

# CalSAWS | Notes from 1/5/2021 Medi-Cal CMSP Committee Meeting

Date: 1/5/2021	Notes Location: Webcast
Time: 9:00 am – 12:00 pm	
Meeting Called by: Nina Butler, Facilitator	

## Attendees:

Region 1	Region 2	Region 3	Region 4	Region 5
Janelle Aman	Amy Bryer	Brinda Boe	Cynthia McGuire	Devin Anderson
Janette Nunez	Jakki Cuffe	Michael Rinehart	Christen Broussard	Jamie Petersen
Kelly Campbell	Lisa Fletcher	Samantha Ott	Monique Thurman	Leopoldo Huerta
Danielle Niemi	Alisa Young		Michelle Villarreal	Bernardo Carrillo
Celeste Armijo	Sophia Sandoval		Tracey Clark	Celia Crespo-Cruz
Region 6	CMSP	CalSAWS North	CalSAWS South	Partners
<del>Hector Flores</del>	Chris Salmon	Maureen Votta	Elisa Miller	DHCS
Javier Corral	Karalyn Foster	Renee Gustafson	Nina Butler	CDSS
Steven Tri		Ritu Chinya	Tisha Mutreja	
<del>Medatrix Torie</del>		Maria Feliciano	<del>Prashant Goel</del>	<b>RM Sponsors</b>
Elizabeth Solorzano		Maggie Orozco	<del>Fred Evangelista</del>	Ricardo Miranda
		<del>Derek Goering</del>	<del>Jacob Derame</del>	Veronica Lara
		<del>Carlos Zepeda</del>		
		Humberto Trinidad		

Topic	Important Points
<b>December 8, 2020 Meeting Minutes</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review due 01/14/2021</li> <li>Approval not necessary</li> </ul>
<b>CA-219880   CIV-107964</b> <b>CalHEERS eHIT: Add Life Change Event code for 'Victim of domestic abuse or spousal abandonment'</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reviewed SCR and recommendations</li> <li>Next steps: Will send out for vote through email</li> <li>Release Date 21.06</li> </ul>
<b>Region 2</b> <b>MEDS Issue with 7J Aid Code</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>J. Cuffe: When reviewing the DHCS discontinuance list, all transactions to add CEC aid code 7J were being rejected by MEDS. Found at least 8 individuals who termed from Foster Care but have no eligibility on MEDS even though they approved CEC. Is this related to the TMC term date issue? Has anyone else seen this?</li> <li>Kern: Kern also had this issue and submitted a ticket to MEDS. Reply was that MEDS is aware of the issue but will not be correcting it on their side because the transaction includes a termination date in it. If MEDS staff do it manually and don't include a term date, MEDS may accept it. If they include a term date, MEDS may reject it.</li> </ul>
<b>DHCS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>DHCS is waiting on two policy guidances from CMS. 1) will the PHE be extended? 2) what will we do with the backlog of cases?</li> <li>As of today, PHE has not been extended. Prior to this, PHE has been extended 90 days at a time.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PHE update</li> </ul>	

- Not sure if the PHE will be extended at this time.
- Also waiting on guidance on what to do with these cases. DHCS has received some guidance from CMS but are processing the information on their end so they can then proceed to have conversations with counties. Will issue ACWDLs and MEDILs which will go through stakeholder review.
- C-IV/LRS will not enable auto discontinuance functionality until they get clear guidance from DHCS. *Confirmation needed for CalWIN functionality.*
- CalSAWS: is the \$600 stimulus check treated the same as prior stimulus checks for Medi-Cal? DHCS: will confirm later.
- CalSAWS: will the continuation of the \$300 unemployment be treated the same? DHCS: will confirm later.
- DHCS: as of now, there are no changes to what counties and SAWS are doing. As of now, maintain status quo until DHCS says otherwise.

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**SSA COLA dropped MPPP - Stanislaus**

- During SSA COLA, C-IV dropped the MPPP for a few cases. Is that correct?
- CalSAWS: it appears to be a defect.
- Lake. Placer & San Joaquin experienced the same issue.
- CalSAWS will get defect information out to counties to follow up with their staff

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**Walk on questions/discussion**

- E. Miller: Every month you receive a discontinuance list and tell DHCS which ones should be restored in MEDS. A lot of these are generic "failed MAGI" but doesn't say specifically what the failure was which puts them on the list. Do counties know to run EDBC through the negative action screen instead of running general EDBC?
- Monterey pointed out that they sometimes have to allow a "failed MAGI for over income" because requesting discontinuance negative action will prevent the customer from enrolling in APTC. Multiple counties have experienced this same issue.
- Marin: We get minor consent on our discontinuance report. CalSAWS will look into this.
- CalSAWS: should minor consent individuals not be discontinued? DHCS will look into it and get back to us. Counties appear to be interpreting this differently.  
Follow up: Clarification was received from DHCS via email stating: Per MEDIL 20-07, discontinuances, renewals, and negative actions are to be delayed during the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency. All beneficiaries currently receiving Minor Consent services should remain aided in their Minor Consent aid code during this time.

**Topic****Important Points**

- Question: Is increase in LTC SOC an adverse action?
- Placer will share clarification from T. Hasbrouck that increase in LTC SOC is allowable.

**2021 Committee Meeting Schedule**

CWDA Medical Care Committee Dates	Tentative CalSAWS Medi-Cal/CMSP Committee Meeting Dates	
Thursday, January 7	Tuesday, January 5	SCR Webcast
Thursday, February 11	Wednesday, February 3	Webcast
Thursday, March 4	<del>Tuesday, March 2</del> cancelled	SCR Webcast
Thursday, April 1	Wednesday, April 7	Webcast
Thursday, May 6	Tuesday, May 4	SCR Webcast
Thursday, June 3	Wednesday, June 2	Webcast
July – No meeting	Tuesday, July 6	SCR Webcast
Thursday, August 5	Wednesday, August 4	Webcast
Thursday, September 2	Tuesday, September 7	SCR Webcast
October – No meeting	Wednesday, October 6	Webcast
Thursday, November 4	Tuesday, November 2	SCR Webcast
December – No meeting	Wednesday, December 1	Webcast

(Optional Items)

#	Action Item	Assigned To	Assigned Date	Due Date	Status
1	Restoration lists	Nina	N/A	N/A	Nina will follow up later.

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#	Decision Made	Who Made the Decision	Date
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**Next Meeting:**

Wednesday, February 03, 2021  
09:00 am-12:00 pm