San Francisco Department of Public Health



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Director's Report for Health Commission Meeting of

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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

Launch of the San Francisco Health Network

Congratulations to all staff of the Department of Public Health and the San Francisco Health Network on a successful Network Launch Party that took place on July 30, 2014!

Simultaneous events took place at 28 sites around the city as staff joined together to celebrate the creation of the network and to recognize each other's contributions. The people of San Francisco are so lucky to have a health department, because we don't just serve the individual, we serve the city as a whole.

Reports from the field told us that 19 sites reached more than 1,080 people, lots of cake was consumed, snappy new badge clips now adorn lapels and the video message from me and Roland Pickens was seen all across town.

The Launch event owes its success to the combined efforts of many people. A big shout out to Nancy Sarieh who was the overall event coordinator. Also to members of the Network Marketing & Branding Committee, the IT department and those who applied special talent, elbow grease and determination to make the launch happen:

Thanks to....Marcellina Ogbu, Rachael Kagan, Mivic Hirose, Sue Currin, Mary Hansell, Leslie Dubbin, Toni Rucker, Jennifer Carton-Wade, Aiyana Johnson, Bill Kim, Nancy Sarieh, Baljeet Sangha, Linda Acosta, Chris Dunne, Arla Escontrias, Joshua Nossiter, Jeff Critchfield, Todd May, Margaret Damiano, Bill Blum, Gloria Wilder, Shermineh Jafarieh, Kathryn Horner, Alice Chen, Anna Robert, Michelle Ruggels, Ron Weigelt, Jo Robinson, Jacque McCright, Vanda Mendoza-Baptista, Linda Tan, Iman Nazeeri-Simmons, Diana Guevara, Denise Lopez, Kimvan Nguyen, Kim Oka, Tracey Packer, Jenine Smith, Diana Guevara, Dalia Rosendo, Ben Briones, Fidez Bituin, Joe Griffin, Jeff Burton, Patrick Alimorong, Kjeld Molvig, Laguna Honda's food services staff, the staff of the SFGH Wellness Center, the administrative staff at 101 Grove and 1380 Howard, and many, many more!

San Francisco Health Network: Your bridge to wellness!

Annual CDPH Survey at Laguna Honda

The annual Licensing and Certification Survey at Laguna Honda started on July 23 and concluded on July 30. The exit conference with the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) surveyors reported a zero percent medication error rate and no substandard of care findings. In addition, the annual Life Safety Survey started on July 29 and concluded on July 31. The Hospital will address identified findings from the two surveys while awaiting the written report from CDPH.

Environmental Health Measures Introduced by Supervisor Cohen to Improve Air Quality On July 15, San Francisco Supervisor Malia Cohen introduced ordinances at the San Francisco Board of Supervisors that update two current San Francisco laws: Enhanced Ventilation for Sensitive Use Development and Clean Construction.

- Enhanced Ventilation for Sensitive Use Development: In December 2013, the Health Commission passed Resolution 13-13, endorsing an ordinance to update the Health Code to enhanced ventilation requirements for sensitive use developments. This ordinance would require ventilation systems that have a specified level of air intake filtration for all residential and other sensitive use development within the defined Air Pollutant Exposure Zone. The Air Pollutant Exposure Zone is a map that identifies areas in the city vulnerable to air pollutants and was created by SFDPH, the Planning Department, and the Bay Area Air Quality Management District by modeling all stationary, area and mobile pollutant sources, as well as climatology data.
- Clean Construction: a companion measure to the enhanced ventilation requirement, calls for public projects to have Construction Emissions Minimization Plans and to monitor all such projects located within the defined Air Pollutant Exposure Zone.

SFDPH's Environmental Health Branch has been working over the past ten months with the Mayor's Office of Economic Development, the Planning Department, the Department of Building Inspection, the City Attorney, and Supervisor Cohen's office to update these two laws that protect air quality, to reflect better technologies now available and to offer developers greater compatibility with the Planning Department's environmental review process. Numerous community outreach and stakeholder meetings were held to build awareness of these proposed amendments.

SFHN Primary Care leadership announcement

I am pleased to announce the appointment of Ellen Chen as the new Director of Quality Improvement for San Francisco Health Network Primary Care. Dr. Chen currently serves as Medical Director of Silver Avenue Family Health Center and will continue in this role when she joins the Primary Care Leadership Team as our Director of Quality Improvement.

Youth-led Nutrition efforts helping to create healthier food environments in SF

Youth Leadership Institute's youth-led action in creating healthier food environments received funding and support from Center for Disease Control's Community Transformation Grant through the San Francisco Department of Public Health's Community Transformation Initiative (CTI). San Francisco CTI is a city-wide chronic disease prevention strategy focused on policy,

system and environmental change in healthy eating, active living, quality clinical preventative services and tobacco-free living.

Nutrition Soldiers, a group of youth leaders from Bayview who worked on a healthy messaging campaign, have been recognized by the American Public Health Association (APHA) and will be presenting at the annual APHA conference this year in New Orleans. Nutrition Soldiers is a program of the Youth Leadership Institute that engaged youth leaders between the ages of 14 and 16 to enhance corner store transformations by developing healthy messages that were displayed along the 3rd Street corridor in Bayview.

Currently, Youth Leadership Institute's youth leaders are working with retailers from various neighborhoods of San Francisco to build relationships, assess stores, and provide merchants with recommendations on ways the store can provide healthier options for their customers. Youth have been working with merchants in the Mission, Excelsior, and San Bruno Ave corridor, connecting merchants to the Healthy Retail SF Program. Youth Leadership Institute's exceptional work is training and empowering San Francisco's youth to take the lead in creating healthy environments for themselves and their community!

Health-related Legislation Passed by the Board of Supervisors in July

The following health-related legislation was passed at the San Francisco Board of Supervisors in July:

- Assisted Outpatient Treatment ("Laura's Law") Requires SFDPH to implement a courtordered Assisted Outpatient Treatment program for individuals with severe mental illness who meet strict eligibility criteria.
- Tax on Sugar-Sweetened Beverages to Fund Food and Health Programs Places on the November 4, 2014 ballot, an ordinance imposing a tax of two cents per ounce on the distribution of sugar-sweetened beverages, to fund City-operated programs and City grants for active recreation and improving food access, health, and nutrition, and to fund San Francisco Unified School District physical education, after-school physical activity, health, or nutrition programs, and school lunch and other school nutrition programs.
- Interim Moratorium on Change of Institutional Use in a Portion of the University Mound Neighborhood Following a hearing on July 22 regarding the proposed closure of University Mound Ladies Home, a residential care facility for the elderly, and the potential sale of the property to a private school, this urgency ordinance approves an interim zoning moratorium on any change of institutional use for an area incorporating University Mound Ladies Home.

Healthy Heroes

The Bayview HEAL Zone proudly launched its Healthy Heroes campaign on July 21, highlighting the healthy actions of eight community members. The campaign is currently running on Muni transit shelters along the Third St corridor and is accompanied by a moving video which can be found at: http://southeastfoodaccess.org/899-2. The campaign was developed under the leadership of Food Guardian Kenneth Hill with the support of the HEAL Zone staff.

SFGH Strides in Sepsis Care Reach National Heights

All hospitals face the challenge of keeping patients safe from sepsis, which is rising in prevalence and can be deadly. Sepsis is an immunological response the body may have to an infection that can cause organ damage and if untreated, can be fatal. Even though there are over 700,000 cases nationally, it is difficult to diagnose and has historically high mortality rates.

San Francisco General Hospital and Trauma Center's concerted efforts to reduce the risk of sepsis have been successful, as not only has the sepsis mortality rate decreased from 20% in 2010 to 10.7% in 2013, but also, new data ranks The General in the top five university teaching hospitals in the Sepsis Mortality Index.

The General is dedicated to improving clinical quality, and reducing the sepsis mortality rate is critical in achieving this. After taking steps towards reducing sepsis since 2006, a multi-disciplinary sepsis team was formed in 2011 order to gather and analyze data and to approach the problem from all angles. The team formalized educational efforts for all staff, brought in integrated screening tools for *all* inpatients and emergency department patients, and built a database system in order to provide staff with comprehensive data each month.

It is through the support of the Medicaid (Medi-Cal) waiver that California public hospitals like The General are able to continue to work to become even safer and prepare for health reform.

The Whistleblower Program, operated by the Controller's Office, receives complaints regarding the misuse of City funds, improper activities by City officers and employees, deficiencies in the quality and delivery of government services, and wasteful and inefficient City government practices. There are a number of ways to file a complaint. Go to www.sfcontroller.org and click on the Frequently Requested tab to access the Whistleblower complaint instructions in the drop down menu.

LAGUNA HONDA HOSPITAL AND REHABILITATION CENTER

JULY 2014

Health Commission - Director of Health Report

(July 10, 2014 Medical Exec Committee)

	(FY 2014-2015)	
	July	Year-to-Date
New Appointments	2	2
Reinstatements	0	0
Reappointments	2	2
Delinquencies:	0	0
Reappointment Denials:	0	0
Resigned/Retired:	1	1
Disciplinary Actions	0	0
Administrative Suspension	1	1
Restriction/Limitation-Privileges	0	0
Deceased	0	0
Changes in Privileges		
Additions	0	0
Voluntary Relinquishments	0	0
Proctorship Completed	0	0
Proctorship Extension	0	0

Current Statistics – as of 7/1/2014	
Active Medical Staff	35
As-Needed Medical Staff	14
External Consultant Medical Staff	42
Courtesy Medical Staff	1
Affiliated Professionals	7
TOTAL MEMBERS	99

Applications in Process	5
Applications Withdrawn Month of July 2014	0

COMMUNITY HEALTH NETWORK SAN FRANCISCO GENERAL HOSPITAL & TRAUMA CENTER

JULY 2014

Governing Body Report - Credentialing Summary (6/19/14 BUSINESS-MEC)

	07/2014	07/2014 to 06/2015
New Appointments Reinstatements	11	11
Reappointments Delinquencies: Reappointment Denials:	47	47
Resigned/Retired: Disciplinary Actions Administrative Suspension	17	17
Restriction/Limitation-Privileges		
Deceased		
Changes in Privileges Voluntary Relinquishments Additions Proctorship Completed	14 6 16	14 6 16

Current Statistics – as of 6/2/14		
Active Staff	541	
Courtesy Staff	485	
Affiliated Professionals (non-physicians)	260	
TOTAL MEMBERS	1,286	

Applications in Process	97
Applications Withdrawn Month of JULY 2014	1
SFGH Reappointments in Process 8/2014 to 10/2014	174