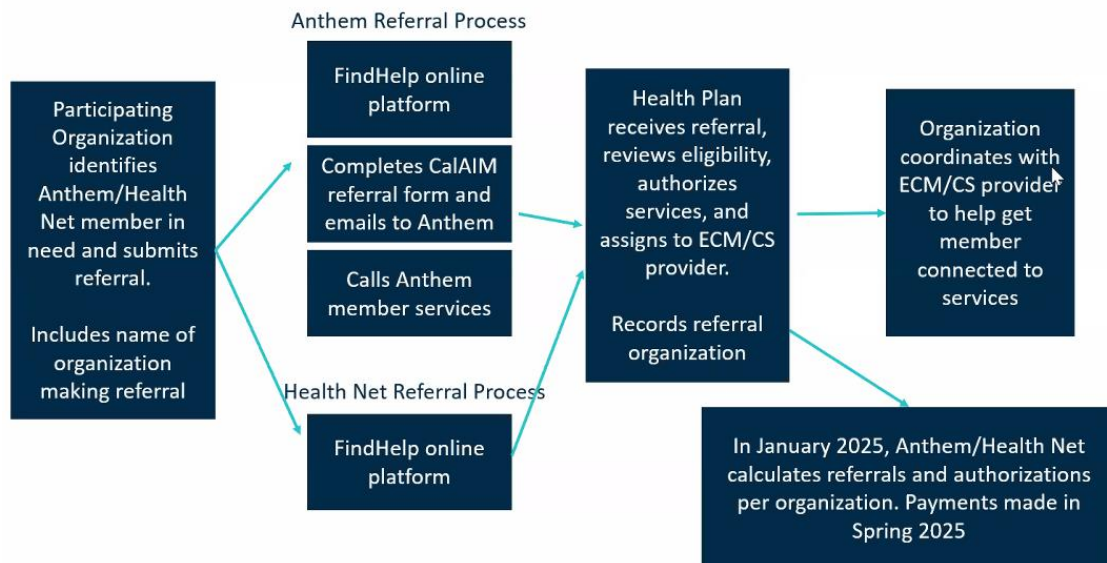
Eligible Community Organizations to Participate

- Eligible community organizations include any local housing/homeless organization providing the following services:
 - Homelessness prevention
 - Street outreach
 - Interim housing: emergency shelter, navigation centers, transitional housing, safe parking
 - Rapid Re-housing
 - Permanent Supportive Housing/Affordable housing
 - CoC lead agencies operating Coordinated Entry Systems
 - Other organizations providing homeless assistance/services
- Organizations can be non-profits, government agencies, or faith-based organizations
- Organizations already contracted for ECM/CS or pending contract execution (submitted Anthem LOI/Health Net PIF) are NOT eligible. Goal is to work with non-contracted community organizations to increase referrals per DHCS goals.
- Only organizations operating in the following counties are eligible: Amador, Calaveras, and Tuolumne

Referral Incentives

- Pilot Program will start July 1, 2024 and go through December 31, 2024
- Organizations will receive \$200 per Anthem/Health Net member who is referred AND authorized for ECM or CS housing services. Services include:
 - ECM (Adults/families experiencing/at-risk, Child/Youth experiencing homelessness/at-risk)
 - CS Housing Transition and Navigation services
 - CS Housing Deposits
 - CS Housing Tenancy and Sustaining services
- Organizations can receive a max of up to \$5,000 for participating in the program from each health plan (i.e. max 25 Anthem members and max of 25 Health Net members)
- Incentives are per member NOT per service. For example, if a referral is made and the member is authorized for ECM and CS, the organization will only receive \$200. Organization who submits the first referral that is authorized will receive the payment.
- Anthem/Health Net will process payments in the spring of 2025 after the program. Will calculate referrals authorized and provide info to organization to confirm.
- Participating programs can use the incentive payments for any purposes they choose

Tracking Referrals from Community Partners



Express Interest in Participating in the Program

- Eligible organizations need to express interest in participating in the program so Anthem and Health Net can know which organizations will be making referrals and include in the program calculations.
- Eligible organizations can express interest in participating anytime before December 31, 2024
- To express interest in participating, organizations will need to email their Anthem and Health Net contact below with the following information:
 - Name of organization
 - County(s) where you are providing services
 - Type of homeless/housing services you are providing
 - Organization point of contact for the program

Counties	Anthem Contact	Health Net Contact
Alpine, Inyo, Mono	Rebecca Samaha Rebecca.Samaha@elevancehealth.com	Eliana Argueta eliana_argueta@cahealthwellness.com
Amador, Calaveras, Tuolumne, El Dorado (only Anthem),	Noni Plasichuk Noni.Plasichuk@anthem.com	Garrick Wong garrick.wong@centene.com
Madera, Kern (only Anthem),	Miguel Perez Miguel.PerezLopez@elevancehealth.com	Elizabeth Campos elizabeth.campos@healthnet.com

Ms. Wyatt clarified that this program is not for those who are currently contracted as ECM and CS providers. Mr. Kuntz states that the MCPs are still trying to build a network locally, but still have quite low numbers who are being referred. Since folks aren't becoming ECM or CS providers, they want to at least get some strong referrals. Ms. Wyatt let the group know that Thurmond Consulting is approved by the State to provide CalAIM TA. If agencies are interested in becoming ECM or CS certified, Thurmond is part of the TA marketplace.

Ms. Scott mentioned that there are a few faith-based entities that come to mind who might want to opt into a pilot program. She will put them in contact with Mr. Kuntz and Mr. Wong.

Ms. Greenberg asked about the client experience/agency workflow. Mr. Kuntz responds that once the agency completes the referral, the MCP reviews and authorizes the referral, then assigns the client to a contracted provider. The referring party would receive an email saying "Jane Doe has been approved and assigned to XYZ ECM/CS provider." Ideally, the ECM/CS provider is also reaching out to the referring agency and coordinating with the different partners serving the clients.

9. Constant Contact Sign-up

Melissa Best-Baker

Reminder to please sign up. Some tried signing up but didn't receive the materials. Ms. Wyatt will investigate. Ms. Scott states that it was in her "Other" inbox

10. Roundtable

Ms. Wyatt wants to suggest TA Marketplace for CalAIM for anyone interested in getting involved with CalAIM. CalAIM is a very reliable way to get reimbursed for services. She suggests coming to CoC next time to present on this process. Ms. Robertson agrees this would be helpful.

Adjourn meeting at 1:55 pm

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