

HEALTH COMMISSION
City and County of San Francisco
Resolution No. 06-10

PRIORITIES FOR MAKING FINAL FUNDING DECISIONS FOR FY 2010-2011

WHEREAS the economic situation in CA and SF continues to require serious budget restrictions on all aspects of government services, and

WHEREAS the deep and long term commitment to the health of all San Franciscans enables us to provide a level of care which is outstanding in its effectiveness, breadth and scope, and

WHEREAS funding which becomes available during the budget process is often applied to healthcare needs because of this commitment, and

WHEREAS prior funding cuts have resulted in a system of care that targets vulnerable populations in San Francisco. Those populations and services have been identified through an extensive DPH/Community collective planning process, and

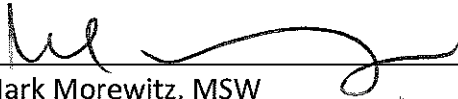
WHEREAS funding cuts and restorations should be based on solid evidence of service effectiveness in meeting the priorities of the people of San Francisco and their Health Department, and

WHEREAS an evaluation process is in place which can identify, with data, which programs achieve health outcomes and operate efficiently, and

BE IT RESOLVED that the Health Commission urges our distinguished colleagues, the Mayor, the members of the Board of Supervisors, and the financial staff at City Hall and 101 Grove to consider the following priorities in making funding decisions regarding health care for the 2010-2011 budget:

1. Funding decisions should be tied to effectiveness data. We encourage all government officials and staff to communicate with DPH staff and study the existing data including health outcomes, monitoring reports, RFP results, and any Corrective Action Plans.
2. Priority should be given to maintaining a system of evidence-based care and treatment in which programs can provide outcome effectiveness data which directly ties their services to positive health outcomes and in which efficiency and health outcome effectiveness are top consideration in funding, funding cuts, and restorations.
3. Emphasis should be placed on services which maximize federal and state reimbursements so that the greatest amount of resources are available for the people of San Francisco and their system of healthcare.
4. A high priority should be placed on collaboration, strategic alliances and partnerships to reduce duplication of services and maximize the breadth and depth of our healthcare system which includes government, non-profit, faith-based, and private components, working together in a coordinated fashion.

I hereby certify that the San Francisco Health Commission at its meeting of June 1, 2010 adopted the foregoing resolution.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M Morewitz', written over a horizontal line.

Mark Morewitz, MSW

Health Commission Executive Secretary