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From 1993-1999, Dr. Schoenbaum was the medical director and then president of Harvard Pilgrim Health Care of New England. From 1981–1993, he was deputy medical director at Harvard Community Health Plan, where his roles included developing specialty services, disease management programs, clinical guidelines, and enhancing the Plan's computerized clinical information systems. Nationally, he also played a significant role in the development of HEDIS. He is currently a lecturer in the department of ambulatory care and prevention at Harvard Medical School and the author of over 125 publications.

Dr. Schoenbaum is a board member of the Alliance for the Prudent Use of Antibiotics, the American College of Physician Executives, and the Picker Institute. He is also a longstanding member of the International Advisory Committee to the Joyce and Irving Goldman Medical School, Ben Gurion University, Beer Sheva, Israel, an honorary member of the British Association of Medical Managers, and an honorary fellow of the Royal College of Physicians.

Dr. Schoenbaum received a bachelor's degree with honors from Swarthmore College and a master's degree from the Harvard School of Public Health, and earned his medical degree from Harvard Medical School (cum laude). He also completed the Program for Management Development at Harvard Business School.

Sandra Shewry M.P.H., M.S.W.

Sandra Shewry is Director of the California Department of Health Services. The California Department of Health Services is one of the largest departments within state government with a budget of \$39 billion and 6,000 employees. The mission of the California Department of Health Services is to protect and improve the health of all Californians. The programs under Ms. Shewry's leadership include public health protection including emergency preparedness and disease-

prevention, the licensing of health facilities, and the State's Medicaid Program (Medi-Cal).

Prior to joining CDHS in 2004, Ms. Shewry was the Director of Health at the National Governors Association, Center for Best Practices where she worked on a broad range of health financing, service delivery, and policy issues.

Ms. Shewry served as the Executive Director of the California Managed Risk Medical Insurance Board, and was responsible for development and implementation of California's high risk pool (MRMIP), a subsidized pregnancy coverage program (AIM), a small employer purchasing cooperative (The HIPC), and the state's S-CHIP (Healthy Families). She began her state career with the California Department of Health Services as a health planning analyst and later served as an assistant secretary at the Health and Welfare Agency.

Ms. Shewry earned graduate degrees in Public Health and Social Welfare from the University of California at Berkeley.