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Director's Report for Health Commission Meeting of January 17, 2017

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

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State of California Governor's Proposed Budget FY 2017-2018 – Health and Human Services

On Tuesday, January 10th, Governor Jerry Brown released his proposed \$179.5 billion dollar state budget for fiscal year 2017-2018. The State is projected to run a \$1.6-billion deficit by next summer and the budget the Governor released seeks to resolve the shortfall by slowing the previously expected growth in public school funding and rolling back a series of one-time expenses discussed during last year's budget negotiations.

The budget maintains the state's commitment to the Medi-Cal program which is expected to cover 14.3 million Californians, over one-third of the state's population, and continues funding for all children regardless of immigration status. The Governor's budget does not take into account a repeal of the Affordable Care Act, which would be unlikely to be implemented in the budget year. The Governor's proposal acknowledges that a complete repeal of the Affordable Care Act, without a replacement program, would impact millions of Californians' health benefits and disrupt the private insurance market. California could potentially lose as much as \$17.3 billion dollars in federal funding for the state's expanded Medi-Cal program in 2017-18.

Last November, voters passed two major initiatives that have budget impacts, Proposition 56, the Tobacco Tax Initiative and Proposition 64, the legalization of adult use cannabis. Proposition 56 increases the cigarette excise tax by \$2 per pack with an equivalent increase on other tobacco products and e-cigarettes. Revenues from this proposition will largely go to support new growth in Medi-Cal expenditures and support other health related initiatives. The passage of Proposition 64 has created a need for a combined regulatory structure for both the medical cannabis and the

adult use cannabis programs. The budget proposed a \$52.2 million loan, which will be extended from the General Fund, to fund regulatory activities, processing licenses, and enforcement.

The overall proposed expenditures for Health and Human Services are relatively flat compared to the previous budget. Health highlights include:

- A \$2 billion bond secured by a portion of future Proposition 63 Mental Health Services Act revenues, subject to court validation, to address homelessness for individuals with mental health needs through the provision of permanent supportive housing
- Continuation of full-scope Medi-Cal for undocumented children at a cost of \$279 million for an estimated 185,000 children
- \$536 million to backfill anticipated federal funding decreases for the Children’s Health Insurance Program
- A projection of \$48 million in savings by transitioning coverage of new immigrant adults without children from Medi-Cal to Covered California
- Discontinuation of the Coordinated Care Initiative for dual Medi-Cal/Medicare eligibles
- Allocation of new tax revenue funded by the last election’s ballot initiatives to cover increased Medi-Cal costs.

Nancy Pelosi, Barbara Lee and Jackie Speier Speak Out Against Repeal of ACA

Congresswomen Nancy Pelosi, Barbara Lee and Jackie Speier spoke at two locations in the City including Zuckerberg San Francisco General and City Hall to talk about the gains made under the ACA the necessity of maintaining healthcare coverage for those Americans in greatest need. At ZSFG, patients spoke out about the care they have received since the ACA and what an appeal would mean to them. Barbara Lee noted that levels of the uninsured dropped to their lowest level after the ACA and that the most helped were low income individuals, as well as African American, Latino and Asian and Pacific Islander populations. Said speaker Nancy Pelosi, “The ACA is about keeping America healthy.”

Bay Area Public Health Departments declare Flu Widespread in the Bay Area

Public Health Departments around the Bay Area have announced that influenza activity is increasing and has reached “widespread” levels. Areas with the most influenza activity in the state include the Bay Area.

Flu specimens that have been tested match very closely to the current vaccine strains, which means the vaccine is expected to provide good protection against the flu. People at highest risk for severe complications from influenza include adults 65 years of age and older, children less than 5 years old, pregnant women and those with certain medical conditions like asthma, heart disease and weakened immune systems.

In San Francisco, we are working closely with long term care and assisted living facilities to offer guidance for flu prevention and response.

Electronic Health Record goes out for Request for Proposal

Our effort to pursue an Electronic Health Record is well underway. We learned much from our DPH-Apex attempt, and have used that information to go forward. Our Request for Proposal

(RFP) for an Electronic Health Record is set to go out today. We expect to have demos in July and to make an award by August 31, 2017. We hope to start January 2018 with a new Electronic Health Record. Staff have been informed of the very strict guidelines that exist for the RFP process and were cautioned not to discuss specifics or vendors in order to maintain a fair and ethical RFP process.

Community Meetings held for UCSF Research Building Planning

UCSF and SFDPH leaders joined recently with community members to discuss plans for the new UCSF Research Building on the ZSFG campus. Meetings have been held in various venues to accommodate as many voices as possible, including a local restaurant in the Mission, the Umqua Bank in Potrero Hill and at the ZSFG Wellness Center. Community members have expressed concern regarding the changing nature of the mission district community. UCSF leaders have committed to open and clear lines of communication with the community on an ongoing basis as this important facility is created.

REAL (Race, Ethnicity, and Language) Data Collection

Many health inequities exist in San Francisco, for example, African American/Black residents have much higher rates of hospitalization for hypertension compared to all others. In order to address these disparities, it is important that we track information on race, ethnicity and language (REAL). In addition, collecting REAL data is necessary for us to receive our full share of Medi-Cal revenue. In the next few months, posters will be going up in clinics around the SF Health Network to let patients know why it is important that we collect this information. We'll also be rolling out a standard approach to collecting this data. Why? Patients are more likely to share this personal information when asked by respectful and trained staff who can explain and answer questions or concerns about providing this information. Plus, we want to support our front-line staff to be sure that they have the tools and training to do this important work. Training began the week of January 9th. As we train, we'll be changing workflows for eligibility workers, specialty and ancillary staff who check-in patients to fill out demographic intake forms. Collecting accurate and timely REAL data is more important than ever, in order to best serve our patients!

Healthy Retail SF Program Update

The Healthy Retail SF Program has held various events the past several months, including two store redesigns and two community Grand Re-Opening events. Fox Market at 570 Larkin Street in the Tenderloin and Palou Market at 4919 3rd Street. in the Bayview are the eighth and ninth stores to be redesigned as participants of the program, receiving equipment (shelving and produce refrigeration), training, healthy promotional signage, connections with resident leaders, and other technical assistance. Both stores are on path to becoming healthy retailers and are now able to sell more fruits and vegetables, healthy snacks and groceries to their communities. Palou Market was proud to host Mayor Ed Lee, SF Health Officer Tomás Aragón, and Supervisor Mar in late October, as well as host a community event at the store, giving away reusable shopping bags and fruit. Fox Market celebrated their Grand Re-Opening with a ribbon cutting ceremony with activities, speakers, and taste testings. Also, Lee's Market at 1397 Revere St. in the Bayview, the first store to participate in the Program, celebrated their "graduation" from Healthy Retail SF, as they have continued to provide the community with healthier food for over three years. There was free fruit and sandwiches, and Lee's Market received a Certificate of Honor

from Supervisor Malia Cohen and the Bayview Heal Zone. The Healthy Retail SF program is a partnership between the Community Health Equity and Promotion Branch, Office of Education and Workforce Development office, the Bayview Heal Zone/Healthy Southeast Coalition and Tenderloin Healthy Corner Store Coalition.

Curry Senior Center Celebrates New Dining Room with Holiday Meal and Gifts for Community

On December 23, 2016, 300 low-income and homeless seniors in the Tenderloin were treated to holiday meals, gifts and activities. David Knego, Curry Executive Director, and Valerie Williams, Curry Health Center Director, along with a Representative from Supervisor Jane Kim's Office, Frank Billante of Home Instead Senior Care, Ballow Yu from Walgreens and volunteers were on hand to serve the meal and hand out gift bags. Curry Center's Dining Hall & Community Room which serves breakfast and lunch seven days a week to homeless seniors had been closed for five weeks for renovations. Thank you to Home Instead Senior Care, Walgreens stores in San Francisco, Kaiser, CPMC, Project Open Hand, American Academy of Ophthalmology and HDR Architects for the donated gift bags.

Trauma Informed Systems Training Expands

SFDPH has joined other localities like the City of Philadelphia and the State of Maine in implementing a system-wide Trauma Informed System Initiative to help us realize, recognize and respond to trauma and its effects on ourselves, our colleagues and our system. They will be holding half day trainings that will explore the application of six principles of trauma-informed systems: Trauma Understanding, Safety and Stability, Cultural Humility and Responsiveness, Compassion and Dependability, Resilience and Recovery, and Empowerment and Collaboration. All staff are encouraged to attend. There are plenty of spaces in the upcoming Jan 26th training. For more information, contact lisa.reyes@sfdph.org 415-255-3613

Pride Planning Committee

It is time to start planning the 47th LGBT Pride Parade. Last year's contingent was our biggest yet and we plan to get larger! If you haven't marched in the parade before, it is a wonderful and heartwarming event. The event will be held Sunday, June 25th this year. All are welcome and if you are interested in helping plan the event, please contact Travis.touhey@sfdph.org.

Human Resources improves Family Medical Leave Process

On January 4th and 5th, Human Resources Director, Ron Weigelt hosted a rapid improvement process event for Family Medical Leave. The event brought together staff from payroll, human resources operations, labor relations, and disability accommodations. Family Medical Leave is managed by two groups created in the past year specifically for that purpose. By creating a unit designed to meet the family medical leave needs of staff, human resources had already improved service. The event discussed the process from start to finish, and mapped out the processes used at the ZSFG human resources office and those used at the LHH and Central office. The result was that the best practices of each unit were established as the standard method to be used by both. Processes were reviewed that included payroll (including time keeping), labor relations, disability accommodations, and the interface with Occupational Health. The end result of the

rapid improvement process event is that service will be improved for both staff and management, with an eye towards improved communication, streamlining of processes, and timely response rates. A follow up event will be held the first week of May 2017, to ensure improvements agreed upon remain on track.

Human Resources Improves Employee Separation Issues

In 2015 and 2016, the Office of the Controller's City Services Auditor Division (CSA), conducted an audit of the employee separation process of the Department of Public Health. The audit found that Public Health does not track the system access it grants to contractors and does not always deactivate information technology accounts of employees and contractors who separate from the department. HR is now implementing counter measures to ensure all of our systems are promptly notified and respond when employees or partners no longer work for or with our organization. Population Health has generously offered the assistance of a project manager (Darlene Daevu) towards this process improvement task. Darlene will assist HR in the area of equipment issuing and retrieval, ID badge and facility access management, payroll termination, and related key tasks.

SFDPH in the news:

Study shows injection drug use increase in youth and African Americans, Anna Harrison Post doc scholar at ZSFG <http://www.healio.com/psychiatry/journals/psycann/2017-1-47-1/%7Bd8fe7c6b-d690-4b2e-a800-662e59c78cc5%7D/the-epidemiology-of-injection-drug-use>

Queer Activists including SFGH Volunteer "Brownie Mary" to thank for Medical Marijuana in California <https://www.merryjane.com/culture/queer-activists-medical-marijuana-california-history>

ZSFG Medical students show their support for Affordable Care Act <http://sfpublicpress.org/news-notes/2017-01/bay-area-perspectives-on-the-affordable-care-act-0>

Genomic Sequencing Illuminates Recent Shigella Outbreaks in California <http://www.clpmag.com/2017/01/genomic-sequencing-illuminates-recent-shigella-outbreaks-california/>

Medicaid's Data Gets an Internet-era Makeover https://www.nytimes.com/2017/01/09/technology/medicaids-data-gets-an-internet-era-makeover.html?_r=0

Pittsburg patterns HIV prevention on SF programs <http://triblive.com/news/healthnow/11647444-74/hiv-mosley-pittsburgh>

Food as Medicine: Therapeutic Food Pantry <https://ww2.kqed.org/futureofyou/2017/01/09/food-as-medicine-its-not-just-a-fringe-idea-anymore/>

Hyman Scott cited in article detailing PrEP effort to reach African American MSM <https://www.poz.com/article/prep-dream-deferred>

Nancy Pelosi, Barbara Lee, Jackie Speier rally against repeal of ACA at ZSFG <http://www.sfchronicle.com/politics/article/Pelosi-and-other-Democrats-fight-GOP-effort-to-10842432.php>

Health Officials warn flu outbreak is widespread in Bay Area <http://www.sfexaminer.com/officials-warn-flu-outbreak-widespread-bay-area/>

Jeff Sheehy, of UCSF AIDS Research Institute appointed as District 8 Supervisor: <https://www.ucsf.edu/news/2017/01/405456/jeff-sheehy-ucsf-aids-research-institute-appointed-san-francisco-supervisor>

AIDS is Everyday, a calendar of the history of the AIDS crisis: <https://www.poz.com/article/aids-is-everyday-january>

SF's sluggish progress in accommodating transgender jail inmates: <http://www.sfchronicle.com/crime/article/SF-s-sluggish-progress-in-accommodating-10836075.php>

Big move, big bucks: SFDPH plans to relocate <http://www.sfexaminer.com/big-move-big-bucks-sf-department-public-health-plans-relocate/>

Implementing Prop. 64 (legalized cannabis) in San Francisco <http://www.capoliticalreview.com/capoliticalnewsandviews/recreational-marijuana-sparks-new-industries-in-sf-but-side-effects-could-kill-buzz/>

Suspects arrested in Tenderloin Shooting that occurred outside Tom Waddell Urban Health Clinic <http://hoodline.com/2017/01/suspects-arrested-in-tenderloin-mission-district-homicides-last-week>

SF police see progress in dealing with people in mental crisis <http://www.sfchronicle.com/bayarea/article/SF-police-see-progress-in-dealing-with-people-in-10831301.php>

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

January 2017
Governing Body Report - Credentialing Summary
(1/19/17 MEC)

	1/2017	07/2016 to 07/2017
New Appointments	13	179
Reinstatements		
Reappointments	23	307
Delinquencies:		
Reappointment Denials:		
Resigned/Retired:	9	150
Disciplinary Actions		
Administrative Suspension		
Restriction/Limitation-Privileges		
Deceased		
Changes in Privileges		
Voluntary Relinquishments	6	61
Additions	5	61
Proctorship Completed	9	126

Current Statistics – as of 12/29/16		
Active Staff	558	
Courtesy Staff	525	
Affiliated Professionals (non-physicians)	267	
TOTAL MEMBERS	1,350	

Applications in Process	24
Applications Withdrawn Month of January 2017	0
SFGH Reappointments in Process 2/2017 to 4/2017	130

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JANUARY 2017

Health Commission - Director of Health Report

(January 5, 2017 Medical Exec Committee)

	January	(FY 2016-2017) Year-to-Date
New Appointments	1	8
Reinstatements	0	0
Reappointments	2	25
Delinquencies:	0	0
Reappointment Denials:	0	0
Resigned/Retired	0	9
Disciplinary Actions	0	0
Administrative Suspension (for month of December)	2	8
Restriction/Limitation-Privileges	0	0
Deceased	0	0
Changes in Privileges		
Additions	0	0
Voluntary Relinquishments	0	0
Proctorship Completed	2	7
Proctorship Extension	0	1

Current Statistics – as of 1/3/2017	
Active Medical Staff	35
As-Needed Medical Staff	11
External Consultant Medical Staff	47
Courtesy Medical Staff	2
Affiliated Professionals	15
TOTAL MEMBERS	110

Applications in Process	0
Applications Withdrawn this month	0