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WELCOME FROM PLAN PRESIDENT ABBIE TOTTEN

The MolinaCares Accord (MolinaCares) and Molina Healthcare of California (MHC) work together to provide best-in-class care to Californians – addressing the healthcare needs and the social determinants of health that prevent them from achieving the best health outcomes possible. MHC partners with a wide network of doctors, nurses, and other clinical staff to work with Molina members to get healthy and stay healthy. MolinaCares supports the mission and work of community organizations that so many Californians rely on for the services and resources that help them focus on their health – providing nutritious foods, transitional housing, and job search and training opportunities. Together, MolinaCares and MHC work to make sure Californians have all the tools they need to thrive.

Our newsletter will update you on how MolinaCares and MHC are working every day in the communities we serve to keep Californians healthy by connecting neighbors, medical services and resources, hosting in-person and virtual events, and partnering with local nonprofits by distributing critical funding to bolster their ability to serve their communities.

We look forward to staying in touch!

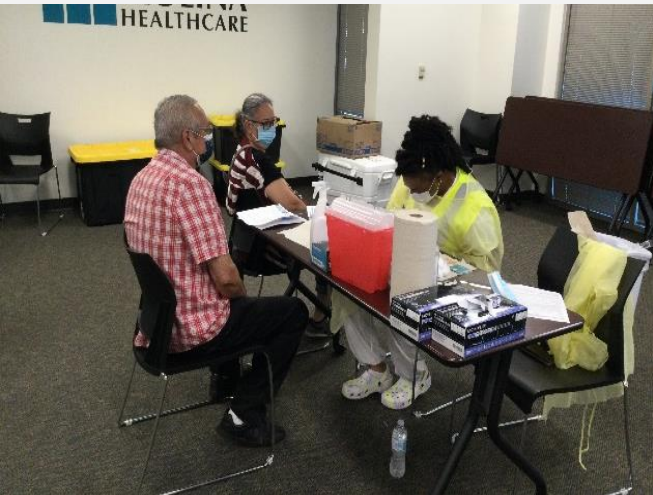
Best,

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KEEPING KIDS HEALTHY IN A POST- PANDEMIC WORLD

In May, the MolinaCares Accord hosted a virtual panel, *Helping Children Thrive in a Post-Pandemic World*, where experts in healthcare and education came together to discuss the negative impacts COVID-19 has had on youth and what they are doing to combat any negative scenarios.

California Superintendent of Public Instruction Tony Thurmond offered welcoming remarks while Ana Ibarra, a reporter at CalMatters, moderated. The panel featured Stacey Scarborough, chief human resources and Early Head Start director for Venice Family Clinic; Yolanda Vera, senior health deputy for LA County 2nd District Supervisor Holly Mitchell; and Catherine Flores-Martin, executive director of the California Immunization Coalition.

The panelists focused on how California's youth can be supported as the state prepares to reopen. Additionally, the panel discussed the negative impacts of missed preventative care appointments throughout the pandemic, coupled with enormous nutritional needs for children due to missed meals and healthy food options because of school closures.

You can watch the full panel discussion [here](#).

SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY COVID-19 VACCINATION PARTNERSHIP

MolinaCares partnered with San Bernardino County to host a series of COVID-19 vaccine clinics and provide transportation assistance services to county residents.

"The county is grateful to our partners at Molina Healthcare of California for making it possible to vaccinate so many more of our residents, especially those who are most at risk of being left behind," said Board of Supervisors Chairman Curt Hagman.

The partnership has resulted in over 400 individuals getting vaccinated against COVID-19. You can learn more [here](#).

PROMOTING HEALTH EQUITY & WHOLE PERSON CARE

MolinaCares will host another virtual panel focused on increasing health equity in California's communities and addressing the many social determinants of health that comprise whole person care.



When: Wednesday, July 14, 2021
11 a.m. - 12 p.m. PT

Confirmed panelists:

Host: Carolyn Ingram, MolinaCares

Moderator: Kim Bojórquez,
Sacramento Bee

Panelists:

- Rhonda Smith, California Black Health Network
- Rachel Rios, La Familia Counseling Center
- Kiran Savage-Sangwan, California Pan-Ethnic Health Network

You can register for the panel discussion [here](#).

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PPE DONATIONS IN THE COMMUNITY

MolinaCares, in making good on our commitment to the safety and well-being of our communities, has been collaborating with partners across the state in donating hundreds of units of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE).

In Sacramento (see photo above), MolinaCares donated 100 N95 masks, 500 surgical masks, 500 gloves, and 200 hand sanitizers to Sacramento Self-Help Housing (SSHH) as part of this partnership. The PPE will be used by SSHH staff and distributed to residents at their housing facilities across the county.

In Los Angeles, (see photo to the right) MolinaCares teamed up with LA County 2nd District Supervisor Holly Mitchell to donate and distribute 2,000 N95 masks and 2,000 surgical masks to local community organizations and providers in need.

The PPE was distributed to people and families in the 2nd District and residents throughout Los Angeles County.



MOLINACARES RECOGNIZES EIGHT LOCAL COMMUNITY CHAMPIONS

MolinaCares recently recognized four Los Angeles County and Imperial County residents for their compassion and altruism through the MolinaCares Community Champions Awards. This awards program was created to honor and bring together people whose leadership, volunteerism, and public advocacy embody the spirit of service and community.

Winners each received a \$5,000 grant for the nonprofit organization of their choice and a trophy. LA County winners were Eric Burroughs of Long Beach (pictured above with nonprofit recipient, Dr. Lance Robert of 100 Black Men of Long Beach), Hector Ochoa of LA, Orlande Shirley of Compton, and Louis Lewis of LA. Imperial County winners were Angelica Pena of the San Diego Regional Center, Blanca E. Morales of the Southern California Physician Services organization, Martha Cadenas-Singh, president of MANA of Imperial Valley, and Sombra Chaney, community outreach coordinator at El Centro Regional Medical Center.





MOLINACARES LAUNCHES CALIFORNIA WEBSITE

MolinaCares has launched its [new California website](#). The site will share information about how MolinaCares is working to improve the health outcomes and lives of its members as well as Californians across the state.

UPCOMING EVENTS

VIRTUAL PANEL: PROMOTING HEALTH EQUITY & WHOLE PERSON CARE

MolinaCares is hosting a panel to discuss promoting health equity and whole person care. The panel will be on July 14 from 11 a.m. – 12 p.m. PT. Please use link below to RSVP.

YOU CAN REGISTER FOR THE PANEL DISCUSSION [HERE](#).

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