

# CPEHN Mental Health Briefing

Wednesday, November 18 – 11:00am-1:00pm

Thursday, November 19 – 12:30pm-2:00pm



Your Moderator: Carolina Valle, Senior Policy Manager here with CPEHN.

- Everyone is muted.
- Please change your Zoom name to your full name so others know who you are
- Today's session is being recorded and will be available on our website in the coming days
- During breaks, please remain on Zoom

#### Use the chat box!!!

- Introduce yourself in the chat box and tell us: your name, organization, pronouns and share with us why you joined the mental health briefing today
- Post your questions to the speakers. CPEHN staff will facilitate your questions during Q&A!
- Access relevant materials including speaker biographies via the links CPEHN facilitator posted
- Interact with each other:)

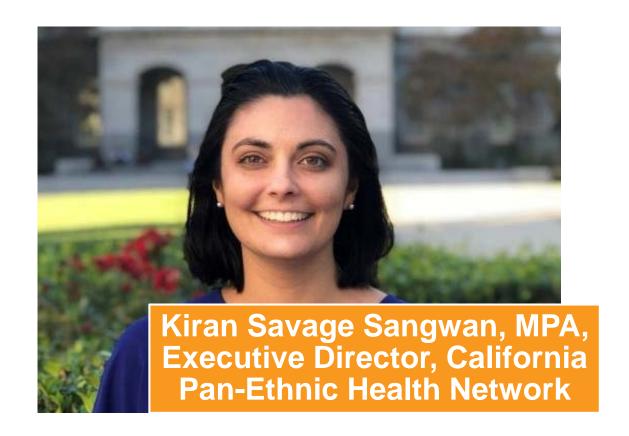






Opening Remarks: The impact of COVID-19 and structural racism on access to mental health services for communities of color.





Session 1: Release of California Health Care Foundation and California Pan-Ethnic Health Network's Joint Publication: Mental Health Disparities by Race and Ethnicity in Medi-Cal.



# Disparities in Medi-Cal Mental Health



### About Medi-Cal's Mental Health System

- The Medi-Cal mental health benefit is delivered through two systems.
- Counties retain responsibility for providing Medi-Cal specialty mental health systems, including all inpatient psychiatric services.
- Managed Care plans provide mental health services to their enrollees with mildto-moderate conditions.



## AB 470: The Mental Health Equity Act

- 2017: Governor Jerry Brown signs AB 470 (Arambula) signed into law.
- ▶ 2018: CPEHN convenes Advisory Workgroup to develop recommendations for AB 470's implementation, and publishes an accompanying report, *Measuring Mental Health Disparities*
- ▶ 2019: DHCS publishes the first AB 470 dataset, focusing on county specialty mental health plans.
- 2020: DHCS publishes the second AB 470 dataset, adding data for Medi-Cal managed care plans, aggregated by county.



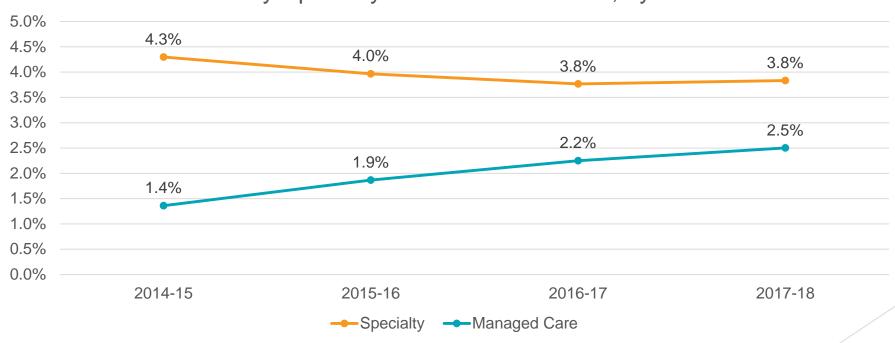


- ▶ Specialty mental health services: Services for Medi-Cal enrollees with serious mental illness. County mental health plans are responsible for the provision of these services.
- "Mild-to-moderate" mental health services: Services for adults enrolled in a Medi-Cal managed care plan who have a "mild-to-moderate" impairment of mental, emotional, or behavioral functioning. Managed care plans are responsible for the provision of these services.



### Between 3% and 4% of Eligible Enrollees Received Medi-Cal Mental Health Services in 2017–18

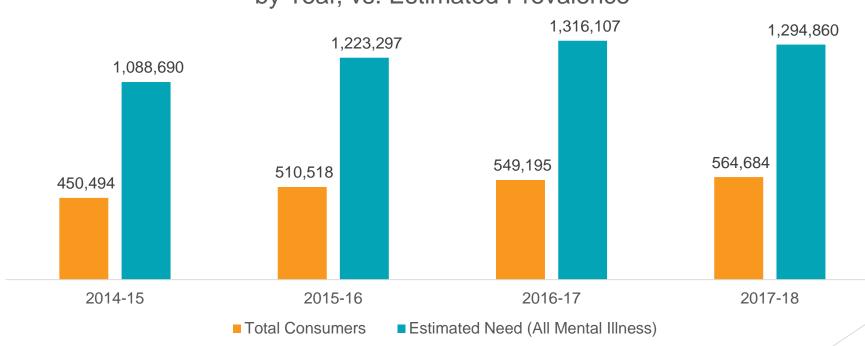
Medi-Cal Mental Health Access Rates, Managed Care Plans and County Specialty Mental Health Plans, by Year





# Access to Medi-Cal Mental Health Services Falls Short of Estimated Prevalence

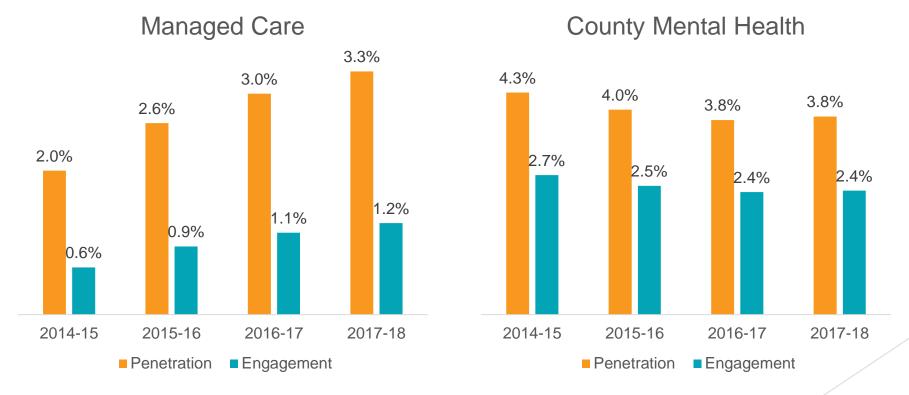






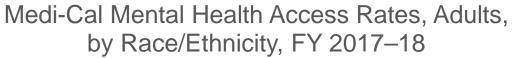
# Few Enrollees Receive Five or More Mental Health Services in a Year

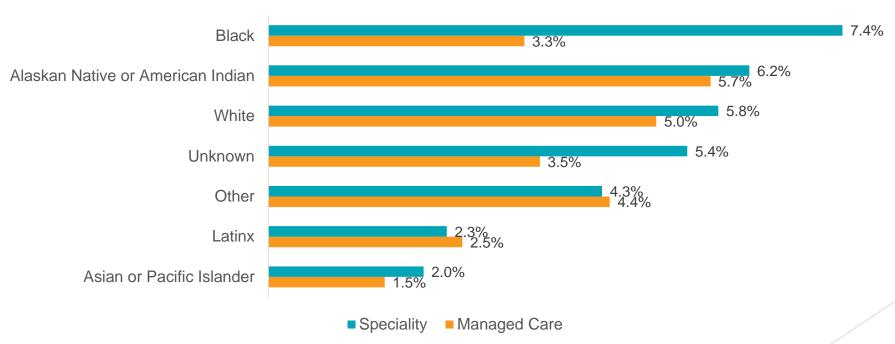
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# Mental Health Access Rates Vary by Race/Ethnicity

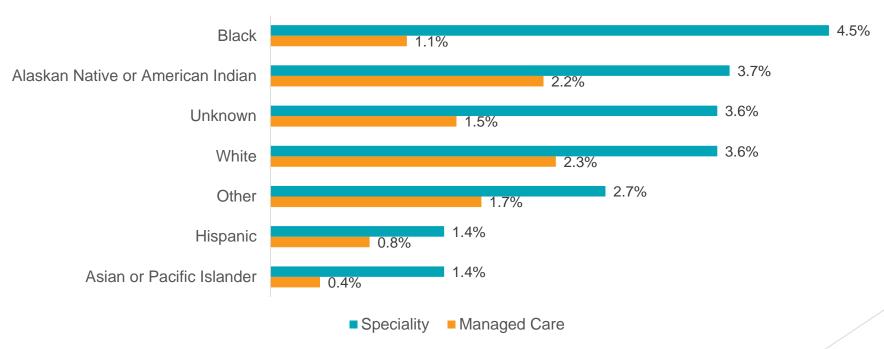






# Mental Health Care Engagement (5+ services) Also Varies by Race/Ethnicity

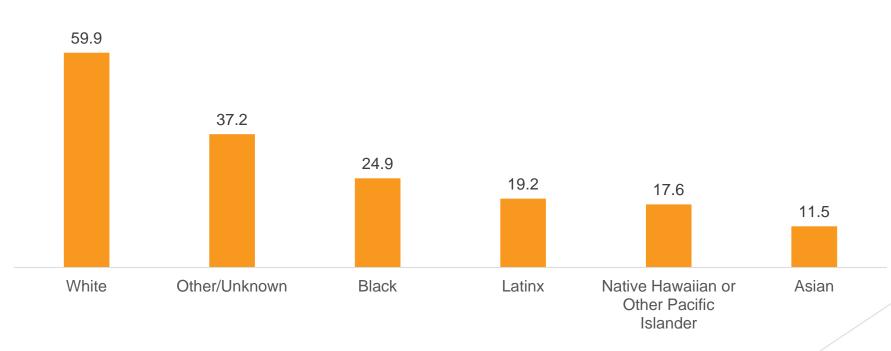
Medi-Cal Mental Health Continued Service Rates, Adults, by Race/Ethnicity, FY 2017–18





## White Enrollees Receive More Mental Health Services from Their Medi-Cal Managed Care Plan Than Other Racial and Ethnic Groups

Managed Care Plan Mental Health Services per 1,000 Members, All Ages, September 2019



Source: Managed Care Performance Monitoring Dashboard Report, California Department of Health Care Services, June 22, 2020



## Poll Question

#### Session 2: Local Programs and Policies California Should Scale Up













- We will now be taking a 5 minute break!
- Get up and stretch! Take care of yourself!
- Please keep your zoom on! We don't want to lose you!



#### **Session 3: California State and Budget Landscape**







## Mental Health Briefing- Day 1 Agenda Thank you!

If you haven't already, please register for Day 2, happening tomorrow from 12:30 PM to 2 PM at <a href="https://cpehn.org/updates/2020/11/upcoming-events">https://cpehn.org/updates/2020/11/upcoming-events</a>

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