

# IMPERIAL VALLEY HEALTHCARE DISTRICT

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## **Imperial Valley Healthcare District Paves the Way for AB918 Implementation**

**IMPERIAL COUNTY, CA** – The Imperial Valley Health District (IVHD) took significant strides towards the implementation of Assembly Bill 918 (AB918) during their latest meeting on March 14, 2024. Approved unanimously, the “Task List” <https://www.iv-hd.org/ab918> delineates a comprehensive roadmap for AB918 compliance, ensuring the district meets statutory obligations in a timely manner.

Crafted in collaboration with legal counsel, the timeline prioritizes tasks according to their due dates, with provisions for immediate action on impending deadlines. This proactive approach underscores IVHD’s commitment to fulfilling AB918 requirements effectively.

In tandem with AB918 provisions, the IVHD greenlit the hiring of the National Demographics Corporation to oversee the establishment of seven voting zones in collaboration with LAFCO. Scheduled for completion before July 1, 2024, this action aims to ensure equitable representation across Imperial County, aligning with demographic and geographic considerations.

“AB918, endorsed by the California State Assembly, the California State Senate, and signed into law by the Governor on October 8, 2023, serves as the cornerstone for IVHD’s strategic initiatives. By embracing proactive measures and fostering community engagement, IVHD remains steadfast in its commitment to enhancing healthcare accessibility and governance transparency across Imperial County in compliance with the new state law,” states Katherine Burnworth, IVHD’s Board President.

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