Commission Meeting Minutes

Ventura County Public Health 2240 E. Gonzales Road, Suite 200 Oxnard, CA 93036

April 26, 2010

1	Commission Members in Attendance			
1	Michael Powers, Chair, Director, Ventura County Health Care Agency	1	Roberto S. Juarez, Chief Executive Officer, Clinicas del Camino Real, Inc.	
1	Lanyard Dial, MD, Vice-Chair, Physician, Ventura County Medical Association	1	Kathy Long, Ventura County Board of Supervisors	
1	David Araujo, MD, Director, Ventura County Medical Center Family Medicine Residency Program	1	Tim Maurice, Private Hospitals/Healthcare System	
V	Maylee Berry, Medic-Cal Beneficiary Advocate	1	Catherine Rodriguez, Ventura County Medical Health System	
1	John Fankhauser, MD, Physician, Ventura County Medical Center Executive Committee.		Vacant, Physician, Clinicas del Camino Real, Inc.	
	Rick Jarvis, Private Hospitals/Healthcare System			

Staff in Attendance	Consultants/Guests in Attendance Tim Reilly, Pacific Health Consulting Group	
Terrie Stanley, Health Care Agency (HCA) Director Managed Care		
Jon Polich, Assistant County Counsel	Javier Portela, California Department of Health Care Services	
Dee Pupa, HCA Fiscal Manager	O. Z. Kamara, California Department of Health Care Services	
Alison Sawyer, HCA Staff/Services Specialist		

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#1 Call to Order	The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m.	
	A quorum was present (see Item #2)	
Terrie Stanley		
#2 Welcome and Commission	Terrie Stanley welcomed everyone to the first meeting of the	
Member Introductions	Ventura County Medi-Cal Managed Care Commission	
	(VCMMCC).	
Terrie Stanley	Commission Members and Staff introduced themselves, stating	

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	their names and appointment mandates (members) or support roles (staff).	
#3 Bylaws of the Ventura County Medi-Cal Managed Care Commission Attachment A Terrie Stanley	 Ms. Stanley gave a brief summary of the bylaws, highlighting the composition and authority of the Commission as the governing body. Ms. Stanley called for approval of the bylaws. Mr. Polich noted that approval of the bylaws was necessary before election of chair and vice-chair as the bylaws provide the 	Dr. Dial made the motion to accept the Bylaws; Dr. Araujo seconded. Approved, 10-0
	authority and the process for this to occur.	
#4 Election of Commission Chair and Vice Chair All	Ms. Stanley called for election of Chair and Vice Chair, as provided for in the Bylaws.	Supervisor Long made the motion to elect Mike Powers as Chair; Maylee Berry seconded. Approved, 9-1. Dr. Fankhauser made the motion to elect Dr. Lanyard Dial as Vice Chair; Maylee Berry seconded. Approved, 9-1
#5 Brown Act	Information:	
Conflict of Interest John Polich	• John Polich presented information on the Brown Act open meeting laws. He highlighted the notice requirement: the agenda must be conspicuously posted 72 hours in advance of the meeting in a public place. Meeting discussions may not stray beyond the parameters set by the agenda. Regular meeting place and time must be communicated. Openness requirements include: meeting must occur in an open accessible facility, ID of those attending shall not be required, the public may make comments before or during item discussion, meeting documents become public documents, (for the most part), and there is a prohibition against serial meetings. He noted that if a meeting is in violation of the open meeting laws, any decisions or actions taken during the meeting may be invalid and subject to action.	
	 Mr. Polich presented information on Conflict of Interest. He cited Section 1090 of the Gov't Code and the Political Reform Act. 	

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	Section 1090 prohibits officers from entering into a contract in	
	which they have a financial interest. The Political Reform Act	
	prohibits government officials from participating in a decision in	
	which they may have a conflict of interest. He noted that a	
	conflict of interest arises when a particular decision will have a	
	financial impact on the official.	
#6 Orientation to Plan	Information:	
Responsibilities	Consultant Tim Reilly briefed the Commission on the County	
Attachment B	Organized Health System (COHS) contractual requirements,	
	noting that the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS)	
Tim Reilly	contract does include some service exclusions. These are services	
•	paid or outside of the contract the COHS will have with the State.	
	The following requirements were included:	
	1. Hiring key staff who be responsible for identified functions –	
	including Chief Executive Officer (CEO), Chief Medical	
	Officer (CMO), Chief Financial Officer (CFO)	
	2. Establishing sub-committees	
	3. Establishing delegation oversight for delegated functions.	
	4. Adopting budget, medical mgt, administrative, and human resources (HR) policies	
	Dr. Araujo asked if other Commissions have insurance for their	
	members. Mr. Reilly stated that the Commission would need	
	insurance for its Officers—this will need to be purchased soon.	
	A sample organizational chart was distributed—Ms. Stanley	
	reminded the Commission that clinical determinations are made	
	by licensed staff.	
	In reference to potential administrative costs and contract	
	reimbursement, Mr. Reilly commented that revenue can't be	
	projected until rates are received from the state. The Chair	
	recognized Javier Portela from DHCS. Mr. Portela informed the	
	Commission that the state develops rate on current Medi-Care	
	fee-for-service utilization. He noted that rates are currently "in	
	the queue" but could not be given to an entity that didn't exist.	
	He assured the Commission that, now that it is seated, it will have	
	the rates well in advance of the need to negotiate reimbursement.	

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#7 Authorize Study of Various	Mr. Reilly presented a power point addressing the Commission's	Mr. Juarez made the motion to
Options and Return with	administrative options. He first summarized the administrative	proceed with staff analyses of:
Recommendation(s)	responsibilities and then noted the following three options:	(1) the three administrative
Attachment C	 Hires all its own health plan staff 	options, (2) two identified
	2. Outsource the major portion of the administrative functions,	potential administrative partners,
Tim Reilly	either to a commercial/public health plan or to a Business	plus one additional potential
	Process Outsourcing vendor (with or without risk sharing).	administrative partner to be
	3. Combination of the two.	identified by staff, and (3)
	Mr. Reilly noted advantages/disadvantages to each option,	policies, procedures, minimum
	including start-up costs, shared risk, and impact on local	qualifications and job description
	operational supervision.	for CEO, CMO, CFO, and other
	He informed the Commission that outsourcing can be a	staff as necessary; Mr. Powers
	transitional strategy and has the advantage of providing an	seconded.
	opportunity to work with an experienced partner.	Approved, 10-0
	Mr. Reilly noted that two entities have approached Ventura	
	County Health Care Agency (VCHCA) to discuss proposals for	
	administrative partnerships – CenCal Health & Affiliated	
	Computer Services (ACS).	
	• In response to a question from Commissioner Rodriguez, Mr.	
	Portela stated that seed money from the state has not been	
	available for a while.	
	Public comment: Rev R. Bracht recommended that the	
	Commission consider how it wants to move forward—what kind	
	of leadership it wants for Ventura County.	
	Ms. Stanley discussed some administrative items: contracts in	
	place with Mr. Reilly and his group for consulting services, and	
	with Milliman for actuarial services; establish insurance coverage	
	for officers and commissioners, establishing a brand name	
	("dba"); and identify physical space for operations to the extent	
	they occur locally.	
	• In response to a question from Commissioner Berry, Ms. Stanley	
	noted that the enabling Ordinance does not specify a timeline.	
	• Mr. Reilly informed the Commission that the COHS must have a	
	CEO, CMO, and CFO. The Commission will determine the	
	staffing mix after that. Mr. Portela noted that the State has certain	

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	requirements and the Commission's job is to insure providers &	
	members have a direct connection to the COHS and Commission.	
	Public Comment: Dr. De La Garza urged the Commission to not	
	make too many decisions on the administrative model until the	
	CEO, CMO, and CFO are on board.	
#8 Request - State of California	Ms. Stanley noted that one of the items the State has requested is for	Chairman Powers made a motion
Department of Health Care	the Commission, once established, to send a formal letter requesting	to approve the letter for sending
Services for Contract	rates. The letter, which will be signed by the elected Commission	to DHCS; Dr. Dial seconded.
Regarding Services and Rates	Chair, sheds light on the works and accomplishments already done by	Approved, 10-0
for Ventura	VCHCA staff, the County Executive Office and the Ventura County	
Attachment D	Board of Supervisors. Target operational date is six to nine months	
	after rates are received from the State.	
Terrie Stanley	Commissioner Maurice noted that this timeline was not consistent	
	with that in the hand-out ("CURRENT Planning Activities and	
	Timeline", 4-2010). Ms. Stanley state that that depends on the	
	choices the Commission makes on administrative approaches. Mr.	
	Reilly noted that with proper pacing in bringing on staff and	
	development of administrative functions, budget and hiring, the	
	Commission may reset timeline in discussions with the State.	
	Public comment: Rev. R. Bracht noted that the process takes a lot of	
	pre-planning with the State.	
	Mr. Portela that the Commission may approve a different timeline,	
	which the State will analyze and consider. Mr. Reilly suggested that	
	revising the timeline be revisited at a future meeting.	
#9 Commission Meeting Schedule	Supervisor Long noted that the last two 2010 meeting dates fall very	Dr. Araujo made a motion to
Including Dates, Time and	close to holidays and suggested that they be changed to the Mondays	approve the schedule as
Location	prior to those dates, (from 11/22 to 11/15, from 12/27 to 12/20).	amended, Dr. Fankhauser
Attachment E		seconded.
		Approved, 10-0
Michael Powers, Chair		
#10 Other Committees Proposed	Ms. Stanley reminded the Commission that two committees are	Supervisor Long made a motion
Composition	established by ordinance (Member/Consumer and Provider Advisory)	to (1) approve the proposed
	and two are required by DHCS contract (Quality/Utilization/Peer	composition/structure of the
Terrie Stanley	Review and Credentials). She noted that other committees are	committees that are (a) set up by
	possible including Strategic Planning, Executive, or Finance.	the Ordinance, and (b) required

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	Mr. Reilly commented that there is a distinction between standing committees and ad hoc committees. Most plans have standing executive or finance committees—important issues are brought to them first. Mr. Reilly provided a sample committee structure handout for the Commission's reference. Ms. Stanley suggested that establishment of these other medical provider-based committees could wait until after the CMO is in place.	by DHCS contract, and (2) bring back proposals for executive and finance committee structures when the CEO has been selected. Approved, 10-0
#11 Final Comments from Commissioners	Supervisor Long commented that she was pleased to be there, noting that there was a lot to the agenda and she expects the next one to be meatier. She appreciated having the State in attendance. She is looking forward to the mission and servicing the clients.	
	 Mr. Juarez commented that it was great to be there. He noted that a lot of work went into preparation and he would like to see Commission members putting items on the agenda. Chair Powers thanks everyone – the State, the Public, the Commission members. 	
#12 Public Comment/Correspondence	 Mr. Portela expressed thanks for the invitation to the meeting. He thanked the staff he has been working with – Tim Reilly, Terrie Stanley, and Dee Pupa. He noted that he and Mr. Kamara hope to 	
Open	 be at each meeting to support the Commission, and recognized this as a big step for managed care. Rev. R. Bracht noted that he was pleased to be in attendance and he has faith in the qualifications of the Commission to take this to the next level. 	
#13 Adjourn	Mr. Powers adjourned the meeting at 5:17 p.m.	
Michael Powers, Chair		

Submitted by:

Recorder