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Director's Report for Health Commission Meeting of January 15, 2019

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>

Governor Newsom Proposes New Health Care Plan

On January 7th, after being sworn in as Governor of California, Gov. Gavin Newsom unveiled several executive actions and budget proposals aimed at increasing access to health care, controlling prescription drug pricing, and reducing health-related inequality. The plan includes reinstating the Affordable Care Act's individual mandate, expanding health care for undocumented immigrants up to age 26, consolidating the state's prescription drug purchases into a state-run program to create greater leverage and negotiate lower prescription drug costs, requesting permission from the Federal Administration for California to pursue a single payer government-funded health care system, and establishing a California surgeon general charged with reducing health-related inequality in the state. Some proposals will be included in Newsom's state budget and reviewed in the coming months by the Legislature, with details and costs to be filled in.

SF sees first flu death of the season

On January 9th, health officials announced that an adult San Francisco resident died from influenza-related causes. This is the first flu-associated death of the season in San Francisco, and serves as a reminder to get vaccinated and practice prevention.

San Francisco residents are encouraged to get their flu shot, if they have not already received it. The flu season can continue into the spring so it's not too late for a flu vaccine. The strains of influenza change over time, so it's important to get vaccinated every year. Everyone can take steps to prevent the spread of the flu

Food Security in San Francisco

On December 20th, 2018, the San Francisco Food Security Task Force released the 2018 Assessment of Food Security in San Francisco. The report examined data from federal, state and locally funded food programs in order to develop recommendations for policies and systems to support gaps in San



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Francisco's food needs. The 2018 Assessment serves as a five-year update to the landmark 2013 Food Security Assessment Report. Important gains since 2013 include continued budget investments and critical new policies; expanded funding for food programs for seniors and people with disabilities; vouchers and incentives offering additional financial resources to purchase fruits and vegetables; partnerships delivering free groceries to the homes of seniors and adults with disabilities; the launch of a new collaborative to support the health and nutrition of people living in SROs; and sponsors of nutrition programs for children and youth expanding the number of "out of school" meal and pantry programs.

While important progress has been made in the food security network, the 2018 Assessment cites concerning declines for our most vulnerable residents. As the population of San Francisco has grown, the number of San Franciscans at high risk for food insecurity due to low income has also increased. The report explores some of the economic conditions that contributed to food insecurity intensifying and offer recommendations that ensure adequate food resources for all food insecure San Franciscans. The Health Commission will vote on a food security resolution on January 15th, 2019.

SF LEAD Program Marks One Year Anniversary

On December 12th, 2018, the San Francisco Police Department announced 236 successful referrals to the Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion (LEAD) program in just over a year. LEAD SF is designed to reduce recidivism by low-level drug and alcohol offenders and improve their health and housing status through greater collaboration between city agencies and community-based organizations.

Modeled after a similar program in Seattle, Washington, LEAD SF is a multi-agency collaborative project that includes the Police Department, the Department of Public Health, the Adult Probation Department, the District Attorney's Office, the Public Defender's Office, the Sheriff's Department and Bay Area Rapid Transit Police. The program enables law enforcement officers to redirect low-level offenders engaged in drug or alcohol-related activity to community-based services instead of jail and prosecution.

LEAD SF is funded by a 26-month grant by the Board of State and Community Corrections. The program is focused on San Francisco's Tenderloin and Mission districts, with referrals made by SFPD and BART police officers and SFSD deputies. Community partners include the Drug Policy Alliance, the Felton Institute, Glide harm Reduction and the San Francisco Public Health Foundation.



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Health Department Receives State Traffic Safety Grant to support Vision Zero initiative

A \$75,000 grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) to the Department of Public Health (DPH) will fund the year-long program that will focus on community outreach and education on pedestrian and bicycle safety to multi-lingual communities and communities of color, as well as homeless and marginally housed residents and service providers. The project will target community engagement, outreach and education activities for communities on the city's high injury network – where 75 percent of traffic deaths and severe injuries including those walking and biking occur on just 13 percent of city streets.

Educational efforts funded by the OTS grant will leverage the ongoing Vision Zero SF partnerships and activities to promote safety for pedestrians and bicyclists, including translation of outreach materials into Chinese, Spanish and other languages - with more targeted outreach to vulnerable communities. Funding for this bicycle and pedestrian safety education program was provided by a grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

Behavioral Health Services Staff Receives Statewide Award

Behavioral Health Services staff, Jose Orberta, has been selected by the County Behavioral Health Director's Association (CBHDA) of California to receive the 2018 Storyteller Award, as part of CBHDA 2nd Annual Community Awards. Each year, the CBHDA recognizes impactful individuals in the field of behavioral health in California.

Jose Orbeta began working as a peer counselor within the San Francisco public behavioral health system six years ago. Jose started his employment with San Francisco Study Center then later hired by RAMS, Inc. As a bilingual/bicultural person with lived experience, Jose quickly became a client favorite. In August 2018, Jose began a new position with the City and County of San Francisco as a Health Worker II, working with the Assisted Outpatient Treatment program.

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ZUCKERBERG SAN FRANCISCO GENERAL HOSPITAL & TRAUMA CENTER

December 2018

Governing Body Report - Credentialing Summary

(12/10/18 MEC)

	12/2018	07/2018 to 07/2019
New Appointments	7	142
Reinstatements		
Reappointments	31	265
Delinquencies:		
Reappointment Denials:		
Resigned/Retired:	7	118
Disciplinary Actions		
Administrative Suspension		
Restriction/Limitation-Privileges		
Deceased		
Changes in Privileges		
Voluntary Relinquishments	7	76
Additions	4	75
Proctorship Completed	14	122

Current Statistics – as of 8/1/18		
Active Staff	561	
Courtesy Staff	543	
Affiliated Professionals (non-physicians)	274	
TOTAL MEMBERS	1,378	

Applications in Process	17
Applications Withdrawn Month of November 2018	0
SFGH Reappointments in Process 01/01/2018 to 03/31/2019	130



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LAGUNA HONDA HOSPITAL AND REHABILITATION CENTER

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Health Commission - Director of Health Report
(12/6/18 MEC)

	December	(FY 2018-2019) Year-to-Date
New Appointments	1	12
Reinstatements	0	0
Reappointments	1	32
Delinquencies:	0	0
Reappointment Denials:	0	0
Resigned/Retired	3	10
Disciplinary Actions	0	0
Restriction/Limitation-Privileges	0	0
Deceased	0	0
Changes in Privileges		
Additions	0	0
Voluntary Relinquishments	0	0
Proctorship Completed	1	2
Proctorship Extension	0	0

Current Statistics – as of 07/31/2018	
Active Medical Staff	33
As-Needed Medical Staff	15
External Consultant Medical Staff	45
Courtesy Medical Staff	2
Affiliated Health Practitioners	14
TOTAL MEMBERS	109

Applications in Process	1
Applications Withdrawn this month	0