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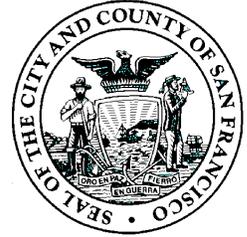
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MINUTES

HEALTH COMMISSION MEETING

Tuesday, December 1, 2015, 4:00 p.m.
101 Grove Street, Room 300 or Room 302
San Francisco, CA 94102

1) CALL TO ORDER

Present: Commissioner Edward A. Chow M.D., President
Commissioner Judith Karshmer, Ph.D, PMHCNS-BC
Commissioner David Pating, M.D.
Commissioner David J. Sanchez Jr., Ph.D.

Excused: Commissioner Cecilia Chung
Commissioner David B. Singer, Vice President
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The meeting was called to order at 4:09pm.

2) APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE HEALTH COMMISSION MEETING OF NOVEMBER 17, 2015

Action Taken: The Health Commission unanimously approved the minutes.

3) Barbara Garcia, Director of Health, gave the report. The full report can be viewed at:
<http://www.sfdph.org/dph/comupg/aboutdph/insideDept/dirRpts/default.asp>

Mayor Announces Milestone in the City's work in Support of Vision Zero

As part of the City's commitment to Vision Zero, the SFMTA developed a list of 24 expedited Vision Zero projects in February 2014 to improve safety on San Francisco's streets and sidewalks.

Just this year the SFMTA has moved quickly to:

- remove obstructions to improve visibility for all road users, particularly children walking or people in wheelchairs, at 119 intersections
- install painted safety zones at 27 intersections, reducing turning speeds and improve visibility
- painted high-visibility continental crosswalks at 123 intersections
- Modified traffic signal timing at 41 intersections to give people walking a head start

A study by the Department of Public Health found recently that as part of the Vision Zero effort, the City's Safe Streets SF program, which combined enforcement with educational marketing campaign, was successful in increasing by 3.2 percent the number of vehicles yielding for pedestrians.

Zuckerberg San Francisco General to receive 2015 Quality Leaders Award at CAPH Annual Conference

Zuckerberg San Francisco General will be given the 2015 California Association of Public Hospital's Quality Leaders Award in the category of "Data-Driven Organization" for their entry, "Improving Specialty Care Access in a Safety Net System: Assessment, Engagement, and Innovation." CAPH noted that the application stood apart because it addressed a significant health care challenge and meaningfully impacted patients' experience and quality of care. Congratulations to Lukejohn Day, Alice Chen, Iman Nazeeri-Simmons, Rosaly Ferrer, and Todd May. The award will be presented on Thursday at the annual CAPH conference.

The Department of Orthopaedic Surgery at Zuckerberg San Francisco General Hospital and Trauma Center celebrates the grand opening of the Orthotics and Prosthetics Center

At the Oct. 15 ceremony, Theodore Miclau, MD, vice chairman of orthopaedic surgery at UC San Francisco, explained that the first organized Orthotics and Prosthetics center at SFGH began in the basement of the hospital 22 years ago, where it remained until this October. The center has treated several thousand high-risk patients annually in recent years, and supplies more than 4,000 braces to patients each year.

According to a 2013 study, patients who receive amputations require an average of 2.2 procedures and stay in the hospital for more than 30 days. Some of these stays are due to prosthetic wear, while others are because patients lack adequate access to quality care. While these patients may have been treated elsewhere in the past, the new center now offers a state-of-the-art facility for their care. The new center is funded by two Heroes and Hearts grants from the SF General Foundation and a grant from the George H. Sandy Foundation.

Director of Equity and Community Wellness Announced

The Behavioral Health division is pleased to announce that Rhea Bailey MPH has been named the Director of Equity and Community Wellness Programs for Children, Youth and Families. Ms. Bailey will be responsible for the implementation of key Mayoral and Department of Public Health antipoverty, wellness and equity initiatives serving children, youth, families and adults. Ms. Bailey will oversee the implementation of Wellness Centers at the four HOPE SF housing development sites including Potrero, Sunnydale, Hunters View and Alice Griffith.

HOPE SF is the nation's first large-scale public housing revitalization project to prioritize current residents while also investing in high-quality, sustainable housing and broad scale community development. HOPE SF will replace substandard housing with new housing while enabling residents to remain in their neighborhoods during the redevelopment. HOPE SF will serve as a stabilizing force in some of San Francisco's poorest neighborhoods, intended to help African-Americans and families of all colors to remain in the city.

The impact of institutional racism has contributed to impacted communities and impeded trust in the capacity for the delivery system to provide necessary services. Wellness centers embedded in each community are intended to provide nursing services to link residents to effective preventive care as well as manage and reduce the impact of chronic disease. Ms. Bailey will oversee the development and oversight of the implementation of the wellness centers at Hope SF Sites.

Commissioner Comments/Follow-Up:

Director Garcia introduced Eileen Loughran, Community Health Equity and Promotion, who answered questions regarding the SFDPH needle exchange activities.

Commissioner Chow asked if the SFDPH has a method of knowing that needle disposal sites are being used. Ms. Loughran stated that she receives regular reports from 311 in regard to complaints about needles; she uses these reports and community input to determine needle disposal sites.

Commissioner Chow noted that the SFDPH contracts with Walgreens for pharmacy services and suggested that this vendor be used as another source of needle disposal. Ms. Loughran stated that Walgreens pharmacies do already accept used needles.

Commissioner Pating noted that the San Francisco Fire Department sites offer restrooms to the public and may be another source of sites for used needle disposal. Ms. Loughran thanked Commissioner Pating for the suggestion.

Commissioner Karshmer suggested increasing the number of used needle sites exponentially; more sites would increase the convenience of sites for the public. Ms. Loughran stated the SFDPH is in ongoing conversations to increase the number of needle disposal sites in San Francisco.

Commissioner Sanchez asked if there is a SFDPH team that focuses on needle exchange and disposal activities. Director Garcia stated that the SFDPH is expanding this team and is hiring additional staff as quickly as possible.

4) GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

5) FINANCE AND PLANNING COMMITTEE

Commissioner Chow served as Chair and stated that the Committee recommended that the full Health Commission approve the December Contracts report. He also stated that the Committee discussed the SFDPH First Quarter Revenue and Expenditure Report and received a 6-month update on the revised Health Commission Contract Review policy; the Committee also gave feedback on the SFDPH FY14-15 Annual Report outline.

6) CONSENT CALENDAR

Action Taken: The following item was unanimously approved by the Health Commission:

- DECEMBER, 2015 CONTRACTS REPORT

7) GETTING TO ZERO UPDATE

Susan Buchbinder MD, Director, Bridge HIV, gave the presentation.

Commissioner Comments/Follow-Up:

Commissioner Pating congratulated Dr. Buchbinder, Director Garcia, and all those involved in the initiative for its wonderful accomplishments.

Commissioner Chow asked for more information on the care cascade data. Dr. Buchbinder stated that 83% of those newly diagnosed with HIV in San Francisco are immediately linked to treatment. However, the issue is retaining these patients in care over time.

Commissioner Karshmer stated that this initiative is an excellent example of an effective collective impact project.

Commissioner Sanchez thanked Dr. Buchbinder for the effective and innovative work and congratulated the SFDPH for its long-term commitment to fighting HIV.

8) STD UPDATE

Susan Phillip, Deputy Health Officer and Director, Disease Prevention and Control, gave the presentation.

Commissioner Comments/Follow-Up:

Commissioner Karshmer asked for more information regarding the timeline for the Black African American Health Initiative (BAAHI) and the men-who-have-sex-with-men (MSM) projects. Dr. Phillip stated that there will be a pilot of the BAAHI project in the next 5 months and the SFPH is working on a contract with the behavioral health consultant who will help develop the MSM activities.

Commissioner Sanchez thanked Dr. Phillip for a good report. He stated that it is a challenge to meet the needs of the diverse communities in San Francisco; he noted the importance of involving the community to ensure interventions are appropriately tailored.

Commissioner Pating requested an update on the SFPH STD initiatives at the Community and Public Health Committee. He added that media campaigns may be an important component of any effective interventions.

Commissioner Chow stated that the Health Commission is very interested in following the progress of the new STD initiatives outlined in this presentation and looks forward to updates in the 6-8 months at the Community and Public Health Committee.

9) OTHER BUSINESS:

This item was not discussed due to a lack of quorum of the Health Commission after item 8.

10) JOINT CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORTS

This item was not discussed due to a lack of quorum of the Health Commission after item 8.

11) COMMITTEE AGENDA SETTING

This item was not discussed due to a lack of quorum of the Health Commission after item 8.

12) CLOSED SESSION:

This item was deferred to the December 15, 2015 meeting due to a lack of quorum of the Health Commission after item 8.

A) Public comment on whether to convene in closed sessions and all matters pertaining to the closed sessions. California Govt. Code Section 54954.3.

B) CONFERENCE WITH CITY ATTORNEY -
Settlement of Lawsuit: Leonard Lee Collins, Jr. \$75,000.00

Motion that the Health Commission convene in closed session with the City Attorney for the purpose of conferring with, or receiving advice from, the City Attorney regarding the following existing litigation in which a proposed settlement is being considered by the Health Commission. Administrative Code Section 67.10(d) and California Government Code Sections 54956.9 and 54956.9(e)(3) permits this closed session. Discussion in open session concerning this matter would likely and unavoidably prejudice the position of the City in the pending lawsuit listed below:

Leonard Lee Collins, Jr. v. City and County of San Francisco, et al.
United States District Court, Case No. 13-3456 MEJ

C) Closed sessions.

(After a closed session, if one occurs, the Health Commission shall adopt a motion either to disclose or not to disclose.)

D. Reconvene in Open Session: Motions and vote on whether to disclose any or all of the closed session discussions, San Francisco Administrative Code Section 67.12(a)

13) ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:14pm.