

Speaker Biographies

PART I - PRESENTATION: DHCS OVERSIGHT AND ACCOUNTABILITY OF MANAGED CARE

PART II – PRESENTATION: RESPONSIBILITIES FOR MANAGED CARE PLANS UNDER “MEDI-CAL HEALTHIER CALIFORNIA FOR ALL”

Dr. Bradley Gilbert, Director, Department of Health Care Services

Governor Gavin Newsom appointed Bradley P. Gilbert, MD, MPP, as Director of the California Department of Health Care Services effective February 24, 2020. As Director, Dr. Gilbert leads an organization of about 4,000 employees responsible for operating Medi-Cal, the state’s Medicaid program, as well as behavioral health. The Department manages total spending of more than \$100 billion annually to support the health of about 13 million Californians.

Dr. Gilbert most recently served as a health care consultant for health plans, providers, and other entities. He retired from the Inland Empire Health Plan in July 2019 after holding multiple positions there, including Medical Director, Chief Medical Officer, and Chief Executive Officer. With more than 1.2 million members, the plan is one of the largest Medicaid managed care plans in the country. Dr. Gilbert was also Director of Public Health at the County of Riverside Health Services Agency Department of Public Health from 1993 to 1996. He was Director of Public Health at the San Mateo County Department of Health Services Division of Public Health. Additionally, Dr. Gilbert was a board member of the California Health Care Foundation, Planned Parenthood, and Manifest Medex.

Dr. Gilbert earned a Master of Public Policy degree from the University of California, Berkeley and a Doctor of Medicine degree from the University of California, San Diego School of Medicine.

Jacey Cooper, State Medicaid Director and Chief Deputy Director for Health Care Programs, Department of Health Care Services

Jacey Cooper serves as the State Medicaid Director and Chief Deputy Director for Health Care Programs at the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS). Ms. Cooper is responsible for the overall management of Health Care Delivery Systems, Health Care Financing, Health Care Benefits and Eligibility, Behavioral Health, and Legislative and Governmental Affairs. As the State Medicaid Director, Ms. Cooper represents California’s Medicaid program (Medi-Cal) with our federal partners at the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

Since January 2019, Ms. Cooper served as the Senior Advisor for Health Care Programs and prior to that, Ms. Cooper served as the Assistant Deputy Director for Health Care Delivery Systems starting in April 2016. In these roles, Ms. Cooper was responsible for overseeing the planning, implementation, evaluation, and management of various programs and policies at the department.

Prior to coming to DHCS, Ms. Cooper worked as the Vice President of Administrative Services at Kern Medical Center and as a health care consultant. Through this work she has gained over ten years of experience in health care policy, operations, integrated delivery models, managed care, business development, and quality monitoring.

PANEL I - PANEL: MEDI-CAL MANAGED CARE ORGANIZATIONS

Les Ybarra, Executive Director, California Medicaid Health Plan, Anthem Blue Cross

Les Ybarra brings over 20 years of experience in Medi-Cal Managed Care at Anthem. He has extensive knowledge in account management, contract administration, health plan operations, provider contracting, network relations, database administration, regulatory reporting, and quality management.

As executive director of the CA Medicaid Health Plan, Les oversees program management staff across 29 counties who are dedicated to improving local stakeholder and individual county relationships. He manages the contractual relationship between Anthem and L.A. Care Health Plan and leads statewide initiatives that impact Medi-Cal beneficiaries. He has been a member of the Sacramento County Medi-Cal Managed Care Advisory Committee for over 3 years and serves as chair of the Care Coordination Sub-Committee.

Les actively supports many community-based organizations throughout California. He has served on the board of directors for the YMCA Metropolitan Los Angeles for the past 4 years and serves as chair of the Urban Council. When time allows he enjoys gardening, bike riding, hiking, and barbecues with family and friends. Les earned his degree in business administration at the University of La Verne. He is married and has two children.

Jeremy McGuire, Senior Director of Government Relations and Strategic Development, Kern Health Systems

Jeremy McGuire serves as Senior Director of Government Relations and Strategic Development for Kern Health Systems. In this role Mr. McGuire is responsible for government affairs, working with Management in advocacy efforts, and coordinating with stakeholders on policy or regulation that impacts KHS. Additionally, this role includes the planning, development, and implementation of strategic business opportunities.

Mr. McGuire has over 13 years of experience working in the healthcare field, including over 10 years in management. He has held a variety of roles within Kern Health Systems over the last 9 years including Project Management, Business Development, and Government Affairs. In these roles Mr. McGuire has had exposure to both policy development and operational implementation. Mr. McGuire received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Management from Cal Poly San Luis Obispo and currently holds professional credentials in Project Management.

PART I - PANEL: MEDI-CAL PROVIDERS AND CONSUMERS

Kelli Boehm, Legislative Advocate, California Medical Association

Kelli Boehm is a Legislative Advocate for the California Medical Association representing the voice of over 49,000 physician members. Her current advocacy portfolio includes the state budget, Medi-Cal, and health care reform. Prior to joining CMA in late 2018, she served as a Legislative Advocate at Political Solutions for over 4 years and built expertise and achieved successes in the public health space and in increasing access to care. Clients she supported included providers like DaVita Kidney Care, the California Association of Nurse Anesthetists, and the California Dental Association. Her advocacy efforts while with Political Solutions were also on behalf of non-profits like the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation, and the March of Dimes. She is a proud alumna of Cal Poly San Luis Obispo.

Sabra Matovsky, CEO of the San Francisco Community Clinic Consortium

Ms. Sabra V. Matovsky, CEO and President of San Francisco Community Clinic Consortium, has extensive experience working with community clinics and Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs), both on the provider and payer side. She presently serves on the board of the San Francisco Health Authority and has previously served on the board of San Diego's Consumer Center for Health Education and Advocacy.

Prior to moving to the Bay Area in October 2017, she served as the Executive Vice President of Integrated Health Partners of Southern California (IHP), a clinically integrated network of 11 FQHCs managing 90,000 lives under primary care capitation contracts for Medi-Cal, Medicare and Covered California.

Prior to her work with IHP, Ms. Matovsky was the Associate Vice President, Market Leader for Molina Healthcare. In her 6 years with Molina, Ms. Matovsky managed the second largest Medi-Cal health plan in San Diego (190,000 lives) where she developed new contract models to promote strategic partnerships with FQHCs and small office primary care providers.

Previous roles also include: Administrator, Care1st Health Plan San Diego Office (2 years); Director of Contracting, Council of Community Clinics (10 years); Contracts Manager and Senior Contracts Manager, CareAmerica Health Plan (2 years); and Financial Analyst and Contract Specialist, HealthCare Partners (3 years).

Ms. Matovsky has a Bachelor of Arts degree from Oberlin College, majoring in both Economics and Psychology as well as an Executive MBA from San Diego State.

Linda Tenerowicz, Senior Policy Advocate, California Pan-Ethnic Health Network

Linda is a Senior Policy Advocate for the California Pan-Ethnic Health Network. At CPEHN she has advocated at the State Capitol for policies such as language access, culturally appropriate mental health services, and chronic disease prevention, securing state budget funding to respond to these community needs. Prior to joining CPEHN, Linda worked as a Legislative Aide in the State Assembly, staffing issue areas including health, public safety, and the State budget. She is also an alumnus of the Capitol Fellows program where she worked as a consultant for the Senate Committee on Public Safety. Linda is a graduate of Loyola Marymount University where she earned her BA in political science.

Mike Odeh, Director of Health Policy, Children Now

Mike Odeh is the Director of Health Policy at Children Now, California's leading children's policy, research, and advocacy organization. Mike brings extensive health policy and advocacy expertise to Children Now, where his work focuses on health coverage, access, quality, financing, and care delivery. A native of southern California, Mike holds a Master of Public Policy degree from Georgetown University and an undergraduate degree from Creighton University. Prior to joining Children Now, Mike worked at Health Access, a California health care consumer advocacy organization, and previously at the Center for Children and Families at the Georgetown University Health Policy Institute. Mike has also taught a health policy course at San Francisco State University.

PART II - PANEL: COUNTY PROVIDERS, PLANS, AND CONSUMERS

Erica Murray, President and CEO, California Association of Public Hospitals and Health Systems

Since 2014, Erica Murray has served as President and CEO for the California Association of Public Hospitals and Health Systems (CAPH). Prior to this appointment by the CAPH Board of Directors, Erica

was Senior Vice President; in that capacity, she was responsible for leading the organization's policy and government relations efforts. She has worked at CAPH since 2005, with a focus on policies to challenge, support and strengthen public health care systems' successful delivery system improvements, many of which have been fostered by CAPH's 501c3 affiliate, the California Health Care Safety Net Institute (SNI). These improvements include chronic disease management, language access services, and outpatient service delivery efficiencies.

Ms. Murray came to CAPH/SNI with a varied background in health policy spanning the federal legislative and executive branches, as well as the private sector. Prior to joining CAPH/SNI, Ms. Murray served as health policy Legislative Assistant for former U.S. Senator John Edwards (D-NC). She also served as an analyst at the Advisory Board Company, a member-based health care think tank and consulting firm for hospitals and health care systems. From 1997 to 1999, she served as a consultant to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, where she helped launch the AIDS Drug Assistance Program, a federal program that provides access to HIV/AIDS medications for uninsured low-income individuals. Ms. Murray holds a Masters of Public Policy and Administration from Columbia University, and received a Bachelor of Arts degree from McGill University in Montreal, Quebec.

Mary June Diaz, Government Affairs Advocate, SEIU California State Council

Mary June G. Diaz is a health care advocate for SEIU California, State Council. She represents 700,000 nurses, healthcare workers, janitors, social workers, security officers, in-home caregivers, school and university employees, court workers, and city, county and state employees. She supports the legislative, budget, and administrative advocacy efforts on issues, including the private commercial insurance markets and public health care programs and coverage. Previously, Mary June worked for Health Access California, where she advocated on a wide range of health care policies on behalf of all health care consumers. She also worked for the Alameda County Board of Supervisors, where she managed and coordinated the county's Health Committee policy and administrative oversight hearings, as well as monitored the county's public, safety-net hospital system. In addition to her local government experience, Mary June worked in state government as an Assembly Fellow and Legislative Aide in the State Assembly. Mary June received her bachelors' and dual Master of Public Policy and Master of Public Health (MPP/MPH) degrees from UC Berkeley.

Beau Henneman, Director of Special Programs, Anthem Blue Cross

Beau Hennemann is the Director of Special Programs for Anthem Blue Cross - California Medicaid. In this role, Beau has statewide responsibility for directing and overseeing the operations, business strategy and alignment for special programs such as Long Term Services and Supports (LTSS), Health Homes, Whole Person Care, Palliative Care, and Social Determinants of Health. This includes responsibility for program performance, provider and community collaboration/engagement, behavioral health integration, clinical care management, policy development, process improvement/program enhancements, managing interdependencies and risks, and developing growth opportunities. Beau has over 18 years of experience in program development and implementation within LTSS and other Medicaid-based programs, in both public and private organizations. Prior to working at Anthem, Beau served as Senior Manager of Home and Community Based Services at L.A. Care Health Plan where he oversaw the transition of In-Home Supportive Services and the Multipurpose Senior Services Program into managed care benefits, the development of a Care Plan Options program, and the development of collaborative relationships with community-based organizations working to assist individuals with their psycho-social needs. Beau also spent over 11 years working for the Los Angeles County IHSS Public Authority. Beau is a graduate of the

University of Missouri, where he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Business and Public Administration.

Linnea Koopmans, Government Affairs Director, Local Health Plans of California

Linnea Koopmans is the Director of Government Affairs for the Local Health Plans of California (LHPC), the trade association representing the 16 not-for-profit, community-based health plans that collectively insure over 7.5 million Californians enrolled in Medi-Cal managed care. In her role, she works closely with LHPC's CEO and member plans to advance the Association's policy and legislative priorities. Linnea has many years' experience working on different aspects of the Medi-Cal program and has particular expertise in behavioral health. Prior to joining LHPC, Linnea worked for the County Behavioral Health Directors Association where she served as the organization's expert on California's Section 1915(b) waiver and the intersection of criminal justice and mental health. She also previously worked on health care reform implementation for the Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health. Linnea has a master's degree in Social Welfare from UCLA and started her career working in housing and homelessness in Santa Barbara.

Linda Nguy, Policy Advocate, Western Center on Law and Poverty

Linda Nguy is Policy Advocate for the Western Center, specializing in health care issues that affect poor Californians. Prior to joining Western Center, Linda worked with the State of Washington and Mississippi to help establish their state-based health exchange. Specifically, she drafted the online application for subsidized and unsubsidized qualified health plans. She also worked on California's behavioral health adjudication system and as Policy Associate for the Latino Coalition for a Healthy California. Linda received her MPP/MBA from the University of Minnesota, Twin Cities and undergraduate degree from Brown University.