



Hospitals Only Meeting

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Welcome Los Angeles Hospitals

CalAIM Discussion Agenda

- ☐ Welcome
- ☐ LA Recuperative Care Learning Network
- ☐ Overview of CalAIM Recuperative Care County
- ☐ Challenges – MCP Referrals & Authorization Processes
- ☐ Hospital Medical Respite Bed Availability project

LA Recuperative Care Learning Network Purpose



- ☐ Create a forum for Los Angeles payers and providers to discuss partnership issues emerging from the CalAIM Model. These issues have resulted in Recuperative Care being covered by Medi-Cal Service. This forum will provide an opportunity for providers to learn from each other, create consistency across the region, and scale and spread of promising practices
- ☐ Identify priority issues for, characteristics of, and barriers to, and pain points with the payer/provider partnerships
- ☐ Pave the way for payers and providers to engage in partnerships that ultimately result in the increased utilization of Recuperative Care beds for individuals experiencing homelessness.
- ☐ Identify high-priority issues for the field, for policy makers, and philanthropy to focus on in subsequent years to address the health care needs of this population, in addition to identifying levers for doing so.

LA Recuperative Care Learning Network Current Priorities

- ☐ Ensure each **recuperative care provider** receives building funding through CalAIM homeless-related programs.
- ☐ Ensure all providers have internal operations and facilitate contracting and are able to submit claims /encounters and share data for services.
- ☐ Ensure referrals and authorizations are occurring and adequate source of income for **recuperative care** demonstrates that the immense need for this service.
- ☐ Provide additional assistance, as requested and facilitate successful partnerships and contractual agreements between payers and providers.



Private Los Angeles Recuperative Care Providers

- ☐ A Brighter Day (ABD) Recuperative Care
- ☐ Blue Sky Recuperative Care
- ☐ Community of LA Recuperative Care
- ☐ Golden State Recuperative Care
- ☐ HOLA
- ☐ Horizon Recuperative Care
- ☐ Illumination Foundation (IF)
- ☐ JWCH Institute
- ☐ National Health Foundation (NHF)
- ☐ Serenity Recuperative Care
- ☐ The People Concern - SOLAR

LA Recuperative Care Learning Network Issues & Concerns

- ☐ Contracting & Credentialing
- ☐ Eligibility Criteria and List of Exclusions
Medical Respite
- ☐ Obtaining Authorizations & Concerns about
(Health Plans and Hospitals)
- ☐ Authorization of Sufficient Length-of-Stay
- ☐ Payments – Claims / Invoice Submission
- ☐ Technology – Data Reporting
- ☐ Quality Monitoring & Oversight
- ☐ Access to sufficient Capacity Building Funds

CA Advancing & Innovating Medi-Cal (

CalAIM will implement broad program, delivery system, and payment reforms statewide to advance three primary goals



Identify and manage member risk and need through **whole-person care** approaches and addressing **social determinants of health (SDOH)**



Move Medi-Cal to a more consistent and seamless system by **reducing complexity** and **increasing flexibility**



Improve quality outcomes, **reduce health disparities**, and drive delivery system transformation and innovation through value-based initiatives, modernization of systems, and payment reform

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CalAIM ECM Populations of Focus

Population	Description
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SMI/SUD risk adults	Adults with county severe mental illness (SMI) or substance use disorder (SUD) diagnosis, a complex social factor, and are (high risk of institutionalization, or user of crisis services) or IP in past year due to SMI/SUD-related hospitalizations or pregnant
Nursing facility diversion	Adults at risk for long-term care (LTC) institutionalization who, in the absence of services, otherwise require care for 90 consecutive days or more in an inpatient NF
Nursing facility transition	Adult NF residents who want and, with supports, are able to transition to the community
Jail transition adults	Adults transitioning from incarceration in past 12 months who have a chronic mental health condition, SUD, intellectual or developmental disability, traumatic brain injury (TBI), HIV, or pre-
Children & youth	High utilizers; complex physical, behavioral, or developmental health needs; serious mental health conditions; California Children's Services, child welfare & foster care; incarcerated and transitioning

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CalAIM Community Supports

- **Housing Transition Navigation Services:** Assistance with obtaining housing. This includes assistance with searching for housing or completing housing applications, as well as developing an individual housing support plan.
- **Housing Deposits:** Funding for onetime services necessary to establish a household, such as security deposits to obtain a lease, first month's coverage of utilities, or first and last month's rent required prior to occupancy.
- **Housing Tenancy & Sustaining Services:** Assistance with maintaining stable tenancy once housing is secured. May include interventions for behaviors that may jeopardize tenancy, such as late rental payment and services, to develop financial literacy.
- **Short-term Post-Hospitalization Housing:** Setting in which beneficiaries can receive care for medical, psychiatric, or substance use disorder needs immediately following exiting a hospital.
- **Recuperative Care (Medical Respite):** Short-term residential care for beneficiaries who no longer require hospitalization, but still need to recover from injury or illness.
- **Respite Services:** Short-term relief provided to caregivers of beneficiaries who require intermittent temporary supervision.

CalAIM Community Supports

- **Nursing Facility Transition & Diversion to Assisted Living:** Services provided to assist beneficiaries transitioning from nursing facility care to home settings in which they are responsible for living expenses.
- **Community Transition Services/NH Transition to Home:** Services provided to assist beneficiaries transitioning from nursing facility care to home settings in which they are responsible for living expenses.
- **Personal Care and Homemaker Services:** Services provided to assist beneficiaries transitioning from nursing facility care to home settings in which they are responsible for living expenses.
- **Day Habilitation Programs:** Programs provided to assist beneficiaries with cognitive impairments necessary to reside in homelike settings, often provided by peer mentor type programs. These programs can include training on use of public transportation or preparing meals.
- **Environmental Accessibility Adaptations:** Physical adaptations to a home to ensure the health and safety of the beneficiary. These may include ramps and grab bars.
- **Meals/Medically Tailored Meals:** Meals delivered to the home that are tailored to meet beneficiaries' unique dietary needs, including following discharge from a hospital.

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Community Supports in Los Angeles Co

Community Supports	L.A. Care	Anthem	Blue Shield Promise	Kaiser	UCLA
Housing Transition Navigation Services	January 2022	January 2022	January 2022	January 2022	January 2022
Housing Tenancy and Sustaining Services	January 2022	January 2022	January 2022	January 2022	January 2022
Meals/Medically Tailored Meals	January 2022	January 2022	January 2022	January 2022	January 2022
Recuperative Care (Medical Respite)	January 2022	January 2022	January 2022	January 2022	January 2022
Housing Deposits	July 2022	January 2022	January 2022	January 2023	January 2023
Sobering Centers	July 2022	July 2022	July 2022	July 2022	January 2023
Personal Care and Homemaker Services	July 2022	July 2022	January 2022	January 2023	January 2023
Respite Services	July 2022	July 2022	January 2022	January 2023	January 2023
Asthma Remediation	July 2023	January 2022	July 2022		January 2023
Environmental Accessibility Adaptations	January 2023	January 2022	January 2022	January 2023	January 2023
Short-term Post-Hospitalization Housing		July 2022	January 2022		January 2023
Day Habilitation		January 2024	July 2022		January 2023
Nursing Facility Trans. / Div. to Assisted Living	January 2024	January 2023	January 2023		January 2023
Nursing Facility Trans. / Div. to Home	January 2024	January 2023	January 2023		January 2023

LA County DHS Housing for Health Referral Pathways

DHS Social Workers submit IH referrals to HFH.

- SW Staff must upload all required medical documentation in CHAMP along with the HFH IH application.
- Including the LA Care Recuperative Care Referral form

HFH Staff receive / process referral for eligibility

- Referrals must be screened for Medi-

HFH sends CalAIM Recuperative Care referral to appropriate MCP for authorization.

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If approved, MCP's authorize an initial 30 day stay for HFH recup.

- Ideally authorization is received before
- MCP's has 5 days once the referral is rec
- **HFH will not **delay** placement based

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HealthNet Recuperative Care Referral Criteria

Eligibility

- Members who are at risk of hospitalization or are post-hospitalized
- Individuals who live alone with no formal supports; or
- Individuals who face housing insecurity or have housing conditions that threaten their health and safety without modification.

Restrictions

- Should not replace or duplicate the services provided to members in the enhanced care management program or duplicated state or federal services
- Not more than 90 days in continuous duration
- Does not include funding for building modification or building construction

Services

- Interim housing with a bed and meals and ongoing monitoring of the member's ongoing medical or behavioral health condition
- May also include (if needed): Limited or short-term assistance with Instrumental Activities of Daily Living and/or Activities of Daily Living
- Coordination of transportation to post-discharge appointments
- Connection to any other ongoing services, including mental health and substance use disorder services.
- Support in accessing benefits and housing.
- Stability with case management relationships and program participation
- Can be used with other housing Community Supports. When used with other housing Community Supports should be provided to members in a recuperative care facility.

L.A. Care Recuperative Care Referral Criteria

Recuperative Care Eligibility

- A) Be an active, homeless L.A. Care MCLA client
- B) Is post-hospitalization or post-skilled nursing
- C) Have one of the following:
 - a. A defined home health skilled need, such as:
 - ☐ Physical therapy, occupational therapy
 - ☐ Ongoing IV antibiotics
 - ☐ Wound Care
 - or
 - b. Be in the midst of, or in need of, an ongoing treatment that if interrupted or delayed could cause undue harm.

L.A. Care Recuperative Care Eligibility Exclusions

1. A) Member is unable or unwilling to independently complete . or limited assistance consistent with recuperative care facility
2. B) Member is dependent for medication administration;
3. C) Member is incontinent of bladder and/or bowel and unable and/or other incontinence supplies;
4. D) Member is gravely disabled;
5. E) Members must be medically & psychiatrically stable enough different higher level of care is not required;
6. F) Member is cognitively impaired (e.g., needs constant supervision /or re-direction and verbal cues for basic functions/ADLs);
7. G) Member has been recently combative, aggressive and/or to other individuals;
8. H) Member has a peripherally inserted central catheter ("PICC medications depending on other factors, e.g., type of medication safety of Member and other guests, etc. Decisions about placement PICC Line will be decided on a case-by-case basis;
9. I) Member is unable to live independently in housing and/or needs skilled nursing, 24/7 care and supervision,
10. J) Member has tested positive for Covid-19 within the last 10 days symptoms;
11. K) Active Tuberculosis/C-DIFF/MRSA of sputum (possibly of wound communicable/contagious condition(s) may be a disqualifier; not Adult Residential Facility (ARF) / Residential Care Facility for the Board & Care services, or etc. ;
12. L) Members are generally ineligible with limited exceptions if dependent, has stage 3 or 4 decubitus, is actively detoxing or if about placement of Members with these needs will be decided

Recuperative Care Referral Supporting Documentation Requirements

The following documents are **required** for an MCP to recuperative care referral:

- ☐ MCP/LA Care Recuperative Care Referral Form
- ☐ Face Sheet
- ☐ CXR or PPD (within last year)
- ☐ COVID-19 Test Required (from current hospital)
- ☐ History & Physical
- ☐ Social Worker Notes
 - ☐ SW Notes should clearly indicate that a patient is experiencing homelessness
 - ☐ SW notes should also clearly indicate that the patient has been informed that an interim housing/recuperative care referral has been submitted on their behalf and that they will accept the referral
- ☐ Medication List
- ☐ Wound Care Notes (if any)
- ☐ Psych Notes (if applicable) - last two days of notes and documentation
- ☐ Consultation Notes (if applicable)
- ☐ Recent PT/OT/ Speech Therapy (if applicable)

Common Referral Mistakes & Frequently Asked Requests from MCPs

- ☐ Missing documents (SW notes, etc)
- ☐ Missing home health information (contact information)
- ☐ Missing follow up PCP appointment
- ☐ Missing indication of homelessness/willingness to accept recuperative care
- ☐ Any of the above will result in an automatic rejection from the MCP or significant back-and-forth communication

BARR

Demo

Project:

Bed availability

real time

reporting

- A potential technology platform project to develop, field test and implement a SAA (a Service) component called BARR—bed availability real time reporting—to Recuperative Care programs in Cook County that reports on **the number and Recuperative Care beds**, including those that provide behavioral health and substance use treatment capacity.
- The BARR demonstration project will educate providers and hospitals regarding discharge schedules, provide incentives for Recuperative Care programs to fully participate in the BARR project, establish a potential model for hospitals to use BARR. The project will be developed using a web-based software system, hosted by the National Institute for Medical Respite Care (NIMRC) using cloud-based computing.

BARR Demo Project

- What is the current administrative burden to find a discharge location for people experiencing homelessness (PEH)?
- What does the internal workflow look like?
- How do you determine what Recuperation providers are contracted with each Managed Care Plan (MCP)?
- How do you determine which Recuperation facilities have bed availability?
- What data systems do you use to obtain information and documentation necessary to move a patient to the community? To Recuperation?
- Do you have access to more than one data system/platform?
- Would a bed availability platform be helpful?



Thank you for joining us!

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