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## Partnership Earns NCQA Health Equity Accreditation

FAIRFIELD – Partnership HealthPlan of California has been awarded Health Equity Accreditation by the National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA).

“This accomplishment reflects the dedication of our teams and our mission to improve the health and well-being of the communities we serve,” said CEO Sonja Bjork following the announcement last month.



The NCQA Health Equity Accreditation is a nationally recognized designation that evaluates an organization’s ability to: create a culture of equity; collect and analyze data to identify disparities; and work with providers and community partners to reduce them. Partnership began its preparation for accreditation in January 2023, conducting a gap analysis and implementing systemwide improvements to meet NCQA’s rigorous, evidence-based standards.

The accreditation also meets a key California Department of Health Care Services requirement that all managed care plans obtain Health Equity Accreditation by January 1, 2026. Partnership’s Director of Health Equity Dr. Mohamed Jalloh said, “This designation means that we have the systems, culture, and partnerships in place to identify and address health inequities, ensuring that every member has access to the care they need. It’s also inspiring to join other local health plans that have achieved this accreditation, demonstrating a unified dedication to serving Californians.”

**About NCQA:** NCQA is a private, nonprofit organization dedicated to improving health care quality. NCQA accredits and certifies a wide range of health care organizations. It also recognizes clinicians and practices in key areas of performance. NCQA’s Healthcare Effectiveness Data and Information Set (HEDIS®) is the most widely used



performance measurement tool in health care. NCQA's website ([ncqa.org](http://ncqa.org)) contains information to help consumers, employers and others make more-informed health care choices. NCQA can be found online at [ncqa.org](http://ncqa.org), on Twitter [@ncqa](https://twitter.com/ncqa), on Facebook at [facebook.com/NCQA.org/](https://facebook.com/NCQA.org/) and on LinkedIn at [linkedin.com/company/ncqa](https://linkedin.com/company/ncqa).

**About Partnership HealthPlan of California:** Partnership is a community-based, safety-net health care organization that contracts with the state to administer Medi-Cal benefits. Partnership provides quality care to over 900,000 Medi-Cal members. Starting in Solano County in 1994, Partnership now serves 24 Northern California counties – Butte, Colusa, Del Norte, Glenn, Humboldt, Lake, Lassen, Marin, Mendocino, Modoc, Napa, Nevada, Placer, Plumas, Shasta, Sierra, Siskiyou, Solano, Sonoma, Sutter, Tehama, Trinity, Yolo, and Yuba. Learn more about Partnership at [PartnershipHP.org](http://PartnershipHP.org).