

Alameda CalAIM Children and Youth Workgroup

April 8, 2025



Today's Agenda

Time	Agenda Topic
11:00-11:10	Welcome and Introductions
11:10-11:30	Provider Spotlight: Alameda County CCS
11:30-11:40	Review: Foster Youth Provider Roles Resource
11:40-11:50	Planning ahead: Topics for future meetings
11:55-12:00	Poll and wrap-up

Introductions

Please share:

- Your Name
- Organization and Role
- Your role in CalAIM (provider, referral partner, youth-serving agency, etc)
- Updates from your organization you'd like to share

Workgroup Recap

Workgroup Objective

Enable outreach, referrals, and enrollment for children into ECM and Community Supports

Addressing areas of opportunity

So far, we have discussed several areas of opportunity to address in order to improve access to CalAIM services for children and youth, including:

- Referral pathways and processes
- Consent
- Provider education & training

Alameda County CCS Program

Resource Development

In Development: Child Welfare Care Coordination Handout

1		Child Welfare Social Worker	HCPFCF Public Health Nurse	Lead Care Manager
2			Call (510) 618-2070 or email HCPFCFcalameda@acgov.org	Contact MCP foster care liaison
3	Topic			
4	Court Documents/Court Ordered Services	Lead	Support, as necessary	
5	Foster Youth Application	Lead		
6	Medi-Cal Application/Eligibility (CalSAWS)	Lead	Monitoring & Oversight	
7	CANS (Child and Adolescent Needs and Strengths Assessment Tool)	Lead	Access	
8	SDoH Support (Housing, Transportation, Education (including IEPs), Financial, Food Security, Mental Health/Behavioral Health Support)	Lead	Monitoring & Oversight	Support
9	Multidisciplinary Team Meetings (CFT)	Lead	Participant	Participant
10	Referrals	Community and Social Support Referrals	Medical Referrals	Community and Social Support Referrals
11	Medical, Vision and Dental appointments		Lead	Support
12	Health forms for doctor's visits/courts		Lead	Support
13	Health Promotion and Education		Lead	Support
14	Foster Youth Health & Education Passport		Lead	
15	Medication Management, including psychotropic medication		Lead	
16	Interpretation of medical reports		Lead	
17	Coordinate health care services for children in out-of-county and out-of-state placements		Lead	
18	Coordinate mental health services for children in out-of-county and out-of-state placements	Lead		
19	Medi-Cal MCP Navigation		Support	Lead
20	Regional Center Navigation	Lead	Support	Support
21	Education and IEP Navigation	Lead		Support
22	Health Care Comprehensive Transitional Care		Support	Lead
23	Mental Health Comprehensive Transitional Care	Lead		Support

Planning ahead: Topics for future meetings

Discussion

1. What are barriers are you facing in enrolling children and youth in ECM and Community Supports that you would like to address together?
2. What resources or training are needed to address these barriers?
3. Where have we started to see success that we can scale?
4. What support do you need from fellow providers?

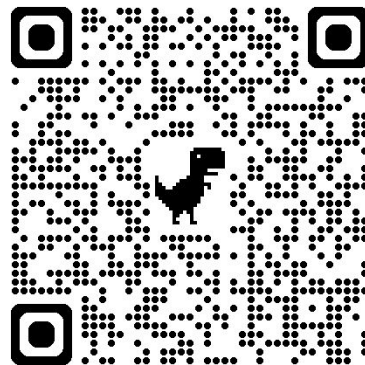
Poll time!

**Please take a few moments to share your
feedback!**

See you in-person this month!

**Alameda CalAIM PATH
Collaborative**
Friday, April 25 | 10am - 12pm
Alameda Alliance Building

Register now:



Thank you!

Let's keep the conversation going:
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Policy Update

What's new in 2025?

Launched January 1, 2025:

- ECM Referral Standards
- ECM Presumptive Authorization Policy

Effective July 1, 2025:

- Closed-Loop Referrals Implementation Policy
- Updated Community Supports Definitions

February 2025 DHCS Update

- DHCS released [updated Community Supports definitions](#) for the following services:
 - Nursing Facility Transition/Diversion to Assisted Living Facilities
 - Community Transition Services/Nursing Facility Transition to a Home
 - Asthma Remediation
 - Medically Tailored Meals/Medically Supportive Food
- These new definitions are effective **July 1, 2025**

Medically Tailored Meals and Groceries

Medically Tailored Meals (MTM): Meals that adhere to established, evidence-based nutrition guidelines for specific nutrition-sensitive health conditions.

Medically Tailored Groceries (MTG): Preselected whole food items that adhere to established, evidence-based nutrition guidelines for specific nutrition-sensitive health conditions.

Medically Supportive Food

Medically Supportive Groceries: Preselected foods that follow the DGA* and meet recommendations for the recipients' nutrition-sensitive health conditions.

Produce Prescriptions: Fruits and vegetables, typically procured in retail settings, such as grocery stores or farmers' markets, obtained via a financial mechanism such as a physical or electronic voucher or card.

Healthy Food Vouchers: Vouchers used to procure pre-selected foods that follow the DGA* and meet recommendations for the recipients' nutrition-sensitive health conditions, via retail settings such as grocery stores or farmers' markets.

Food Pharmacy: Often housed in a health care setting, providing patients with coordinated clinical, food, and nutrition education services targeted at specific nutrition-sensitive health conditions. The healthy food "prescription" includes access to a selection of specific whole foods appropriate for the specific health condition(s) that follow the DGA* and meet recommendations for the targeted health condition(s).

MTM/MSF Eligibility Criteria

Individuals who have chronic or other serious health conditions that are nutrition sensitive, such as (but not limited to):

“Cancer(s), cardiovascular disorders, chronic kidney disease, chronic lung disorders or other pulmonary conditions such as asthma/COPD, heart failure, diabetes or other metabolic conditions, elevated lead levels, end-stage renal disease, high cholesterol, human immunodeficiency virus, hypertension, liver disease, dyslipidemia, fatty liver, malnutrition, obesity, stroke, gastrointestinal disorders, gestational diabetes, high risk perinatal conditions, and chronic or disabling mental/behavioral health disorders”

Asthma Remediation Service Definition Updates

- Asthma Self-Management Education and In-Home Environmental Trigger Assessments are now covered under the Asthma Preventive Services (APS) Benefit (transition effective January 2026)
- Streamlines eligibility and documentation requirements
- Clarifies eligible supplies
- Confirms that supplies do not need to be delivered at a single point as long as service complies with \$7500 lifetime maximum

New Alameda Alliance Community Supports referral form now available



CalAIM Community Supports – Referral Form

This Alameda Alliance for Health (Alliance) CalAIM Community Supports – Referral Form is confidential. Filling out this form will help us better serve our members. Approvals are based on member eligibility.

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Please print clearly, or type in all the fields in Sections 1 and 2 below.
2. In Section 3, please select the boxes for the Community Supports services that the member is interested in receiving. Select all required checkboxes for the selected services prior to submission.
3. Fax or send by secure email the completed form and any supporting documentation to the Alliance Community Supports Department at **1.510.995.3726** or **CSDept@alamedaalliance.org**.

For questions, please call the Alliance Community Supports Department at **1.510.747.4545**.

Referral Date: _____

SECTION 1: REFERRAL INFORMATION

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____
 Agency or Relationship to Member: _____ NPI #: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____
 Phone Number: _____ Fax Number: _____
 Email: _____

SECTION 2: MEMBER INFORMATION

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____
 Date Of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY): _____
 Alliance Member ID Number: _____ Client Index Number (CIN): _____
 Primary Care Provider (PCP) Full Name: _____

Community Supports: Referral vs Authorization Request

▶ Referral

- A notification from a non-Community Supports provider, identifying a member who may benefit from a Community Support.

▶ Authorization Request

- A request from the provider to the health plan to review and determine the appropriateness of a Community Support (submitted by a Community Support provider, or a provider that has already collaborated with that Community Support provider and received the member's consent)



Support For Providers

- ▶ Questions related to eligibility requirements
- ▶ Questions related to authorization processes
- ▶ **Department Contact Info:**
 - Email: CSDEPT@alamedaalliance.org
 - Phone: 1.510.747.4545
- ▶ **Individual Provider Meetings**

Resource Reminders

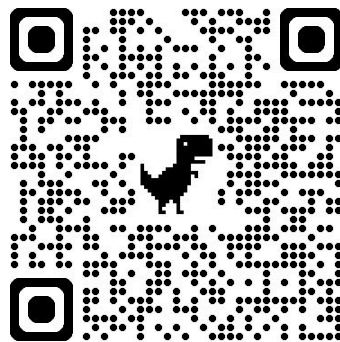
Funding Opportunity: CITED Round 4

- Applications will be open **January 6th to May 2nd**
- State priorities for funding include:
 - **County-Specific ECM and Community Supports gaps**
 - Statewide ECM and Community Supports gaps
 - **Birth Equity**, Justice-Involved, and Transitional Rent
 - Tribal Entities or other entities serving tribal members
 - Entities serving individuals whose primary language is not English
 - Local CBOs
- Learn more about CITED at their main website

**Next CITED Office
Hours:**

Feb. 20 at 10:00am

**On Zoom (register
below)**



Q2 2024 ECM Utilization Data

ECM Populations of Focus		Adults	Children & Youth
1a	Individuals Experiencing Homelessness: Adults without Dependent Children/Youth Living with Them Experience Homelessness	429	N/A
1b	Individuals Experience Homelessness: Homeless Families or Unaccompanied Children/Youth Experiencing Homelessness	N/A	322
2	Individuals At Risk for Avoidable Hospital or ED Utilization (Formerly “High Utilizers”)	738	216
3	Individuals with Serious Mental Health and/or SUD Needs	328	198
4	Individuals Transitioning from Incarceration	180	1
5	Adults Living in the Community and At Risk for LTC Institutionalization	376	N/A
6	Adult Nursing Facility Residents Transitioning to the Community	4	N/A
7	Children and Youth Enrolled in California Children’s Services (CCS) or CCS Whole Child Model (WCM) with Additional Needs Beyond the CCS Condition	N/A	68
8	Children and Youth Involved in Child Welfare	N/A	91
9	Birth Equity Population of Focus	134	5
	Total	2,189	901

Explore more ECM and Community Supports Data

