San Francisco Department of Public Health



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Director's Report for Health Commission Meeting of June 20, 2017

A current overview of issues affecting the state of public health in San Francisco https://www.sfdph.org/dph/comupg/aboutdph/insideDept/dirRpts/default.asp

Federal Policy

Senate Seeking Momentum and Criticism in their efforts to repeal and replace the ACA

The Senate has publically shared their goal to vote on the Senate's version of the Affordable Health Care Act (AHCA) prior to their leaving for the July 4th recess. Like the House version, the bill will not be vetted through policy committees and will proceed directly to a full floor vote. Senate Republicans have suggested their bill would be more generous to consumers; however, in order to do this, tax increases would need to remain intact – which will be at odds with future tax plans and tax relief.

The Senate has been criticized for drafting their bill in private and not sharing details of the plan. The Senate bill is likely to phase out the Affordable Care Act's Medicaid expansion more slowly than the House version. It is also expected to provide larger tax credits to older Americans for buying health insurance. The legislation will be considered in the Senate under an expedited procedure that precludes a Democratic filibuster and allows passage by a simple majority. Similar to the House version of the bill, there will be limited opportunities for both debating and amending it in open committee sessions. Under reconciliation rules, the Senate's bill must achieve the same federal savings as the AHCA passed by the house, \$119 billion. The current savings scored for the AHCA is largely related to the elimination of the Medicaid expansion, which would cause 14 million people to be uninsured in 2018, and grow to 23 million in 2026.

California Legislature Approves 2017-18 Budget Package

On Thursday, June 15th, the California State Legislature approved a \$183.2-billion state budget. The pivotal elements of the approved budget include education, tax credit for low-wage workers, cannabis, healthcare, and infrastructure spending. The combination of federal and state funds makes healthcare the single biggest function of state government — with a total of \$105.6 billion in the budget approved by the Legislature. The majority of that spending is focused on Medi-Cal, the healthcare program for low-income Californians. There are an estimated 14.2 million people, more than one in three state residents, enrolled in the program. The new budget's most notable provision will boost the payments made to doctors and dentists who treat Medi-Cal patients using money generated by the tobacco tax increase contained in last year's Proposition 56. The final budget agreement provides up to \$546 million in supplemental payments for FY 2017-18 by allocating the tobacco tax revenues payments for the following:

- \$50 million for women's health;
- \$27 million for to intermediate care facilities for the developmentally disabled;
- \$4 million for HIV/AIDS waiver provider payments;
- \$325 million for physician services; and
- \$140 million for dental services.

Other notable health items in the budget include:

- Changes in the state budget to speed up the use of the Federal CURES Act Opioid Targeted Response Grant, which approves \$44.7 million in federal funding;
- Trailer bill language creating a unified state regulatory system for both medicinal and adult-use cannabis. Broadly speaking, the trailer bill incorporated many of the provisions from the Medical Cannabis Regulation and Safety Act (MCRSA), including: not limiting the authority of cities or counties to regulate the industry at the local level, enhanced public safety and consumer protection provisions, clarified tax and cash payment provisions, and expanded environmental protections.

There were also a several items in the budget that were rejected, which include:

- The delay of the implementation of the Whole Child Model as the Department of Health Care Services:
- The Administration's proposal to no longer allow the use of contract pharmacies in the 340B program in Medi-Cal;
- Child Health and Disability Prevention (CHDP) State Only The Legislature rejected the Administration's proposal to repeal the statutory provisions for stateonly services.

There are a handful of related bills that won't be considered until the following weeks, which includes legislation on marriage and family therapists, restoration of Medi-Cal benefits, diabetes prevention program, emergency preparedness and mental health.

Governor Jerry Brown is expected to sign the budget before the state of California's fiscal year starting July 1.

ZSFG Completes End Stage Renal Disease and Outpatient Hemodialysis Survey

On Thursday, June 16th, the California Department of Public Health Surveyors conducted their exit conference with Hospital Leadership, End Stage Renal Disease Leadership, and the Outpatient Hemodialysis staff. Congratulations to the End Stage Renal Disease Outpatient Hemodialysis staff for a job well done, the surveyors were extremely complimentary of the care provided by the team on a daily basis to our patients. The surveyor conducted multiple patient interviews, and the patients were extremely appreciative of the staff and care they receive at the End Stage Renal Hemodialysis Center. Special thanks to our Facilities Team, Biomed Team, Roger Mohamed, Arleen Lum, and the Occupational Health Team.

Vocational Rehab selected as one of "100 Brilliant Ideas at Work" by NACo

San Francisco's Vocational Rehabilitation Employment and Training Program has been selected as one of the 100 Brilliant Ideas at Work, as part of the National Association of Counties' (NACo) Brilliant Ideas at Work Presidential Initiative. Under the leadership of NACo President Bryan Desloge, NACo embarked on an initiative in 2016 and 2017 to identify and share 100 examples of visionary county leadership that results in improving residents' quality of life.

This is the second NACo award for the Vocational Rehabilitation Employment and Training Program. The program was recently awarded a 2017 NACo Achievement Award in the category of Health, along with DPH's Peer-to Peer program.

The Vocational Rehabilitation Employment and Training Programs is a service category under the DPH Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Program. This service category is comprised of ten (10) vocational programs that are designed to ensure that individuals with serious mental illness and co-occurring disorders are able to secure meaningful and long-term employment. In collaboration with the California Department of Rehabilitation, San Francisco Public Health has identified a need for various training and employment support programs to meet the current labor market trends and employment skill-sets necessary to succeed in the competitive workforce.

Graduation Celebration for Chinese Body, Mind & Soul – Life Enrichment class series at Chinatown Public Health Center

The third Chinese Body, Mind & Soul graduation was recently featured in the Singtao newspaper and on the KTSF Cantonese and Mandarin evening news. Chinese Body, Mind & Soul classes were sponsored by Chinatown Public Health Center's Nutrition Education and Obesity Prevention Chinese Project and the San Francisco Evangelical Free Church. The purpose of the classes was to improve the community's nutritional and physical well-being, in order to reduce the risk of obesity and other chronic diseases. The class had 4 components: yijin (Chinese yoga), nutrition messages & food tasting, medical messages and discussion around the topics of Chinese culture, history and mental health issues.

After the completion of the class series, clients learned skills related to healthy shopping, cooking, eating and dining. The goal is to impart healthy eating, improve physical activity, and achieve balanced emotional and spiritual health through the program.

Susan Ehrlich named one of 2017's Top Influential Women in Bay Area Business

Susan Ehrlich, CEO of Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital has been named by SF Business Times as one of the 2017 most influential business women in the Bay Area. In the article, Susan states that her biggest professional accomplishment was becoming CEO of Zuckerberg SF General Hospital. Read the article here:

 $\frac{http://www.bizjournals.com/sanfrancisco/news/2017/05/04/most-influential-women-2017-bay-area-business.html\#g1$

HR works to revamp recruiting pages on DPH Website

HR Recruiters Tina Hinnant and Daniel Giddings have continued to improve the size and quality of our applicant pools. One of the initiatives that Daniel has completed is a re-vamping of our DPH Jobs page. He worked on this since February as the website information was very dated. Daniel worked with Communications and IT to get the refresh done over the last three months. Check out this new look: https://www.sfdph.org/dph/comupg/aboutdph/jobs/ Questions can be directed to Daniel Giddings, Recruiter, Department of Public Health, Human Resources, Merit Division, Phone: (415) 554-2883

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June 2017

Governing Body Report - Credentialing Summary (6/15/17 MEC)

	6/2017	07/2016 to 07/2017
New Appointments Reinstatements	8	217
Reappointments Delinquencies: Reappointment Denials:	57	542
Resigned/Retired: Disciplinary Actions Administrative Suspension	8	221
Restriction/Limitation-Privileges		
Deceased		
Changes in Privileges Voluntary Relinquishments Additions Proctorship Completed	10 14 22	99 116 212

Current Statistics – as of 5/24/17		
Active Staff	548	
Courtesy Staff	503	
Affiliated Professionals (non-physicians)	261	
TOTAL MEMBERS	1,312	

Applications in Process	86
Applications Withdrawn Month of June 2017	0
SFGH Reappointments in Process 7/2017 to 9/2017	194

SFDPH in the news: June 6- June 19, 2017

A 'Safe' Space To Shoot Up: Worth A Try In California?

http://khn.org/news/a-safe-space-to-shoot-up-worth-a-try-in-california/

Knowing HIV Levels Are 'Undetectable' May Affect Sexual Behavior

http://healthmedicinet.com/knowing-hiv-levels-are-undetectable-may-affect-sexual-behavior/

72 to lose jobs in closure of skilled nursing facility

 $\frac{http://www.sfgate.com/news/bayarea/article/Mission-District-Hospital-To-Close-Skilled-\\ 11223983.php?ipid=newsrecirc}$

Slain UPS Driver Memorialized In Diamond Heights

http://hoodline.com/2017/06/slain-ups-driver-memorialized-in-diamond-heights

S.F's proposed ban on flavored tobacco sales upsets store owners

http://www.sfchronicle.com/health/article/S-F-s-proposed-ban-on-flavored-tobacco-sales-11217856.php

SAN FRANCISCO COMPLETES FIRST ESTIMATEOF CITY'S HEPATITIS C INFECTIONS / NY too

http://www.natap.org/2017/HCV/061317_01.htm

Achieving zero HIV transmissions will require SF to address stigma, disparities http://www.sfexaminer.com/achieving-zero-hiv-transmissions-will-require-sf-address-stigma-disparities/

Single Platform Data System Serves All San Francisco Area Homelessness Outreach Professionals

http://www.govtech.com/health/Single-Platform-Data-System-Serves-All-San-Francisco-Area-Homelessness-Outreach-Professionals.html

History of alleged stabber killed by SFPD sheds light on issues within homeless shelters http://www.sfexaminer.com/history-alleged-stabber-killed-sfpd-sheds-light-issues-within-homeless-shelters/

SFMTA reduces speed limit on major city streets

http://www.sfexaminer.com/sfmta-reduces-speed-limit-major-city-streets/

Our Hella Fabulous History: A Timeline of San Francisco Pride, in Pictures http://www.7x7.com/history-san-francisco-pride-2410251684.html

To Improve 17th Street Safety, SFMTA Proposes Protected Curbside Bike Lanes http://hoodline.com/2017/06/to-improve-17th-street-safety-sfmta-proposes-protected-curbside-bike-lanes

Mayor Lee proposes Office of Cannabis to permit businesses selling marijuana http://www.sfexaminer.com/mayor-lee-proposes-office-cannabis-permit-businesses-selling-marijuana/

Less on prisons, more on prevention? California starts the shift http://www.sacbee.com/news/politics-government/capitol-alert/article154990204.html

Lactation Station Legislation

http://www.sfweekly.com/news/suckafreecity/lactation-station-legislation/