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Dr. Shoemaker is the medical director for the California Association of Physician Groups (CAPG), representing 150 organized medical groups serving over 13 million Californians in coordinated, prepaid systems of care and an additional estimated 4-to-5 million people in FFS constructs.

Dr. Shoemaker also serves as co-chair of the California Quality Collaborative, a statewide collaborative of major purchasers (Pacific Business Group on Health), four major health plans (Anthem Blue Cross, Blue Shield, Health Net, and Aetna), and CAPG, together with the California Department of Managed Health Care, Lumetra, California Department of Public Health, community clinics, academic medicine, and consumer groups.

Dr. Shoemaker brings experience as a contributor to two national projects in clinical evidence development, in addition to 14 years of work with health plans and medical groups in applying clinical evidence to authorization and care management practices.

Before accepting the CAPG position, Dr. Shoemaker served as the first medical director for the Alliance, the regional Medi-Cal managed care program in the Central Coast (1995-99), and subsequently medical director of an IPA in Santa Cruz County (2000-2006).

Before assuming full time administrative roles, Dr. Shoemaker practiced primary care pediatrics for 25 years serving a diverse population in an agricultural community on California's central coast. He founded an intensive care nursery and a human lactation center, taught in a family practice residency program, organized a countywide diabetes program, and served as principal investigator for an AHRQ funded countywide diabetes registry project. He completed the California Healthcare Foundation leadership fellowship in 2002-2004.

Websites

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