

North Rural - Humboldt Regional Workgroup

Region Counties: Butte, Colusa, Del Norte, Glenn, Humboldt, Lake, Lassen, Mendocino, Modoc, Nevada, Plumas, Shasta, Sierra, Siskiyou, Sutter, Tehama, Trinity, Yuba

Thursday, October 22, 2020 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

AGENDA

2:00 p.m. Introductions and Agenda Overview

2:10 p.m. State and Federal Updates

Update on federal and state health policy, including state and federal budgets and efforts to cover the remaining uninsured

2:30 p.m. **COVID-19 Pandemic: Where the Health Care Delivery System and the Public Health System Intersect—Lessons Learned and Challenges Ahead**

Discussion:

- 1. What barriers and challenges have the COVID-19 pandemic highlighted and/or exacerbated within the public health and health care delivery systems?
- 2. How do the challenges differ by health care coverage group (e.g., uninsured, Medi-Cal, Covered California, commercial), racial/ethnic population, and lower-income vs. higher-income communities?
- 3. What policy changes or flexibilities would make the most difference in solving these challenges?
- 4. What strategies, work-arounds, and other efforts are local agencies, plans, providers, and community organizations employing to help address these challenges?
- 5. What innovations and best practices are happening locally?
- 6. What does good health care access look like during a pandemic? What does success look like and how should it be measured?
- 7. What strategies should communities employ to be prepared for the next wave of the pandemic or another natural disaster?

3:50 p.m. **Takeaways and Wrap-Up**

4:00 p.m. Adjourn

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