



County Health Executives Association of California

Weekly Update: October 23 – October 27, 2023

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CHEAC Announcements

- **State Comment Opportunities:** Please note the following public comment opportunities have been shared with CHEAC members. CHEAC recognizes the increased number of requests for information and/or public comment that we are sharing with LHDs. To streamline submissions, and ensure that all comments are considered, we request that information be submitted to admin@cheac.org. Please do not submit comments to specific CHEAC staff. Instead, all CHEAC staff can access comments submitted to admin@cheac.org.
 - **CCS MTP Duplication of Services NL:** DHCS has distributed for public comment a drafted CCS Numbered Letter on Duplication of and/or Conflict with the Provision of Medically Necessary Therapy Services provided in the CCS MTP. Comments are requested to be sent to CHEAC at admin@cheac.org by COB Tuesday, October 31.
 - **JJ Correctional Facility Readiness Assessment Template:** DHCS has released a public comment opportunity for the [draft Justice Involved Correctional Facility Readiness Assessment Template](#). Please submit comments to CHEAC at admin@cheac.org by Noon on Wednesday, November 8th.
- **LHD Roundtables Next Friday on MCP MOUs:** CHEAC will convene our next LHD Roundtables Meeting next Friday, November 3 from 9:30 am-11:30 am [via Zoom](#); an agenda is [available here](#). The meeting will be focused on MOUs with Medi-Cal Managed

Care Plans. **CHEAC Members are strongly encouraged to attend with your relevant staff responsible for programs and services covered by the MOUs.** This includes CCS, MCAH, blood lead screening and case management, STI services, immunization services, tuberculosis control, data information and exchange, Targeted Case Management (to the extent TCM is housed within your LHD), and WIC (to the extent WIC is housed within your LHD). Please note, this meeting is intended for public health leaders and staff only.

- **2024 CHEAC Legislative Education Event Day** – On Monday, CHEAC sent out an RSVP survey for participation in our 2024 CHEAC State Legislative Education Day on January 31, 2024. This will be an all-day event that will give CHEAC members the opportunity to meet, educate, and inform state lawmakers about CHEAC and the key issues related to LHDs. This event will be limited to CHEAC Members and/or health department leadership only. The RSVP survey must be completed no later than **December 15**. We welcome and encourage RSVPs earlier than the deadline to allow more time for scheduling and preparation.
- **CHEAC Opportunities for Engagement:** Below are upcoming CHEAC meetings and forums of importance to CHEAC Members and LHD staff (as specified):

TOPIC	AUDIENCE	DATE/TIME
CHEAC LHD Roundtables (Virtual) <i>Topic: MCP MOUs</i>	CHEAC Members, LHD Staff	Fri., Nov. 3, 9:30 am-11:30 am
CHEAC Data Exchange Framework Webinar	CHEAC Members, LHD staff	Fri., Nov. 3, 1:00 pm-2:00 pm
CHEAC MCAH Committee (Virtual) <i>Join Committee here.</i>	CHEAC Members, MCAH Directors/Coordinators, Health Officers, Directors of Public Health Nursing	Mon., Nov. 13, 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm
CHEAC CalAIM Forum (Virtual)	CHEAC Members, LHD Staff	Fri., Nov. 17, 9:00 am-10:00 am

- **CHEAC Staff Contacts:** Please see below for CHEAC Staff contacts and assignment areas; please do not hesitate to contact us:

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CHEAC Training Center

The CHEAC Training Center has been established to provide education and professional development to CHEAC Members and LHD personnel on a wide variety of leadership, management, and public health topics.

Registration for our next set of courses is now available at [www.cheac.org/tc-home!](http://www.cheac.org/tc-home)

Over the next year, CHEAC will offer a variety of leadership, management, and public health courses to local health department leaders and staff. Please view the [upcoming leadership session offerings](#), including descriptions, dates, and locations. **We encourage you and your staff to begin registering for sessions of interest.** Please note the following important information:

- Sessions will be held either in-person in Sacramento or virtually via Zoom, as noted.
- Sessions will be \$155 per training day per individual registrant.
- All courses will be available on a first-come, first-enrolled basis; a waitlist will only be utilized if a session reaches capacity.

Registration Now Open – CHEAC Realignment Training on Dec. 6: CHEAC will host a one-day training on Health Realignment on Wednesday, December 6 in Sacramento. The training will occur the day prior to the December CHEAC General Membership Meeting. Capacity will be limited to approximately 100 attendees, and CHEAC Members and relevant staff are strongly encouraged to attend. Please note, no virtual attendance options will be available. Registration and additional information are [available here](#). Please register by Wednesday, November 22.

- **NOTE:** As of today, October 27, approximately 10 seats remain available. Once capacity is reached, individuals may join the [waitlist here](#).

Our upcoming courses are detailed below:

SESSION	DATE/TIME	LOCATION	REGISTRATION LINK	REGISTRATION DUE DATE
Embracing a Growth Mindset	Thurs., Nov. 16, 10:00 am-2:00 pm	Sacramento	Registration	Monday, November 6
Resilience in Turbulent Times	Fri., Nov. 17 10:00 am-2:00 pm	Virtual	Registration	Monday, November 6
Essentials of Public Health: The California Landscape	<i>Two Day Course</i> Weds., Nov. 29, 12:30 am-4:30 pm and Thurs., Nov. 30, 8:30 am-12:30 pm	Virtual	Registration	Friday, November 17
Health Realignment Training	Wed., December 6; 9:00 am – 4:00 pm	Sacramento	Registration	Wednesday, November 22
Communicating and Managing Change for Public Health	Mon., Jan. 8, 2024 9:00 am-1:00 pm	Virtual	Registration	Friday, December 29
Lean Leadership	Thurs., Jan. 11, 2024 9:00 am-1:00 pm	Virtual	Registration	Friday, January 5
Emotional Intelligence	Weds., Jan. 17, 2024, 10:00 am-2:00 pm	Virtual	Registration	Friday, January 5
Public Health Financing	Two Day Course: Thurs., Jan. 18, 12:30 am-4:30 pm and Fri., Jan. 19, 8:30 am-12:30 pm	Virtual	Registration	Monday, January 8
Local Administration & Relationships	Two Day Course: Wed., Jan. 24, 12:30 am-4:30 pm and Thurs., Jan. 25, 8:30 am-12:30 pm	Virtual	Registration	Friday, January 19
Embracing a Growth Mindset	Fri., Feb. 2, 2024, 10:00 am-2:00 pm	Virtual	Registration	Tuesday, January 23
Responding to Misinformation & Disinformation	Weds., Feb. 14, 2024, 9:00 am-1:00 pm	Virtual	Registration	Monday, February 5
Coaching for Performance	Weds., Feb. 21, 2024, 10:00 am-2:00 pm	Virtual	Registration	Friday, February 9
Local Administration & Relationships	Two Day Course: Wed., Feb. 28, 12:30 am-4:30 pm and Thurs., Feb. 29, 8:30 am-12:30 pm	Sacramento	Registration	Friday, February 23

SESSION	DATE/TIME	LOCATION	REGISTRATION LINK	REGISTRATION DUE DATE
Responding to Misinformation & Disinformation	Weds., Mar. 13, 2024, 10:00 am-2:00 pm	Sacramento	Registration	Monday, March 4

To enroll in a course, use the following steps (a brief video walk-through is [available here](#)):

- Navigate to www.cheac.org/tc-home
- Select course category
- Navigate to applicable course; click orange “Access Here” button
- Click blue “Take this Course” button
- Create an account
- Complete purchase for course access
- Once enrolled, download calendar invite
- At the time of your course, login to access the Zoom link or join in-person (as applicable)

State & Federal Updates

State Updates

Newsom Administration

- **California Prepares for Upcoming Wet Season:** This week, Governor Newsom highlighted the state’s ongoing work to prepare for another potential wet winter and \$95 million in funding to repair levees, enhance flood diversion and recharge capacity, and support impacted communities. Additionally, the Department of Water Resources (DWR) State-Federal Flood Operations Center is supporting pre-season emergency response coordination to support local communities and DWR is participating in events to [raise awareness of flood risk](#). The Governor’s full press release can be found [here](#).

CDPH

- **CDPH Communications Tools:** Please see CDPH’s [weekly newsletter](#) for the latest communications tools, resources, and guidance.
- **CDPH Suicide Deaths Among Veterans in California:** On Monday, the Injury and Violence Prevention Branch released a new injury data brief providing information on Californian Veterans who died by suicide. The brief highlights 2021 statewide data based on age, sex, race/ethnicity, method, and county of residence. To access the Injury Data brief, please see [here](#).
- **CDPH School Health Update:** This week, the CDPH School Health Team hosted their October 24, 2023, weekly School Health Update and Officer Hours webinar. The meeting included updates on Safe Sleep and Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS), Sudden Unexpected Infant Death (SUID), and vaccination reporting. To access the meeting slides, please see [here](#).

- **CDPH Media Advisory:** CDPH Director and State Public Health Officer, Dr. Tomas J. Aragon, hosted a video conference with media outlets on Thursday, October 26, 2023, at 11:00 a.m. to provide the latest update on flu, COVID-19, and RSV vaccines and treatment. You can view the full media advisory [here](#).
- **CDPH Vaccinations Outline News Release:** On Thursday, state public health leaders shared a news release encouraging vaccination and outlined simple steps to stay healthy this Winter. As Holidays and Winter season approaches Californian's are reminded to vaccinate against the cold and flu, COVID-19, and RSV, to reduce the risk of getting seriously ill. For more information on recommended vaccines, where to get vaccinated, and costs please see, [here](#).

DHCS

- **DHCS Issues LHD-MCP MOU:** DHCS today released to the market its final Local Health Department MOU template with Medi-Cal Managed Care Plans. The [final LHD MOU](#) includes contents on a number of LHD programs and services, including CCS, MCAH, immunization services, family planning services, communicable disease control, and other important areas. This MOU has a target effective date of January 1, 2024., and LHD executives are strongly encouraged to negotiate with your MCP(s) on the finalized MOU language. Lastly, DHCS will host a webinar for interested stakeholders to review the LHD MOU and answer any further questions. Please note, webinar information is forthcoming. A copy of the redlined version can also be found [here](#).
- **DHCS Releases CCS WCM MOU:** Please see DHCS's [CCS WCM MOU](#), which provides County CCS Program and MCO staff with guidance on administration of the CCS Program on delivery of CCS services to CCS eligible Members in jurisdictions participating in the CCS Whole Child Model. County CCS Programs and MCPs must collaborate to sign and execute WCM MOU.
- **DHCS Announces Clinician Loan Repayment:** On Wednesday, DHCS announced a [new commitment](#) of \$73.4 million to help pay down student loans for 266 physicians and 36 dentists in California to expand the health care workforce and increase access for Medi-Cal members.
- **DHCS Stakeholder Update:** Please see DHCS's Stakeholder News update published on Friday, October 20 [here](#). DHCS routinely publishes late on Friday afternoons; once published, the update can be viewed [here](#).

Federal & National Updates

- **CDC Health Alert on RSV:** On Monday, the CDC issued a Health Alert Network Health Advisory regarding the limited supply of nirsevimab, a long-acting monoclonal antibody immunization product recommended for preventing RSV. The notification provides options for clinicians to protect infants from RSV during the shortage. To see full CDC Health Advisory, please see [here](#).
- **CDC Vital Signs on Health Worker Harassment:** The CDC this week issued its latest *Vital Signs* report focused on health worker harassment with implications on health worker

mental health. The report finds that health workers who experienced harassment reported feelings of anxiety, depression, and burnout more than workers who did not experience harassment. The report outlines a call to action for employers, supervisors, and others. The latest resource is [available here](#).

- **de Beaumont Foundation Issues Research Brief on Racism as a Public Health Crisis:** The de Beaumont foundation recently issued a research brief utilizing 2021 PH WINS data finding that public health workers nationwide are eager to address racism as a public health crisis. Findings from the analysis indicate a strong majority of public health executives (81%) believe that addressing racism should be a part of their work, and over half of the governmental public health workforce notes they lack adequate funding to address racism as a public health crisis. The full research brief is [available here](#).

Miscellaneous

- **CCHA Files CCS-Related Ballot Initiative:** The California Children’s Hospital Association (CCHA) this week filed with the Office of the Attorney General a request for a title and summary of a [proposed ballot initiative](#), entitled “The Affordable, Life-Saving Healthcare for Critically Ill Children Act.” The proposed measure seeks to amend the CCS program to align financial eligibility for subsidized coverage under Covered California, modify reimbursements for CCS services and providers, and require the coverage of specified pharmaceutical products. Additional information is [available here](#).
- **CSAC Announces Emergency Response Webinar:** On November 1 at 1:30 pm CSAC will host an Emergency Response Best Practices webinar to discuss best practices for local governments during emergency evacuations. In addition, the webinar will include a presentation by NACo 1st Vice President, former CSAC President and Sonoma County Supervisor James Gore on the Sonoma emergency management planning case study. Registration can be [accessed here](#).
- **PPIC Report on Health Care Among California’s Undocumented Immigrants:** The Public Policy Institute of California (PPIC) this week [issued a report](#) providing insights into the health care needs of undocumented patients in California. PPIC will hold a virtual event to provide an overview of the report and its findings on Thursday, November 2. For registration and more information, please see [here](#).
- **New ITUP Health Coverage Fact Sheet:** On Tuesday, ITUP released its annual [Health Coverage at a Glance in California](#), which includes data on the race/ethnicity breakdown of employer-sponsored coverage, Covered California, and Medi-Cal, including enrollment by health plan.

Budget

- **LAO Publishes 2023-24 Spending Plan on Health:** The Legislative Analyst’s Office (LAO) recently published its 2023-24 California Spending Plan on health programs. The plan provides an overview of health investments, as well as how the 2023 Budget Act developed in the Legislature. The full health spending plan is [available here](#).

- **DOF Issues October Finance Bulletin:** The Department of Finance (DOF) recently issued its October Finance Bulletin detailing the state's latest economic and labor market conditions. Of note, General Fund agency cash receipts were \$796 million, or 5.7 percent, above the forecast of \$13.974 billion in September. For the entire 2022-23 Fiscal Year, General Fund cash receipts were \$980 million above the 2023-24 Budget Act forecast of \$167.627 billion. The full October Finance Bulletin is [available here](#).

Legislative

Legislative Updates

- **Legislator Site Visits to LHDs:** As a reminder, please invite Assembly Members, Senators, and their staff to visit your local health department.. This is a great opportunity to educate members on the vital public health services provided by California's local health departments. CHEAC previously sent an email with details on how to arrange these visits.
- **Legislature on Interim Recess until January 2024:** The 2023-24 Legislative Session started their interim recess on Thursday, September 14, 2023. Please review CHEAC's [End of Session Memo](#) detailing the status of legislative bills of interest to CHEAC Members and LHDs here. Additionally, please review the [New Laws Impacting Local Health Departments](#) that lists 2023 California legislative bills, signed by the Governor, that CHEAC anticipates having a specific impact to local health departments.

The final 2023 edition of the CHEAC Weekly Bill Chart is [available here](#).

Data Exchange Framework (DxF)

- **DxF Weekly Update:** The Center for Data Insight and Innovation released their [weekly communication](#) to provide updates on the Data Exchange Framework (DxF). This week's communication includes updates on policies and procedures, the qualified health information organization (QHIO) program, DSA Signatory Grants, public comment opportunities and upcoming webinars and meetings.
- **QHIOs Announced:** On Monday, CDII announced nine organizations were designated as Qualified Health Information Organizations in the DxF. Those organizations are available to DxF participants seeking assistance in meeting their DxF exchange obligations. The full announcement can be found [here](#).
- **Final DxF Webinar:** Intrepid Ascent will host a final webinar for CHEAC on Friday, November 3 from 1:00 to 2:00 pm. Please click [here](#) to register. Meeting invitations were attached to prior emails about registration. If you need the meeting invitation, please reach out to admin@cheac.org.
- **Amended Draft Data Elements to be Exchanged P&P:** CDII released an amended draft of the [Data Elements to be Exchanged Policy and Procedure](#) for the DxF Data Sharing Agreement for public comment. Details on how to prepare and submit comments can be found on the DxF [website](#).

- **CDII Public Comment for Breach Notification P&P:** CDII is providing public notice of intended administrative modifications to the Breach Notification Policy and Procedure (P&P) with a proposed effective date of January 31, 2024. The proposed amended draft can be found [here](#). Participants that object to CDII’s determination that these changes are administrative must submit objections via the [web-based form](#) by **November 27 at 5:00pm**. More information can be found on the DxF [website](#).
- **CHEAC DxF Webinar Recordings** Below are recordings from hosted webinars.

SESSION	MATERIALS
Webinar #1 - DxF 101: Setting the Stage for Data Exchange	Slides Recording – Passcode: ^2V&s?G9
Webinar #2 - DxF Policies & Procedures	Slides Recording – No Passcode
Webinar #3 - Key Considerations for Local Health Departments	Slides Recording – No Passcode
Webinar #4 - Health Information Exchange (HIE) 101	Slides Recording – Passcode: 4x3?MuZC

- **DSA Signatory Grants Guidance and Application Updates:** CDII announced updates were recently made to [DSA Signatory Grants Guidance Document](#) and [DSA Signatory Grants Application Template](#). Updates are flagged with “October 2023” in the guidance document.
- **DSA Signatory Grants Round 3:** Round 3 Applications opened on October 16 for DSA Signatories who demonstrate that additional technical or technological capabilities are needed to meet the DSA requirements.
- **ITUP DxF 101:** The Insure the Uninsured Project (ITUP) released a DxF [Policy Toolkit](#) highlighting resources to inform and support stakeholders through DxF implementation.
- **Reminder: CDII DxF Website:** CDII launched a website to educate and inform DSA signatories and other interested parties of the importance of the state’s DxF. The new website is [available here](#).
- **CalHHS DxF Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ):** CalHHS DxF [FAQ](#) provides up-to-date information about DxF implementation and may be updated from time to time. More information is available on the [CalHHS DxF website](#).
- **Updated CDII State Health Information Guidance (SHIG) Documents:** The Center for Data Insights and Innovation have published a series of updated State Health Information Guidance (SHIG) documents to provide clarity on federal and state laws that related to disclosure and sharing of health information. Various documents specific to certain populations are available. Additional information is [available here](#).
- **Upcoming DxF Meetings & Webinars:** CalHHS continues to host a series of stakeholder meetings and webinars on the DxF. Public meetings of interest to CHEAC Members and applicable LHD staff are included below:

EVENT	DATE/TIME	REGISTRATION LINK
DSA P&P Subcommittee Meeting #10	Tues., Oct. 31, 9:00 am-11:30 am	Zoom
DSA Signatory Grants Office Hours	Wed., Nov. 1, 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm	Registration
DxF Webinar #13	Tues., Nov. 7, 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm	Registration
Implementation Advisory Committee Meeting #11	Thurs., Nov. 16, 9:00 am-11:30 am	Zoom
DSA P&P Subcommittee Meeting #11	Tues., Dec. 5, 9:00 am-11:30 am	<i>Forthcoming</i>
DxF Webinar #14	Wed., Dec. 13, 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm	Registration
Implementation Advisory Committee Meeting #12	Tues., Dec. 19, 2:00 pm-4:30 pm	<i>Forthcoming</i>

CalAIM & Medi-Cal Initiatives

- CHEAC CalAIM Forums:** As a reminder, DHCS will join the biweekly CHEAC CalAIM Forums on a regular and ongoing basis, providing an opportunity for direct engagement with DHCS on relevant CalAIM implementation topics. LHJs may request topics for discussion with DHCS during CHEAC CalAIM Forums using this [Google Form](#).
- DHCS Releases Final Justice Involved Policy Guide, Delays Implementation:** Late last week, DHCS issued the [final policy and operational guide](#) for planning and implementing the CalAIM Justice-Involved Initiative. Among the updates, DHCS has announced that the initial go-live date for the Justice-Involved Initiative has been delayed from April 1, 2024, to October 1, 2024. DHCS has also released a [summary of changes](#) made to the guide based on stakeholder feedback. All Plan Letter 23-030 announcing the release of the guide can be found [here](#).
- MCP Deadline for PHM PNA on Oct. 31:** As a reminder, MCPs face an October 31 deadline to submit to DHCS one Population Health Management (PHM) Strategy Deliverable. MCPs are required to meet with LHDs in their service area(s) by the due date to co-develop one shared goal/SMART objective. LHDs will be surveyed by DHCS at a later date to gather perspectives on the process. Additional information is [available here](#).
- Reminder: MCP Contacts Now Available for PHM PNA:** DHCS recently shared with CHEAC a list of all [Medi-Cal Managed Care Plan \(MCP\) contacts](#), by county, for Population Health Management (PHM) Population Health Needs Assessment (PNA) collaborative engagement. CHEAC created and shared a list of local health department contacts [local health department contacts](#) with DHCS, that has also been shared with MCPs.
- CHCF Monthly CalAIM Digest:** The California Health Care Foundation publishes a monthly roundup of CalAIM news and developments of interest. The latest edition of the digest is [available here](#).
- CalAIM Data Sharing Authorization Guidance (DSAG) 2.0 Webinar on Oct. 30:** DHCS will host an all-comer webinar on the updated CalAIM Data Sharing Authorization

Guidance (DSAG) 2.0 on Monday, October 30 at 10:30 am. The updated guidance is anticipated to be issued this month. Registration is [available here](#).

- **Reminder: PATH Justice-Involved Round 3:** DHCS and the PATH Third-Party Administrator (TPA) recently issued PATH Justice-Involved Round 3 Funding Guidance, as well as an FAQ document. The guidance is [available here](#) and the FAQs are [available here](#).
- **Reminder: PATH Justice-Involved Office Hours:** DHCS is hosting a series of virtual office hours every other Monday through December 18 to provide implementation plan support to PATH Justice-Involved Round 3 eligible entities. The office hours will be held November 6, November 20, December 4, and December 18. Registration is [available here](#).
- **Reminder: CHCF Billing Resources:** The CHCF recently updated its materials for new CalAIM providers, providing an overview of the CalAIM initiative, readiness and planning activities, and billing resources. These materials were previously geared toward CBO providers; CHEAC engaged with CHCF to encourage broadening the resources to include other providers, including LHDs. We encourage LHDs to explore the resources [available here](#).
- **Reminder: DHCS Updates PATH TA Marketplace Access Policy:** DHCS recently announced it has revised its policy for accessing free TA resources through the PATH TA Marketplace. Effective immediately, all approved TA recipients may now access both off-the-shelf TA projects and hands-on TA projects in all seven TA domains, regardless of whether they are currently contracted with a MCP or other eligible entity to provide ECM and/or Community Supports. The TA Marketplace is [available here](#).
- **Reminder: PATH TA Marketplace Now Available:** The PATH Technical Assistance Marketplace is now open, providing approved recipients with access to the marketplace to shop and apply for various CalAIM TA services. As a reminder, the recipient entity must be in contract with or planning to contract with a managed care plan to access the marketplace. Services are available at no cost to the recipient entity. Additional information is [available here](#).
 - DHCS released a series of tutorial videos for the PATH TA Marketplace. Videos will assist entities in understanding eligibility criteria, TA Marketplace navigation, TA domains, and how TA services can assist recipients with establishing Medi-Cal infrastructure. Additional information is [available here](#).
- **PATH TA Marketplace Vendor Application Now Open:** DHCS has opened the PATH Technical Assistance Marketplace Round 3 vendor application period as of October 1. The deadline to apply to qualify as a TA vendor during Round 3 is October 31, 2023. Additional information about the opportunity is [available here](#).
- **Reminder: PATH Collaborative Planning & Implementation Initiative:** As a reminder, the CalAIM PATH Collaborative Planning & Implementation Initiative is intended to convene entities involved in CalAIM ECM and Community Supports implementation on a local and/or regional level. Interested entities should [register to participate here](#). Additional information is [available here](#).

- **NEW:** DHCS recently published a CPI Implementation Report for Q1 of 2023, [available here](#). An updated FAQ document is also [available here](#).
- **Upcoming Stakeholder Meetings:** DHCS continues to host a series of stakeholder meetings on CalAIM and DHCS initiatives. Public meetings of interest to CHEAC Members and applicable LHD staff are included below:

STAKEHOLDER GROUP	DATE/TIME	LINK
Medi-Cal Children's Health Advisory Panel (MCHAP)	Thurs., Nov. 2, 10:00 am-2:00 pm	More Information
Health Navigators Project Quarterly Stakeholder Meeting	Mon. Nov. 6, 1:00 pm-2:30 pm	Meeting Link
CCS Redesign Performance Measure Quality Subcommittee Meeting	Wed., Nov. 29, 1:00 pm-5:00 pm	More Information
CCS Advisory Group Meeting	Wed., Jan. 10, 1:00 pm- 4:00 pm	More Information

- **CHEAC CalAIM Webinars:** CHEAC has partnered with Pacific Health Consulting Group to provide a series of webinars for CHEAC Members on the CalAIM initiative; webinar links are accessible here: <https://cheac.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/07/CHEAC-CalAIM-Webinars.pdf>.
- **CHEAC CalAIM and Related Resources**
 - As a friendly reminder, CHEAC has built out a handful of resource pages related to CalAIM, the state's data exchange framework, and related initiatives; the pages are accessible under [CHEAC Key Policy Areas](#)
 - If you or your staff would like to join the CHEAC CalAIM Distribution List, please sign up here: <https://forms.gle/mdAReNRpF54H8qPJ6>

Fiscal

Reminder: If your jurisdiction is experiencing any state funding issues (e.g., delayed invoice processing, contract or budget modification challenges), please elevate your issues through CHEAC by emailing Jack Anderson (janderson@cheac.org). CHEAC will engage the appropriate state entity to attempt to resolve.

State Funding Updates & Announcements

- **Quarterly COVID-19 Expenditure Review Due Nov. 3:** CHEAC has distributed a request for review of federal COVID-19 expenditure data held by CDPH with a due date of COB Friday, November 3. Please reference your email for this information. The purpose of this quarterly review is to ensure the accuracy of CDPH records.
- **CCS FY 2023-24 Allocations:** DHCS this week issued CCS IN 23-05 detailing county allocations for CCS Administration and the CCS Medical Therapy Program for FY 2023-24. The full CCS IN is [available here](#).

- **CDPH STI Funding Memo:** CDPH recently issued a memo announcing the merger of two funding streams – STI Prevention & Collaboration Grants and STD Core Grants – that have significant overlap in their scopes of work. Please note, this is not a new funding opportunity, and funded jurisdictions will realize no changes to their allocation amounts of methodologies. CDPH will revisit the funding methodology in FY 2026-27 with updated case figures, as well as if additional State General Fund is allocated through the state budget process. The memo is [available here](#).
- **DIS Workforce Supplemental Grant Funding Extension:** CDPH STD Control Branch recently informed DIS Workforce Supplemental Grant recipients that a no-cost funding extension has been granted by the CDC. The funding end date will be extended from January 31, 2025, to January 31, 2026. Any unspent funds from the first three years of funding will now be accessible through January 31, 2026. Grant agreements will be amended. An updated LHJ Program Contact Information document was requested by CDPH by COB last Friday, Oct. 20. If your LHJ needs an extension, please contact the CDPH STD Control Branch. Additional information is [available here](#).
- **CDPH IZ Local Assistance Funding Announcement:** CDPH distributed subrecipient funding announcements for FY 2023-24 Immunization Local Assistance funding. Materials distributed include an award letter, scope of work, and supporting documentation. An award letter acknowledgement is due to CDPH no later than **TODAY** October 27. Please reference your email for the information and materials. We anticipate information to be posted on the [CDPH All LHJ Letters & Notices Webpage](#).
- **CDPH MCAH Issues CHVP Innovation RSI:** CDPH recently announced the release of the California Home Visiting Program (CHVP) State General Fund (SGF) Innovation 2.0 Request for Supplemental Information (RSI). A small number of awards will be available to LHJs to implement innovative early childhood home visiting programs or projects with a focus on meeting the need of a locally identified population. Submissions are due on November 29 at 5:00 pm. Additional information is [available here](#). The RSI template is [available here](#). A webinar is forthcoming.
- **Local Oral Health Program Needs Assessment:** CDPH recently issued instructions and additional information to support local oral health programs (LOHPs) in completing a community oral health needs assessment. Instructions are [available here](#). A schedule of deliverables is [available here](#).
- **Reminder: CDPH Future of Public Health Funding Three-Year Funding Memo:** CDPH recently issued the Future of Public Health (FoPH) funding memo, providing LHJs with an overview of the FoPH funding allocation for the next three fiscal years. The memo details funding requirements, submission and reporting requirements, and other important details. The memo is [available here](#). Please reference your email for additional information. Please note, the FoPH certification form, workplan and reporting, spend plan, and acknowledgement letter were due to CDPH by July 31, 2023. **If LHJs need additional time to complete these materials, please email FoPHfunding@cdph.ca.gov for an extension.**
 - **NEW:** CDPH published its September 2023 FoPH Funding Reference Guide, [available here](#). The updated guide details information about allowable uses of the 30 percent portion of 2022-23 dollars, as well as invoicing for the carryover of 2022-23 dollars.

- **Reminder: CASPHI Funding Updates:** CDPH made available a CASPHI Funding Reference Guide, [available here](#).

Funding Opportunities

- **CDPH IZ Funding Opportunity for FQHC or Look-Alike:** CDPH Immunization Branch recently distributed a request for applications (RFA) for a grant opportunity to assess and improve adult immunization rates in community health centers (CHCs). CDPH is seeking a FQHC or look-alike with a patient population greater than 25,000 to assess immunization levels and implement quality improvement activities to increase rates. Funding will be available through June 2024 for up to \$127,000. Applications are due to CDPH by November 10. Additional information is [available here](#).
- **CDPH Rape Prevention and Education RFA:** CDPH Injury and Violence Prevention Branch recently issued a request for applications (RFA) for its Rape Prevention and Education (RPE) Program. Eligible entities are local rape crisis centers with community-based organization (CBO) partnerships or CBOs with local rape crisis center partnerships. Funding is intended to support the implementation and evaluation of strategies to prevent sexual violence that focus on health equity in priority populations. A mandatory letter of intent must be submitted by November 9, and applications are due by November 29. Additional information is [available here](#).
- **DHCS CYBHI Grants Available to LHDs:** The state's Children & Youth Behavioral Health Initiative (CYBHI) seeks to distribute \$429 million in grants to entities to scale evidence-based or community-defined evidence practices (EBPs/CDEPs) that improve youth behavioral health (including prevention). DHCS will offer six rounds of competitive funding across various focus areas. LHDs are eligible entities for this funding. The DHCS funding strategy document is [available here](#). Additional information on the specific grants is [available here](#). The following rounds are likely to be of most interest to LHDs:
 - **Round 3:** Early childhood wraparound services (including home visiting; applications due **November 1 (extended)** by 5:00 pm; additional information [available here](#)).
- **Specialty Dental Clinic Grant Program:** The California Health Facilities Financing Authority (CHFFA) has launched the first funding round of the Specialty Dental Clinic Grant Program through April 1, 2024. Eligible applicants include clinics, hospitals, and other community-based providers. \$47.5 million is available in capital funding for dental programs. Additional information is [available here](#).
- **New CMSP Grant:** The County Medical Services Program (CMSP) has announced a new grant opportunity entitled "Healthcare Infrastructure Development Matching Grant program" to award CMSP counties and non-profit organizations expand physical infrastructure and capacity to provide health and behavioral health services. Up to \$10 million may be awarded to jurisdictions. Applications are accepted on a rolling basis between February 1 and **December 31, 2023 (previously June 30, 2023)**. Additional information is available from CMSP [here](#).
- **Funding Opportunity for Violence Prevention:** We strongly encourage you to sign up for the Board of State and Community Corrections' [RFP Availability ListServ](#) to receive emails for funding opportunities when available. The RFP Availability ListServ includes

opportunities such as the CalVIP grant which awards cities and CBO's funding with the goal of reducing violence. Although cities and CBOs are highlighted as grantees, departments dedicated to community safety or violence prevention are also required to receive funds awarded. Lastly, BSCC is currently not currently accepting applications for CalVIP funding.



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