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Friday, February 6, 2026
8:30 a.m.

Zoom:

[CPHS February 6, 2026,
Full Committee Meeting](#)

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CPHS AGENDA

| Item | Subject | Presenter |
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| A | Welcome | Larry Dickey, MD, MPH |
| B | Nomination of New CPHS Chair Nomination of CPHS Chair per CPHS Policies and Procedures. Action | Adam Dondro, CalHHS Chief Information Officer and Director of the Office of Technology and Solutions Integration (OTSI) |
| C | Review and Approval of Meeting Minutes Review and approval of meeting minutes from the December 5, 2025, board meetings. | Larry Dickey, MD, MPH |
| D | Projects with Reported Adverse Events and/or Deviations Determine if action on projects is needed. See meeting materials for list of projects. Action | All Members |
| E | New Projects – Full Committee Review Required See meeting materials for list of projects. Action | All Members |
| F | Full Board Continuing Review. Action | All Members |
| G | Amendments – Full Committee Review Required See meeting materials for list of projects. Action | All Members |
| H | Second Review Calendar Full committee review needed on previously tabled projects. Action | Larry Dickey, MD, MPH |

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| I | New Projects – Expedited Review Requested Inform committee of new projects recommended for approval by expedited review. See meeting materials for list of projects. | Larry Dickey, MD, MPH |
| J | Projects Requiring Continuing Review Inform committee of project continuing reviews recommended for approval by expedited review. See meeting materials for list of projects. | Larry Dickey, MD, MPH |
| K | Amendments – Projects with Revisions Approved through Expedited Review Inform committee of project amendments recommended for approval by expedited review. See meeting materials for list of projects. | Larry Dickey, MD, MPH |
| L | Projects with Request for CPHS to Rely on Another IRB. None. | Larry Dickey, MD, MPH |
| M | Exemption/Not Research Approvals Some projects listed may require full committee review and others are recommended for approval by expedited review. See meeting materials for list of projects. | Larry Dickey, MD, MPH |
| N | Final Reports Projects listed are submitted for closure and have been recommended for approval by expedited review. See meeting materials for list of projects. | Larry Dickey, MD, MPH |
| O | Public Comments | Larry Dickey, MD, MPH |
| P | Next Meeting The next CPHS meeting is scheduled to be held on April 3, 2026. | Larry Dickey, MD, MPH |
| Q | Adjournment | Larry Dickey, MD, MPH |

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