

**PUBLIC RISK, INNOVATION, SOLUTIONS, AND MANAGEMENT  
(PRISM)**

**PRISMHEALTH COMMITTEE**

**MEETING SUMMARY**

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75 Iron Point Circle, Suite 200  
Folsom, California 95630  
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Tuesday, April 25, 2023  
2:00 p.m.  
Third Meeting – 2023

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**Members Present**

Naomi Whatley, GSRMA  
Mai Yang, Merced County  
Brendan Shannon, SDMTS  
Raquel Arciniega, SCAQMD - Alternate  
Ellen Doughty, SDRMA – Alternate  
Coral Ferrin, Tehama County  
Andrew Guzman, Turlock Irrigation District

**Members Absent**

Ashleigh Szkubiel, San Luis Obispo County  
Vanessa Shearer, City of Visalia

**Program Performance Report (PPR)**

Staff presented the PPR, updated through February 28, 2023. Premium volume for all combined program segments is \$111M, with medical/pharmacy claims and fixed costs totaling \$103.7M, resulting in a program funding ratio of 93.4%.

**Express Scripts (ESI) COVID-19 Over-the-Counter (OTC) Test Kit Coverage**

The Committee was informed that plan sponsors are no longer required to pay for COVID-19 over the counter (OTC) tests, since the announcement of the end of COVID Public Health Emergency on May 11, 2023. Despite the new requirement, providing these tests are a valuable benefit to employees and their families. The Committee approved continuing Express Scripts current COVID-19 test kit products for all program members in which that applies.

**Coverage Compliance – Autism and Gender-Affirming Care**

Alliant advised the Committee of the Program's litigation exposure due to current Autism-Related and Gender-Affirming coverage discrepancies within PRISMHealth membership, as they do not align with the Federal Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act (MHPAEA). In order to adhere to the MHPAEA mandates, these coverages, if offered, must be provided in parity with the medical/surgical benefits provided under the plans. The Committee approved updating Autism-Related coverage and Gender-Affirming coverage for all PRISMHealth coverage plans, effective January 1, 2024.

### **Blue Shield Payment Integrity Program**

The Committee approved the Blue Shield Payment Integrity program be implemented for all PRISMHealth Blue Shield program members effective March 1, 2023. The Blue Shield Payment Integrity program offers a comprehensive suite of services focused on claims payment accuracy, with payment for services being 30% of recovered savings on overcharges, with a maximum fee of \$50k per claim.

### **Staff Report**

Staff thanked those in attendance for their participation in the next day's PRISMHealth Stakeholders meeting, providing them with information on meeting logistics and what to expect.

### **Future Meetings**

The next ***PRISMHealth Committee*** meeting is scheduled for ***Wednesday, May 24, 2023***, at ***10:00 a.m.***, to be held ***at the PRISM office in Folsom***.