



## Medi-Cal Peer Certification Stakeholder Advisory Council

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Participants			
Name	County	Name	County
Karin Lettau	San Diego County	Rayshell Chambers	Los Angeles County
Kevin Freitas	Butte County	Kristen Mungcal	San Bernardino County
Jason Robison	Los Angeles County	Martha Contreras	Los Angeles County
Carrie Manning	Lake County	Angela Brand	Placer County
Roberto Roman	Contra Costa County	Ashley O’Bryan	Imperial County
Camille Dennis	Los Angeles County	Patricia Barrett	San Joaquin County
Iris Allen-Willis	Marin County		
Adelaida Moore	Modoc County		
Min Suh	Orange County		
David Bain	Sacramento County		

Topic	Notes
Housekeeping	We reviewed the ways to raise your hand once called on, how to mute/un-mute yourself when dialed in by phone. We also provided information regarding Spanish interpretation and live transcripts. Also, we reminded everyone to use the Q&A feature so that their questions will be recording in the notes. We also gave everyone the reminder to speak for a maximum of one minute to ensure everyone has a chance to speak.
Welcome & Check-Ins	Please Share: name, county, organization & how would you describe your job to a 5- year-old?
Meeting Agreements	As a group, we reviewed the meeting agreements that have been previously established – no changes were made.
Psychometric Exam Developer Contract Finalized with Human Resources Research Organization (HumRRO)	The stakeholder advisory council asked how the 17 core competencies will be handled and represented on the exam. The advisory council members also asked how the job analysis survey will be handled by HumRRO. A stakeholder advisory council member asked if a focus



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	<p>group session would do a better job capturing data, opposed to taking a job survey. The stakeholder advisory council stated that people need real support, not just a checklist of items. Another council member stated the importance of parent solicitation so that there is adequate parent representation in the job analysis survey. A council member asked how certain groups that wouldn't normally take a survey will be represented. Another council member asked if HumRRO will be looking at other states for guidance.</p>
<p>Medi-Cal Peer Support Specialist Certification Program at CalMHSA Development &amp; Implementation Plan Update</p>	<p>One of the advisory council members asked if CalMHSA has a contract with DHCS – no updates to report.</p> <p>CalMHSA and the stakeholder advisory council reviewed the program implementation plan update:</p> <p><b>Medi-Cal Peer Support Specialist Certification Project Management Implementation Phases</b></p> <p>We reviewed the four phases of the project management implementation plan: <i>research, drafting, stakeholder &amp; DHCS input, and program implementation.</i></p> <p><b>CalMHSA's Medi-Cal Peer Support Specialist Certification Program County Participation Status</b></p> <p>Step 1: 50 counties expressing interest in participating in CalMHSA's program</p> <p>Step 2: processing Participation Agreements with interested counties</p> <p>Step 3: final county participation publicly announced, pending DHCS contract</p>
<p>Priority Deliverables Requiring Stakeholder Advisory Council Input</p>	<p>We spoke about the timeline for the CalMHSA deliverables and where we will need advisory stakeholder council input:</p> <p><b>Jan 27 – Feb 11, 2022:</b> Certification Draft Policies &amp; Procedures, to include Certification application, Grandparenting, Exam Administration, Accommodations.</p>



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	<p><b>Jan 27 – Jan 31, 2022:</b> Curriculum Standards, including the Peer Support Specialist 17 Core Competencies, Peer Supervisors.</p> <p><b>Feb 26 – March 4, 2022:</b> Specializations Curriculum Standards, including Crisis, Justice Involved, and Unhoused.</p> <p><b>March 15 – March 25, 2022:</b> Medi-Cal PSSC Certificant Registry Public Facing Web Based Platform Performing “Business Functions” of Certifying Peers, Maintain Certification Records, and Reporting</p>
<p>Sub-committees Needed to Address the Following Deliverable Timelines</p>	<p><b>Jan 28 - Feb 11:</b> Review Policy &amp; Procedures &amp; Peer Specialist &amp; Peer Supervisor Curriculum Standards. We will be meeting with the stakeholder advisory council members twice a week to discuss this topic.</p> <p><b>Feb 26 – Mar 4:</b> Review of Specializations Curriculum Standards. We will be meeting with the stakeholder advisory council members three times a week to discuss this topic.</p> <p><b>Mar 15 - Mar 25:</b> Review of Certificant Registry Software Platform. We will meet with the stakeholder advisory council once a week to discuss this topic.</p> <p>The stakeholders that participate in the sub-committees can provide additional input in at the scheduled stakeholder advisory meetings.</p>
<p>Regional Stakeholder Advisory Council Community Input</p>	<p>We discussed the input/comments that have been provided by regions through survey monkey. Some regions haven’t received input and other regions just received a general comment – no items to discuss.</p>
<p>Peer Support Specialist Core Competencies</p>	<p>A council member addressed the need to be sober when you are providing peer services, especially now that there are recreational drugs, such as marijuana. A stakeholder member also stated that there needs to be some leniency for prescribed medications that are needed by some peers for them to be able to fulfill their daily activities. A council member also stated the</p>



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	<p>need to be aware that a SUD peer has a potential to relapse and how will that be handled. Another member of the council stated the importance of harm reduction in the peers' field. A council member stated the importance of inclusion, value, and equitable respect for the peer positions.</p>
<p>Supervisor Training and Core Competencies</p>	<p>A stakeholder advisory council member stated that every supervisor should have a period of being a peer before they can become a supervisor. Another council member stated the differences between a head of service and someone that signs off on Medi-call billing and who is required to have a license. The council members also stated that supervisors need training as to what peer support really means for them to do their job effectively. The council members stated that the blend of N.A.P.S &amp; SAMHSA are great tools to utilize when thinking of peers' core competencies.</p>
<p>Public Comment</p>	<p>The stakeholder advisory council members stated that the reason peers leave their position is because of the supervisor they have and the agency they are with.</p> <p>Links shared in the chat:            DHCS code of Ethics:  <a href="https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/Documents/CSD_BLMediCal-Code-of-Ethics-for-Peer-Support-Specialists-in-California.pdf">https://www.dhcs.ca.gov/Documents/CSD_BLMediCal-Code-of-Ethics-for-Peer-Support-Specialists-in-California.pdf</a></p>
<p>Wrap-Up &amp; Appreciations</p>	<p>The stakeholder advisory council members are thankful and relieved that we spoke about the core competencies. The advisory council members also expressed their appreciation for the level of preparedness of the CaIMHSA team. The advisory council members also expressed their appreciation for Joanna &amp; Will's hard work on the heavy lift regarding the core competencies for Peers &amp; Supervisors. Another council member shared the word "Adelante", which means to move forward in Spanish, the council member expressed his gratitude for us moving forward.</p>



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Thank-You	Our next meeting is scheduled for: Friday, February 11, 2022 from 1:00p.m. – 4: 00p.m
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