

HEALTH COMMISSION
CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO
RESOLUTION NO. 4-96

**ENDORISING THE EFFORTS OF THE DEPARTMENT
OF PUBLIC HEALTH TO INCORPORATE PRODUCTIVITY
STANDARDS INTO BUDGET AND PLANNING DECISIONS**

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Health, mandated by statute to be the provider of last resort, has historically served uninsured people and people with public insurance who have no access to private providers; and,

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Health has sustained that role financially through a combination of local General Fund, revenues and grant support; and,

WHEREAS, health care reforms, including those adopted by public insurance programs that account for a significant portion of the Department of Public Health's revenues, have increasingly relied on managed care as a way to finance and provide health care services; and,

WHEREAS, managed care requires that the Department of Public Health, which previously served most of its patient population through its role as provider of last resort, now compete for both publicly insured patients and revenues with private sector providers; and,

WHEREAS, the fiscal pressures on the Department of Public Health are based not only in the amount of funding available from various levels of government but also on cost competition with private providers; and,

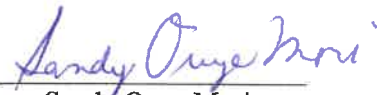
WHEREAS, the Department of Public Health has undertaken an analysis of its costs of providing health care services across a broad spectrum of its delivery system; and,

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Health has recently developed standards for provider productivity and support staff ratios for primary care; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Health Commission does hereby endorse the Department of Public Health's efforts to incorporate productivity standards into budget and planning decisions in order to be more cost competitive in an era of managed care; and, be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Health Commission specifically encourages the Department of Public Health to adopt standards for productivity and staffing ratios in primary care as part of its fiscal year 1996-97 budget.

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Health Commission at its meeting of Tuesday, February 6, 1996.



Sandy Ouye Mori
Executive Secretary to
the Health Commission