



Introducing Full Circle Health Network

An affiliate of CA Alliance of Child and Family Services and the Catalyst Center

Why: Significant changes in California's MediCal system are occurring through its [CalAIM](#) initiative, resulting in new requirements for managed care plans to address population health and increase their network of providers. These changes create new opportunities for community-based organizations who have expertise in care management, social services, and culturally responsive behavioral health services. A statewide network that can serve the needs of a MediCal Managed Plans' (MCPs) beneficiaries in providing enhanced care management (ECM), Community Supports, and a full range of behavioral health services would assist these health plans in addressing social determinants of health (SDoH), meet required metrics for population health and ensure that children, youth and families are receiving excellent behavioral health services.

What: The California Alliance of Child and Family Services (CA Alliance) is developing Full Circle Health Network (FCHN) for its member organizations that are interested in providing behavioral health services to children, youth, young adults, and families in partnership with managed care plans.

FCHN will be focused primarily on creating access to a wide range of behavioral health providers with expertise in working with children, youth, young adults, and families. FCHN will provide services that support CA Alliance members who wish to contract with managed care plans (MCPs).

Services that this network may provide include (but are not limited to):

- Contracting with Payers (MCPs)
- Cross System Delivery Protocols
- Learning Collaborative Practice Support
- Network Assessment and Sufficiency
- Technology
- Quality Metrics and Improvement
- Administrative support (includes billing, credentialing)

Who: The network will be made up of members of CA Alliance who have interest in entering into contracts with managed care plans, and who have agreed to participate in the quality management efforts of the network. Some level of financial investment, as well as a commitment to engage in the networks quality management efforts will be required. The details of this commitment will be forthcoming as our taskforce works on the network's organizational and governance structure. A network model offers benefits at multiple levels: for children and families, for providers, and for payers.

- Children and families benefit from improved access to supports, stronger connections to systems of care, and improved health and functioning.

- Community-based providers can serve more children and families through sustainable funding sources and participate in a community of practice. Participating in a network simplifies the often-complex process of interfacing with health systems and enables providers to focus on service delivery.
- MCPs are looking for improved member, caregiver, and family engagement; cost savings and reductions; and stronger care coordination. What a collaborative delivers is *scale and a single point of contact*.

How: Camille Schraeder serves as the Executive Director for FCHN, and the network will have an advisory board that makes organizational decisions, including how participants will engage with the network. This will be composed of CA Alliance members who are part of FCHN.

When: Full Circle Health Network will be fully operational but July 2023. From December – June, ED Schraeder will be reaching out to interested members, leading the Advisory Board, and building the FCHN team. Participants will complete agreements, determine their level of participation, and begin to develop the capacity for working with MCPs.