MINUTES
HEALTH COMMISSION
COMMUNITY AND PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE
Tuesday October 15, 2019 2:00 p.m.
101 Grove, Room 302, San Francisco, CA  94102

1) CALL TO ORDER
Present: Commissioner Dan Bernal, Chair
Commissioner Cecilia Chung, Member

Excused: Commissioner James Loyce Jr., Member

The meeting was called to order at 2:02pm.

2) APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 17, 2019 COMMUNITY AND PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE MINUTES

Action Taken: The Committee unanimously approved the minutes.

3) PREVENTING LIFETIME YOUTH TOBACCO ADDICTION IN SAN FRANCISCO
Derek Smith, MSW, MPH, Director, SFDPH Tobacco Free Project, presented the item.

Public Comment:
Nathan Korie, UCSF Pharmacy student and former smoker, stated that there have been some attempts by public/private partnerships regarding nicotine vape products which might be something the SFDPH could consider.
Commissioner Comments:
Commissioner Bernal asked how the City enforces prohibition of e-cigarette delivery to a San Francisco address. Mr. Smith stated that the City Attorney would lead on this issue; the SFDPH has no authority over U.S. mail.

4) HIV HEALTH SERVICES UPDATE
Bill Blum, Director of HIV Health Services and Director of Primary Care Programs, and Dean Goodwin, Health Services Administrator, presented the item.

Public Comment:
Nathan Korie, UCSF Pharmacy student, stated that SB159 gives a pharmacist the ability to furnish pre-exposure prophylaxis and post exposure prophylaxis for 60 days without a physician’s prescription.

Commissioner Comments:
Commissioner Chung asked if the SFDPH is testing HIV viral suppression for those not been retained in care. Mr. Blum stated that once a patient is durably suppressed, the SFDPH tests their viral load and CD-4 count once a year.

Commissioner Bernal noted that for those who have dropped out of care, there is not HIV viral data. Mr. Blum added that the SFDPH hopes to obtain additional funding to reach groups of patients who have dropped out of care.

Commissioner Chung stated that it is important to celebrate the success of the San Francisco model, which seems to be working well. She encouraged the SFDPH to consult with other cities to help them succeed.

5) EMERGING ISSUES
This item was not discussed.

6) PUBLIC COMMENT
There was no general public comment.

7) ADJOURNMENT
The meeting was adjourned at 3:22PM.