

Board of Governors

Temporary Transitional Executive Community Advisory Committee (TTECAC)

Meeting Minutes – November 13, 2024

1055 W. 7th Street, Los Angeles, CA 90017



L.A. Care
HEALTH PLAN

ECAC Members	RCAC Members/Public	L.A. Care Board of Governors/Senior Staff
Roger Rabaja, RCAC 1 Chair Ana Rodriguez, TTECAC Chair and RCAC 2 Chair Silvia Poz, RCAC 4 Chair Maria Sanchez, RCAC 5 Chair * Joyce Sales, RCAC 6 Chair * Martiza Lebron, RCAC 7 Chair Ana Romo, RCAC 8 Chair * Tonya Byrd, RCAC 9 Chair Damares O Hernández de Cordero, RCAC 10 Chair Maria Angel Refugio, RCAC 11 Chair Lluvia Salazar, At-Large Member Deaka McClain, TTECAC Vice-Chair and At Large Member * Excused Absent ** Absent *** Via teleconference	Rebekah Coster, Closed Captioner Shelly Hash, Interpreter Sonia Hernandez, Interpreter Isaac Ibarlucea, Interpreter Eduardo Kogan, Interpreter Erin Lafarque, Interpreter Andrew Yates, Interpreter Aida Aguilar, Public Maricruz Alvares, Public Eugene Beatty, Public Elizabeth Cooper, Public Maria Del Carmen Gutiérrez, Public Celia M. Hernandez, Public Estela Lara, Public Russel Mahler, Public Andrea McFerson, Public Fresia Paz, Public Marlene Paz, Public Esther Rivas, Public Demetria Saffore, Public Darling Sanchez, Public Sofia Sulca, Public	Layla Gonzalez, Advocate, Board of Governors Fatima Vazquez, Member, Board of Governors John Baackes, Chief Executive Officer, L.A. Care Health Plan Todd Gower, Chief Compliance Officer, L.A. Care Health Plan David Kagan M.D, Senior Medical Director, Direct Network Utilization Management Auleria Eakins, Manager, CO&E Ramon Garcia, Community Outreach Field Specialist, CO&E Hilda Herrera, Community Outreach Field Specialist, CO&E Tanisia Johnson, Supervisor, Health Promoter Program Christopher Maghar, Community Outreach Field Specialist, CO&E Linda Merkens, Senior Manager, Board Services Frank Meza, Community Outreach Field Specialist, CO&E Alfredo Mora, Staff Augmentation, Facilities Services Cindy Pozos, Community Outreach Field Specialist, CO&E Karen Rios, Manager, Territory Sales Victor Rodriguez, Board Specialist, Board Services Farid Seyed, Lead Unified Communication Mobility Engineer, IT Operations & Infrastructure

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CALL TO ORDER	Ana Rodriguez, <i>TTECAC Chairperson</i> , read the meeting rules guidelines and process for making public comments via Zoom chat and a toll-free line for WebEx bridge line listeners.	

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	<p>She also mentioned that public members could submit comment cards and that they would be allowed time to speak during the appropriate agenda items. Chairperson Rodriguez welcomed L.A. Care staff and the public to the meeting and encouraged L.A. Care members with healthcare issues to contact the Member Services Department.</p> <p>Chairperson Rodriguez called the meeting to order at 10:12 A.M.</p>	
<p>APPROVE MEETING AGENDA</p>	<p><u>PUBLIC COMMENT</u> <i>Elizabeth Cooper reminded the committee about the importance of adhering to the Americans with Disabilities Act and expressed concerns about the rules and communication within the committee. She emphasized that this is a public committee, and members should be informed of the applicable laws. Ms. Cooper also voiced her objection to the lack of transparency regarding the selection process for the new CEO, highlighting that neither ECAC nor community advisory committee chairs had been notified. She stressed the significance of addressing this matter, especially with the current CEO's upcoming departure.</i></p> <p><i>Andria McFerson raised concerns about the agenda's preparation and approval process, questioning the limited time allocated for public comments and member issues. She criticized the lack of transparency and inclusion in decision-making, particularly regarding the new CEO, the Board of Governors (BOG) seats, and stakeholder advisory committee agendas. Ms. McFerson called for equitable representation, a general consensus on agenda items, and adherence to the Brown Act. She urged that all ECAC chairs be consulted about agendas and emphasized the need for diverse input, particularly given disparities in health outcomes among different racial groups.</i></p> <p>The Agenda for today's meeting was approved.</p>	<p>Approved. 9 AYES (Byrd, Cordero, McClain, Poz, Rabaja, Refugio, Rodriguez, Salazar, and Lebron)</p>
<p>APPROVE MEETING MINUTES</p>		<p>Approved. 9 AYES (Byrd, Cordero, McClain, Poz, Rabaja, Refugio,</p>

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	The October 9, 2024 Meeting minutes were approved.	Rodriguez, Salazar, and Lebron)
STANDING ITEM		
UPDATE FROM CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER	<p>John Baackes, <i>Chief Executive Officer</i>, gave the following update:</p> <p>Mr. Baackes announced that this meeting would be his last due to a scheduling conflict in December. He highlighted the significance of Proposition 35, which recently passed with strong voter support. This measure increases funding for the base reimbursement rates for Medi-Cal providers for the first time in decades, aiming to improve the participation of primary care doctors, specialists, and hospitals in the program. Mr. Baackes acknowledged L.A. Care's effort to support bringing the proposition to voters and emphasized its importance for the 15 million Californians who rely on Medi-Cal.</p> <p>Mr. Baackes expressed concerns about potential federal policy changes, such as proposed work requirements for Medi-Cal eligibility and block grants that could reduce federal funding. He noted these proposals could adversely affect Medi-Cal participants, many of whom work full-time but earn below the eligibility threshold. He highlighted L.A. Care's role in safeguarding health care access amid these uncertainties.</p> <p>Reflecting on his retirement, Mr. Baackes commended the grassroots success of Proposition 35 as a lesson in collective action. He expressed regret about retiring during a pivotal time and reassured members that he would attend upcoming RCAC meetings before his departure. He concluded by thanking members for their service and dedication to L.A. Care's mission, emphasizing their critical role in representing community interests.</p> <p><u>PUBLIC COMMENT</u></p> <p><i>Elizabeth Cooper stated that as a consumer and registered voter, she emphasizes the importance of civic participation and the consequences of elections. She shared her diligence in staying informed, specifically regarding initiatives like Proposition 35, which she supported after reviewing its pros and cons. Ms. Cooper expressed disappointment with the ECAC, RCACs, and L.A. Care staff for the lack of communication about the Chief Executive Officer's retirement and the process for selecting his successor. She acknowledged not always agreeing with the CEO's policies but stressed the importance of transparency and accountability, particularly for advocates like herself. She urged the ECAC to ensure that the new CEO introduces themselves to the members, recognizing the vital role members play in sustaining the organization.</i></p>	

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	<p><i>Additionally, she called for greater accountability from leadership, including adherence to the ADA and democratic principles, to foster better engagement and trust.</i></p> <p><i>Andria McFerson noted the importance of L.A. Care's service contracts aligning with state healthcare regulations to implement effective policies that improve healthcare and public health systems. She advocated for stakeholder involvement in decision-making processes, particularly concerning Proposition 35 and future policy changes. Ms. McFerson also expressed gratitude and well wishes for the departing CEO, acknowledging her reputation as a passionate healthcare advocate. She asked for more information regarding Prop 35.</i></p> <p><i>Aida Aguilar inquired about the CEO's potential availability to address significant issues that may arise during the leadership transition after his retirement. She also asked if he would be part of the committee involved in the interview process for selecting a new CEO and sought clarification on the timeline for his full departure from L.A. Care.</i></p> <p>Mr. Baackes assured Ms. Aguilar that he would remain available in a consulting role during the leadership transition, emphasizing his commitment not to leave the organization without ensuring a smooth transition. While he provided the board with a recommendation for his successor, he noted that he was not included in the Board's search process. He also stated that if no successor is in place by early January, he would stay to ensure continuity and facilitate an overlapping transition period, highlighting the challenges he faced when he assumed the role.</p> <p>Member Byrd stated that the RCAC members will miss him and wished they would have known it would be his last meeting and gotten him a cake. She inquired about the primary care doctor program he spoke about. Mr. Baackes responded that Proposition 35 outlined categories for funding, such as primary care, specialty care, and emergency rooms, but did not specify how the funds would be distributed. He noted that the Department of Health Care Services is required to form a stakeholder group to help decide the allocation of funds. He also noted that L.A. Care would advocate for equitable distribution during this process.</p> <p>Member Refugio said that she is sad to see Mr. Baackes' departure and wished him well in his retirement. She voiced concerns about potential changes to Medi-Cal under the new presidential administration and acknowledged Mr. Baackes' consistent support for member suggestions and contributions. She thanked him for always being supportive and having their backs.</p>	

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	<p>Member Salazar expressed gratitude to Mr. Baackes for his years of exceptional leadership and positive sense of humor, noting the significant impact he had on the company and the lives of those around him. His presence will be missed and she wished him the best in his future endeavors.</p> <p>Member Lebron thanked Mr. Baackes, noting his humility and accessibility to members. She wished him an enjoyable life, expressed hope for his blessings, and that he would be greatly missed. Mr. Baackes expressed his intention to continue enjoying life, mentioning his excitement about visiting his new granddaughter in Philadelphia, born just over a week ago.</p> <p>Member McClain expressed her deep gratitude for Mr. Baackes, describing him as a genuine people-person who truly cares. She appreciates his openness and support, especially in advocacy, and noted that his door was always open to address concerns. McClain shared a personal story of their first meeting, where she sat next to Mr. Baackes at an event and had a wonderful conversation before he revealed his role as CEO. McClain concluded by thanking him for being true to himself and his title, saying he will be missed.</p>	
<p>BOARD MEMBERS REPORT</p>	<p>Ms. Gonzalez and Ms. Vazquez presented the October 2024 Board Member Report <i>(a copy of the report can be obtained from CO&E)</i>.</p> <p><u>PUBLIC COMMENT</u></p> <p><i>Elizabeth Cooper stated she is disappointment regarding the lack of a report from the two ECAC board representatives at the Board of Governors meeting due to time limitations. She raised concern about the lack of communication regarding the selection of a new CEO and the absence of input from members. Cooper emphasized that the member voices have not been considered, particularly in relation to issues like COVID and flu vaccinations for those with disabilities. She urged the Chairperson and Board representatives to engage more with members and ensure better communication, especially regarding the CEO selection process.</i></p> <p><i>Andria McFerson raised concern about the BOG meeting, specifically a lack of discussion regarding funding for organizations, which was skipped. She questioned if this topic would be addressed in the next meeting. She expressed frustration over a BOG Chair's rude behavior and emphasized the importance of honoring committee members. Additionally, she highlighted the need for increased transparency and communication regarding healthcare decisions, citing a \$55 million fine L.A. Care received in 2022 for systemic failures that</i></p>	

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	<p><i>endangered member health and safety. Ms. McFerson urged the board to consider funding for advisory organizations that have been impacted by these decisions.</i></p>	
<p>ECAC CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT</p>	<p>Chairperson Rodriguez presented Motion ECA 100.1224 (<i>A copy of the list of RCAC members can be obtained from CO&E.</i>):</p> <p><u>ECA 100.1224</u> <i>Motion to recommend approval of the following candidate (s) for RCAC membership.</i></p> <p><u>PUBLIC COMMENT</u> <i>Aida Aguilar asked if the new members were on a waiting list, were they interviewed by a selection committee, and can she have a list of vacant RCAC positions.</i> Mr. Meza responded that all RCAC members go through the same approval process.</p> <p><i>Elizabeth Cooper expressed concern about the lack of diversity within her RCAC, noting that she is the only African American member, which she feels is not representative of America's diversity. She suggested that the recruitment process should focus more on diversity to bring in a broader range of ideas. Ms. Cooper shared that she sometimes feels alone in her efforts and hopes that actions can be taken to create more diversity and inclusivity within the RCACs.</i> Dr. Eakins responded to Ms. Cooper's concern about diversity, assuring her that the staff is actively working on addressing the issue. She mentioned a new program launching in January, using a software company called Impulse to send text messages to individuals based on key demographic indicators like age, race, and zip code. This initiative aims to recruit diverse members for the community advisory committees. The program has launched, and while the data is still being collected, Dr. Eakins said she hopes for positive results and she will provide more information in January.</p> <p><i>Andria McFerson spoke about the importance of establishing a fair and transparent process for selecting stakeholders for L.A. Care Health Plan. She argued that stakeholders should be chosen by the community, not by staff or any committee, and that RCACs should be involved in shaping recommendations for county-wide health care system goals. She suggested that RCACs should be consulted on changes, provide input directly to the Board of Governors, and have their recommendations reviewed by the ECAC before being presented to the Board. Ms. McFerson advocated for a democratic process that includes input</i></p>	

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	<p><i>from all members and aims to improve communication, objectives, and healthcare outcomes. She suggested using third-party surveys, including text messages, to gather input.</i></p> <p><i>Demetra Saffore stated she supports Ms. Cooper's comments about the need for greater diversity in the RCAC, pointing out that currently, only Latino individuals are being selected. She also mentioned that there is only one African American on RCAC 1 and shared an example where a person she referred months ago for membership did not receive a call back.</i></p> <p>Member Byrd stated that when she joined the RCACs she asked where the African American members were and she was told that the response from potential members was that they were ashamed to be on Medi-Cal. She doesn't agree with that statement. It has now been five years and the membership diversity remains the same.</p> <p>Member Lebron shared her concern about the process for applying to the RCAC, noting that when he referred someone, the person was told to apply online without clear guidance. He emphasized the importance of diversity, including people from Asian communities and other backgrounds, and highlighted the need for interpretation services to ensure broader participation in the process.</p> <p><u>ECA 100.1224</u> <i>Motion to recommend approval of the following candidate (s) for RCAC membership.</i></p>	<p>Approved. 8 AYES (Cordero, McClain, Poz, Rabaja, Rodriguez, Salazar, Lebron, and Romo)</p> <p>1 ABSTENTION Byrd</p>
<p>HEALTH PROMOTERS PROGRAM UPDATE</p>	<p>Tanisia Johnson, MPH, CLE, Supervisor, Health Promoters Program, Health Promoters Program Update <i>(a copy of the report can be obtained from CO&E).</i></p> <p>The update covered the following key points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Self-Measured Blood Pressure Program: Aimed at African-American and Latino L.A. Care members, this 6-week program educates participants on blood pressure monitoring and provides free monitors. • Digital Health Promoters: The program involved a pilot where six Digital Health Promoters shared COVID-19-related content on social media to increase engagement and vaccination rates. The results showed significant growth in engagement metrics. 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • L.A. Care Collaborations: These include partnerships with the American Cancer Society for breast cancer awareness, as well as workshops for colorectal cancer screening in collaboration with the American Cancer Society and Alta Med. • Asthma Education Workshops: Spanish-language asthma education is provided at various CRCs, with participants receiving free Peak Flow Meters for home use. • Community Events: These include food distribution programs and collaborations aimed at improving food security and providing support at various community events. <p><u>PUBLIC COMMENT</u></p> <p><i>Fresia Paz stated that she is interested in applying. She has been inquiring about joining since 2014.</i></p> <p>Ms. Johnson asked staff to forward her information to her.</p> <p><i>Elizabeth Cooper spoke about the importance of making the Health Promoters Program more accessible and effective. She suggests that presentations should be held at each RCAC to better inform members about the services available. She noted that while the programs are beneficial, some people cannot attend due to distance or other barriers. She stressed that for these programs to be successful, RCAC members should also be educated and involved, as they play a key role in community outreach.</i></p> <p>Member Byrd asked if the current members age out of the program, she noted that there doesn't seem to be room for other members to join. Ms. Johnson responded to Member Byrd by explaining that the Health Promoters Program underwent restructuring. Initially, there were 27 health promoters, but after an interview process, the number was reduced to 18 due to personal commitments from some individuals. She clarified that there are no term limits for health promoters, and those interested in joining the program go through an application process. Ms. Johnson noted that the current health promoters have developed significantly with more structured programming and enhanced skills compared to seven years ago.</p> <p>Member Poz suggested that health promoters receive additional training in a broader range of topics, not just health issues but programs for dual-eligible individuals (Medicaid and Medicare). She highlighted the importance of addressing communication issues, especially around Indian Health Services (IHS) and training health promoters to guide people on where to go for assistance. She noted that many people struggle with managing internet</p>	

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	resources, so having promoters trained in these areas would be beneficial. Ms. Johnson asked that any suggestions be sent to CO&E staff so that she can read and track them.	
MEMBER ISSUES	<p>Mr. Vicente read a comment on behalf of Member Sales, which spoke about concerns raised by members during the October 16 meeting about long wait times for appointments and the challenges of being referred to specialists or clinics far from their homes. Some members reported waiting up to three months for appointments and being sent to distant clinics. This points to significant gaps in accessibility and the timeliness of care. While members were aware of how to advocate for themselves by contacting member services for alternative providers, it was recognized as a broader systemic issue. The members emphasized the importance of timely and conveniently-located healthcare appointments. They are interested in exploring the issue further and may propose a motion to address it in the future, seeking feedback from other regions to inform next steps.</p> <p><u>PUBLIC COMMENT</u> <i>Andria McFerson discussed the importance of the L.A. County Emergency Response Program to address homelessness, and emphasized the need for proper evaluation and appropriate placement for those in need, such as victims of domestic violence or people who lost their job. She shared a personal experience of feeling discriminated against within the L.A. Care low-income health plan. She described being mistreated at Cedar Sinai, where she was belittled and thrown out despite seeking care for muscle spasms. Additionally, she mentioned the challenges faced by Ms. Saffore, a member who struggled for weeks to receive a referral for a potential skin cancer diagnosis, and expressed concern about the delays in care and difficulty in obtaining external assistance. Ms. McFerson noted the need for better treatment and quicker resolution of issues within the healthcare system.</i></p> <p>Member McClain asked if she had spoken to a Field Specialist. She apologized for the way was she was treated.</p>	
OLD BUSINESS		
MOTION FROM RCAC 8	<p>Tonya Byrd, <i>RCAC 8 Chair</i>, presented a motion from RCAC 8.</p> <p><u>PUBLIC COMMENT</u> <i>Elizabeth Cooper stated that she has a concern, her son is disabled and Hoyer Lifts are dangerous for him. He is an L.A. Care member and has trouble getting in and out of bed. She said she does not seem to get any input on this issue.</i></p>	

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	<p><i>Andria McFerson said that she approves of the motion, because there are many people that need the lift. She said she looks forward to approving other motions as well.</i></p> <p>Member McClain stated that only members of the committee can vote to approve the motion.</p> <p>Member Byrd stated that it would be nice to have someone do an in-service visit. She said it was very helpful to her.</p> <p>Ms. Gonzalez stated that the Board recently approved a motion to fund lift tables. She asked if this is related to that. She is not clear what this is asking.</p> <p>Member McClain stated that they approved lift tables with scales but not a Hoyer Lift. That is why it is being brought to the table. The committee would like this grant added to the previous request for lift tables. She said that it is a need and has used it in the past. Members stated that they have had issues because they may not have family members present to assist them.</p> <p><u>Motion ECA 101.1224</u> <i>Hoyer lifts or electronic lifts should be added to the Community Health Investment Fund program to aid with patients in getting on and off examination tables. The motion includes that providers who receive funding for these Hoyer Lifts or electronic lifts will receive training on how to use them effectively.</i></p>	<p>Approved. 9 AYES (Byrd, Cordero, McClain, Poz, Rabaja, Refugio, Rodriguez, Salazar, and Lebron)</p>
NEW BUSINESS		
<p>COVERED CALIFORNIA PRESENTATION</p>	<p>Karen Rios, <i>Manager, Territory Sales</i>, gave a presentation about Covered California (<i>a copy of the report can be obtained from CO&E</i>).</p> <p>The 2025 L.A. Care Benefit Rollout presentation highlighted key aspects of the health plan for the upcoming year:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mission and Vision: L.A. Care Health Plan, serving over 2.5 million members, continues its mission to provide affordable, quality healthcare to vulnerable and low-income communities in Los Angeles County. • Affordable Plans: L.A. Care is offering the most affordable health plan across all metal levels, with a modest 6.2% increase in rates for 2025. Plans provide comprehensive benefits, including \$0 preventive services, and are available through Covered California. 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medi-Cal and Eligibility: Medi-Cal eligibility remains based on Federal Poverty Levels (FPL), covering a wide range of individuals, including low-income families, seniors, and those needing long-term care. Additionally, DACA recipients will be newly eligible for health plans through Covered California. • Expanded Silver 73 Plan: Covered California has expanded eligibility for the enhanced Silver 73 Cost Share Reduction plan, making it available to more people above 200% FPL. • Plan Features: The plans offer a wide range of benefits, including telehealth, nurse advice lines, chronic disease management programs, and wellness rewards. Members can earn up to \$215 in rewards through health initiatives. • Provider Network: L.A. Care has a vast provider network, including over 3,000 primary care providers, 12,000 specialists, and 200+ clinics. The plan offers an online provider directory for easy access to healthcare providers. • Community Resource Centers: The health plan provides access to community resource centers offering free health and wellness programs to the public in various locations across Los Angeles County. <p><u>PUBLIC COMMENT</u> <i>Elizabeth Cooper expressed appreciation for the presentation but raised concern about the lack of diversity in the staff, particularly regarding African Americans. She noted that she has not seen any African American staff members at the resource center and emphasized the importance of diversity in staffing. While she supports the program, she pointed out the disparity and requested a report from the director on the number of African Americans employed at the resource center. Additionally, she inquired whether there are staff members with disabilities working there.</i></p> <p>Ms. Rios thanked Ms. Cooper for raising important points and clarified that while the focus of the presentation was on the territory field representatives, the community resource centers are also highlighted. She mentioned managing a diverse team of six people, including herself, as she speaks Farsi, Armenian, and Spanish. She also pointed out that the emerging market manager, who is African American, is actively helping to build a more diverse team, including African American, Latino, and other communities.</p>	
FUTURE AGENDA ITEM SUGGESTIONS		
	Member Refugio asked for a presentation on different health conditions and the Hoyer Lift tables.	

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	<p>Member Poz asked if they can receive a presentation on changes on benefits and resources for dual members.</p> <p>Member Salazar asked for a presentation on the asthma program.</p>	
PUBLIC COMMENTS		
	<p><u>PUBLIC COMMENT</u></p> <p><i>Elizabeth Cooper said that she would like to wish everyone a happy Thanksgiving. She is happy to participate and give her voice. She thanks the staff for listening to her. Sometimes they think she does not agree but she is there for public comment. She hopes one day they will hold an emergency training and have emergency kits. She thanked the Chair and Vice Chair. She thanked staff for their help and the presenters.</i></p> <p><i>Ms. Pozos read the following public comment on behalf of Andria McFerson: For the record my name is Andria McFerson from RCAC 5 please honor my ADA rights by giving an extra minute</i></p> <p><i>The Epilepsy Foundation has celebrated November as NEAM since 1969, and in 2003, Congress officially declared it as such. The goal of NEAM is to raise awareness of epilepsy and seizures, reduce stigma, and help people feel supported.</i></p> <p><i>Happy NATIONAL EPILEPSY MONTH and hopefully in the future we can work together to have monthly events supporting positive causes like supporting epileptic people next year November 2025.</i></p> <p><i>February Is Black History Month, Lupus and Osteoporosis month</i></p> <p><i>May has National Women’s Health Week starts each year on Mother’s Day to encourage women and girls to make their health a priority. Many women experience conditions fibroids, diseases of the bones, joints, muscles, and skin to take care of their health.</i></p> <p><i>Sept 15th to Oct 15th</i></p> <p><i>National Latino heritage month. and many others but, no one could make that decision but the RCAC’s with their own \$5,000 funding that each one receives. So please during the next meeting ask staff to have a motion on the agenda to approve a rule in your RCAC to obtain a yearly schedule for this fiscal year and if it is approved ask the members for suggestions, then approve them according to this fiscal which ends in the middle of next year and have a planning meeting with staff as soon as possible.</i></p>	

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RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY:

Victor Rodriguez, *Board Specialist II, Board Services*
 Malou Balones, *Board Specialist III, Board Services*
 Linda Merkens, *Senior Manager, Board Services*

APPROVED BY

Ana Rodriguez, TTECAC Chair _____


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