

## Current Law Relating to Healthy Families Program Advisory Panel

### Healthy Families Statute – Insurance Code Section 12693.90

12693.90. (a) The board shall appoint a 15-member advisory panel to advise the board, the chair of which may serve as an ex officio, nonvoting member of the board. The panel shall be appointed and ready to perform its duties by no later than February 1, 1998.

(b) The membership of the advisory panel shall be composed of all of the following:

- (1) Three representatives from the subscriber population.
- (2) One physician and surgeon who is board certified in pediatrics.
- (3) One physician and surgeon who is board certified in the area of family practice medicine.
- (4) One member who is a licensed, practicing dentist.
- (5) One representative from a licensed nonprofit primary care clinic.
- (6) One representative from a licensed hospital that is on the disproportionate share list maintained by the State Department of Health Services.
- (7) One representative of the mental health provider community.
- (8) One representative of the substance abuse provider community.
- (9) One representative of the county public health provider community.
- (10) One representative from the education community.
- (11) One representative from the health plan community.
- (12) One representative from the business community.
- (13) One representative from an eligible family with children with special needs.

(c) The advisory board members shall have demonstrated expertise in the provision of health-related services to children aged 18 years and under, as applicable.

(d) The advisory board members shall be composed of representatives of the geographic, cultural, economic, and other social factors of the state.

(e) The panel shall elect, from among its members, its chair.

(f) The panel shall have all of the following powers and duties:

(1) To advise the board on all policies, regulations, operations, and implementation of the program.

(2) To consider all written recommendations of the panel and respond in writing when the board rejects the advice of the panel.

(3) To meet at least quarterly, unless deemed unnecessary by the chair.

(g) The members of the panel shall be reimbursed for all necessary

travel expenses associated with the activities of the panel.

(h) The members of the panel who represent the subscriber population may receive per diem compensation if they are otherwise economically unable to meet panel responsibilities.

From HFP-to-Medi-Cal Trailer Bill 2012: Sub-paragraph (d)(1)(F) of Welfare and Institutions Code Section 14005.27 [relevant material bolded]

14004.27 (a)...

(d) (1) The California Health and Human Services Agency, in consultation with the Managed Risk Medical Insurance Board, the State Department of Health Care Services, the Department of Managed Health Care, and diverse stakeholders groups, shall provide the fiscal and policy committees of the Legislature with a strategic plan for the transition of the Healthy Families Program pursuant to this section by no later than October 1, 2012. **This strategic plan shall, at a minimum, address all of the following:**

(A) State, county, and local administrative components which facilitate a successful subscriber transition such as communication and outreach to subscribers and applicants, eligibility processing, enrollment, communication, and linkage with health plan providers, payments of applicable premiums, and overall systems operation functions.

(B) Methods and processes for diverse stakeholder engagement throughout the entire transition, including all phases of the transition.

(C) State monitoring of managed care health plans' performance and accountability for provision of services, and initial quality indicators for children and adolescents transitioning to Medi-Cal.

(D) Health care and dental delivery system components such as standards for informing and enrollment materials, network adequacy, performance measures and metrics, fiscal solvency, and related factors that ensure timely access to quality health and dental care for children and adolescents transitioning to Medi-Cal.

(E) Inclusion of applicable operational steps, timelines, and key milestones.

**(F) A time certain for the transfer of the Healthy Families Advisory Board, as described in Part 6.2 (commencing with Section 12693) of Division 2 of the Insurance Code, to the State Department of Health Care Services.**