

Board of Governors

Executive Community Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes – January 13, 2021

1055 W. 7th Street, Los Angeles, CA 90017



L.A. Care
HEALTH PLAN

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AGENDA ITEM/PRESENTER	MOTIONS / MAJOR DISCUSSIONS	ACTION TAKEN
<p>CALL TO ORDER</p>	<p>Fatima Vazquez, <i>ECAC Chair</i>, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. She read out the instructions on today’s meeting agenda.</p> <p>California Governor issued Executive Order N-25-20 and N-29-20, which among other provisions amend the Ralph M. Brown Act. Accordingly, members of the public should now listen to this meeting via teleconference as follows:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Teleconference Call –In information/Site Call-in number: 1-415-655-0002 Participants Access Code: 146 307 1012 (English) Call-in number: 1-415-655-0002 Participants Access Code: 146 835 5450 (Spanish)</p> <p>Members of the Executive Community Advisory Committee or staff may also participate in this meeting via teleconference. The public is encouraged to submit public comments or comments on Agenda items in writing by email to COEpubliccomments@lacare.org or by sending a text or voicemail to (323) 541-7900. The text, voicemail, or email must indicate if you wish to be identified or remain anonymous, and must also include the name of the item to which your comment relates. If you do not indicate an Agenda item for your comment, your comment(s) will be read for up to 3 minutes at item VII Public Comment on the Agenda.</p> <p>Comments received by voicemail, email, or text by 10:00 a.m. on January 13, 2021 will be provided in writing to the members of the Executive Community Advisory Committee at the meeting. Once the meeting has started, emails and texts for public comments should be submitted before the item is called by the meeting Chair. If you wish to submit public comment on an item, you must submit it at any time prior to the time the Chair starts consideration of the item. The Chair will ask for public comment and will announce the item. The Chair will announce when public comment period is over. Public Comments will be read for up to 3 minutes at the meeting. All votes in a teleconference meeting shall be conducted by roll call.</p> <p>If you are an individual with a disability and need a reasonable modification or accommodation pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act please contact the Community Outreach & Engagement staff prior to the meeting for assistance by text (323) 541-7900 or by email to COEpubliccomments@lacare.org.</p>	

<p>APPROVE MEETING AGENDA</p>	<p>Ms. Vazquez stated that Richard Seidman, <i>Chief Medical Officer</i>, will be presenting before John Baackes, <i>Chief Executive Officer</i>.</p> <p>The Agenda for today's meeting was approved with the changes noted above.</p>	<p>Approved by roll call. 12 AYES (Byrd, Conteas-Wood, Hernandez de Cordero, Lara, Mahler, McClain, Poz, Refugio, Romo, Salazar, Sanchez, and Vazquez) 1 Abstention McFerson</p>
<p>APPROVE MEETING MINUTES</p>	<p>The December 9, 2020 meeting minutes were approved as submitted.</p>	<p>Approved unanimously 13 AYES (Byrd, Conteas-Wood, Hernandez de Cordero, Lara, Mahler, McClain, McFerson, Poz, Refugio, Romo, Salazar, Sanchez, and Vazquez)</p>
<p>STANDING ITEMS</p>		
<p>UPDATE FROM CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER</p> <p>John Baackes</p>	<p><u>PUBLIC COMMENT</u></p> <p>Submitted by Elizabeth Cooper RCAC 2 Member: <i>What is the status of the L.A. Care budget and will it affect L.A. Care members? Is there going to be a reduction in services, etc. Will you update the members with the new president and the stimulus check that the congress is considering for the people of the United States? How will it impact L.A. Care members?</i></p> <p>John Baackes, <i>Chief Executive Officer</i>, gave the following updates:</p> <p>He responded to Ms. Cooper's comment that L.A. Care has received rates for 2021 and will be revising its budget as a result. The rates are higher than was estimated when budget was adopted in September 2020. There will be no reduction in services to members and no</p>	

services will be cut. Last year rates were cut by 1.5% and L.A. Care maintained its contracts with providers.

Mr. Baackes stated there has been a surge in COVID 19 cases in Los Angeles County. He noted that up until November, many people did not know someone who was personally affected by the virus, but since the recent surge, for many people that has changed. More people have been affected in terms of the recession and job losses. L.A. Care has lost two employees to COVID-19, and has made the difficult decision to close the Community Resource Centers (CRC) due to the surge over the last month. Due to the pandemic, L.A. Care did not want people to leave their homes if they did not have to. L.A. Care is looking at resuming CRC activities in the future.

COVID 19 Vaccination

One valuable thing that L.A. Care can do is be truthful about the vaccine distribution. New directives are provided daily by the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health (DPH). DPH has released a plan for vaccine distribution that establishes phases when people are eligible for a vaccine. The vaccine distribution will become more clear as the county moves into Phase 1b and then into Phase 1c. The general public will be able to get vaccinated in the last phase. L.A. Care is functioning well and is meeting all the needs of the members, providers and the communities it serves.

Lluvia Salazar, *At-Large Member*, stated that since L.A. Care stands for truth, where are RCAC members on the list to get vaccinated? Mr. Baackes responded that being an ECAC member does not qualify one for vaccination according to the DPH plan. Richard Seidman, MD, MPH, *Chief Medical Officer*, responded that there are priorities, for example, In-Home Support Services members are prioritized because they are caregivers to older and disabled individuals. Mr. Baackes stated that L.A. Care will reach out to notify members about the vaccine eligibility.

Estela Lara, *RCAC 2 Chair*, stated that many people need the food distribution services for members. She asked if these services will resume. Mr. Baackes responded that logistics are being worked out to continue food drives. Ms. Lara stated that she suggests holding these events twice a month. She noted that it is best to do it more frequently, because the food runs out quickly. Mr. Baackes responded that L.A. Care will continue to hold food drives once logistics are worked out and they can be conducted safely.

Andria McFerson, *RCAC 6 Member*, asked when the Family Resource Centers (FRCs) will open again. Mr. Baackes stated that they were opened last September, but have recently been closed due to the pandemic, and will be closed at least through February. At the end of February, FRCs may reopen if it is safe to do so. Ms. McFerson asked how will disabled people receive or participate during the food drives. The people and the families who have

	<p>the virus also need assistance. Mr. Baackes responded that the agencies that L.A. Care works with are looking at ways to reach those populations. He noted that 150 members are being supported through Project Angel Food, through a grant that was given last year. Those agencies rely on volunteers, but they have hired restaurant workers who lost their jobs due to the pandemic to work in their kitchens. Now they have had five positive COVID-19 cases and they placed people on leave. Too many incidents like these will shut down the organization. He stated that L.A. Care will continue to support Project Angel Food and other agencies like it.</p> <p>Tanya Byrd, <i>RCAC 9 Chair</i>, shared stimulus check information with the committee. She stated that people can visit www.irs.gov and put basic information and find out when they will receive their stimulus check. Mr. Baackes thanked her for sharing this information.</p> <p>Hilda Perez, <i>Member Representative, Board of Governors</i>, stated that in Los Angeles someone is infected every 6 seconds; things are really bad in Los Angeles County. She noted that essential workers are being advised by health officials to wear masks in their own homes. She has been updating her information for the South Los Angeles area, specifically at Martin Luther King Jr. Hospital. She noted that Cedar-Sinai, a hospital that is known to treat celebrities, is currently at 20% ICU capacity and Martin Luther King Jr. Hospital is at 97% capacity. It's really bad in that area. People continue to go to the hospital really sick and it's the most affected region in Los Angeles County. She asked Mr. Baackes to help those that need help getting services. She knows that he is on many different boards and can speak to health officials. There are many people in need. She thanked L.A. Care for its efforts with food drives. There is a great need for food distribution. The fact that the food runs out quickly shows the need for these services. Her community is most at risk and people are really concerned about these issues. People in her area are afraid to go out of their homes. She noted that many essential workers are Latinos; the people that stock food shelves, work at grocery stores, or work in the fields harvesting foods are most at risk, because they are exposed more due to their jobs. In these communities everyone knows someone close to them has been infected or passed away due to COVID -19. She encouraged anyone who is an essential worker or is family of an essential worker to please wear their masks. Mr. Baackes responded that L.A. Care is well aware of the repercussions she enumerated. He knows that L.A. Care members are the most vulnerable due to many of the reasons she just mentioned. L.A. Care will continue to address all these concerns. He stated that Dr. Seidman will provide more information about this during his report.</p>	
<p>UPDATE FROM CHIEF MEDICAL OFFICER</p> <p>Richard Seidman, <i>MD, MPH</i></p>	<p><u>PUBLIC COMMENT</u></p> <p>Submitted by Elizabeth Cooper, <i>RCAC 2 Member</i>. <i>Where can L.A. Care members get the COVID-19 vaccines. I would like to know the locations of where members could go to receive it and if members will need to pay for it.</i></p>	

Dr. Seidman responded that Phase 1a of the pandemic vaccine plan is in effect. It's not time yet for all L.A. Care members to get vaccinated. L.A. Care's website will be updated with this information once it is available. Members will be able to get the vaccine at their local doctor's office, their pharmacy, or community-wide vaccine sites. He noted that Dodgers stadium and Disneyland are being converted into mass vaccination sites.

Dr. Seidman gave the following COVID-19 updates:

Los Angeles County is in the midst of a very difficult time and is bracing for the full impact of the New Year's Eve holiday gatherings. Typically, people who are infected will start seeing symptoms in day 14. They may not need to be hospitalized for two weeks. He expects the surge to continue until mid-February. By that point, the number of people vaccinated will hopefully see some relief from the current surge. What is happening in Los Angeles is happening in many parts of the world. Last week there were 5 million new cases worldwide. The three-day average number of COVID patients hospitalized in Los Angeles is now 10 times higher at 7,873 than it was on November 1, 2020, and some hospitals are preparing to declare a crisis in standards of care, and patients will be triaged to determine which patients are priorities for limited resources, such as ICU beds and ventilators.

He noted that there are 3 tiers in Phase 1a: frontline workers, nursing facilities, and skilled nursing facilities. Despite what people are hearing in the media, the county is making progress and moving forward with vaccine distribution. Even in the most difficult and challenging time, so far over 130,000 doses have been administered of one of two COVID-19 vaccines approved for Emergency Use Authorization. Frontline healthcare workers are beginning to get their second dose of vaccine. At this time, we are progressing through the various tiers of Phase 1a (healthcare workers and the residents and staff of long term care and Skilled Nursing Facilities (SNFs), and anticipate moving into Phase 1b by early February, which includes people 75 and older and frontline essential workers in its first tier. People 65 and older and a broader list of essential workers are prioritized in the second tier of Phase 1b before moving on to Phase 1c, anticipated in late March or early April, which will include people 16 -64 with chronic health conditions and co-morbidities placing them at risk.

Russel Mahler, *RCAC 1 Chair*, asked Dr. Seidman if L.A. Care is doing anything to help the homeless with the vaccine. Dr. Seidman responded that L.A. Care is not involved at the administration level. L.A. Care is at the informational level. He noted that the population is at increased risk. He cannot say for sure what phase they fall in. Some members are at increased risk if they are sheltered or temporary sheltered. DPH is guiding the distribution of the vaccine.

	<p>Member Vazquez asked Dr. Seidman how L.A. Care members will receive notification when they are eligible to get the vaccine. Dr. Seidman responded that the vaccine is at no cost to members. The Federal government has purchased several million doses of the vaccine. Members will not be billed. It is not yet time to receive the vaccine for most members and they will not receive any notification yet. Many Federally Qualified Health Center clinics have already received vaccine for their frontline workers. Providing vaccine to private doctors that number in the thousands in Los Angeles County, will be a challenge.</p> <p>Deaka McClain, <i>At-Large Member</i>, stated that the vaccine is not necessarily going to stop people from getting COVID-19. She noted that some people believe that they will not be infected once they get the vaccine. Dr. Seidman responded that the vaccine is highly effective. The clinical trials included 70,000 people in work groups. There was a 95% reduction in risk of getting COVID-19, which makes it a highly effective vaccine. Even after you get both doses of the vaccine people should continue to follow public health safety guidelines. It takes a couple of weeks to develop a 50% resistance to the virus. After the second dose, it goes up to 95% protection. It is not a 100% reduction in infection and it does not mean that people can't get infected. That is why people should continue to wear masks, wash hands, and socially distance. The second dose can cause mild side effects such as cough, a light cold, and body aches. This has not discouraged people from getting the second dose.</p> <p>Ms. McFerson noted that the colored community is affected most by the COVID-19 virus due underlying conditions. She is most affected. If you have a heart condition you will be most affected. She would like to know where do disabled people stand on prioritization of the vaccination. Dr. Seidman responded that she is right about the age cohorts. Anyone age 75 and above regardless of comorbidities, disabilities, or chronic conditions can get the first dose of the vaccine. Once L.A. Care gets the green light to begin immunizing members it will begin to communicate this information to members to high risk members. That's when L.A. Care will begin conducting outreach to members.</p> <p>Ms. Byrd stated that she does not wish to be grim, but she does speak for everyone with the virus, African Americans and Hispanics are being put forth in the media as the only populations who have gotten the virus. It has created a falseness in the Caucasian community. In Orange County, the rate is high among Caucasians. She would like to know how many Caucasian people are being infected and dying due to the virus. She pointed out that the President does not wear masks and chooses not to wear them. Dr. Seidman responded that he has seen this on television. He asked everyone to please do the right thing. Wearing masks helps protect other people and the person wearing the mask as well.</p>	
<p>UPDATE FROM THE HEALTH</p>	<p>Tanisia Johnson, <i>Supervisor, Health Promoters Program</i>, gave the following Health Promoters Program updates:</p>	

<p>PROMOTERS PROGRAM</p> <p>Tanisia Johnson</p>	<p>Community Resources</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Distribute information regarding: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ LA County community resource events and programs ➤ Communicate via email, text, phone calls and social media channels <p>L.A. Care Resource Centers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The Health Promoters supported the following L.A. Care Resource Center community events during 2020: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Food Bank ➤ Back to School ➤ Flu Shot Clinic <p>Conferences and Public Health Webinars</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ COVID-19 Webinars for Health Promoters and Community Health Workers ➤ Cancer Screening Webinars ➤ Annual Vision y Compromiso Conference <p>Virtual Platform Training</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Partnership with Venice Family Clinic <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Colorectal Cancer <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Education and Screening ➤ Community Resource Navigation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ L.A. Care Community Link <p>Ms. McFerson stated that she loves doing the things that she does for the community. She wants to make sure the program stays strong. She would like to know if there will be more involvement with doing COVID-19 testing and food distribution. Ms. Johnson responded at the moment health promoters will not be participating in any face to face activities due to public health safety guidelines.</p> <p>Ms. Lara asked Ms. Johnson if they will be doing presentations in Spanish as well to make it even more accessible. Ms. Johnson responded that presentations are held in both English and Spanish.</p> <p>Ms. Perez thanked Ms. Johnson for her presentation and the opportunity for being able to help their communities. She noted that it is a great necessity for the health promoters to help L.A. Care reach out to people in their community.</p>	
<p>COMMUNICATION AND COMMUNITY</p>	<p>Auleria Eakins, <i>EdD, Manager, CO&E</i>, gave the following Communications and Community Relations Update (<i>a copy of the written report can be obtained from CO&E</i>):</p>	

**RELATIONS
DEPARTMENT**

Auleria Eakins, EdD

Global Issues Update

In response to a request for a COVID-19 kit for members which could be picked up at the Community Resource Centers (CRC) or mailed to disabled members who could not pick it up, she reported that L.A. Care leadership is reviewing the feasibility of this request and will report at the next ECAC meeting.

RCAC COVID Conference

L.A. Care’s CO&E will host the first ever RCAC virtual Conference on COVID titled, “Where do we go from here?” The esteemed panel will be moderated by Dr. Seidman and Dr. James Kyle, as well as guest panelist Dr. Erika Uribe, Los Angeles County Department of Health, and Dr. Oliver Brooks, Watts Health Care Foundation. The purpose of the forum is to bring RCAC members together to learn about the current status of COVID-19 in Los-Angeles County, encourage COVID testing and to educate members on the newly approved vaccines and their benefits. The event be held on January 27, 2021 from 10:00 am to 11:30 am, via Zoom. CO&E’s Field Specialists will be reaching out to RCAC members with more information.

L.A. Care’s Black History Month Planning Committee

In honor of Black History Month, CO&E staff is working with Dr. Kyle to plan a two-part series addressing health disparities in the African American Community titled, “A Vision and Voice for Equity”. This two-part series will consist of panel conversations with key community organizations that are making strides to improve the health of African Americans, particularly in Maternal Child Health and Mental Health.

We ask for support of all advisory members to assist with the promotion of the events which will also take place on the Zoom platform on February 4 (Maternal Child Health) from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. and February 26 (Mental Health) from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. All sessions will be in both English and Spanish. L.A. Care will have an active social media campaign and a robust internal campaign to promote Black History month.

L.A. Care has agreed to sponsored the California Pan Ethnic Health Network’s Voices for Change Conference, “Revolutionizing Health Equity,” February 9 to February 11.

CRC Update

In response to the recent surge in COVID-19 cases, all CRCs are closed. The closure may be extended, depending on the spread of the virus over the next month.

Holiday Appreciation Event

The CRCs held seven holiday appreciation events in December where grocery gift cards were distributed to attendees. L.A. Care will continue the gift card distribution events once CRCs reopen.

	<p>Ms. Perez stated that many people who have struggled with not having a job, and she thanked Dr. Eakins for advocating for members to continue to receive for the stipend. She thanked her for providing the food gift card. She hopes that staff can call members and check on them, because sometimes a text can be cold.</p> <p>Ms. McFerson noted that Dr. Eakins mentioned a motion update and that L.A. Care is working through different ideas of how the motion will be implemented. She asked who will be providing information on the motion. Ms. Eakins responded that the motion was provided to leadership. She learned that there are two different departments who are conducting tasks similar to what was outlined in the motion. L.A. Care is looking as a whole at how they can combine those efforts with ECAC for these tasks. Ms. McFerson asked if they will be providing a food security bonus for the rest of the year. Ms. Eakins responded that L.A. Care gave this bonus card in response to addressing food security during the 2020 holiday period. Members will continue to receive their stipend but the bonus card was a one- time occurrence. Due to COVID-19 the cards can't be mailed, and the amount was added to their stipend payment.</p>	
OLD BUSINESS		
<p>COMMUNITY OUTREACH & ENGAGEMENT UPCOMING EVENTS</p> <p>Auleria Eakins, EdD</p>	<p>Ms. Eakins gave dates for upcoming CO&E events (<i>a copy of the written report can be obtained from CO&E</i>):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “Where Do We Go from Here” on January 27, 2021 • Upcoming ECAC Presentations: February 2021, Disparities Leadership Program and March 2021, Denti-Cal Presentation <p>Ms. McFerson stated that she has spoken to Dr. Eakins about having a celebration for African American month. She asked if ad-hocs were removed completely from the process. Ms. Eakins responded that ad-hocs have not been removed. COE staff is working with other departments on planning this event. The comments made by members on this topic last year are being taken into consideration.</p> <p>Ms. Byrd thanked Dr. Eakins for organizing this event. She stated that mental illness is very serious in her community. She stated that this will be very beneficial to her community.</p>	
FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS		
	<p>Ms. McFerson stated that she would like to see an update on the motion that ECAC approved in regards to the distribution of hand sanitizers at FRCs and CRCs. There are many people who are not on a priority list for CVOID-19 vaccination. She would like to see a monthly update on this issue as well.</p>	

PUBLIC COMMENTS

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Submitted by Mary Smith:
My name is Mary a former RCAC6 member of LA Care for years and even participated in different locations so I know committees from different perspectives. I stopped coming because I wasn't happy with the direction the CO&E Dept. was headed in when we were there to speak about life-saving issues it changed into an office and not a democracy. I was mistreated and spoken at, as an unwanted employee and not a member of the public speaking about relevant health topics that ourselves and our community faced as members. Anytime we fought for different relevant causes to help it got shut down by the new management as if it was illegitimate to openly talk about our health problems. As a Black woman I'm faced with discrimination from all races every day and I have my own health issues so I could not deal with so much systemic racism here in the RCACs. This needs to be properly addressed by BOG like necessities with our health concerns because we also have the same treatment with Healthcare Professionals when we try to get proper life-saving quality care. That's why it is so important to be heard so these things could be addressed.

Submitted by Ismael Maldonado, RCAC 2 Member:
I have a requests that LA CARE get a title 1and 2 ADA training Section 504 rehabilitation disability equities training

Submitted by Anonymous:
*As a consumer, I have a concern about board Christina Ghaly being married to secretary of public health Calif Mark Ghaly, his photo is clearly at the Dept of Managed Care site which tells me he has authority over LA Care, they may be decent people but as a consumer.
I'd like to know how an LA Care board member can be related to a state authority that LA Care answers to! If I'm missing something please advise, she also leads public health, seems like an awful lot of power which can give people less places to complain to!
Please forward to correct number corresponding to this mentioned meeting since the agenda is not listed.*

Submitted by Anonymous:
I saw a photo of Gavin Newsom with the CEO of Synermed. I forwarded it to the Dept of Managed Care at their investigators request, it seems the state and

	<p><i>county is not notifying Synermed /EHS victims deliberately because they know they screwed up and don't want to answer to it, screwed up to the extent of people dying!</i></p> <p><i>Anyone with a concern about these discrepancies directed at special needs and other vulnerable citizens is welcome to message me 626-217-0549 bohindy@gmail.com</i></p> <p><i>This is posted anonymously, it's not about me, it's about your knowingly abusing the rights of the public!</i></p> <p>Submitted by Rachael Rose Luckey, RCAC 4 Member: <i>I am Rachael Rose Luckey, Vice Chair RCAC 4, speaking on my own behalf. How can the public respond to an agenda item properly when public comment for an agenda item happens when the item is called and before hearing from the person giving the report? Please move public comment to the end of an agenda item so the public can speak to what they just heard. Thank you.</i></p> <p>Submitted by Anonymous: <i>Public comment 1-13-21 added to agenda pursuant to Roberts act, no agenda visible online, why aren't you clearly listing your public meetings, why are you hiding your meetings on your "events" pg when you have a pg devoted to meetings!</i></p> <p>Cynthia Contreas-Wood, RCAC 3 Chair, stated that they are not helpless without this vaccine. She stressed the need for masking, social distancing, and hand washing. This is something people can do to prevent infection. There are many people who will not be able to get vaccinated for a while and it is necessary to continue to take these precautions.</p>	
ADJOURNMENT	The meeting was adjourned at 12:20 p.m.	

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY:

Victor Rodriguez, *Board Specialist II, Board Services*
Malou Balones, *Board Specialist III, Board Services*
Linda Merkens, *Senior Manager, Board Services*

APPROVED BY

Fatima Vasquez (due to public health orders the document will be signed when it is possible)
Fatima Vasquez, *ECAC Chair* _____
Date _____