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DMHC announces 2014 “Right Care Initiative” award recipients

Health plans and medical groups honored for work to fight the biggest killers: heart attacks, strokes and diabetic complications

(Sacramento) – Today, California Department of Managed Health Care (DMHC) Director Shelley Rouillard announced the recipients of the 2014 Right Care Initiative awards. Awards are given annually to California health plans and medical groups who meet clinical performance standards for controlling blood pressure, blood sugar and/or cholesterol. Launched in 2008, the Right Care Initiative is a public-private collaborative effort focused on preventing premature disability and death from heart attacks, strokes and diabetic complications.

“Managing chronic conditions greatly benefits all Californians through reducing preventable disability and death, leading to lower health care costs,” said Director Rouillard. “Today’s award winners have demonstrated an enhanced commitment to improving care and the health of Californians.”

2014 health plan award winners for the prevention of heart attacks, strokes and diabetic complications:

- Kaiser Health Plan North – Gold Award
- Kaiser Health Plan South – Silver Award
- Anthem Blue Cross – Bronze Award
- Chinese Community Health Plan – Bronze Award
- Sharp Health Plan – Bronze Award
- Cigna Health Plan- Nephrology Care – Honorable Mention

2014 medical group award winners:

Top level awards for meeting all three control measures for the prevention of heart attacks, strokes and diabetic complications

- Palo Alto Medical Foundation – Platinum Award
- San Diego Kaiser, Doctors Rae Boganey, Yvonne Ploughman, and R. James Dudl – Platinum & Leadership Award for Teaching at the University of Best Practices, San Diego
- Sharp Rees-Stealy Medical Group – Platinum Award

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Tier two awards for controlling at least one of the three key measures (Blood Pressure, Cholesterol and Blood Sugar

- Alamitos IPA – Bronze Award
- AMVI Medical Group – Bronze Award
- Brown & Toland Physicians – Bronze Award
- Cedars-Sinai Medical Group – Bronze Award & Leadership Award
- Central Valley Medical Group – Bronze Award
- Edinger Medical Group – Bronze Award
- Facey Medical Group – Bronze Award
- Family Choice – Bronze Award
- Family Practice Medical Group of San Bernardino – Bronze Award
- Greater Newport Physicians IPA – Bronze Award & Leadership Award
- Health Care Partners Medical Group – Bronze Award
- Hill Physicians Bay Region – Bronze Award
- Hill Physicians Medical Group- Solano Region – Bronze Award
- John Muir Health Medical Group – Bronze Award
- Mercy Medical Group/Dignity Health Medical Foundation – Bronze Award
- Meritage Medical Network – Bronze Award
- Mission Heritage Medical Group – Bronze Award
- Palo Alto Medical Foundation- Mills-Peninsula Medical Group – Bronze Award
- Primary Care Associates Medical Group – Bronze Award
- Prospect Professional IPA – Bronze Award
- Sansum Clinic – Bronze Award
- Scripps Clinic Medical Group – Bronze Award
- Scripps Coastal Medical Center – Bronze Award
- St. Joseph Heritage Medical Group – Bronze Award
- St. Joseph's Hospital Affiliated Medical Group – Bronze Award
- St. Jude Heritage Medical Group – Bronze Award
- St. Jude Hospital Affiliated Physicians – Bronze Award
- StarCare dba Gateway Medical Group – Bronze Award
- Sutter East Bay Medical Foundation – Bronze Award
- Sutter Gould Medical Foundation – Bronze Award
- Sutter Medical Group – Bronze Award
- Sutter Medical Group of the Redwoods – Bronze Award
- University of California, Davis Medical Group – Bronze Award
- University of California, San Diego Medical Group – Bronze Award & Leadership Award
- UCLA Medical Group- Santa Monica Bay Physicians – Bronze Award & Leadership Award
- Woodland Health Care Medical Group – Bronze Award

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2014 Leadership Award:

- Dr. Anthony DeMaria, for his vision and leadership of the University of Best Practices, San Diego.

The statewide goal of the Right Care Initiative is for all California health plans and medical groups to reach the 90th percentile of performance in the prevention of heart attacks, strokes and diabetic complications through the control of blood pressure, blood sugar and cholesterol as published in the national Healthcare Effectiveness Data and Information Set (HEDIS) and Integrated Health Care Association's Pay for Performance program. Specific scores can be found on www.OPA.ca.gov (see scores for the [Sacramento](#) area). For more information on the Right Care Initiative and awards criteria, visit www.RightCare.dmhc.ca.gov.

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The DMHC regulates managed care health plans in California, protects the rights of more than 20 million health plan enrollees, educates consumers on their health care rights and responsibilities, and preserves the financial stability of the managed health care system. Since 2000, the department has helped more than 1.5 million Californians resolve health plan problems through its Help Center. Information and assistance is available 24/7 at www.HealthHelp.ca.gov or by calling 1-888-466-2219.

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