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**Senate Select Committee on Mental Health and Addiction**  
**Timely Access to Mental Health Care & Compliance with SB 221 Informational Hearing**  
**Tuesday, August 10, 2022, 1:30 PM**  
**1021 O Street (Swing Space), Room 2100**

**Hearing Details Agenda**

**Members Attending:**

Chair, Senator Wiener  
Senator Allen  
Senator Cortese  
Senator Eggman  
Senator Newman  
Senator Nielsen  
Senator Pan

- 1. 1 – 1:30 PM**  
All panelists should be joining the Zoom at this time
- 2. 1:30 – 1:40 PM**  
Opening Remarks by Senator Wiener
- 3. 1:40 – 2 PM**  
California Department of Managed Health Care Comments on the Implementation of SB 221
  - Mary Watanabe, Director (10 mins)
    - Update on implementation of SB 221

Member Questions & Comments (10 mins)

4. **2 – 2:30 PM**

Mental Health Care Provider Perspective on Compliance with SB 221

- Dr. Sarah Soroken, Kaiser Clinician, NUHW Member (5 mins)
  - [ZOOM Presentation]
- Dr. Brandi Plumely, Kaiser Crisis Response Therapist, NUHW Member (5 mins)
- Dr. Emily Wood, Chair of the California State Association of Psychiatrists Government Affairs Committee (5 mins)
  - Denial of services and medication by health plans continues to be a struggle
  - *If time allows, medication coverage and physician access*

Member Questions & Comments (15 mins)

5. **2:30 – 3 PM**

Patient Perspectives

- Jasmin Hakes, Parent (5 mins)
- Heidi Strunk, President and CEO of Mental Health America of California (5 mins)

Member Questions & Comments (10 mins)

6. **3 – 4 PM**

Final Member Comments & Questions

7. **4 – 4:30 PM**

Public Comment

- **Participant phone line: 877-226-8163 Access code: 9979542**

8. Concluding Remarks