



## Central Valley Regional Workgroup

*Region counties: Fresno, Kern, Kings, Madera, Merced, San Joaquin, Stanislaus, Tulare*

**Wednesday, July 18**  
**11:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.**

**Woodward Park Regional Library**  
944 E. Perrin Avenue, Fresno, CA – River Room

### AGENDA

- 11:30 a.m.      **Lunch and Networking**
- 12:00 p.m.      **Introductions and Agenda Overview**
- 12:10 p.m.      **Behavioral Health Integration and Improvement**

Discussion:

1. Identify local progress, challenges, and lessons learned with expanded coverage for mental health and substance use disorder (SUD) treatment, including expanded Medi-Cal coverage. What are the impacts of the expansion locally?
2. How are local stakeholders advancing integration of health, mental health and SUD services? What are continuing barriers and challenges?
3. Consider the workforce challenges in behavioral health services and programs. Are there promising solutions and strategies being implemented locally?
4. What is the status of local implementation of the Drug Medi-Cal Organized Delivery System? Other local innovations and successes that might be useful for policymakers to know about?
5. How are local stakeholders addressing the unique challenges of remote, rural areas in meeting the behavioral health needs of communities?

- 1:15 p.m.      **Health Reform in California**

Discussion:

1. ITUP will provide an update on federal and state reform, including state efforts to cover the remaining uninsured and stabilize the individual market
2. Discuss local health reform successes and challenges, including issues related to enrollment, coverage and safety net services for the remaining uninsured

- 1:50 p.m.      **Takeaways and Wrap-up**

- 2:00 p.m.      **Adjourn**