Public Health Advisory Board

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Meeting Notes: June 1, 2011

Members present:

Robert Meagher - Chair, Anthony Russell, Ray Wilson, Sandy Damiano (ex-officio), Glennah Trochet (ex-officio), Mike Monasky, Sara Brass, Don McClurg, Morgan

Members absent:

Staines, Leslie Benson, Joan Hurlock, Blia Vang,
Marty Keale (notified), Peter Simpson, William Green III (notified), Rosemary Younts
Josh Akin, Val Siebel, Sharon Saffold, Bob Waste

Guests:

Staff: Paula Gammell

Issues	Discussion	Action/Recommendation
Welcome and	The meeting called to order at 12:02p.m. Chair Robert Meagher chaired the meeting.	
Introductions	Introductions were made by attendees.	
Environmental	Val Siebel made a short Power Point presentation on Food Safety in Sacramento County: How We	Informational Only
Management	Are Doing. The goal of the food safety inspection program is to protect Sacramento County	
Presentation	residents and visitors from food borne illness. The County risk factors have been going down.	
	There are 57 diseases that are required to be reported with the most common food borne infections	
	being caused by Campylobacter, Salmonella, E. Coli, and Norwalk virus. Sacramento has the	
	lowest number of cases of the following counties including Alameda, Contract Costa, Fresno,	
	Placer, San Francisco, San Joaquin, San Mateo, Santa Clara and Yolo.	
Action Item:	Correction to the Budget update on Page 2. Under additional cuts: A to cut \$134,000	M/S: Don/Michael Approved
Meeting Minutes		
Presentation	Maternal Child Adolescent Health Program Sharon Saffold – Chair	Informational Only
	The Maternal, Child, and Adolescent Health (MCAH) Advisory Board reviews the health needs of	
	women, children, and adolescents in Sacramento County and helps to develop recommendations	
	and policies to meet those needs.	
	The Black Infant Health Program is a 20 session intervention with 10 prenatal sessions and 10	
	postpartum sessions designed to empower and support African American women.	
	The Fetal Infant Mortality Team lacks staff to run the program.	
	One nurse used to visit families where a child had died of Sudden Infant Death Syndrome families, however, staffing now only allows enough time to send information rather than conduct home visits.	
	Staff reductions due to budget cuts have reduced the number of women/families served by the	
	Black Infant Health program from between 400-500 per year, to approximately 60. Instead of	
	having nurse visits, the program now has educational sessions for pregnant and parenting women.	
	Student interns are utilized while school is in session however the summer is approaching and	
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	interns will be unavailable. The primary focus has been on residents in the South Sacramento area.	
Low Income Health Program (LIHP) Update	Primary Health Services Division, Dr. Damiano: LOW INCOME HEALTH PLANNING Community Clinics Meeting – Held on 05/11/11. Thought it went well and increased the local clinics understanding of LIHP.	LIHP Webpage: http://www.sacdhhs.com/article.asp?ContentID=2183
	 <u>LIHP Health Plan Letter of Interest</u> – Was released on 05/20/11. Also advertised and posted. Responses due 06/02/11. 	
	■ <u>LIHP Health Plan RFP</u> – in process. Tentative target for release – this month.	
	■ <u>LIHP Board Letter</u> (06/21/11) - This is a general, informational item describing the LIHP. <u>It does not contain budget or contract expenditure authority requests</u> . Subsequent LIHP board letters are anticipated Fall 2011 and will include contracts and expenditure authority. Will continue to update stakeholders on the various board items. (Note: Will post the June letter and PPP when ready.)	
	■ <u>LIHP Community Meeting</u> (06/28/11 3:00 - 4:30 pm) - Recommended target audience – representatives from hospitals, health plans, advocates & clinics. Meeting topics - anticipated LIHP enrollees, LIHP budget, and status of eligibility and enrollment status. If you have other recommendations for meeting topics, please contact me.	
	■ <u>LIHP Community Meeting (</u> 08/15/11 1:00 - 2:30 pm) - Meeting topics TBA.	
Budget Update	 State DHCS is issuing new requirements with aggressive timelines. Stay tuned! Primary Health Division: FY 11-12 Proposed Budget 	
g	FY 11-12 PROPOSED BUDGET HEARINGS Hearings are the week of June 6th. DHHS is scheduled for 06/06/11.	
	 Primary Health Division "proposed" reductions include the following: Medical Treatment Account \$5,369,074; Pharmacy \$706,000; Chest Clinic \$67,500; Emergency Medical Services \$7,500; Women Infant & Children (WIC) \$272,032 (First Five); and Juvenile Medical Services \$1,197,196 	
	See the County's budget webpage for the Budget hearing schedule and Budget Impact Statements for DHHS, JMS, and Medical Treatment Account at http://www.budget.saccounty.net/default.htm .	
	Public Health: Dr. Trochet reported that the County overhead allocation was lower than anticipated so the DPH can keep a half-time veterinarian position. However, the Division will still be eliminating	

	the Media Officer position which was an order from the CEO and non-negotiable. The Public Health Lab had the greatest cut, eliminating essential supplies, and funding for training and travel. Catholic Healthcare West has granted the DPH \$50,000 to support the Immunization Assistance program. This money will help re-establish the Senior and Low-income flu immunization clinics that were discontinued last year.	
Primary Health Services Updates	Dr. Damiano reported on the following: MEDI-CAL MANAGED CARE STAKEHOLDERS ADVISORY COMMITTEE State DHCS Meeting – Occurred in mid-May to discuss the Committee. Included - Toby Douglas, DHCS Director, Tanya Homman, Managed Care Chief and Jane Ogle, new Deputy Director. They were pleased that Sacramento County is leading this stakeholders process. Sandy will continue to provide updates on local activities. Next meeting - July 25th 3 - 5 PM. Topic - SPD Transition. We have requested updates from State DHCS and Plans. Consultants will present data. Membership - Supervisor Phil Serna will be attending the first hour for his Chief of Staff. Please contact me or Marcia Jo (jom@saccounty.net) if you have questions regarding the	See Medi-Cal Managed Care Committee webpage for minutes, data summary, meeting schedule and membership at: http://www.sacdhhs.com/article.asp?ContentID=2205
Public Health Division Update	Dr. Meagher reported that the Chiefs of Staff wanted to know the impact of budget cuts. Dr. Trochet stated that we already know that STDs are very high, the State noted that in the first quarter of this year Sacramento had the highest increase in reported STDs in the state, in addition, there have been two outbreaks of Tuberculosis since July of last year and the TB control program has operated this entire year with borrowed staff and on-calls because the number of permanent staff are not sufficient to do the work. Since July of 2010 to date there have been 286 suspected cases of TB reported. Of these 105 are on directly observed therapy.	
	Josh Akin stated that the Public Health Laboratory has just finished validating TB testing on GeneXpert. This is new technology, not yet approved by the FDA, that will allow the diagnosis of TB and Rifampin sensitivity within two hours instead of several weeks, which is how long it takes to culture tuberculosis. Since the technology currently is only available to the Public Health Laboratory, the test will be marketed to the hospitals. The rapid diagnosis of TB or excluding it, will allow hospitals to discharge patients who don't have TB much earlier than before, saving a lot of money. There was discussion of increasing revenues for the Public Health Lab with this test, however, government cannot make a profit from services.	
	Several physicians who are opposed to community water fluoridation wish to meet with Dr. Trochet. The meeting is set for Tuesday, June 28 at 2 pm in Dr. Trochet's office. Several PHAB members will also attend.	
	Dr. Russell let the PHAB know that the letter to the Department of Healthcare Services (DHCS) regarding GMC DentiCal utilization in Sacramento that was scheduled to go to the Board of	

Adjourned		Next meeting: July 6, 2011
Announcements		
Member and Public	None	
	The Committee previously met with Dr. Trochet regarding Accreditation as well.	
Committee		
Evaluation	sponsoring the Fall Prevention awareness week which is the first week of September.	
Research and	The Committee has meet with Area 4 on Aging regarding Fall Prevention. The organization is	
	not made during the meeting and subsequent interactions with DHCS.	
	meeting with senior management of the DHCS next week. The letter will be sent only if progress is	
	asking to meet regarding these issues. He responded promptly and the DentiCal committee will be	
	Supervisors on June 7, was pulled. This is because a letter was sent to the Director for DHCS	