



**California Health and Human Services Agency  
Behavioral Health Task Force  
Lunch and Learn:  
Behavioral Health Community-Based Organized Networks of Equitable  
Care and Treatment (BH-CONNECT) Initiative –  
A State-Level Overview**

**Wednesday, March 12, 2025**

**12:00 – 1:30 p.m.**

[Zoom Webinar Registration](#)

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**1. Welcome, Overview, and Introductions**

*Ariel Ambruster, Lead Facilitator, Sacramento State University*

**2. Behavioral Health Community-Based Organized Networks of Equitable Care and Treatment (BH-CONNECT) Initiative –  
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*Ivan Bhardwaj, Chief, Medi-Cal Behavioral Health – Policy Division, Department of Health Care Services (DHCS)*

**3. Q&A Time**

**4. Next Steps and Closing**

*Ariel Ambruster*

**5. Adjourn**

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