



**Public Meeting on California's Essential Health Benefits and Updating the Benchmark Plan**

**January 28, 2025**

**1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.**

**980 9<sup>th</sup> Street, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Room, Sacramento, CA 95814**

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**Agenda**

**1. Welcome & Introductions**

*Mary Watanabe, Director, Department of Managed Health Care*

**2. Overview of Essential Health Benefits and Process for Establishing a New Benchmark Plan**

*Sarah Ream, Chief Counsel, Department of Managed Health Care*

**3. Essential Health Benefit Analysis and Benefit Options**

*Matt Sauter, Senior Consulting Actuary, Wakely*

**4. Public Comment**

**5. Closing Remarks**

*Mary Watanabe, Director, Department of Managed Health Care*

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