

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Meeting Location:
County of Tulare
Board of Supervisors Chambers
2800 West Burrel Avenue
Visalia, CA 93291
May 30, 2025 9:00 AM

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1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Director Shuklian at 9:03 AM

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Led by Director Pacheco

3. Roll Call

Directors Present:

Nathan Magsig, arrived during Item 6, Public Comment Buddy Mendes Brian Pacheco Amy Shuklian Pete Vander Poel

Directors not in attendance:

Garry Bredefeld Larry Micari

4. Approval of Agenda (A)

Motion to Approve By Director Vander Poel; Second By Director Mendes; Motion Approved Unanimously

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5. Approval of Minutes - Board Meeting of February 28, 2025 (A)

Motion to Approve By Director Mendes; Second By Director Vander Poel; Motion Approved Unanimously

6. Public Comment: At this time, members of the public may comment on any item, within the jurisdiction of the SJVIA, not appearing on the agenda. In order for everyone to be heard, please limit your comments to three minutes or less. Anyone wishing to be placed on the agenda for a specific topic should contact the SJVIA Manager's Office and submit correspondence at least 14 days before the desired date of appearance.

No Public Comments were made

7. Receive Update from Auditor-Treasurer on Cash Flow Projections (I)

Presented by Jose Pelagio, County of Fresno

8. Receive Update from the Auditor-Treasurer on Unaudited Financials for January 1, 2025 – March 31, 2025 (I)

Presented by Jose Pelagio, County of Fresno

9. Receive Update on April 11, 2025 Strategic Planning Meeting (I)

Presented by Bordan Darm, Keenan

10. Receive Consultant's Medical, Dental, and Vision Experience Reports through March 2025 with Update on Projected Plan Experience Surplus Accumulation and Projections (I)

Presented by Bordan Darm, Keenan

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11. Receive Consultant's Report on SJVIA Reserve Reconciliation (I)

Presented by Bordan Darm, Keenan

12. Receive Update on Plan Year 2026 Dental and PBM Marketing (I)

Presented by Eddie Barfield, Keenan

13. Receive Update on Renewal Timeline for Plan Year 2026 (I)

Presented by Bordan Darm, Keenan

14. Receive Keenan Pharmacy Services' Consultant's Report on EmpiRx Pharmacy Utilization (I)

Presented by Eddie Barfield, Keenan

The Board asked as to why Ozempic is listed twice on the top cost-driving drugs list with dosage differences and not combined; Keenan will review.

The Board noted that during the RFP process the incumbent PBM said they would work to move more members toward generic drugs; is there a decrease in overall cost even though there is increased utilization? Keenan will look at generic trend for the SJVIA.

The Board directed that a review of the PBM proposal be conducted to determine if EmpiRx is meeting targets made during the RFP process.

15. Receive Consultant's Report on Plan Year 2025 Stop Loss/Reinsurance Renewal and Marketing Results and Ratify SJVIA Manager's Decision and Signature Renewing with the Incumbent Carrier, Granular Life Insurance Company (A)

Presented by Bordan Darm, Keenan

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16. Receive Update on Pending Gallagher Acquisition of Assured Partners (Keenan & Associates) (I)

Presented by Bordan Darm, Keenan

17. Approve and Authorize President to Execute Agreement, Retroactive to January 1, 2025, with Keenan & Associates to Receive Benefits and Pharmacy Consulting Services, Total Not to Exceed \$570,000 (A)

Presented by Bordan Darm, Keenan

The Board asked SJVIA Staff if an RFP for consultant services is in process. Staff responded that there has been discussion about going out to RFP; however, a timeline has not been established. Staff will come back with a proposal for Board review.

Motion to Approve by Director Magsig; Second By Director Vander Poel; Motion Approved Unanimously

18. Receive Update on Walking Works! Challenge (I)

Presented by Bordan Darm, Keenan

19. SJVIA Director Questions, Announcements, and Activity Reports (Gov. Code, § 54954.2, subd. (a)(2)) (I)

Director Shuklian shared that she will not be in attendance at the July 18, 2025 Board Meeting

20. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:47 AM

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