

Q2 2025 Kern County IHSS MOU - MCP Quarterly MOU Meeting

Date & Time 6/18/25 10:00-11:00 AM
Frequency Quarterly
Location Virtual
Meeting Leader Kaiser Permanente/Kern County IHSS

Attendees

Organization	Name & Title	Attended
Kern County IHSS	Jeremy Oliver	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Michele Gomez	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Collen Philley	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Cruz Holguin	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Lynda Pierce	<input type="checkbox"/>
Anthem	Denise Ornelas	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Janet Paine	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Eric Schwimmer	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Juana Rodriguez	<input type="checkbox"/>
Kaiser Permanente	Love Melnichuk	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Engrid Smith	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Phil Perez	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Katherine Meyer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Timothy Thai	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Melissa Gonzalez	<input type="checkbox"/>
Kern Health Systems	Jessica Jaime	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Loni Hill-Pirtle	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Russell Hasting	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Tiffany Chatman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Hope Youngblood	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Adriana Salinas	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Staci Rueh	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Dianna Zamora	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Christina Gonzalez	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Agenda

Topics	Presenters
I. Welcome & Introductions (New/updates to the team) 1) Kern Health Systems <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dianna Zamora, Summer Extern 	All

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II. MOU Updates <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) MOU Status and Redlines <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Currently in review with Kern County IHSS team 2) MOU Questions/Concerns <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IHSS Team concerned about the language on Training <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Want to make sure that CDS was making the training available to MCP staff ○ County does not want to be responsible for the training ○ MOU language states: "Contingent upon availability of the training" <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. MCPs open to participating in training once made available by CDS 	All
III. IHSS Updates <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) State is shifting responsibility of cost burden of late penalties to Counties <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annual IHSS redetermination • 90% compliance from the State • The state is losing 6% of federal matching funds for noncompliance with annual assessments and the county will be estimated cost of 250K per month as a result of that shift to the counties for the penalties (at 50% cost share with state). • Challenges with demand and increased penalties to the County • Will cause delay in cases and response rate 2) Are there conversations with the State to limit family providers (Engrid, KP) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complications when obligating clients to use certain providers <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. The State has a different system which the County hasn't considered since it increases costs for both the County and the client • Kern IHSS has a self-determination model 3) Average turnaround after application submitted <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Per Michele, currently 3-6 months <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. It will be much longer moving into the process/details shared by Jeremy • Reassessments are annual <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Focus on CFCOs vs. non-CFCOs 	Kern IHSS
IV. Health Plan Updates <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) No additional updates from MCPs 	MCPs

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V. Future Topics to Add Post-MOU Execution <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Referrals 2) Care Coordination 3) Strategies to Address Duplication of Services 4) Disputes and Dispute Resolutions/Outcomes 5) Collaboration Between Parties 6) Member Engagement Challenges and Successes 	All
VI. Open Discussion	All
VII. Action Items	All
VIII. Next Meeting Wednesday September 17, 2025 @ 10:00-11:00 AM	All