

# COMMUNITY HEALTH PLAN OF IMPERIAL VALLEY



## MINUTES

### Community Health Plan of Imperial Valley

December 8, 2025

5:30 p.m.

512 W. Aten Rd., Imperial, CA 92251

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Committee Members	Representing	Present
Dr. Bushra Ahmad	LHA Commissioner-CMO at County of Imperial	✓
Dr. Kathleen Lang	LHA Commissioner-CEO at County of Imperial	✓
Dr. Majid Mani	LHA Commissioner-Imperial County Medical Society	✓
Dr. Carlos Ramirez	LHA Commissioner-CEO/Senior Consultant DCRC	✓
Dr. Unnati Sampat	LHA Commissioner-President of Imperial County Medical Society	✓
Dr. Allan Wu	LHA Commissioner-CMO at Innercare & President of CCIPA	✓
Yvonne Bell	LHA Vice-Chair-CEO at Innercare and CCIPA	A
Christopher Bjornberg	LHA Commissioner-CEO of Imperial Valley Healthcare District	✓
Lee Hindman	LHA Chair-Joint Chambers of Commerce representing the public	✓
Ryan Kelley (Peggy Price)	LHA Commissioner-Board of Supervisors, County of Imperial	✓
Paula Llanas	LHA Commissioner-Director of Social Services at County of Imperial	✓
Pablo Velez	LHA Commissioner-CEO of El Centro Regional Medical Center	✓

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

*Lee Hindman, Chair*

Meeting called to order at 5:30 p.m.

##### A. Roll Call

*Donna Ponce, Commission Clerk*

Roll call taken and quorum confirmed. Attendance is as shown.

##### B. Approval of Agenda

(Ramirez/Sampat) Approved the order of the agenda. Motion carried.

1. Items to be pulled or added from the Information/Action/Closed Session Calendar
2. Approval of the order of the agenda

## **2. PUBLIC COMMENT**

*Lee Hindman, Chair*

Public Comment is limited to items NOT listed on the agenda. This is an opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on any matter within the Commission's jurisdiction. Any action taken as a result of public comment shall be limited to the direction of staff. When addressing the Commission, state your name for the record prior to providing your comments. Please address the Commission as a whole, through the Chairperson. Individuals will be given three (3) minutes to address the board.

**No public comment.**

## **3. CONSENT CALENDAR**

All items appearing on the consent calendar are recommended for approval and will be acted upon by one motion, without discussion. Should any Commissioner or other person express their preference to consider an item separately, that item will be addressed at a time as determined by the Chair.

**(Bjornberg/Wu) To approve the consent agenda. Motion carried.**

- A. Approval of Minutes from 11/10/2025...pg. 6-10
- B. Motion to approve the monthly financial reports as reviewed and accepted by the Finance Committee
  1. Executive Summary...pg. 11-12
  2. Enrollment Report...pg. 13
  3. Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position.pg.14
  4. Product Profit & Loss Statement...pg. 15
  5. Statement of Net Position...pg. 16
  6. Summarized TNE Calculation...pg. 17
  7. Cash Transaction Report...pg. 18-19
- C. Motion to authorize the CEO to execute agreements with external agencies to support enrollment of eligible members in CHPIV's D-SNP plan, as reviewed and recommended by the Finance Committee. ...pg. 20

- D. Motion to authorize the CEO to execute provider agreements, including contracts with the County of Imperial, specifically a provider agreement with Imperial County Behavioral Health (ICBH) to provide Medicare-covered behavioral health services for Community Advantage Plus members.

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- E. Motion to approve CEO Contract Extension ...pg. 22-34

#### **4. ACTION**

(Ramirez/Wu) Approved the updated Fraud, Waste, & Abuse Program Policy (CMP-009). Motion carried.

*This item was expedited.*

#### **5. COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORTS**

- A. Quality Improvement Health & Equity Committee-Quarterly  
(Dr. Gordon Arakawa, CMO) *No meeting*

- B. Finance Committee-Monthly  
(Dr. Carlos Ramirez, Chair)

Member Ramirez provided updates on December 3, 2025, Finance Committee meeting.

- C. Regulatory Compliance & Oversight Committee-Quarterly  
(Dr. Allan Wu, Chair) *No meeting*

- D. Community Advisory Committee-Quarterly  
(Julia Hutchins, COO) *No meeting*

#### **6. INFORMATION**

- A. Health Services Report (Laura Galvin, Manager of Care Management)  
Manager of Care Management Laura Galvin provided an update on actions being taken in response to the DHCS audit findings. Laura added that meetings were held with Health Net subject matter experts in Utilization

Management, Care Management, and Quality Improvement of Health Education.

B. Compliance Report (*Elysse Tarabola, CCO and Chelsea Hardy, Senior Director of Compliance*) ...pg. 37-78

Chief Compliance Officer Elysse Tarabola updated the commission on the following:

- Policy review and approval
- Year-End Highlights
- Regulatory Audits
- Delegation Oversight
- Notices of Non-Compliance

C. Operations Report (*Julia Hutchins, COO*) ...pg. 79-82

Chief Operations Officer Julia Hutchins updated the commission on the following:

- Ending of Open Enrollment
- Ribbon Cutting Event on January 8, 2026
- Welcome packet and member booklet
- New member cards
- Provider training

D. Human Resources Report (*Shannon Long, HR Consultant*) ...pg. 83

Human Resources Consultant Shannon long updated the commission on the following:

- Annual Performance Evaluations
- Benefits Open Enrollment
- Employee resignation

E. CEO Report (*Larry Lewis, CEO*)

Chief Executive Officer Larry Lewis provided updates on the following:

- Imperial Valley Medical Society Dinner
- Hospital Association of San Diego & Imperial Counties Annual Conference
- Reconstruction of CHPIV parking lot
- DHCS All-CEO Meeting

- Application for Exemption from Property Taxes

F. Other new or old business (*Lee Hindman, Chair*)

None.

## **7. CLOSED SESSION**

Pursuant to Welfare and Institutions Code § 14087.38 (n) Report involving Trade Secret new product discussion (estimated date of disclosure, 10/2026)  
Chair Hindman announced that the commission will enter into closed session.

A. Compliance Report

B. Community Health Group

## **8. RECONVENE OPEN SESSION**

A. Report on actions taken in closed session.

Chair Hindman announced that the commission will reconvene into open session. Information provided with no action taken.

## **9. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:09 p.m.

Next meeting: January 12, 2026