

# Sacramento County Public Health Advisory Board

## Meeting Minutes

December 6, 2017 (12:07 PM - 1:25 PM)

## Meeting Location

Primary Care Center  
4600 Broadway  
Sacramento, CA 95820  
Conference Room 2020

## Moderator:

Dr. Steven Orkand

## Scribe:

Theresa Vinson

## Board Attendees:

Felicia Bhe, Sandy Damiano, Adam Dougherty, Paula Green, Steve Heath, Farla Kaufman, Martha Moon, Steve Orkand, Emmanuel Petrisor, Jefferey Rabinovitz, Kimberly Sloan, Jack Zwald

## Board Members Excused:

Jofil Borja, Barbara Law

## Board Members Absent:

## Guest Speakers:

Kimberly Bankston-Lee, Chair  
Tobacco Control Coalition

Megan Sheffeld, MPH, Project Director  
Tobacco Project Program

## Guests:

Sherri Z. Heller

**Meeting Opened** at 12:03 PM

## **Welcome and Introductions**

Dr. Orkand welcomed PHAB members and guests.

## **Minutes Review**

Minutes from the November meeting were approved.

## **PHAB Vacancies and Appointments**

Ballots distributed for voting during meeting - results are noted under Announcements (see below)

PHAB has 1 Vacancy

## **Public Health Division**

Flu season, 1 death in Sacramento County (complications of flu) - outreach to public is ongoing advocating for people to continue getting the flu shot. Public Health is unable to determine percentage of public vaccinated in Sacramento County because this information is not published by all agencies. Also, many people go to CVS and other retailers to obtain the vaccine. Hospitals are tracked because once flu season begins, our County mandates all hospital staff coming in contact with patients to get vaccinated and/or wear masks. Mandated masking has had a positive impact and is helpful in reducing the spread of flu.

Hep A outbreak in San Diego County – 561 cases, 278 hospitalizations and 20 deaths. In Sacramento County, we are focusing on homeless and going to some of the larger shelters to vaccinate and we have had a good response.

Santa Cruz and Los Angeles has smaller numbers and San Diego reports seeing a reduction in new cases. They have immunized upwards of about 10,000 people.

Hep A vaccines could be routine to children but prior to this current outbreak, it was targeted toward folks traveling internationally. If/when children are given Twinrix, they receive or received Hep A and Hep B as Twinrix is a combination of both. Kindergartners are required to have Hep B Immunizations but not Hep A. The State sets guidelines for Kindergarten vaccines and the State follows the guidelines set forth by APIC (Certification Board of Infection Control and Epidemiology).

As part of our overdose prevention efforts, we applied to State and received 2,900 does of Narcan (antidote for overdose). We plan to distribute to law enforcement and have them trained so they will have Narcan with them when they respond to a scene where it could be needed.

There is new legislation as of January 2018, allowing partial fill of opioid prescriptions, this has been a problem we have been trying to deal with. With this partial fill law at physician's discretion, patients could be given just a few pills on an as-needed basis.

Also, there has been ongoing discussion regarding the current requirement that hospitals and other health facilities assess levels of pain, just as they assess vital signs. Currently, physicians feel obligated to use narcotics and other analgesics, even when they feel they are not necessary. Occasionally, patients with drug-seeking behaviors are known to manipulate the health care system. Assembly Bill (AB) 1048 changes this requirement, and allows physicians more flexibility in handling their patients' pain.

## **Primary Health Services Division**

### **Healthy Partners Program**

Program is maintained at a cap of 3,000 enrollees. The wait list is dynamic and used when there is disenrollment. As of 12/4/17, the wait list = 321.

Current service year data was distributed and reviewed. *See charts for detail.*

For the period of July 1, 2017 – October 31, 2017 (4 months):

Diagnostic Services (EHS) = 319 [These do not include laboratory tests or simple radiology films.]

Outpatient Specialty Services by Provider = EHS (520), SPIRIT (59), and UCD (24) / The breakout by type of specialty and provider is listed on the table.

Surgeries = 26

In comparison to FY 16-17 (annual data):

Diagnostic Imaging 1,606

Outpatient Specialty Services = 334. SPIRIT (163), UCD (91) and EHS (80).

Surgeries = 10

So far, tracking for specialty services in FY 17-18 will far exceed those in FY 16-17. Same for surgeries.

Patient Experience Data –

Patients continue to respond very positively to the program.

Demographic data remains largely the same as in the FY 16-17 Healthy Partner's Annual Report. 10 members were dis-enrolled last year due to the upper age limit and 10 will be projected to be dis-enrolled this year.

Projected expenditures for FY 2017/18 remain substantially below the budget for the diagnostic and specialty services. Payments for those services are in the Medical Treatment Account which is budgeted at \$2.5M. Last month advocates discussed their recommendations with you during public comment. Basically they wanted to increase enrollment and eliminate the upper age limit. Program's recommendations differed in that it recommended a limited increase and maintaining those who turned 65 up to 200 members in last year's growth request.

## **PRESENTATION**

### **Kimberly Bankston-Lee, Chair**

Tobacco Control Coalition (TCC)

The SOL Project

Saving Our Legacy: African Americans for Smoke-Free Safe Places

*The Sacramento Tobacco Control Coalition was established in 1991 and has been active for over 25 years:*

- Standing committee of the Sacramento County Public Health Advisory Board
- Oversight committee for the County's tobacco control and education programs
- Advocates for tobacco-free policies where people live, work, learn and play
- Community focal point for tobacco control concerns

### Mission Statement

The mission of the Coalition is to transform Sacramento County into a tobacco-free society in the 21st Century. To accomplish this, the Coalition will provide education, coordination, advocacy, and support of tobacco control activities in the community and oversee the development, implementation, and evaluation of the Sacramento County Tobacco Control Plan.

The Coalition strives to represent the Sacramento community by recruiting members from various agencies/associations/individuals with special interest or expertise in tobacco control.

Tobacco Control Coalition Structure:

General Coalition

Subcommittees: Cessation, Secondhand Smoke (SHS), Youth and Young Adult and Executive Committee

Cessation Subcommittee

**Past Accomplishments:**

Free Nicotine Replacement Therapy (NRT)

Pilot County for Medi-Cal Incentives to Quit Smoking (MIQS) Project

Integrated tobacco screening and referrals (Electronic Medical Records-EMR) with 2,000 referrals

Expanded "UC Quits" program to "California Quits"

Support efforts to help community members throughout Sacramento County quit tobacco, share and promote available cessation resources, and contribute knowledge on best tobacco treatment practices.

Youth and Young Adult Subcommittee

**Current Work Projects:**

Enforcing smoke/tobacco/vape free policies

Supports Tobacco Use and Prevention Education (TUPE)

Coordinates Education Campaigns via social media channels

Healthy Stores/Healthy Community Survey

Youth Media Contests

Restricting the sale of Menthol and flavored Tobacco Products, including electronic smoking devices

**How to Get Involved**

Support efforts of the Coalition

Inform & educate the Board of Supervisors on tobacco control policies

Attend Coalition meetings.

Megan Sheffield, MPH  
Health Program Coordinator, Sacramento County

#### Current Smoking Statistics

- Sacramento County has a higher smoking prevalence than the State of California 16.9 % vs. 12.7%
- Sacramento County has a higher rate of youth using tobacco products compared to the State of California
- Percentage of stores that sell Swisher Sweets (a popular brand of cigarillos) and sell them for less than \$1 has gone up in the last three years. However, the percentage of stores that sell flavored products near schools shows a small decrease. This could be due in part to conditional use permits being implemented in Sacramento County
- In Sacramento County stores selling Electronic Smoking Devices or ESDs (e-cigarettes, vapor devices or e-liquids) has risen since 2013 from 62.1% to 78.5% in 2016

#### Announcements

##### PHAB/Executive Committee

Officers of Executive Board – Elections were held for 2018

Dr. Orkand was re-elected Chair, PHAB, and Jack Zwald, Vice Chair

Paula Green and Jefferey Rabinovitz were re-elected to the Executive Committee

#### Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 PM.

Submitted by Theresa Vinson, Scribe and Dr. Steven Orkand, Chair

#### Next Meeting of PHAB:

**January 3, 2018, 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM**

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