

The Regents of the University of California

HEALTH SERVICES COMMITTEE

March 17, 2026

The Health Services Committee met on the above date at the UCSF Mission Bay Conference Center, San Francisco campus.

Members present: Regents Batchlor, Makarechian, Park, and Sures; Ex officio members Milliken and Reilly; Executive Vice President Rubin; Chancellors Frenk, Gillman, Hawgood, Khosla, and May; Advisory members Good, Laret, Marks, Noonan, and Ong

In attendance: Regents Brooks and Komoto, Faculty Representative Palazoglu, Secretary and Chief of Staff Lyall, Deputy General Counsel Stayn, Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer Brostrom, Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer Nava, Senior Vice President Turner, Vice President Kao, Chancellor Larive, and Recording Secretary Johns

The meeting convened at 1:10 p.m. with Committee Chair Sures presiding.

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the minutes of the meeting of January 20, 2026 were approved, Regents Batchlor, Makarechian, Milliken, Park, Reilly, and Sures voting “aye.”¹

2. PIVOTAL STATE POLICY CHALLENGES FOR 2026 AND BEYOND

[Background material was provided to the Committee in advance of the meeting, and a copy is on file in the Office of the Secretary and Chief of Staff.]

Executive Vice President Rubin explained that the State of California’s Office of Health Care Affordability (OHCA) sought to improve affordability for consumers and purchasers by holding healthcare entities, including UC academic medical centers, accountable for cost growth targets. As OHCA moved from measurement to enforcement of these targets, one must consider how affordability has become a crisis in California. The background materials provided information on OHCA cost growth targets. UC Health would be subject to these requirements, but OHCA was still deliberating how it would measure spending against targets and how enforcement would work.

The Committee recessed at 1:13 p.m.

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The Committee reconvened at 2:40 p.m. with Committee Chair Sures presiding.

¹ Roll call vote required by the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act [Government Code §11123(b)(1)(D)] for all meetings held by teleconference.

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3. **PIVOTAL STATE POLICY CHALLENGES FOR 2026 AND BEYOND, CONTINUED**

Student observer Calvin Yang stated that the work of the Office of Health Care Affordability (OHCA) represented an important step in minimizing cost growth for patients while maintaining quality, access, and equity.

Students on Medi-Cal continued to face structural barriers to care when they relocated for college, including delays due to intercounty transfers and limited access to student health centers. Addressing the problem would require reciprocal data sharing by the California Department of Health Care Services and the University to identify Medi-Cal-enrolled students and improve care coordination.

Mr. Yang reported that he has been working with the California Office of Legislative Counsel on draft legislative language that would authorize the State to contract with the UC Student Health Insurance Plan (UC SHIP) on a capitated basis, allowing students to receive Medi-Cal-covered services on campus while maintaining Medi-Cal enrollment in their home county. This proposal did not yet have legislative backing, but Mr. Yang would continue engagement with legislative offices this coming fall and winter to seek potential authorship in the next legislative session. He was also working to initiate a feasibility study to strengthen the pathway forward for the proposal and considering possible system improvements, such as shortening intercounty transfer processes and strengthening the coordination of care between UC SHIP and Medi-Cal for students with dual enrollment. As the University continued to engage with the State's affordability efforts, such as OHCA, this work was a complementary opportunity to align cost containment strategies with delivery systems innovation that would improve student access to care.

The meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

Attest:

Secretary and Chief of Staff