



**Tulare County Health and Human Services Agency  
Health Advisory Committee (HAC)  
Meeting Minutes/August 12, 2024**

<b>Place:</b>	Tulare County Government Plaza – RMA Main Conference Room	<b>Start Time:</b>	1:00 p.m.
	5957 S Mooney Blvd, Visalia, CA 93277	<b>End Time:</b>	2:30 p.m.
<b>Committee Members Present:</b>	Supervisor Amy Shuklian, Candace Hilvers, Dr. Thomas Overton, Alexandra Yates, Frank Ardon, Christina Rodriguez, Cynthia Bartlett, Lali Witrago, Ryan Gates, Dr. Ana Coll, Marie Macedo		
<b>Committee Members Absent:</b>	Nilsa Gonzalez, Melissa Mertz		
<b>Guests/Staff Present:</b>	Karen Elliott, Staci Chastain, Sean Roberts, Janilee Cena, Laura Vilar, Sharon Minnick, Jimena Perez, Lisanne Herrera		
<b>AGENDA ITEM</b>		<b>SCHEDULED ACTIONS RECOMMENDATIONS</b>	<b>PERSON (S) RESPONSIBLE</b>
<b>I. Call to Order</b>	The meeting was called to order by Chair Shuklian at 1:03 p.m.		CHAIR
<b>II. Introductions</b>	Round table introduction with members present.		ALL
<b>III. Public Comment</b>	No public comments.		
<b>IV. Action Items</b>			CHAIR
a. Approve Minutes from June 10, 2024	Lali Witrago motioned for her approval, which Cynthia Bartlett seconded.		
<b>V. Reports / Discussion Items</b>			
a. Community Health Assessment (CHA) and Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP)	<p>Senior Epidemiologist for Public Health Dr. Sharon Minnick provided an overview presentation on the Community Health Assessment (CHA), which consists of three assessments: Community Themes &amp; Strengths, County Health Status, and Forces of Change.</p> <p>The Community Themes &amp; Strengths assessment focused on three areas: Community Focus Groups, Key Informant Interviews, and Partner Surveys.</p>		<p>Dr. Sharon Minnick &amp; Laura Villar Tulare County HHSA/Public Health</p>



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	<p>The Forces of Change assessment focused on compiling information on key changes that impact Tulare County’s Public Health System as provided by participating partners.</p> <p>The County Health Status assessment provided benchmark indicators based on demographics, Health-related Behaviors, economy, education, Environment, Health, Healthcare Access, and Social Support.</p> <p>Laura Villar, Public Health Accreditation Coordinator, provided an overview presentation on the Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP), which consists of long-term, systematic efforts to address health needs and issues based on the CHA results.</p> <p>The CHIP is developed to provide a clear and concise plan for implementing actions to help combat the community's prioritized health issues. Priority issues were selected based on the intensity of their effects on the community, the breadth of their impact on the county residents, and the feasibility of addressing them.</p>		
<p><b>VI. Member Announcements</b></p>	<p>Lali shared with the committee information on Anthem’s Health Rewards program and Value-Added Benefits program. The Healthy Rewards program is a no-cost, optional program that rewards members for making healthy choices and allows them to earn reward dollars. The Value-Added Benefits program allows members to enjoy extras like transportation assistance, spending allowances, and baby essentials.</p>		<p style="text-align: center;">ALL</p>



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<b>VII. Agenda items for the next meeting</b>	Chair Shuklian recommended inviting Noah Whitaker back to provide more information on the County's Unhoused Population or Adam Peck, Workforce Investment Board, to present on Education Levels.		HAC
<b>VIII. Adjournment and Next Meeting</b>	The meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.  The next meeting will be held on October 14, 2024, at 1:00 p.m., in the RMA Main Conference Room - 5957 South Mooney Boulevard, Visalia, CA 93277.		
<b>Minutes Prepared By:</b>	Mila Orth, Department Secretary, HHSA/Public Health		