



City and County of San Francisco
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Director's Report for Health Commission Meeting of May 16, 2017

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>

U.S. Federal Budget - FY 2017 Omnibus Appropriations Bill for HHS

On May 5, 2017, the President signed the omnibus spending bill, avoiding a government shut down and funding the government through September 30, 2017. The budget provides \$77.7 billion in discretionary funding for the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), a \$2.7 billion increase above the FY2016 level, not including cap adjustments. The bills were in sharp contrast to President Trump's proposed "skinny budget" which would have cut HHS funding by 18 percent.

Highlights of the spending bill include:

- A \$2 billion increase for the National Institutes of Health, which includes increases for Alzheimer's disease and cancer research and continues \$852 million pursuant to the 21st Century Cures Act;
- An increase of \$650 million for fighting opioid abuse (430 percent increase); and
- A small cut to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Fully funded, however, are programs to prepare for pandemics or bioterrorism attacks and \$394 million to combat Zika virus.

The spending bill does not place restrictions on "sanctuary cities" receiving federal grants, does not defund Planned Parenthood and also does not undermine the Affordable Care Act. Congress and the President have until September 30, 2017 to pass a federal budget for the 2018 fiscal year.

Update on the American Health Care Act: House of Representatives Takes First Step to Repeal ACA

On May 4, 2017 the House of Representatives passed by a narrow vote the American Health Care Act (AHCA), legislation that would repeal and replace the Affordable Care Act (ACA). The new bill aims to turn back many of the significant achievements of health reform, including Medicaid expansion, support for individuals to purchase insurance, guaranteed coverage of essential benefits, and coverage for people with pre-existing conditions. The AHCA also eliminates funding for Planned Parenthood and the Public Health & Prevention Fund, which supports community and clinical programs and public health research.

While passage in the House is a significant milestone, this is just the first step of the legislative process and there is still a long road ahead before full repeal of the ACA. The debate now moves to the Senate. A 13-member working group of GOP members (not including any women) was convened to discuss how to move forward and there are already competing bills within the GOP that are aiming to get bipartisan support. If the Senate passes an ACA repeal bill that is different than the House version, which is considered very likely, a joint House and Senate conference committee will need to reconcile the differences and each pass the bill again before it goes to the President for signature.

San Francisco remains committed to ensuring health care access for our residents and will continue to work toward this goal. We are continuing to ensure that our clients and patients know that nothing has changed – all programs and benefits remain in place. We encourage San Franciscans to continue to access care as they have in the past. The Office of Policy and Planning will continue to monitor activity at the state and federal level to understand policy developments and work with local leaders and our partnerships to protect our City's advancement in health as a result of health care reform.

2017-2018 State Legislative Session

California Legislators were busy in the first few months of the 2017-18 Legislative Session, introducing over 2000 bills. The legislature has continued to push bills out of the house of origin in advance of the June 2nd deadline. SFDPH has been tracking over 190 bills and has worked with the City to take positions on the following legislation:

Support

- AB 74 – Housing for a Healthy California Program (Medi-Cal for homeless rental assistance)
- AB 391 – Asthma Preventive Services Program Act of 2017
- AB 820 – Community Paramedicine
- SB 63 – Paid Family Leave
- SB 239 – Decriminalization of HIV/AIDS
- SB 270 – Human Trafficking Training for Hotel Workers
- SB 309 – California Reproductive Freedom License Plate

Oppose

- AB 626 – Microenterprise Home Kitchens
- SB 314 – Massage Therapy Certification Credit Hours

As endorsed by the Health Commission, SFDPH has been actively working with the SFMTA and many non-profit organizations on AB 342, the Safe Streets Act of 2017, which would authorize the use of automated speed enforcement cameras. This bill is now officially a “two-year” bill. This means that no vote was taken at Assembly Transportation Committee and legislative work will resume in January 2018 where the bill left off. Progress has been made with key stakeholders and coalitions that will be built on next year and for many years to come to improve traffic safety.

California State Budget Proposal 2017-2018 — Health and Human Services

On May 11, 2017 Governor Brown released the May Revision to his proposed 2017-18 State Budget. The May Revision, which closely mirrors his January plan, incorporates updated revenue estimates including a \$2.5 billion reduction in the expected revenue shortfall. The May Revision includes \$158.7 billion (\$33.7 billion General Fund (GF) and \$125.1 billion other funds) for all health and human services programs, a decrease of \$324.8 million GF compared to the January Governor’s Budget. Following are some of the key health elements of the May Revision:

- Makes a current year adjustment to reduce by \$620 million the Medi-Cal shortfall predicted in the January budget. This is largely due to savings from drug rebates in Medi-Cal managed care, retroactive managed care rate adjustments, and slower caseload growth than previously estimated.
- In the current year, increases AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP) by \$2.6 million due to increases in medication-only clients and drug prices.
- In the budget year, increases ADAP by \$13.5 million, due to lower enrollment in private insurance attributable to the reduction in the health insurance exchange enrollment period.
- Provides \$44.7 million in federal funding to reflect the award of the Federal Cures Act Opioid State Targeted Response grant, which will allow the state to expand medication-assisted treatment, largely to underserved and rural areas of the state.
- Proposes to end the use of contract pharmacies in the 340B program in Medi-Cal, consistent with recent concerns raised by federal agencies.
- Adds \$48 million to eliminate the Newly Qualified Immigrant (NQI) Affordability and Benefit Program, which would have moved NQI from state-only Medi-Cal into Covered California insurance and instead retaining them in full scope Medi-Cal.

While Governor Brown maintained a cautious approach about the direction of the economy and the uncertainty of Federal actions that could hurt the state’s bottom line, he reaffirmed the State’s commitment to health care. The Governor will continue to strongly oppose changes that reduce the federal share of Medi-Cal and disrupt insurance markets under Covered California.

Medical Respite and Sobering Center Expansion

The Mayor’s 15-16 FY Budget included funding for one-time capital costs and \$2.4 M in annual ongoing operating costs for 30+ new Medical Respite beds for homeless patients with chronic medical needs. The Medical Respite saves lives, and now we will be able to save even more. This expansion of an extra 34 beds brings the total number of beds to 79 and allows us to further support addressing the medical needs of clients that cannot be adequately supported in the existing homeless shelter system. It also provides a space to allow for a period of recovery and

stability for clients vs. being on the street and using emergency services. The facility is located at 1171-1185 Mission Near 8th street.

Supervisory District Health Profiles

The Office of Policy and Planning at DPH has compiled health data and created 11 Supervisory District Health Profiles to provide a user-friendly way to showcase the health of San Franciscans. Each profile includes an interactive map and printable profile with key indicators about the social, economic, physical, and mental health and well-being of San Francisco's diverse communities. Within each profile, there is valuable data at the district, ZIP code, and neighborhood levels, with comparisons to the San Francisco averages. The health issues and determinants include: Demographics, Housing and Homelessness, Crime rates, Health Insurance Coverage, Healthy Food Access, Women's Health, Socioeconomic status, Life Expectancy, Hospitalizations, Emergency Room Visits, and more. These profiles are publicly-available on our DPH website under Knowledge Sharing and Collaboration, and will be updated as new data become available.

<https://www.sfdph.org/dph/comupg/knowlcol/chip/districthealthprofiles.asp>

SFDPH in the News:

Health care battle now moves to Senate

<http://www.ebar.com/news/article.php?sec=news&article=72596>

Sheehy calls for 'respite center'

<http://www.ebar.com/news/article.php?sec=news&article=72589>

Hand in hand: Mental health and HIV

<http://sfaf.org/hiv-info/hot-topics/from-the-experts/hand-in-hand-mental-health.html>

SF's least-sexy capital needs get funding boost

<http://www.sfexaminer.com/sfs-least-sexy-capital-needs-get-funding-boost/>

Mobile mental health services explored in SF

<http://www.sfexaminer.com/mobile-mental-health-services-explored-sf/>

GIS Science Sparking Societal Innovation, Public Health

<http://www.industrytap.com/gis-science-sparking-societal-innovation-public-health/42213>

Should Doctors Be Certified To Treat Trans Patients?

http://www.huffingtonpost.com/entry/trans-health-doctor-visit_us_59077b08e4b05c3976812266

Street Soldiers Radio: The 'Perfect Storm' That Led to the Opioid Epidemic

<http://richmondpulse.org/2017/05/05/street-soldiers-radio-the-perfect-storm-that-led-to-the-opioid-epidemic/>

Mysterious compound called "F19" discovered by Israeli researchers to kill antibiotic-resistant superbugs without encouraging resistance

<http://www.naturalnews.com/2017-04-27-mysterious-compound-called-f19-discovered-by-israeli-researchers-to-kill-antibiotic-resistant-superbugs-without-encouraging-resistance.html>

Transgender Women In San Francisco Are Highly At-Risk For HIV

<http://www.hivequal.org/what-s-new/transgender-women-in-san-francisco-are-highly-at-risk-for-hiv>

Have a Heart- Organ Donation Drive

<http://www.sfweekly.com/news/suckafreecity/have-a-heart-supervisor-katy-tang-increases-citywide-awareness-about-how-organ-donations-can-save-lives/>

Safe injection sites offer hope in scourge of discarded syringes

<http://www.sfchronicle.com/news/article/Safe-injection-sites-offer-hope-in-scourge-of-11087892.php>

City Considers Deploying 5 Fully-Staffed Mobile Mental Health Service Vans

<http://hoodline.com/2017/05/city-considers-deploying-5-fully-staffed-mobile-mental-health-service-vans>

Basic hygiene items bring a bit of dignity to life on the streets

<http://www.sfchronicle.com/news/article/Basic-hygiene-items-bring-a-bit-of-dignity-to-11113075.php>

Understanding the Complexities of Syphilis

<http://blog.sermo.com/2017/04/20/understanding-complexities-syphilis/>

Ban would target Menthol, flavored cigarettes

<https://sfbay.ca/2017/04/18/ban-would-target-menthol-flavored-cigarettes/>

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

May 2017
Governing Body Report - Credentialing Summary
(5/18/17 MEC)

	5/2017	07/2016 to 07/2017
New Appointments	7	209
Reinstatements		
Reappointments	54	487
Delinquencies:		
Reappointment Denials:		
Resigned/Retired:	21	212
Disciplinary Actions		
Administrative Suspension		
Restriction/Limitation-Privileges		
Deceased		
Changes in Privileges		
Voluntary Relinquishments	9	88
Additions	7	102
Proctorship Completed	27	189

Current Statistics – as of 4/24/17		
Active Staff	547	
Courtesy Staff	502	
Affiliated Professionals (non-physicians)	264	
TOTAL MEMBERS	1,313	

Applications in Process	47
Applications Withdrawn Month of May 2017	0
SFGH Reappointments in Process 6/2017 to 8/2017	196

LAGUNA HONDA HOSPITAL AND REHABILITATION CENTER

MAY 2017

Governing Body Report – Credentialing Summary

(May 4, 2017 Medical Exec Committee)

	March/April	(FY 2016-2017) Year-to-Date
New Appointments	0	8
Reinstatements	0	0
Reappointments	0	42
Delinquencies:	0	0
Reappointment Denials:	0	0
Resigned/Retired	2	16
Disciplinary Actions	0	0
Administrative Suspension (for month of April)	1	14
Restriction/Limitation-Privileges	0	0
Deceased	0	0
Changes in Privileges		
Additions	0	0
Voluntary Relinquishments	0	0
Proctorship Completed	0	8
Proctorship Extension	0	1

Current Statistics – as of 5/2/2017	
Active Medical Staff	34
As-Needed Medical Staff	8
External Consultant Medical Staff	45
Courtesy Medical Staff	2
Affiliated Professionals	14
TOTAL MEMBERS	103

Applications in Process	1
Applications Withdrawn this month	0