**Quality Improvement Health Equity Committee (QIHEC)**

The Quality Improvement Health Equity Committee (QIHEC) is responsible for oversight of the Community Health Plan of Imperial Valley’s (CHPIV) Quality Improvement and Health Equity efforts.

CHPIV implements and maintains a QIHEC designated and overseen by its Board of Commissioners.  CHPIV’s Commission appoints the QIHEC as an accountable entity responsible for the oversight of CHPIV’s Quality Improvement and Health Equity initiatives.  CHPIV’s Commission appoints a liaison to the QIHEC to ensure effective oversight of the QIHETP and facilitate communication between the Commission and QIHEC. The QIHEC is chaired by the CHPIV’s Chief Medical Officer/Chief Health Equity Officer (CMO/CHEO). QIHEC activities are supervised by CHPIV’s CMO/CHEO.  QIHEC meetings take place at least quarterly.

CHPIV ensures a broad range of Network Providers, including but not limited to hospitals, clinics, county partners, physicians, subcontractors, downstream subcontractors, and members, actively participate in the QIHEC or in any sub-committee that reports to the QIHEC. The CHPIV QIHEC also includes representatives from a fully delegated entity.

CHPIV QIHEC’s responsibilities include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. Analyze and evaluate the results of quality Improvement and health equity activities including annual review of the results of performance measures, utilization data, consumer satisfaction surveys, delegation oversight reports and activities, and the findings and activities of other CHPIV committees such as the Community Advisory Committee (CAC) and Provider Advisory Committee (PAC).
2. Institute actions to address performance deficiencies, including policy recommendations.
3. Ensure appropriate follow-up and remediation of identified performance deficiencies.

CHPIV ensures member confidentiality is maintained in QI discussions and ensures avoidance of conflict of interest among QIHEC members.

A written summary of QIHEC activities, as well as QIHEC activities of its fully delegated subcontractor, findings, recommendations, and actions, is prepared after each meeting:

1. CHPIV submits the written summary of QIHEC activities to the Board of Commissioners.
2. CHPIV makes the written summary of QIHEC activities publicly available on CHPIV's website at least quarterly.
3. Upon request, CHPIV submits written summaries of QIHEC proceedings to DHCS.