



CalAIM Justice-Involved Initiative Yuba County's Approach

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Yuba County

- Rural northern California county with population of 83,421*
- 1 County Jail
 - Average Daily Population (ADP) - 380-400 inmates
- 1 Youth Detention Center
 - The Tri-County Youth Campus serves Yuba, Sutter, and Colusa Counties
 - Average Daily Population (ADP) - 30-40 juvenile detainees
- WellPath is the contracted clinical medical and behavioral health provider within the Jail and Youth Detention Center

Proactive Approach

- Planning for CalAIM JI implementation started in Mid-2023
 - Provided a base understanding of the initiative to key participating agencies including Sheriff Department, Probation Department, Health and Human Services Department (HHSD), County Counsel, and CAO
- Health Officer has an especial interest in health systems integration/CalAIM
 - Local SME on CalAIM Justice-Involved initiative
- Medi-Cal application assistance initiated in Jail and Detention Center in September 2023 through executed MOUs between Sheriff Department and HHSD and between Probation Department and HHSD
 - Assigned Eligibility Technicians to support Medi-Cal eligibility determinations, applications, and suspensions

Project Manager Assignment

- Assignment of Project Manager in December 2023 to solely focus on CalAIM Justice-Involved Initiative
 - Development of Project Plan and Timeline (GANTT Chart) to outline the scope of the project and key deliverables
 - Public Health background allowed for base understanding of social determinants of health, health equity, and Medi-Cal.
 - Routine Project Reports allowed for streamlined communication through project updates, upcoming work, risks/issues, and decision points

Collaboration and Involvement

- Strong relationships with internal and external partners
 - County Executive Leadership (CAO, Department Heads, County Counsel)
 - Local Healthcare systems (e.g., local Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs))
 - Partnership HealthPlan
 - The dominant Medi-Cal Managed Care Plan for Yuba County since January 1, 2024 –
 - >95% Yuba County Medi-Cal members enrolled with Partnership
 - Close working relationship with their designated CalAIM JI lead

County Leadership Involvement

- Active participation and involvement:
 - County Administrative Officer (CAO)
 - Health Officer
 - Sheriff and Undersheriff
 - Chief Probation Officer
 - County Counsel
 - Health and Human Services Director
- Monthly Project Updates
 - Facilitated by Project Manager and Health Officer
 - Ensure alignment with County's vision of project outcomes
 - Receive approval for decision points



CalAIM JI Steering Committee

Established January 2024 to begin planning for CalAIM JI implementation

- **Health Officer**
- **Health and Human Services Department**
 - Public Health Deputy Director
 - Eligibility Deputy Director
- **Sheriff's Department – Jail Division**
 - Captain and Lieutenants
- **Partnership HealthPlan (as of March 2024)**
 - CalAIM JI Lead
- **CalAIM JI Project Manager**
- **Probation Department – Adult and Youth Divisions**
 - Program Manager of Tri-County Youth Detention Center
 - Deputy Chief Probation Officer
- **Sutter-Yuba Behavioral Health**
 - Director, youth Services, and Adult Services
- **In-Reach Provider (Peach Tree Healthcare, local FQHC) (as of March 2024)**
 - Determined through RFP

CalAIM JI Multidisciplinary Team

- Developed to collaboratively coordinate reentry services for inmates and detained youth
- Representatives from:
 - CalAIM JI Project Manager (facilitation)
 - Health Officer (facilitation, expertise)
 - Sheriff's Department (Jail)
 - Probation Department (Adult and Youth Services)
 - WellPath (clinical medical and behavioral health services)
 - Peach Tree Healthcare (In-Reach Provider)
 - Sutter-Yuba Behavioral Health (Bi-county behavioral health)
 - Partnership HealthPlan (Managed Health Plan, ad-hoc) – In-reach provider will be the lead entity to work closely with Medi-Cal Managed Care Plans (MCPs)

Looking Ahead

- Yuba County submitted the Readiness Assessments for the Yuba County Jail and Tri-County Youth Detention Center on March 29, 2024
 - Plan to go-live within the first CalAIM JI cohort – October 1, 2024
- In next several months:
 - Meet with WellPath to discuss their pharmacy enrolling as a Medi-Cal Rx provider
 - Issue RFP for Medi-Cal billing agent vendor
 - Discuss with DHCS regarding staffing cap post-6 months go-live
- Quality Assessment/Quality Improvement
 - Ongoing review of processes to implement an environment of continuous quality improvement

Long-term Concerns

- The Medi-Cal coverage is only for a 90-day period (per incarceration)
 - Is there ability to consider extending the coverage longer?
- Medi-Cal billing is a heavy lift for most correctional facilities
 - Is there a consideration for a Statewide RFP?
- This is being implemented through an 1115 Waiver
 - Thoughts on the ability of the waiver to be renewed post-2027?

Thank you
Q & A

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