

The County of Santa Cruz Integrated Community Health Center Commission

Minute Taker: Mary Olivares

Minutes of the meeting held July 19, 2023.

TELECOMMUNICATION MEETING: Microsoft Teams Meeting - or call-in number [+1 916-318-9542](tel:+19163189542) – PIN# 500021499#

Attendance	
Len Finocchio	Co-Chair Officer
Rahn Garcia	Member
Marco Martinez-Galarce	Member
Dinah Phillips	Member
Maximus Grisso	Member
Gidget Martinez	Member
Amy Peeler	County of Santa Cruz, Chief of Clinic Services
Raquel Ramirez Ruiz	County of Santa Cruz, Sr. Health Services Manager
Julian Wren	County of Santa Cruz, Admin Services Manager
Mary Olivares	County of Santa Cruz, Admin Aide
Frank Perez	County of Santa Cruz, Health Center Manager
Meeting Commenced at 4:05 pm and concluded at 4:59 pm	
Excused/Absent:	
Excused: Christina Berberich Absent: Michelle Morton Absent: Tammi Rose	
1. Welcome/Introductions	
2. Oral Communications:	
Amy informed commission that Caitlin will be stepping down temporarily but will help us find a replacement. Amy also informed commission that Coach is no longer on the commission. Raquel also introduced Emeline’s new Health Center Manager, Frank Perez.	
3. June 7, 2023, Meeting Minutes – Action Required	
Review of June 7, 2023, Meeting Minutes – Recommended for Approval. Rahn moved to accept minutes as presented. Dinah second, and the rest of the members present were all in favor.	
4. Quality Management Update	
Raquel stated they are working diligently on the care base incentives, quality improvement projects, which are immunizations for children (combo 10), child and adolescent well care visits (3-21 years) and cervical cancer screening. Raquel stated they are creating a lead at each clinic for the three areas they are focusing on, and the Watsonville Clinic has already met 2 out of the 3 quality improvement projects. Raquel reported on the Ryan White Part C program. She stated they are having a shortage of staff, and trying to get extra help workers in.	
5. Social Justice	
Caitlin usually leads this topic. Amy will reach out to contact Caitlin to see if she is willing to stay on commission and take a leave of absence. Amy will also check in with Caitlin to see if she knows of any possible candidates to sit on commission to replace Coach’s vacancy. Amy will report back.	
6. Financial Update	
Amy reported as of 6/30/23 they had projected to make the county \$390,000.00 but instead they are costing the county about \$1.2 million dollars. Amy acknowledges this is not great but considering the staffing crisis that they are in, they are doing more with less. Amy stated they need the Personnel Department to help them hire Staff. There was much discussion on the barriers in getting staff hired. Amy reported that 55% of Integrated Behavioural Health Clinicians are vacant, and that Clinics has a few Physicians and the Medical Director position vacant. Commission thanked staff for this year’s budget. Amy then continued and reviewed the fiscal report with commission.	
7. CEO/COVID 19 update	
Amy reported they currently use the Central California Alliance for Health for their Medicaid/Medical services, and that Kaiser will now be the second entity around the area to provide this. Amy reported they had met with Kaiser, she stated what we want from them is to provide specialty care for our patients. Len also stated there are eligibility requirements to be in Kaiser and they have	

some ability to restrict these than could come into Kaiser. Amy reported they have another scheduled meeting with Kaiser and will report back. Commission asked Mary to send out calendar.

Next meeting: August 2, 2023, 4:00pm - 5:00pm

Meeting Location: In- Person- 1430 Freedom Blvd., Suite F, Watsonville, Ca 95076 and 1080 Emeline Ave., Bldg. D, Santa Cruz, CA 95060. Commission will connect through Microsoft Teams Meeting or call in (audio only) [+1 916-318-9542](tel:+19163189542), [500021499#](tel:+19163189542) United States, Sacramento Phone Conference ID: **500 021 499#**

Minutes approved _____ / / _____
(Signature of Board Chair or Co-Chair) (Date)