

**HEALTH COMMISSION
City and County of San Francisco
Resolution No. 02-08**

**APPROVING THE CLOSURE OF THE WORKER'S COMPENSATION CLINIC AT
SAN FRANCISCO GENERAL HOSPITAL**

WHEREAS, the City and County of San Francisco is facing a \$229 million City-Wide General Fund shortfall for FY 2008-09 and an additional deficit for FY 2009-10; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor's Budget Office requires Departments submit budgets that reduce their General Fund subsidy by 8% of the current General Fund support which may include to 3% in one-time savings; and

WHEREAS, the budget instructions also require Departments submit additional contingency savings of 5%; and

WHEREAS, the impact of the \$14.5 billion shortfall in the State's budget is not known at this time and additional instructions from the Mayor's Budget Office may be issued; and

WHEREAS, the projected value of the 8% General Fund reduction on DPH is \$28.1 million of which \$10.5 million may be one-time savings; and the projected value of the 5% contingency plan is \$16.16 million; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor's Budget Office has requested that Departments consider making mid-year cuts to help address the FY 2008-09 shortfall; and

WHEREAS, the Health Commission approved a set of budget principles that include a statement that "the Department shall first target budget cuts to programs and services that do not impact vulnerable populations"; and

WHEREAS, the Health Commission approved a set of budget principles that include a statement that "the Department may propose cuts to non-essential operations even if those reductions were restored in previous budgets"; and

WHEREAS, the Workers' Compensation Clinic at San Francisco General Hospital (Clinic) is designated by the Department of Human Resources Workers' Compensation Division as a medical provider for City and County employees who are obtaining medical care under Workers' Compensation Insurance; and

WHEREAS, the Clinic does not serve a vulnerable population; and

WHEREAS, alternative locations exist for City and County employees to receive medical care under Worker's Compensation Insurance; and

WHEREAS, closure of the Clinic does not result in any layoffs as there are vacant positions in the Department that can accommodate the Clinic's staff; and

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WHEREAS, the closure of the Clinic in FY 2007-08 will result in a General Fund savings of \$736,453 in FY 2008-09 which will be applied towards the Department's 8% General Fund reduction target; and now, therefore; be it

RESOLVED, that the Health Commission approves closure of the Worker's Compensation Clinic at San Francisco General Hospital on March 15, 2008.

I hereby certify that the San Francisco Health Commission at its meeting of January 29, 2008 adopted the foregoing resolution.



Michele Seaton
Executive Secretary to the Health Commission