BOARD OF GOVERNORS Compliance & Quality Committee Meeting Meeting Minutes – May 19, 2022



L.A. Care Health Plan CR 100, 1055 W. Seventh Street, Los Angeles, CA 90017

<u>Members</u>

Stephanie Booth, *MD, Chairperson* Al Ballesteros, *MBA* Hilda Perez John Raffoul* G. Michael Roybal, *MD* Nina Vaccaro * *Absent*

Senior Management

Augustavia J. Haydel, General Counsel Thomas Mapp, Chief Compliance Officer Richard Seidman, MD, MPH, Chief Medical Officer Katrina Miller Parrish, MD, FAAFP, Chief Quality and Information Executive Elysse Tarabola, Senior Director, Regulatory Compliance, Compliance

State and local officials continue to impose or recommend measures to promote social distancing to reduce transmission of the COVID 19 virus. It is prudent to use caution in protecting the health of the public, L.A. Care Health Plan's employees and its members where adequate virtual means exist to permit the meeting to occur by teleconference/videoconference with the public being afforded the ability to comment in real time. The Board of Governors and all legislative bodies of the L.A. Care Health Plan will continue to meet virtually and the Board will review that decision as provided in the Brown Act.

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CALL TO ORDER	Chairperson Stephanie Booth, <i>MD</i> , called the L.A. Care Compliance & Quality Committee and the L.A. Care Health Plan Joint Powers Authority Compliance & Quality Committee meetings to order at 2:03 p.m. She announced that members of the public may address the Committee on each matter listed on the agenda before the Committee's consideration of the item by submitting their comments via text, voicemail, or email.	
APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA	The Meeting Agenda was approved as submitted.	Approved unanimously by roll call. 5 AYES (Ballesteros, Booth, Perez, Roybal and Vaccaro)

APPROVED

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PUBLIC COMMENT	There was no public comment.	
APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES	Chairperson Booth stated that recommendations by the committee were correctly captured in the meeting minutes. The April 19, 2022 meeting minutes were approved as submitted.	Approved unanimously by roll call. 5 AYES
CHAIRPERSON REPORT REVIEW CHARTER	Chairperson Booth stated that the committee is working on finishing the crosswalk. The earliest they will be able to do more work will be at the June meeting; it may be longer than that. She asked the committee if they have any questions. Thomas Mapp, <i>Chief Compliance Officer</i> , stated that the work on the Charter revolves around identifying items that may be out of date due to the charter not being reviewed for some time. He and Richard Seidman, <i>MD, MPH, Chief Medical Officer</i> , have been working on identifying a report that reflects and has an impact on the committee's responsibilities as delineated in the charter. This will be a significant amount of work. His understanding is that the committee's concern was understanding how it can better perform its function with more focused reports. Dr. Seidman said that as Mr. Mapp alluded, they are working on creating a crosswalk, designed to be responsive to the issues and concerns that the Board Members expressed during the last committee meeting. Staff may have information ready for the committee by the June meeting.	
PROVISIONS	This agenda hem win be discussed at a future a meeting.	
CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICER REPORT	Dr. Seidmanpresented the May 2022 Chief Medical Officer Report <i>(a copy of the report can be obtained from Board Services).</i> COVID-19 Update Cases are increasing nationally and locally. Hospitalizations are also increasing, but remain at relatively low levels. He noted that mask mandates have been lifted in most places except in transportation settings and private businesses that still require masking. Importantly because we are back in high level of transmission masking is still recommended in indoor public places. Masking, social distancing, vaccine, and boosting when eligible are still recommended. Outpatient COVID-19 therapeutics approved for emergency use in December 2021 are now available. They are still not as widely known to both the provider community and members. There are two primary classes of these medications. One being an oral antiviral. It can reduce the severity of infection. President Joe Biden mentioned these new forms of treatment during his State of the Union address. They can reduce of hospitalizations by 93%. Out of L.A. Care's membership that	

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	fewer than ten have been prescribed these medications. He is making an effort to spread awareness that they exist at contracted pharmacies. The second medication is an injection for people with mild to moderate compromised immune systems.	
	CalAIM Implementation and operations continue to evolve as L.A. Care works to support the more than 15,000 members now served by our contracted Enhanced Care Management (ECM) providers and nearly 9,000 members receiving Community Supports (Homeless and Housing Support Services, Recuperative Care, and Medically Tailored Meals). Staff are also working on the implementation of new Community Supports including Housing Deposits, Personal Care and Respite, and Sobering Centers, effective 7/1/22. L.A. Care staff are collaborating to add 35 new Clinics to those already using HIE data to increase the availability of clinical information at the point of care. L.A. Care, in partnership with the other Los Angeles area Medi-Cal Managed Care Plans offered a 3 rd round of ECM Boot Camp, a comprehensive training for new hires with ECM Provider agencies and is developing an on demand training to make this key training even more accessible. L.A. Care's ECM team continues to host provider-facing webinars every other Friday, and training offerings are a mix of clinical skills, best practices, ECM operations and technical assistance.	
	The 2022 Quality of Care/Population Health Management (PHM) Index in the Enterprise Goals is being tracked monthly using the Enterprise-Wide Dashboard. To date 11 out of 14 goals are trending toward meeting or exceed the goal (<i>A copy of the presentation can be obtained from Board Services.</i>).	
	Pharmacy Update Medi-Cal Rx Update: As of April 2022, Medi-Cal pharmacy continues to resolve outpatient pharmacy benefit issues. The most current update is as follows:	
	 The backlog of prior authorization requests (PAs) has been resolved and all PAs submitted by the prescriber or the pharmacy are now being adjudicated within 24 hours. In order to resolve the PA backlog, Medi-Cal Rx had to temporarily lift PA criteria for some frequently prescribed drugs. Those criteria were scheduled to be re-introduced in May. However, that decision has been changed due to fear that it will create another backlog. Instead, Medi-Cal Rx has decided to undertake a prescriber education campaign and begin re-introducing the PAs gradually over time. Of note is that the date to end the transition period, which is June 30, and begin using Medi-Cal Rx's formulary (they call it Covered Drug List or CDL) has not been changed. 	
	Continuous Glucose Monitor (CGM) coverage clarified: CGMs are covered under Medi-Cal Rx only for type 1 DM. The coverage of the CGMs for any other indication is the responsibility of the	

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	managed care plan's medical benefit. L.A. Care covers the CGMs for type 2 diabetes with UM criteria on the medical benefit.	
	Baby Formula Shortage President Biden has enacted the Defense Production Act to get fresh supplies of baby formula to pick up production domestically and abroad. The formula shortage is not impacting members significantly, because California's contract is with Mead Johnson Nutrition. The formula shortage is hitting the specialty formula market opposed to the regular formula market. The call center has not reported any calls in regards to this issue.	
	Chairperson Booth asked about Kaiser's service platform. She would like to know if it is the same platform as California's PHM platform that all plans can use. Dr. Seidman responded that PHM at the State level are several different moving parts that should be kept separate. The Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) has announced its intention to utilize its own PHM platform at the State level for all Medi-Cal beneficiaries. Those in managed care and also Medi-Cal fee for service. They will make that data and analysis available at the plan level so it can be incorporated in their own data systems. DHCS has also partnered with Kaiser and the Statewide California Primary Care Association to leverage Kaisers expertise in PHM as well as their resources to work with a subset of community health centers statewide to improve their PHM readiness and performance.	
	Board Member Nina Vaccaro stated that she is concerned that the State and clinics will have different vendors and will create multiple systems for a statewide data exchange. John Baackes, <i>Chief Executive Officer</i> , responded that there are concerns that health plans are not included in the planning. He is concerned that all providers will be equally well-resourced.	
	Board Member Al Ballesteros asked how the selection was made.	
	Board Member Vacarro responded that she believes it was done by Kaiser in developing the initiative to determine some metrics, and state regulators may not have been involved. She believes they wanted a cohort representative of small, medium and large clinics that provide various services. It was also based on bandwidth.	
	Mr. Baackes stated that implementation overload is a cause for concern across the ecosystem. Certain providers are better positioned than others and the health plans will be held to standards or uniform implementation and uniform timeliness. Dr. Seidman stated that the health plans will also be held accountable for uniform performance standards.	

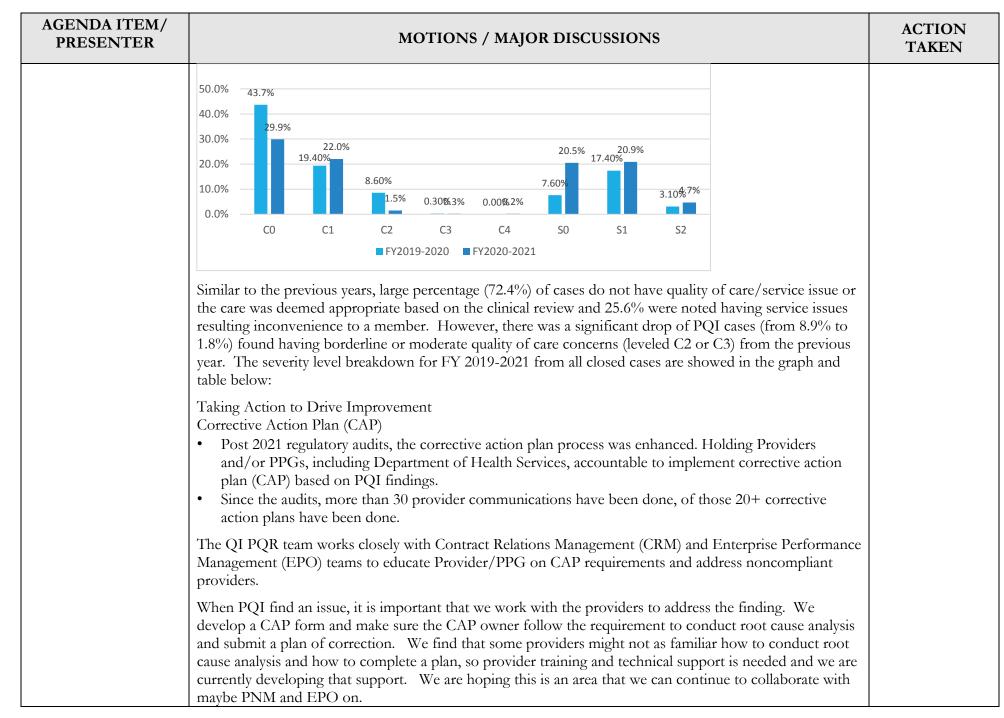
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				vondered if this needs to be approached Investment Funds (CHIF) Grants might be				
	Mr. Baackes responded that at the beginning of Health Homes program, L.A. Care had a similar issue. L.A. Care was able to to provide \$2.1 million in CHIF grants to vendors, but L.A. Care cannot continue to do this. The State mandates programs and should provide resources. There is some incentive funding which will be available soon. There are at least three different sources in the California May Budget Revise that will fund interoperability. He is not aware of a legislative solution.							
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POTENTIAL QUALITY ISSUES (PQI) FY20-21 REVIEW	 Background The Provider Quality Review (Pewich is a regulatory requirement of clinical care and ensure high cementary of the PQR team monitors Critical 	QR) team mat t to evaluate of uality patient I Incident (CI a serious life th, safety and - Q3 2021 processed 3,31 for not meeti	nages the Pot clinical issues care is delive) Reporting f threatening e welfare of L 17 PQI referr ing referral cr	presentation can be obtained from Board Services). tential Quality of Care Issue (PQI) process, /concerns deviating from accepted standard ered to L.A. Care. for abuse, exploitation, neglect, event, restraints or seclusion, suicide attempt .A. Care's members.				
	Referral Sources	Count	Percentage					
	Grievance	1,808	92.4%					
	Customer Solution Center	52	2.7 %					
	Appeal	29	1.5%					
	Case Management	20	1.0%					



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	Behavioral Health		18	0.9%			
	Utilization Management		13	0.7%			
	Critical Incident		7	0.4%			
	Special Investigation Unit		3	0.2%			
	Potential Quality Review		3	0.2%			
	Facility Site Review		1	0.1%			
	Managed Long Term Serv	vice	1	0.1%			
	Pharmacy		1	0.1%			
	Safety Net Initiative		1	0.1%			
	Total		1,957				
	A PQI could be identified PQI annual training from facing and provider-facing criteria provided. The sources of PQI referr including Special Investiga	l from any L.A. Car g staff we cals contin ation Uni ation Man	y departmer e University ere educated nued to expa it (SIU) and nagement (U	and to more d Credentialing	vithin the Plan every year. came from CSC/A&G. Throughout the level learning module, increased member to be vigilant in identifying PQI using the epartments within the Plan every year, Department, Facility Site Review (FSR), QI/PQI process with Critical Incident	-	
	PQI numbers by Line of I	Business	20-2021				
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	PASC-	SEIU	55	2.80%	1.1			
	Grand	Total	1,957	100%	1.4			
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	2	s – Q4 2020 – Q3 20 Imbers by Issue Type	× ×	nued)				
	Issue Code	Issue Description			PQIs	%		
	PQ1	DME/ Supplies			89	4.5 %		
	PQ2	Benefits			45	2.3%		
	PQ3	Delay in Service			338	17.3%		
	PQ4	Denial of Services			47	2.4%		
	PQ5	Refusal of Care/ F Provider	Prescriptio	-	148	7.6%		
	PQ6	Refusal of Referral	l		33	1.7%		
	PQ7	Treatment/Diagno Care	osis/Inap	1 1	537	27.4%		
	PQ8	Delay in Authoriza	ation		93	4.8%		
	PQ9	Access to Care			179	9.1%		
	PQ10	Continuity and Co Care	ordinatio	n of	107	5.5%		
	PQ11	Communication/C	Conduct		259	13.2%		
	PQ12	Physical Environm			13	0.7%		
	PQ13	Medical Records/1	Documen	itation	19	1.0%		
	PQ14	2		ed				
	DO15	provider			0	0%		
	PQ15	,			-	2.6%		
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	Quality	of Care a	& Q1	uality of Service	FY2019-	FY2020-				
				PQI Severity Level Assigned	2020	2021				
	Quality	of Care	C0	No Quality of Care concern	43.7%	29.9%				
	(QOC)		C1	Appropriate Quality of Care	19.40%	22.0%				
			C2	Borderline Quality of Care concern	8.60%	1.5%				
				Moderate Quality of Care concern	0.30%	0.3%				
			C4	Serious Quality of Care concern	0.00%	0.2%	_			
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	Service			No Quality of Service concern	7.60%	20.5%				
	(QOS)			Quality of Service identified	17.40%	20.9%				
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	Facility / Vendor	Main Issue(s)	САР				
	Wesley Health Center Clinic	Access to Care Communication	Х				
	Western Drug Medical	Delay in Authorization					
	United Medical Imaging	Miscommunication	х				
	Call the Car	Ride verification Ride cancellation Missed rides	X				
	L. A. Care Health Plan	Communication System issues Delay in service					
	Facility / Vendors met the threshold of Wesley Health Center Between October to December 2020, with six cases identified mainly for qua system delays. These issues involved of getting hold of an agent, or obtaining l impact of care, these experiences had i from Wesley Health Center Clinic was submitted detailed CAP with evidence Western Drug Medical	there were 11 PQI cases reviewed in ality of service issues related to access challenges with the call center and sc ab results. Although there is no clin impacted member's satisfaction. A c requested and completed. The clini	volving V s to care, heduling ical evide orrective c validate	communication and of appointments, ence with an adverse action plan (CAP) ed the issues and			
	Five PQI cases had delay in processing care impact was noted. The coordinat supplier and therefore all parties invol- to engage with Utilization Managemen	ion of DME supplies involved provi ved should be reminded to coordinat	der, prov te care. 7	vider group and the The QI PQR team plans			
	United Medical Imaging Five service issues related to miscomm testing requirement prior to the appoint	ntment, biopsy availability at differen	t UMI lo	ocations and			

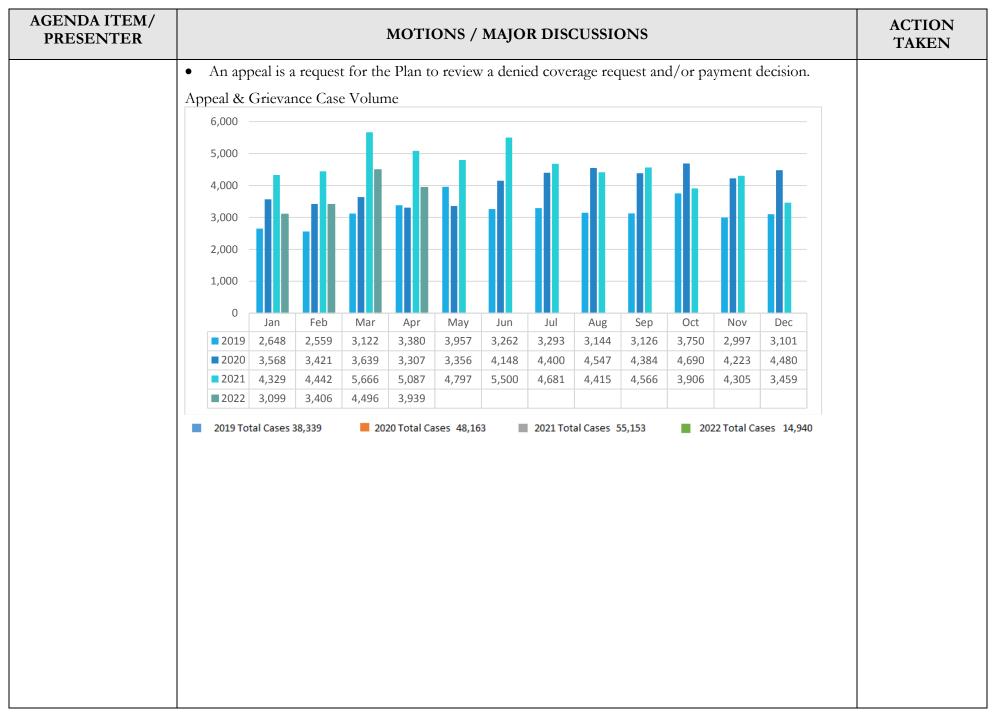
appointment availability due to an unexpected download of the company wide information system. No

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	trend was noted in the 3-year data. A corrective action plan will be requested of United Medical Imaging addressing the trended miscommunication issues.	
	Call the Car (CTC) Thirty-Nine PQI cases had service issues resulting in member dis-satisfaction without care impact. The majority of reviews found members were not being dropped off at the correct location, delay in transporting members resulting in missed scheduled medical appointments and drivers could not find members and therefore noted the trip as no show.	
	 A corrective action plan will be requested from CTC to: Improve member communication Verification with the members on specific trip details and policies Improve delay in transporting and reduce number of no show. 	
	 Quality Assurance Review Internal & External Quality Assurance Validation and Monitoring PQI Oversight Process Delegation Oversight of Plan Partner and Beacon (Annually and Quarterly) Oversight of L.A. Care Customer Solution Center (CSC) and Appeal & Grievance (A&G) cases not referred to PQI and ongoing discussion with Grievance dept. A significant improvement of A&G referrals from 40%+ of referrals not meeting PQI referral criteria, now down to <10%! Inter-Rater Reliability (IRR) Monitoring Process IRR to improve the consistency and accuracy in applying review criteria, in the leveling and final reporting of PQIs. Mortality Encounter Data to identify PQI Encounter data from deceased members stratified by age groups to assess for any unusual patterns of encounters to identify death related to any potential quality of care. 	
	Critical Incidents Reporting and Tracking Critical Incidents are reviewed for patient safety	
	Compliance with CI Reporting Compliance Goal Compliance %	
	Maintain 100% of delegates (PPGs and Vendors) of CMC will submit quarterly critical incident report 100.0%	
	All CMC delegates submitted critical incident quarterly reports by Q3 2021.	

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	 The PQR nurse reviewers assessed potential quality of care concerns from all CIs reported. All quarterly reports were submitted timely to L.A. Care Health Services Reporting and Support Services/Enterprise Data Strategy team for Medicare Operations and Compliance review for final reporting to CMS. 	
	Critical Incident reporting is a CMS requirement to ensure we monitor patient safety	
	 Quality Improvement Activities in Progress Ongoing Improvement Activities In Progress Ongoing training to improve identification of PQI & reporting of CI Getting to Know Potential Quality of Care Issues (PQI) Getting to Know Critical Incident (CI) Improving medical record collection Enhance use of electronic medical record platform, such as LANES. Work with internal department and PPGs to improve record collection workflow. Change P&P QI-001 to level the PQI severity based on the member allegation when the provider failed to address the concern and escalate the case for Medical Director review. Working closely with Enterprise Performance Optimization (EPO), Compliance and Contract Management Relations (CRM) Provider Network Management (PNM) account managers to address noncompliant providers and/or PPGs. 	
	Chairperson Booth asked about "Leveling PQI severity based on member allegations." Ms. Chueh responded that when members complain when they receive treatment that results in side effects or communication issues they experience, it is important providers provide a response as part of the investigation. Sometimes providers will not submit a response. After three attempts to retrieve records to complete a case review, the severity level is based on the member allegations.	
CHIEF COMPLIANCE	Thomas Mapp and the Compliance Department staff presented the Chief Compliance Officer Report (a copy of the report can be obtained from Board Services).	
OFFICER REPORT	 Compliance Officer Review The Compliance Officer Overview for May includes the following: 1. Appeals & Grievances Trends Update 2. Risk Assessment Update (Exhibit OS1) 3. Noncompliance Inventory (Exhibit OS2) 4. Enterprise Performance Optimization Update and Delegates Audit Schedule 5. Health Risk Reassessment (Exhibit OS3) 	

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	Other Items to Review DHCS Medical Audit Update – DHCS issued the final report on February 3, 2022. The report includes 27 total findings with 15 unique deficiencies. Corrective action plans were developed and submitted to DHCS on March 16, 2022. DHCS has continued to follow-up for evidence of corrective action implementation.	
	Compliance Reports The following report is included and is reported monthly to the Internal Compliance Committee. - Exhibit OS4 Key Performance Indicators (KPIs)	
Appeals &	Demetria Crandall, Director, Customer Solution Center Appeals and Grievances, CSC Appeals & Grievances, reported (copy of the presentation can be obtained from Board Services):	
Grievance Trends Update	 L.A. Care Appeals & Grievances (A&G) Team A&G is a team of dedicated people that have over 200 combined years working in a managed healthcare space. The team is comprised of intake coordinators, case specialist, nurses, trainer, audit readiness team, data analyst, quality auditors and leaders. The team is responsible for conducting thorough research of member appeals/grievances, aiding in determining the appropriate resolution, and providing a resolution to the member. All cases are processed according to regulatory guidelines. The core of what the A&G team does is for the members. It is their duty to do everything within our power to ensure that the member concerns are fully addressed and within compliance. A&G protects member rights and follows the L.A. Care values: "We are committed to the promotion of 	
	 accessible, high quality health care!" A&G L.A. Care Members have the right to file an Appeal and/or Grievance when dissatisfied with services, care and/or coverage. Appeals and Grievances are important because: Members have the opportunity to share their experience They enable us to learn about Member perceptions of L.A. Care We find opportunities for improving our services A grievance/complaint is any expression of dissatisfaction with any aspect of the operations, activities, behavior of the health plan or its providers. A member, treating provider or their authorized representative may initiate the complaint or dispute, either verbally or in writing, to L.A. Care, a provider, or facility. 	





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	All LOB Appeals Tren	ıds			
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	- In May 2021, L.A. Care self-disclosed this issue to the Regulatory entities.						
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	 The Future of Appeals & Grievances It has been approved for Appeals & Grievances (A&G) to employ and train more staff in all department areas. The team now has an additional tool to help them focus on the daily monitoring of appeal and grievance procedures to guarantee compliance in all areas. A comprehensive quality assurance and ongoing monitoring process has been developed. A detailed evaluation of the A&G processes is now being conducted. This involves systems, desk level procedures and department policy & procedures. A&G performance is reported Executive Leadership and Compliance on an ongoing basis. Board Member Roybal noted that often when there is a grievance or appeal, other departments are needed to resolve the issue and it adds time to resolving it. He asked if bottlenecks are taken into account in the report. Ms. Crandall rsponded that it is part of the process. A&G staff are looking into communicating with partners internally and externally and trying to have the denial letter fed into the system so they don't have to log into a new system to get that denial packet. When working with external partners they are hoping to get those denials into the A&G system to eliminate that system. 	
• Risk Assessment Update	 Todd Gower, <i>Consultant, Compliance Internal Audit, Compliance</i>, gave a Risk Assessment Update (A copy of the report can be obtained from Board Services). Current risk issues are being tracked by L.A. Care. All updates are under review and in process of remediation. They do have plans under internal audits program to look at their project status and will have an update next month. With the risks that have been accumulating along with issues they have been updating the risks assessments register. It is more proactive in the sense looking at what issues come in that may create risks. 	
• Health Risk Reassessment	 Steven Chang, <i>Senior Director, Care Management, Care Management,</i> gave the following report: DHCS requires health plans conduct annual Health Risk Assessment (HRA) for Medi-Cal only Seniors and People with Disabilities (SPD) members. This is in addition to the initial HRA. L.A. Care was not compliant with this reassessment requirement. L.A. Care was conducting only the initial HRA with Medi-Cal only SPD members. The annual number of Medi-Cal only SPD members requiring an HRA reassessment: ~72,000. This was also the backlog of members overdue for an HRA reassessment. Remediation for the backlog initiated in October 2021. The entire backlog is scheduled to be remediated in 12 months and will complete by October 2022. 	

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Key Performance Indicators	Board Member Hilda Perez asked if L.A. Care reaches out by phone call or robo call. Mr. Chang responded that L.A. Care uses a combination of both. L.A. Care uses an auto dialer, but as soon elects to do the HRA they are transferred to a live person who assists with the completion of the HRA.					
	Chelsea Hertler, Manager, Regulatory Affairs, Compliance, gave a report about Key Performance Indicators (A copy of the full report can be obtained from Board Services.).					
ADJOURN TO	The Joint Powers Authority Board of Directors meeting was adjourned at 3:41 pm.					
CLOSED SESSION	Ms. Haydel announced the following items to be discussed in closed session. The L.A. Care Board of Governors adjourned to closed session at 3:42 pm.					
	PEER REVIEW Welfare & Institutions Code Section 14087.38(o)					
	 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—EXISTING LITIGATION Pursuant to Section 54956.9(d)(1) of the Ralph M. Brown Act Department of Managed Health Care Enforcement Matter Numbers: 18-799, 20-063, 21-428, 21-509, 21-680 					
	• Department of Health Care Services, Office of Administrative Hearings and Appeals, In the matter of: L.A. Care Health Care Plan Appeal No. MCP22-0322-559-MF					
	CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Section 54956.9(d) (2) of the Ralph M. Brown Act Four Potential Cases					
RECONVENE IN	The Committee reconvened in open session at 4:59: p.m.					
OPEN SESSION	There was no report from closed session.					
ADJOURNMENT	The meeting was adjourned at 5:01 p.m.					
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Respectfully submitted by: Victor Rodriguez, *Board Specialist II, Board Services* Malou Balones, *Board Specialist III, Board Services* Linda Merkens, *Senior Manager, Board Services* APPROVED BY:

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Stephanie Booth, MD, *Chairperson* 6/29/2022 | 9:33 PM PDT Date Signed: _____