MEMORANDUM

DATE: April 1, 2015

TO: Dr. Edward Chow, Health Commission President, and Members of the Health Commission

THROUGH: Barbara A. Garcia, Director of Health

THROUGH: Colleen Chawla, Deputy Director of Health and Director of Policy & Planning

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RE: Mission Neighborhood Community Health Profile

In preparation for the Health Commission’s April 7, 2015 meeting at Mission Neighborhood Centers, this memorandum provides a profile of community health in San Francisco’s Mission neighborhood.

San Francisco’s Mission Neighborhood: Social Determinants of Health and the SFDPH Connection

Executive Summary

The Mission neighborhood of San Francisco possesses a diverse and vibrant community with many advantages and also some challenges. These attributes can be analyzed through a Social Determinants of Health framework with the following elements:

- **Neighborhood/Social and Community Context:** The Mission community is relatively young compared to San Francisco county, with significant White, Latino and Asian populations. A major social issue in the Mission is violence, which the community’s Roadmap to Peace initiative aims to curb.

- **Health and Healthcare:** Two of the most pressing health concerns in the Mission are chronic disease, which accounts for most of the community’s burden of disease, and, due to health disparities, obesity. Women in the Mission area have rates of adverse birth outcomes (i.e. preterm births and low birth weight) that are below the Citywide average, indicating a link between nearby health services access and better pregnancy outcomes. In terms of the service delivery that impacts such outcomes and health concerns, San Francisco General Hospital (SFGH) serves more Mission residents than any other hospital
in San Francisco, and recent infrastructural developments at SFGH, Sutter’s St. Luke’s Hospital, and the University of California - San Francisco’s Mission Bay campus may provide greater access to health services for Mission residents.

- **Economic Stability and Education:** Economic stability is a concern for many San Francisco residents, the Mission community included. The Department of Public Health is currently collaborating with Mayor Lee on Project 500, an initiative to aid the most vulnerable families in lifting themselves out of poverty. Finally, though the Mission neighborhood falls slightly below the Citywide average proportion of residents with a high school education or more, the community’s Mission Promise Neighborhoods initiative (in which Department of Public Health staff serves as advisors) aims to tackle this issue.

To build upon the Mission’s strengths and address its health challenges within the Social Determinants of Health framework, the San Francisco Department of Public Health (DPH) is committed to collaboration with the Mission community and other valuable stakeholders.

**District Map of San Francisco – the Mission Neighborhood**

![District Map of San Francisco – the Mission Neighborhood](image)

- **Population** - ~55,000
- **District** – 9 (Supervisor David Campos)
- **Zip code** - 94110

1 The 94110 zip code includes a larger section of San Francisco than the Mission neighborhood, but for the ease of gathering data, 94110 was used to collect relevant information. Similarly, other DPH documents used to create this report, such as the Healthcare Services Master Plan, combine data for the Mission neighborhood with that of Bernal Heights and the Excelsior area.
Social Determinants of Health and the San Francisco Community Health Improvement Plan

The Social Determinants of Health are a framework for describing key issues affecting health outcomes and underscore the notion that there are many factors affecting the ability for people to live healthy lives. Social determinants of health are conditions in the environment in which people are born, live, learn, work, play, worship and age that affect a wide range of health, functioning, and quality-of-life outcomes and risks. Healthy People 2020, a federal campaign to promote health, focuses on several main social determinants in achieving its goal:\(^2\)

- Neighborhood and Built Environment: crime/violence assessments, environmental conditions
- Social and Community Context: perceptions of discrimination and equity, social cohesion
- Health and Healthcare: access to health services and health literacy
- Economic Stability: assessments related to poverty, employment
- Education: graduation rates, language and literacy assessments

The San Francisco Department of Public Health embraces the aforementioned Social Determinants of Health framework, and this is reflected in the city’s 2012 Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP), which outlines specific community health goals based on rigorous assessments of health status and the factors affecting health in San Francisco. More specifically, the CHIP outlines three main priorities:\(^3\)

- Ensure Safe and Healthy Living Environments
- Increase Healthy Eating and Physical Activity
- Increase Access to Quality Healthcare and Services

These goals, and the more specific strategies the Department will use in achieving them, guide the Department’s work in fulfilling its obligation to ensure opportunities for good health in our communities. With a population of about 55,000, the Mission neighborhood possesses individuals with various health needs and challenges, and the Social Determinants of Health framework provides a useful lens for examining them.

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In order to plan for and sustain activities to improve health within a particular community, it is important to consider neighborhood characteristics and the context in which such activities will take place. The Mission neighborhood possesses a slightly younger population compared to San Francisco, with a larger proportion of its residents under the age of 44. In terms of race, Latino, Asian and White communities make up about ninety percent of the population, and the dominant languages spoken (i.e. English, Spanish and Asian) reflect this.\(^4\)

### Population Age - SF and Mission

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Source – American Community Survey, 2013

### Language Spoken at Home

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Source: San Francisco Health Improvement Partnership (SFHIP) 2015 data, at http://www.sfhip.org/.

\(^4\) See also SFDPH Healthcare Services Master Plan 2013 – Your Neighborhood at a Glance: Bernal Heights, Mission, Excelsior, OMI. See chart on next page for racial profile.
Though continuing to have a large proportion of Hispanic/Latino residents, the proportion of White residents has increased.

A comparison between the 2000 and 2010 census data shows an increasing White population and a decreasing Hispanic/Latino population.

Violence and safety are important community concerns

Two important concerns of Mission residents are violence and safety, especially at night. The Mission has higher rates of violent crime than other parts of San Francisco. The Mission’s Roadmap to Peace initiative, for which the Department of Public Health has provided funding, aims to address this concern with targeted approaches to improving health, education, employment, immigrant integration and affordable housing outcomes.

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Though the Department of Public Health monitors and considers other social determinants in the commission of its activities, DPH has the most direct connection to the health/healthcare social determinant. In terms of leading causes of death and hospitalizations, chronic disease (namely heart disease, diabetes, stroke and cancer) occupies much of the burden of disease at similar rates to the San Francisco average.

Obesity is a significant risk factor for chronic disease. In San Francisco, Latinos, which make up a large proportion of the Mission community, are at much greater risk for the condition than other ethnic groups. Pregnant women in the Mission have lower rates of low birth weight and preterm births than the Citywide average, and this data indicates a link between nearby health center access and positive birth outcomes, given the Mission’s close proximity to two medical centers, namely San Francisco General and St. Luke’s Hospital. This data confirms the need for continued DPH health services in the Mission.
Residents of the Mission frequent San Francisco General Hospital (SFGH) more than any other hospital in San Francisco. DPH provides primary care to Mission residents not only at its hospital-based outpatient clinics - Family Health Center, General Medicine Clinic, Children’s Health Center, Positive Health Program (for HIV positive patients) and Women’s Health Center – but also at its community-based sites – Potrero Hill Health Center and Castro Mission Health Center. SFGH is also the managed care hospital partner for two community primary care health centers located in the Mission – Mission Neighborhood Health Center, which sees the most patients of any primary care health center in the Mission, and the Native American Health Center. In addition, DPH provides behavioral health services in (or in close proximity to) the Mission at ten neighborhood sites, including the Mission Family Center and Mission Mental Health Services. Attachments A and B of this memorandum provide more information about DPH primary care and behavioral health sites in the Mission area.

SFDPH Service Sites in the Mission Area

SFDPH Primary Care Sites and Affiliated Partners

SFDPH Behavioral Health Sites and Affiliated Partners

7, 8, 9, 10, 11 – SFGH
Family Health Center
General Medicine Clinic
Children’s Health Center
Positive Health Program
Women’s Health Center

12 – Potrero Hill Health Center

19 – Castro Mission Health Center

2 – Mission Mental Health Services
3 – African American Alternatives
4 – Mission ACT
5 – SF Homeless Outreach Team
6 – Public Health Nurses
15 – Adult Behavioral Services
16 – Transitional Aged Youth
17 – Mission Family Center
25 – Educationally Related Mental Health Services
27 – Castro Mission Health Center

Recent investment and development in the healthcare infrastructure in areas surrounding the Mission bring new and improved health care resources.

DPH is preparing to open a new San Francisco General Hospital acute care and trauma building site at its Potrero Hill location. This new hospital will include two additional trauma rooms, three additional operating rooms, and double the size of the emergency department. In addition, 90 percent of the patient rooms in the new hospital will be private, further enhancing patient experience.

Sutter’s St. Luke’s Hospital is in the process of replacing its existing hospital with a new, seven-story, 120-bed acute-care hospital and medical office building. The new hospital, which is scheduled to open in 2020, will house two centers of excellence in senior care and community health.

Finally, a new University of California, San Francisco (UCSF) hospital complex serving children, women and cancer patients opened in early 2015. Patient experience was the driving force behind the new hospital complex’s design, and it features state-of-the-art technological and medical advancements.8

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As Mayor Lee noted in his 2015 State of the City address, economic stability is a major concern for many San Francisco residents. In the Mission, this concern is reflected in the available data. With respect to median household income, the Mission neighborhood falls below the San Francisco average. The Department of Public Health is currently collaborating with the Mayor’s office to address levels of poverty in the city through Project 500—an initiative aimed at aiding 500 of the most vulnerable families in lifting themselves out of poverty.

Median Household Income – San Francisco

Source: American Community Survey, 5-year Estimates, 2005-2009

City and County of San Francisco
Department of Public Health
Environmental Health Section
Available at www.thehdmt.org

2009 Dollars
- $10,486 - $27,000
- $27,000 - $41,000
- $41,000 - $67,000
- $67,000 - $80,000
- $80,000 - $125,777
Excluded because of small population

Mission - $63,623
SF - $70,040
Education

While the Mission neighborhood falls slightly below the citywide average for education attainment, the Mission Promise Neighborhoods community initiative, in partnership with DPH, aims to address the problem

Education can affect health status in a variety of ways. It has an impact on economic mobility (and hence accessibility of health services), as well as knowledge about positive health behaviors. The Mission falls slightly below the Citywide average proportion of residents with a high school education or more (85.1% compared to a Citywide average of 86.3%). Mission Promise Neighborhoods (MPN), an initiative in which DPH staff serve as advisors, aims to tackle remaining educational gaps. Initiated in 2012, MPN is a $30 million, 5-year initiative that uses a place-based model and evidence-based strategies to propel children and families towards financial and educational success, such as encouraging parents to discuss college with their children and providing family financial coaches. Among other foci, MPN initiatives also aim to increase physical activity and healthy eating in schools.

The Mission neighborhood of San Francisco is a dynamic and vibrant community, and the San Francisco Department of Public Health is committed to collaborating with the community to build upon its unique strengths to overcome health disparities and inequities.

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10 See Mission Promise Neighborhoods website, at http://missionpromise.org/.
## Attachment A – SFDPH Primary Care Health Service Sites and Affiliated Partners in the Mission Area

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| SFGH           | Family Health Center - #7       | San Francisco General Hospital, 995 Potrero Ave, Building 80, 1st and 5th floors | **Primary care for children, adolescents, adults, elderly and homebound patients**  
Services include:  
-continuity and urgent care for all ages  
-family planning  
-HIV family clinic  
-well child care  
-mental health services  
-social services  
-substance abuse counseling  
-special programs: teen clinic, pediatric oral health screening clinic for children < 5 years |
| SFGH           | General Medicine Clinic - #8    | San Francisco General Hospital, 1001 Potrero Ave, Main Building 5, 1st floor, 1M | **Comprehensive primary care for patients >18 years of age** |
| SFGH           | Children’s Health Center - #9   | San Francisco General Hospital, 1001 Potrero Ave, Main Building 5, 6th floor, 6M | **Comprehensive primary and urgent pediatric care for children from birth to 21 years of age.**  
Services include:  
-newborn clinic  
-childhood and adolescent vaccination clinic  
-phlebotomy  
-social work and counseling  
-mental health support |
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<td>1050 Wisconsin St, San Francisco, California 94107</td>
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<td>SFGH Affiliated Partner</td>
<td>Mission Neighborhood Health Center</td>
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<td>Health services for the medically underserved with a focus on Latino and Spanish-speaking populations. Services include: pediatric medicine, family planning and reproductive health, prenatal care, health education and nutrition, pharmacy</td>
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<td>OB-GYN care for women of adolescent to geriatric age Services include: prenatal care, gynecology, obstetrical services, pregnancy testing, STD screening and treatment, abortion services, special program: teen pregnancy clinic</td>
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SFDPH Division: San Francisco Department of Public Health

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