

**PARTNERSHIP HEALTHPLAN OF CALIFORNIA
PHYSICIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE ~ MEETING NOTICE**



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FROM: PAC@partnershipHP.org

DATE: August 7, 2026

SUBJECT: PHYSICIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

The Physician Advisory Committee will meet as follows and will continue to meet the second Wednesday of every month (July and December are tentative.) Please review the Meeting Agenda and packet, as discussion time is limited.

DATE: Wednesday, August 12, 2026

TIME: 7:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.

HOSTING LOCATIONS

Partnership HealthPlan of California
4605 Business Center Drive
Fairfield, CA

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REGULAR MEETING OF PARTNERSHIP HEALTHPLAN OF CALIFORNIA'S PHYSICIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PAC) - AGENDA

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PUBLIC COMMENTS			Speaker	2 minutes	
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Welcome / Introductions					
I.		EXECUTIVE OFFICE UPDATES	LEAD		TIME
A.	I	Chief Executive Officer Administration Updates	Ms. Gordon		7:35
B.	I	Chief Medical Officer Health Services Report	Dr. Moore		7:45
II.	A	MOTIONS FOR APPROVAL	LEAD	PG	TIME
A.	A	Review of June 10, 2026, PAC Minutes	Dr. Brennan	5	7:55
B.	A	Consent Review: Agenda Items II. B.1, B.2, B.3, B.5, and B.7. <i>*Consent review allows multiple agenda items to be approved with one motion.</i>	Dr. Brennan	21 - 555	7:58
1	C	Quality / Utilization Advisory Committee (QUAC) Activities Report with Attachments – June 2026 <u>Acceptance of Meeting Materials</u> - Internal Quality Improvement Meetings, June 9, 2026 - Agenda - Minutes - Quality / Utilization Advisory Committee, June 17, 2026 - Agenda - Minutes - Quality Improvement Update July 2026 <u>Acceptance of Meeting Materials</u> - Internal Quality Improvement Meetings, July 7, 2026 - Agenda - Minutes - Quality / Utilization Advisory Committee, July 15, 2026 - Agenda - Minutes - Quality Improvement Update	Dr. Brennan	21 23 31 33 45 58 60 69 71 81	7:58

II.B	C	Consent Review: Agenda Items II. B.1, B.2, <i>Continued</i>	LEAD	PG	TIME																																																														
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3	C	Pharmacy & Therapeutics Committee • Minutes, July 9, 2026 • Approved Criteria	Dr. Stan Leung	471 483	7:58
4	C	<i>Provider Education & Networking (PEN) Meeting</i>	Mr. Brincko		
5	C	Credentials Committee Meeting • Summary, May 13, 2026 • Credentialed List, May 13, 2026 • Summary, June 10, 2026 • Credentialed List, June 10, 2026	Dr. Netherda	528 533 536 544	7:58
6	C	<i>Pediatric Quality Committee</i>	Dr. Ribordy		
7	C	<i>Quality Improvement Health Equity Committee</i>	Dr. Jalloh		
III.	I	EXECUTIVE MEMBER UPDATE	LEAD	PG	TIME
A.	I	Deputy Chief Medical Officer, Dr. Kermit Jones	Dr. Jones		8:00
IV.	I	REGIONAL MEDICAL DIRECTOR REPORTS	LEAD		TIME
A.	I	Napa, Yolo & Solano	Dr. Townsend		8:05
B.	I	Marin & Sonoma	Dr. Ward		8:08
C.	I	Del Norte, Humboldt, Mendocino & Lake	Dr. Ribordy		8:11
D.	I	Glenn, Butte, Sutter, Colusa & Yuba,	Dr. Matthews		8:14
E.	I	Siskiyou, Modoc, Shasta, Lassen, Trinity & Tehama	Dr. Matthews		8:17
F.	I	Plumas, Sierra, Nevada & Placer	Dr. Morris		8:20
V.	I	<i>Old Business</i>	LEAD	PG	TIME
VI.	I	SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS	LEAD	PG	TIME
A.	A	Primary Care Physician Quality Incentive Program Proposed Measurement Set, Measurement Year 2027	Ms. Beltran-Nampraseut	556	8:25
B.	A	Healthcare Effectiveness Data Information Set (HEDIS ®) Annual Summary of Performance • MY2025 Managed Care Accountability Set (MCAS), <i>reference only</i>	Ms. Gual	564 581	8:40
VII.	I	ADJOURNMENT	LEAD		9:00
		Next PAC on September 8, 2026 at 7:30 a.m.	Dr. Brennan		

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