



City and County of San Francisco  
Edwin M. Lee, Mayor

## San Francisco Department of Public Health

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### Director's Report for Health Commission Meeting of

February 19, 2013

*A current overview of issues affecting the state of public health in San Francisco*

<http://www.sfdph.org/dph/comupg/aboutdph/insideDept/dirRpts/default.asp>

#### **SFGH Honored for Business Leadership**

San Francisco General Hospital has been named by Jewish Vocational Services (JVS) of San Francisco as the winner of the 2013 **Business Leadership Award**. This award recognizes business leaders who have stepped forward to help individuals with barriers to employment succeed in today's economic environment. By supporting JVS in its mission of "transforming lives by helping people build skills and find jobs to achieve self-sufficiency," SFGH has employed JVS clients and worked as a collaborative partner with JVS for many years.

SFGH has partnered with JVS on efforts such as the RN Refresher Program, which provides clinical training for health care professionals from countries across the world as they prepare to take their RN licensing exam. SFGH has hired more than 120 people who have been trained in a JVS program for their healthcare jobs in RN, CNA, LVN or youth internship positions.

Although JVS and SFGH have different missions, each organization's mission compliments and supports the other. JVS is a leader in workforce development and has focused on the health care sector, providing training to those seeking to build new skills as well as looking to enhance skills. This past year JVS provided training at SFGH on customer service in primary care as well as leadership training for charge RNs. SFGH will receive this prestigious award on May 13 at the *Strictly Business Luncheon*.

#### **Community Clean Team Program**

Mayor Ed Lee wants all of us to know about and participate in the 2013 Community Clean Team program. The program partners with volunteers to clean, green and beautify San Francisco, district by district. The Community Clean Team kicked off a special Chinese New Year celebration in District 6 at U.N. Plaza on Saturday, February 9th. In addition to greening, cleaning and painting over graffiti, the City will offer a Gigantic 3 bulky-item drop-off program at locations in every district over the course of the year.

During 2013, the Community Clean Team will pay special attention to San Francisco's commercial corridors and the streets around them. The program also will be part of the Giant Sweep campaign, an exciting new anti-litter initiative that will partner with public and private schools, community groups and businesses to nurture a culture of clean through education and hands-on activities. Last year, nearly 6,000 San Franciscans volunteered 24,000 hours of their time to remove debris from our public realm and graffiti from nearly 47,000 square feet of public

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property. We planted more than 1,300 trees and plants; placed 7 tons of decomposed granite at tree basins to improve pedestrian safety; and landscaped and cleaned 55,000 square feet of center islands and sidewalks.

More information can be found online at [www.sfdph.org/volunteer](http://www.sfdph.org/volunteer). Please consider this announcement as an invitation to get involved in your corner of San Francisco and helping us keep it clean, green and beautiful all year long. A clean city is also a healthier city.

### **Bleach-free Guidelines Released**

The San Francisco Asthma Task Force has released a report, “*2013 Update: Bleach-free Disinfection and Sanitizing for Child Care*,” providing child care operators comprehensive information on how to meet infection control regulations with bleach-free products approved for that use. Many child care operators are moving away from bleach as their primary disinfectant and sanitizer because it has been recognized as an *asthmagen*, meaning a substance that can cause new asthma. Asthma is a chronic disease that has been progressively affecting a greater proportion of the US population over the past two decades without a single source of causation.

The *2013 Update* is a how-to guide for converting a single site to a bleach-free environment, replicating this intervention on a larger scale, and assuring that a child care site is prepared for communicable disease outbreaks. To access the report and associated training material, visit the following websites:

- San Francisco Asthma Task Force [www.sfgov.org/asthma](http://www.sfgov.org/asthma)
- Regional Asthma Management and Prevention [www.rampasthma.org](http://www.rampasthma.org)

In a 2008 pilot project to study this issue, the San Francisco Asthma Task Force found that in a single day, one child care worker could potentially spray bleach up to almost 100 times if cleaning is her/his designated duty for the day. Child care workers have reported that spraying bleach frequently throughout the day has caused respiratory distress, allergic reactions, and burns to skin/ clothing.

### **Grand Opening for New 3rd St Youth Center & Clinic**

3rd St Youth Center & Clinic is moving up, growing out of the renovated Bayview liquor store at 5190 3<sup>rd</sup> Street where we was started seven years ago, into a newly-built custom space at **1728 Bancroft and Third St.**, just four blocks down the street. The clinic and youth center is holding a **Grand Opening on Wednesday February 20th from 4 to 6 p.m.** to celebrate the move and the successful \$800,000 fundraising campaign that made it possible.

3rd St started as the unfunded idea of neighbor agencies and residents looking to fill a gap. The area had several agencies working with youth but none focused on health, despite the high rates of sexually transmitted infections, pregnancies, emotional trauma and other health problems. Through the help of dedicated staff and community partners, private foundations like the Hewlett Foundation and the Metta Fund, and the San Francisco Department of Public Health, that gap has been filled. Since its start, 3rd St has served over 2000 youth through its health clinic, mental health services, leadership programs and activities. They have trained dozens of youth as peer health educators and offered services at local schools. With the new larger and more customized space those services can now expand even further.

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I hope the Commissioners will join us at the Grand Opening to thank all those involved in the clinic's growth and to welcome the community to see what we have to offer the youth of Bayview Hunters Point. There will be food, entertainment and community and all are welcome. An invitation is attached to this Director's Report.

### ***Year of the Team in COPC***

Community Oriented Primary Care (COPC) coined 2012 the "Year of the Team" as medical assistants, health workers, and other non-licensed primary care staff continued to work hard on acquiring and further developing skills to engage patients and provide higher quality clinical care.

In January 2013, COPC management, with support from the San Francisco Health Plan and UCSF's Center for Excellence in Primary Care, held the very first COPC Clinical Care Assistant Appreciation Event to celebrate their staff's efforts and expanded roles in clinical care teams. Over 70 clinical staff from all 14 COPC Health Centers attended this inspirational and dynamic event where they met peers from other health centers, and shared experiences and success stories in providing quality patient care through panel management, health coaching, and "Sharing the Care" in clinical care teams.

COPC thanks all of our clinic staff for their efforts in this pivotal stage in the transformation of health care. Success in expanding these roles is a major building block for SFDPH primary care in meeting the goals of Healthcare Reform in 2014.

### **LHH Observes Black History Month**

Laguna Honda Hospital will celebrate Black History Month on February 21 from 1 -5 pm. Staff, residents and community members will participate in a program of music, story-telling, food and poetry in the Pavilion Cafe. The event will include employees from throughout the Department. DPH Community Programs staff member Wanetta Davis will sing the Black National Anthem. Staff members Toni Rucker and Vincent Fuqua will create a story-telling circle where hospital residents can share their life stories. A big thanks to Commissioner Belle Taylor-McGhee and Director Barbara Garcia for offering to kick off the celebration with opening remarks.

### **Laguna Honda Wellness Council**

The Laguna Honda Wellness Council continues to meet regularly to lay the groundwork for a hospital-based program offering classes in yoga, meditation, strength building and other stress reduction techniques open to community members. The Council consists of hospital staff and residents as well as Laguna Honda community partners from Kaiser, the University of California at San Francisco, and the wellness staff from San Francisco International Airport and the Health Service System. The goals of the program are to improve staff wellness and to open the hospital to community involvement. UCSF researchers are developing a survey to establish baseline data on staff wellness at the hospital.

### **Rebuild Community Meeting & Potrero Avenue Streetscape Workshop**

The Commissioners are invited to attend the upcoming **Spring Rebuild Community meeting**, scheduled for **Thursday, March 26, 6:30 – 8 p.m., 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Cafeteria, SFGH**. This public meeting is planned to be a very special event. Following the regular Rebuild update and discussion, staff from Public Works, Planning and SFMTA will share their plans for improvements on Potrero Ave. that will coincide with the completion of Rebuild construction.

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Commissioners, staff, neighbors and patients are invited to share their input on how to make Potrero Ave. safe, beautiful and accessible for patients, visitors, staff and neighbors.

We look forward to a good turn out from staff and community and hope the Commissioners are able to attend as well.

### **Healthy Homes Assessment for WIC Families**

Children's Environmental Health Promotion (CEHP) has partnered with Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Supplemental Nutrition Program to offer healthy homes assessment to WIC families. A first mailing to families in selected zip codes has already received a hearty response, detailing families' issues with pest infestation, mold, lack of heat and lead hazards. CEHP staff will ensure that relevant code enforcement follow up occurs and that families receive education in healthy homes risk factors within their control, knowledge of their housing rights and how to access code enforcement, and referral to other needed support services. In addition, families will be queried about food security, neighborhood social cohesion and other social determinants of health, to establish a profile of healthy neighborhood issues faced by low income families with young children in San Francisco.

### **Gender Competence and Cultural Humility Training Offered**

Commissioner Cecilia Chung will be kicking off two Gender Competence and Cultural Humility training sessions on February 21 and again on March 3, 1-4:40 p.m. at Carr Auditorium on the SFGH campus for DPH civil service and contract staff. The training sessions also include a film viewing of "Transgender Tuesdays: A Clinic in the Tenderloin" by Mark Freeman. Registration is free and education and training credits are available. We are deeply appreciative of Commissioner Chung's support and personal commitment to these training sessions. If any of the Commissioners would like to attend either of these sessions, please let my office know.

### **The *Please Touch* Community Garden**

The beautiful garden located next to 101 Grove Street is having a Garden Tea Party, Saturday, March 2, noon - 4:00. The Commissioners and staff are invited to a festive afternoon with an Alice in Wonderland theme, making this event a perfect opportunity to see how the garden continues to be transformed. There will be demonstrations of ongoing projects like soil building and potato towers, along with an opportunity to see and support upcoming projects such as a greenhouse and a natural building workshop. Those attending will also have the opportunity to participate in a fund-raising auction, enjoy talented performers, and, because it's a Wonderland experience—tea. Email [rob@enjoyro.com](mailto:rob@enjoyro.com) for more details or to volunteer at the garden.

**COMMUNITY HEALTH NETWORK  
SAN FRANCISCO GENERAL HOSPITAL & TRAUMA CENTER**

**FEBRUARY 2013  
Governing Body Report - Credentialing Summary  
(1/17/13 BUSINESS-MEC)**

	<b>2/2013</b>	<b>07/2012 to 06/2013</b>
<b>New Appointments</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>135</b>
Reinstatements	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Reappointments</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>354</b>
Delinquencies:	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Reappointment Denials:	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Resigned/Retired:</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>123</b>
<b>Disciplinary Actions</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Administrative Suspension</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Restriction/Limitation-Privileges</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Deceased</b>		
<b>Changes in Privileges</b>		
Voluntary Relinquishments	<b>10</b>	<b>100</b>
Additions	<b>12</b>	<b>108</b>
Proctorship Completed	<b>19</b>	<b>184</b>

<b>Current Statistics – as of 1/7/2013</b>		
Active Staff	<b>531</b>	
Courtesy Staff	<b>516</b>	
Affiliated Professionals (non-physicians)	<b>241</b>	
<b>TOTAL MEMBERS</b>	<b>1288</b>	

<b>Applications in Process</b>	<b>31</b>
<b>Applications Withdrawn Month of FEBRUARY 2013</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>SFGH Reappointments in Process 3/2013 to 5/2013</b>	<b>141</b>

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## FEBRUARY 2013

### Health Commission - Director of Health Report

(February 14, 2013 Medical Exec Committee)

	February	(FY 2012-2013) Month-to-Date
<b>New Appointments</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>
Reinstatements	0	0
<b>Reappointments</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>26</b>
Delinquencies:	0	0
Reappointment Denials:	0	0
<b>Resigned/Retired:</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>Disciplinary Actions</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Restriction/Limitation-Privileges</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Deceased</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Changes in Privileges</b>		
Additions	0	0
Voluntary Relinquishments	0	0
Proctorship Completed	0	13
Proctorship Extension	0	0

<b>Current Statistics – as of 2/1/2013</b>	
Active Medical Staff	35
As-Needed Medical Staff	12
External Consultant Medical Staff	47
Affiliated Professionals	6
<b>TOTAL MEMBERS</b>	<b>100</b>

<b>Applications in Process</b>	<b>1</b>
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