



DATE October 21, 2103

TO: County Administrators & County Sheriffs

FROM: Elaine Hustedt, CFMG Vice President

RE: CFMG Workshop: County Jails & the ACA: Thinking Through Linkages & Next Steps

As you know, implementation of the federal Affordable Care Act (ACA) in California takes effect January 1, 2014. With ACA implementation will come important expansions of health coverage for low-income populations through Medi-Cal and the provision of subsidized health coverage through Covered California. These coverage expansions provide a unique opportunity for county officials to reassess existing jail health program strategies and establish key linkages to health coverage and services for county inmates following their incarceration and release to the community. In short, the ACA may offer counties opportunities to both save money and improve continuity of care for inmates following release.

CFMG is sponsoring a workshop designed to help county officials “think through linkages and next steps” of the relationship between county jails and expanded coverage under the ACA. The Workshop will provide:

- Current information on California’s implementation of the Medi-Cal expansion and Covered California and its implications for jail health program responsibilities; and,
- A framework for agencies within each county to develop collaborative strategies that take advantage of the ACA’s coverage expansions.

Attached for your information is a description of the Workshop, the Workshop Agenda, and a Workshop Registration form.

To promote county collaboration and partnership with CFMG, each county is invited to send a “county team” composed of up to five (5) representatives. The County Administrator and Sheriff of each county, or their designees, are invited co-lead the team. In addition, representatives of 3 other county agencies are encouraged to attend: County Welfare/Social Services (Eligibility), Health, and Behavioral Health (Mental Health/Alcohol & Drug Programs).

One registration will be accepted from each county. Either the County Administrator or Sheriff may submit the registration. PLEASE NOTE: Registrations are due no later than November 8, 2013. There is no charge for the Workshop.

cc: County Social Services Directors
 County Health Department Directors
 County Mental Health/Alcohol & Drug Program Directors



County Jails & The Affordable Care Act (ACA): Thinking Through Linkages & Next Steps

**A Workshop for County Administrators, Sheriffs,
and County Health & Human Service Administrators**

**Location: Sheraton Grand Sacramento Hotel
1230 J Street
Sacramento, CA 95814**

DATE: Wednesday, November 13, 2013, TIME: 10:00 am – 3:00 pm

Implementation of the federal Affordable Care Act (ACA) in California and nationwide is less than three months away. Federal, state and county officials are busily completing a variety of essential activities needed to implement expanded health coverage for individuals and families on January 1, 2014. For county jail health programs in California, the expansion of coverage through Medi-Cal and Covered California provides an unprecedented opportunity for county officials to reassess existing program strategies and establish key linkages to health coverage and services for county inmates following their incarceration and release to the community. To assist county officials at this critical time, CFMG is sponsoring a half-day workshop, "County Jails & the ACA: Thinking Through Linkages & Next Steps."

About the Workshop

CFMG plays a primary role in the delivery of health care services to county jail inmates in 27 contracting counties. The workshop has been structured to help these counties identify the key steps they need to take to develop effective county collaborations, promote enrollment in health coverage under the new ACA coverage options, and link with local health and behavioral health service providers in the community. The Workshop is intended to assist counties in making the most of the expanded coverage opportunities offered under the Affordable Care Act.

The Workshop will: 1) Provide current information on California's implementation of the Medi-Cal expansion and Covered California and its implications for jail health program responsibilities; and, 2) Provide a framework for agencies within each county to develop collaborative strategies that take advantage of the ACA's coverage expansions that affect services delivered during an inmate's incarceration (inpatient hospital services) and after an inmate's release back to the community (through Medi-Cal, Covered California, other). See attached Workshop Agenda.

Importance of County Teams

To promote county collaboration and partnership with CFMG, each county is invited to send a "county team" composed of up to five (5) representatives. The County Administrator and Sheriff are invited to co-lead this team. In addition, representatives of 3 county agencies are strongly encouraged to attend: County Social Services (Eligibility), Health, and Behavioral Health (Mental Health and Alcohol & Drug). Please Note: Registration for the Workshop is required and participation is limited to no more than 5 representatives per county.

Workshop Registration

One registration form will be accepted from each county department, i.e. County Administrative Office or Sheriff's Office. The completed registration form must include all county participants. To register, please complete the attached registration form and submit the completed form by fax to Elaine Hustedt at 831-649-8286 or as a PDF attachment via email to Elaine@cfmg.com. **Registration forms must be received no later than November 8, 2013.** If you have any questions regarding registration, please contact Elaine Hustedt at 831-649-8994 or via email at elaine@cfmg.com.



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AGENDA

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| I. | Welcome & Introductions | 10:00 am |
| II. | Summary Overview of the ACA | 10:10 am |
| | a. Basics on Medi-Cal and Covered California | |
| | b. Current Status of Implementation | |
| III. | Coverage Expansions under the ACA & Linkage to County Jails | |
| | a. Low Income Health Programs (LIHP) | |
| | i. Eligibility & Claiming for CMSP & Non-CMSP Counties | |
| | ii. Medi-Cal Aid Codes & Transition | |
| | b. Medi-Cal & Covered California | |
| | i. Eligibility Requirements | |
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| | iii. Eligibility Processing Systems: CalWIN, C-IV, CalHEERS | |
| | iv. AB 720 (Skinner) | |
| IV. | Defining Roles/Responsibilities for County Collaboration: County Administrator,
Sheriff, Social Services, Health, Mental Health/Alcohol & Drug, CFMG | |
| | <i>BREAK</i> | 11:15 am |

V.	Practical Next Steps – Developing Collaborative Business Processes	11:30 am
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Eligibility/Enrollment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Data Elements – What do you need? Who has it? ii. Data Security & Transmittal of Information iii. Documentation & Linkage with Eligibility Processing Systems b. Delivery of Health & Behavioral Health Services <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Services Delivered in Jails ii. Linkages to Community Providers iii. Interactions with Other Payers c. Medical Claims Payment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Data Elements – What do you need? Who has it? ii. Data Security & Transmittal of Information iii. Claims Processing & Payment 	
	<i>BUFFET LUNCH</i>	12:30 pm
VI.	County Panel – Approaches to Collaboration	1:15 pm
VII.	Break Out Session: County Team Discussions	1:45 pm
VIII.	County Team Reports & Final Conclusions	2:30 pm
IX.	Adjourn	3:00 pm

About the Workshop Presenters

Lee D. Kemper is Founder and Principal of Kemper Consulting Group, a consulting firm dedicated to helping decision-makers tackle the critical policy, program and financing challenges they face in promoting a strong and effective health and human services delivery system.

Mr. Kemper is an expert in publicly funded health coverage programs, health benefit delivery for medically indigent adults (a population that will gain coverage under Medi-Cal and Covered California in 2014), Low Income Health Programs, rural health systems, and the interconnections between health, human service and behavioral health programs at the state and county levels.

Mr. Kemper’s career spans more than three decades. Mr. Kemper has held senior positions leading county health and social service organizations and senior health policy positions with the State of California, including service as Executive Director of the County Medical Services Program (CMSP) Governing Board (1999-2012), Associate Director of Policy for the California Department of Health Services (1993-1996), and Executive Director of the County Welfare Directors Association of California (1984-1991).

Elaine Hustedt, Taylor Fithian and Dan Hustedt are co-founders of CFMG and are responsible for implementing and managing the healthcare programs in their contract sites throughout California.



Workshop County Jails & the Affordable Care Act

November 13, 2013

Registration Form

County: _____

Number of Attendees: (5 Max) _____

Name: _____	Title/Dept.: _____
Phone: _____	Email: _____
Name: _____	Title/Dept.: _____
Phone: _____	Email: _____
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REGISTRATION FORMS DUE BY NOVEMBER 8, 2013
Please email to Elaine@cfmg.com or fax to 831-649-8286