



City and County of San Francisco
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Director's Report for Health Commission Meeting of December 6, 2016

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>

Post-Election Response Materials

Many of our staff, and especially our patients, are feeling anxious in this post-election environment. Patients are worried that their healthcare may be taken away. We want to assure our patients that their health insurance has not changed, that they can continue to receive care in our clinics and at our hospitals, and that San Francisco continues to be a sanctuary city. Post-election information and materials that support that message including presentations, posters and postcards are being produced in five languages and distributed. They can be found [here](#). Questions can be sent to post-election@sfdph.org.

Environmental Health conducts restaurant health inspection workshop at Chinese Chamber of Commerce

On Wednesday, November 30, 2016, The World Journal, KTSF, Sing Tao and other Chinese news outlets joined 30 restaurant owners and 10 health inspectors to review the most important health risks encountered during restaurant inspections. A presentation covering these risks in detail was given in Cantonese and a question and answer session at the end allowed for other concerns to be addressed. We look forward to continuing our partnership with the Chinese community so that all restaurants can thrive and keep the public safe with the support of the Health Department. The World Journal's articles are below. Translated versions are attached (using Google Translate).

CavityFree SF

CavityFree SF, the SF Health Improvement Partnership (SFHIP) Children's Oral Health Collaborative, co-led by SFDPH and UCSF, is a city-wide collective impact effort to prevent dental disease in our San Francisco children. This is a systems change effort involving a variety of agencies: non-governmental organizations (NGOs), small and large private medical practices and groups, Medi-Cal health plans, schools, and community centers. The overarching vision to eliminate dental cavities for all our children and eliminate the health disparity children-of-color and low-income children suffer. This collaborative has achieved the following successes:

- Integration of fluoride varnish application at the well-child visits, into 4 large medical clinics (Kaiser, SF Health Network, North East Medical Services and Mission Neighborhood Health Center)
- Increasing access to care at HeadStart and preschool sites: MCAH Child Care Health Program has instituted Fluoride Varnish in all 50 of their childcare sites, with 80 percent of all children screened receiving Fluoride Varnish in 15/16.
- Developed a handbook for Head Start sites to be locations where Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC) can provide services and bill Medi-Cal legally. This handbook was utilized by all three SF Head Start agencies and they have standardized and calibrated their data collection and reporting.
- Denti-Cal utilization data request submitted to the state to better assess the current state of our Denti-Cal children.
- Mayor Ed Lee and the Board of Supervisors approved funding to support the efforts of the collaborative by hiring an Oral Health Program Coordinator in April 2016 and by

providing infrastructure development for three community-based children's oral health task forces in the Mission, Bayview-Hunters Point, and Chinatown.

Protecting against malware and ransomware at SFDPH

Healthcare organizations are increasingly targeted by ransomware due to the value of protected health information. On Wednesday, November 30, 2016, in response to the recent SFMTA ransomware attack, SFDPH began restricting access to social media sites identified as security risks. The restricted sites currently include Facebook and LinkedIn, but may include more in the future. Facebook and LinkedIn are both vulnerable to infecting computers via modified image files. Simply clicking on an image or downloading an image could encrypt and corrupt our entire network. We hope to restore access as soon as we can declare these sites to be safe for use.

New Food Expenditure, Healthy Food and Vending Policies

Two recently updated food policies have been developed and will be available on the SFDPH website. The first is a food expenditure and healthy food policy, which clarifies the protocols and guidelines for purchasing food and beverages with SFDPH funds. The second is a healthy vending policy outlining the types of food and beverages that are permitted within vending machines at the Department of Public Health. These guidelines will ensure that all SFDPH employees have clear direction about how to make food and beverage purchases, and what items are appropriate for purchase and stocking within SFDPH vending machines.

SFMTA, SFPD and SFDPH partner to implement citywide education campaign aimed at reducing motorcycle injuries and deaths:

http://www.masstransitmag.com/press_release/12282166/sfmta-launches-three-year-motorcycle-education-campaign-pilot

New public-private partnership launches major health effort to reduce cancer in San Francisco:

<http://www.news-medical.net/news/20161121/New-public-private-partnership-launches-major-health-effort-to-reduce-cancer-in-San-Francisco.aspx>

How Trump plan to alter the Affordable Care Act might affect HealthySF:

<http://www.sfchronicle.com/bayarea/article/Squabbles-recede-as-S-F-supervisors-face-Trumpism-10624634.php>

Traffic Injuries cost patients \$35 million per year at Zuckerberg San Francisco General:

<http://www.sfexaminer.com/traffic-injuries-cost-patients-35-million-per-year-san-francisco-general/>