



Welcome to our October monthly newsletter! You can find updates on the Behavioral Health Coach model from our most recent quarterly [webinar](#) and from our [September Newsletter](#).

What's coming up next?

- i. **November:** We have polled youth, family, and community partners and are excited to release the official title of the Behavioral Health Coaches next month! We look forward to sharing more about this in our next newsletter.
- ii. **December:** We are working diligently with the California Community Colleges and California State Universities in development of the program curricula and training. In December, we plan to release a more detailed timeline outlining the steps towards development and implementation.

What else is HCAI working on to support the behavioral health workforce?

HCAI offers many programs to build the behavioral health workforce.

- i. [Social Work Education Capacity Expansion \(SWECE\)](#):
This grant opportunity will result in grant agreements with educational

institutions to develop new bachelor- and master-level social work (MSW) programs and to expand enrollment in existing MSW programs.

- ii. [Community-Based Organization \(CBO\) Behavioral Health Workforce Program:](#)
This program will support CBOs across California to recruit, train, and retain behavioral health personnel. CBOs can provide loan repayments, scholarships, and stipends to community-based behavioral health students and staff, as well as award hiring and retention bonuses. Grant applications for this program are due November 30th.
- iii. **Substance Use Disorder (SUD) Earn & Learn Program:**
HCAI will soon open a grant opportunity to select a certifying organization to assist individuals in getting SUD certified. The program will financially assist individuals with getting their supervised work experience and Alcohol and Other Drug -specific education hours.

Related Resources

- i. [HCAI Behavioral Health Programs](#)
- ii. [CalHHS-Children and Youth Behavioral Health Initiative](#)
- iii. [HCAI-Children and Youth Behavioral Health Initiative](#)
- iv. [Article: Need for Latinx Therapists in California](#)
- v. Questions or comments? We'd love to hear from you at CYBHI@hcai.ca.gov

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