



**MINUTES**

**Community Health Plan of Imperial Valley Commission**

**February 9, 2026**

**5:30 p.m.**

**512 W. Aten Rd., Imperial, CA 92251**

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Commission Role	Member	Representing
LHA Chair	Lee Hindman	Joint Chamber of Commerce (Public Representative)
LHA Vice-Chair	Yvonne Bell	CEO, Innercare & CCIPA
LHA Commissioner	Dr. Bushra Ahmad	CMO, County of Imperial
LHA Commissioner	Christopher Bjornberg	CEO, Imperial Valley Healthcare District
LHA Commissioner	Xochitl Fausto	Medi-Cal Member
LHA Commissioner	Peggy Price	Board of Supervisors, County of Imperial
LHA Commissioner	Dr. Kathleen Lang	CEO, County of Imperial
LHA Commissioner	Paula Llanas	Director of Social Services, County of Imperial
LHA Commissioner	Dr. Majid Mani	Imperial County Medical Society
LHA Commissioner	Dr. Carlos Ramirez	CEO/Senior Consultant, DCRC
LHA Commissioner	Dr. Unnati Sampat	President, Imperial County Medical Society
LHA Commissioner	Pablo Velez	CEO, El Centro Regional Medical Center
LHA Commissioner	Dr. Allan Wu	CMO, Innercare & CCIPA

**Members present:** Lee Hindman, Yvonne Bell, Dr. Bushra Ahmad, Christopher Bjornberg, Xochitl Fausto, Peggy Price, Dr. Kathleen Lang, Paula Llanas, Dr. Majid Mani, Dr. Carlos Ramirez, Dr. Unnati Sampat, Pablo Velez, and Dr. Allan Wu

**Members absent:** None

**Others present:** Larry Lewis (CEO), William Smerdon (Attorney), and Donna Ponce (Commission Clerk)

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

*Lee Hindman, Chair*

The meeting was called to order at 5:33 p.m.

**A. Roll Call**

*Donna Ponce, Commission Clerk*

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

B. Approval of Agenda

(Ramirez/Lang) 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 Committee on any matter within the Committee's jurisdiction. Any action taken as a result of public comment shall be limited to the direction of staff. When addressing the Committee, state your name for the record prior to providing your comments. Please address the Committee as a whole, through the Chairperson. Individuals will be given three (3) minutes to address the board.

Member Llanas formally introduced the Commission's newest appointee, Xochitl Fausto, who will serve as the Medi-Cal Representative on the CHPIV Commission.

**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.

(Lang/Bjornberg) Approved the consent calendar. Motion carried.

- A. Approval of Minutes from 1/7/2026...pg. 5-9
- B. Motion to approve the monthly financial reports as reviewed and accepted by the Finance Committee
  1. Executive Summary...pg. 10-11
  2. Enrollment Report...pg. 12
  3. Statement of Revenues, Expenses, and Changes in Net Position... pg. 13
  4. Product Profit & Loss Statement...pg. 14
  5. Statement of Net Position...pg. 15
  6. Summarized TNE Calculation...pg. 16
  7. Cash Transaction Report...pg. 17-18

**4. ACTION**

No action items.

## 5. COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORTS

- A. Quality Improvement Health & Equity Committee-Quarterly...pg. 20-79  
(Dr. Gordon Arakawa, CMO) **No report.**
- B. Finance Committee-Monthly...pg. 10-11  
(Dr. Carlos Ramirez, Chair)  
**Chair Ramirez provided updates on February 4, 2026, 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 (Dr. Gordon Arakawa, CMO and Jeanette Crenshaw, Executive Director of Health Services)  
**Executive Director of Health Services Jeanette Crenshaw provided updates on the following:**
  - **Care Managers continue conducting health risk assessments for members**
  - **The care team is actively implementing individualized care plans**
  - **Productivity metrics are being developed to evaluate team performance and measure timeliness against established benchmarks**
  - **Ongoing initiatives include process improvement efforts and the development of additional workflows as new opportunities are identified.**
- B. Compliance Report (Elysse Tarabola, CCO and Chelsea Hardy, Senior Director of Compliance) ...pg. 81-83  
**CCO Elysse Tarabola provided updates on the following:**
  - **D-SNP and Expansion of the Compliance Program**
  - **DMHC Financial Audit**
  - **2026 Monitoring Protocol Updates-Medi-Cal and D-SNP**
  - **Pre-Delegation D-SNP Audits-Corrective Action Plan Status**

- C. Operations Report (*Julia Hutchins, COO*) ...pg. 84-86  
COO Julia Hutchins provided updates on the following:
- Community Advantage Plus Operations
  - January Ribbon Cutting Event
  - Direct Provider Network
- D. Human Resources Report (*Shannon Long, HR Consultant*) ...pg. 87  
HR Consultant Shannon Long provided updates on the following:
- Three open positions: Financial Analyst, Sales and Marketing Representative, Member Retention Specialist
  - Implemented pay increases
  - Employee survey
  - Monthly management topic
  - Completed goal planning for Care Coordinator team
- E. CEO Report (*Larry Lewis, CEO*)  
CEO Larry Lewis reported on the following:
- Rotary club presentation
  - County Collaborative for Medical Education to be held on March 18, 2026
  - Facility space
  - Documentation to officially approve CHPIV as a social security facility
  - Managed care organization tax, granted extension
  - DHCS issued a transition strategy for HR-1
- F. Other new of 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 entered into closed session.

- A. Compliance Report

**8. RECONVENE OPEN SESSION**

- A. Report on actions taken in closed session.  
Chair Hindman announced that the commission reconvened into open session.  
Information provided with no action taken.

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:58 p.m.  
Next meeting: March 4, 2026