

CaAIM Lunch and Learn:

Justice-Involved Reentry Initiative for Adult and Aging Programs

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Join us for an overview of the CaAIM Justice-Involved Reentry Initiative, which is expanding Medi-Cal to include incarcerated persons and folding correctional healthcare into California's public healthcare system. California is the first in the nation to receive approval from the federal government to use Medicaid dollars to pay for healthcare services during incarceration and support reentry and post-release continuity of care. California correctional facilities, including County jails and youth detention facilities, are mandated to provide Medi-Cal-covered services to eligible incarcerated individuals no later than October 1, 2026. This training will be facilitated by Rebekah Kharrazi and Stephanie Lucio.

This session will be agency oriented.

ABOUT THE TRAINERS:

LEARNING OBJECTIVES:

- Understand California's Justice-involved Initiative and the changing Medi-Cal landscape
- Discuss the roles and responsibilities of County partners

Rebekah Kharrazi, MPH, CPH: Rebekah Kharrazi is an independent public health and healthcare consultant specializing in California's Medi-Cal Transformation (CaAIM) initiative. Most recently, Rebekah worked as an Associate Principal at Health Management Associates (HMA) where she supported dozens of clients across California ranging from County social services departments, behavioral health departments, and correctional facilities to managed care plans and community-based organizations on planning and implementation efforts pertaining to the CaAIM Justice-Involved Initiative. Rebekah began CaAIM implementation work in Alameda County as a Health Advisor to the late Supervisor Wilma Chan.

Stephanie Lucio: Stephanie Lucio serves as a Project Manager for Yuba County, currently overseeing the implementation of the CaAIM Justice Involved (JI) Initiative for the Yuba County Jail and the Tri-County Youth Campus. With a decade of service to Yuba County, Stephanie brings a wealth of experience in public health and justice-involved systems. She spent eight years with Yuba County Public Health, providing supervisory and management oversight, before transitioning to the Sheriff's Department in December 2023 to support the planning and implementation of CaAIM JI. Under her leadership, Yuba County became one of only three counties in California to receive conditional approval from the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) to go live with CaAIM JI in October 2024. As one of the early implementers of this first-in-the-nation initiative, Stephanie has played a key role in advancing the project statewide by sharing insights, lessons learned, and strategic considerations with peer counties and state partners.

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