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Full Circle Health Network Launches; Awarded \$1.7 Million Grant from DHCS

Sacramento, CA – Full Circle Health Network (FCHN), a newly formed integrated network of community-based organizations across California that aims to forge partnerships with managed care plans and provide whole-person and whole-family services, was awarded a \$1.7 million grant to launch its technology infrastructure and start-up costs under CalAIM.

Full Circle is a network of nonprofit, nationally accredited providers that delivers integrated and coordinated community-based services to vulnerable children, individuals, and families across California. By breaking down silos and addressing social determinants of health, FCHN aims to comprehensively improve health, social and behavioral outcomes.

"We are excited to launch Full Circle Health Network and offer our innovative approach to coordinated health care," said Camille Schraeder, Full Circle Executive Director. "Our goal at Full Circle Health Network is to support and strengthen the capacity of our community-based organizations to bring comprehensive, high-quality services to help children, youth, young adults and families thrive in their homes and communities."

California is transforming its Medi-Cal program through the CalAIM initiative, recognizing that community-based support services that address fundamental needs like access to healthy food, housing and behavioral health are integral to our health. Nowhere is that more true than for children and families served by Medi-Cal.

Full Circle is an initiative of the California Alliance of Child and Family Services (CA Alliance) whose 160 nationally accredited non-profit organizations are experts in delivering services that meet the needs of children and families – from early childhood mental health to school-based mental health and substance use services, to crisis stabilization, 24/7 hospitalization alternatives and residential care.

The PATH funding from the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) will allow FCHN to accelerate its efforts to support members in working with managed care plans and build a technology platform to streamline coordinated care.

"We are thrilled to receive this grant from the Department of Health Care Services, which will allow us to accelerate our efforts to improve healthcare outcomes for youth and their families," said Christine Stoner-Mertz, CEO, CA Alliance. "This funding will enable us to build a technology platform to help support and strengthen our provider network, efficiently provide comprehensive and coordinated care, and support our member organizations in working with managed care plans."





FCHN's primary vision is to provide comprehensive, high-quality care that meets the needs of Medi-Cal beneficiaries. To achieve this, FCHN acts as a single coordinating entity for providers, building capacity, reducing administrative burdens and allowing them to focus on serving clients. FCHN will support managed care plans in meeting their CalAIM goals by expanding their network of culturally diverse, community-based providers. Through technology infrastructure, training, and practice support, FCHN aims to improve coordination between providers across multiple systems.

Full Circle Health supports the population health vision of CalAIM. Healing trauma, stabilizing home environments, and reuniting families promotes wellness throughout children's lifetimes. Alliance members are essential partners in meeting CalAIM's vision for health care that responds to the needs of the whole person. The launch of Full Circle Health couldn't have come at a more critical time.

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The California Alliance: The collective voice for organizations that serve children, youth, and families. For those dedicated to improving the lives of these at-risk populations, the California Alliance stands apart as the champion and leading voice for organizations that advocate for children, youth, and families and for advancing policy and services on their behalf.

