

Sacramento County Public Health Advisory Board

Meeting Minutes

March 5, 2014, 12:00 – 1:30 p.m.

Primary Care Center

4600 Broadway

Sacramento, CA 95820

Conference Room 2020

Moderator: Raquel Simental – Vice Chair

Scribe: Mark Thorpe - Staff

Board Attendees: Raquel Simental, Robert Meagher, Mildred Kahane, Peter Simpson, Adam Dougherty, Allie Shilin, Michelle Rivas, Pheng Lee, William Douglas, Sandy Damiano, Olivia Kasirye

Board Members Excused: Morgan Staines, Ana Estrada

Board Members Absent: None

Guests: Alan Lange, Melinda Avey, Jennifer Ellis

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Topic	Minutes
Welcome and Introductions	Meeting began at 12:05pm
Minutes Review	February Minutes: Approved
PHAB Appointments	<p>PHAB voted to suspend the bi-laws to add one additional member to the Executive Committee making a ballot vote for the third seat on the Executive Committee unnecessary. This vote was retroactively put into effect starting February: Approved</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At-Large Executive Committee: Ana Estrada, Mildred Kahane, Michelle Rivas: Approved <p>PHAB approved the following nominations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HSCC: PHAB approved Dr. Robert Meagher for the remainder of his 9 month term. • HIV Health Services Planning Council: PHAB approved Dominico (Nick) Mori to seat number 38.
Primary Health Services Division Update	<p>Sandy Damiano, PhD:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Damiano discussed the new Alcohol Screening, Brief Intervention and Referral to Treatment (SBIRT) program that went into effect on January 1st, 2014 for adult Medi-Cal beneficiaries in Primary Care settings. Webinars are being offered to Primary Care Providers and Non-Healthcare Professionals. • County Budget Hearings: June 17-18th • Upcoming meetings with Board of Supervisors: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Strengthening the Safety Net: April 9th ○ ACA Implementation Status Update: April 22nd • Dr. Damiano reported that approximately 23,000 – 29,000 CMISP at any point in time. For the ACA Workshop last August, we estimated serving approximately 2,000 – 5,000 CMISP / Uninsured Pending in Indigent Clinic/Pharmacy in the future. This number does not include individuals served in other health programs. CMISP, Medi-Cal and Covered California subsidized health plans do not serve undocumented individuals. Raquel Simental noted that the Board could rescind their decision to not provide assistance to Undocumented individuals.

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MEDI-CAL MANAGED CARE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

- Next Meeting – Monday, March 24th 3:00 PM. Agenda is not yet finalized.
- Last Meeting - February Meeting Notes – are posted. See minutes for 2014 committee topics of interest.
- Data – Feb is posted. Capitated enrollment as of 02/01/14 = **280,183** [Difference from last month = 9,382. Note: The difference between Dec and Jan enrollment = 9,872.] *This is a very large increase in two months.*
- Screening, Brief Intervention, Referral to Treatment (SBIRT) – Flyers are attached.
- There is also a Medi-Cal Managed Care Overview Power Point posted for new committee members/public.
- Link: <http://www.dhhs.saccounty.net/PRI/Pages/Sacramento-Medi-Cal-Managed-Care-Stakeholder-Advisory-Committee/GI-SMMCS-Advisory-Comm-Agenda-Meeting-Miscellaneous.aspx>

EXPRESS LANE MEDI-CAL ENROLLMENT

- DHCS initiated the Express Lane Medi-Cal Enrollment for individuals in CalFresh who are not currently in Medi-Cal. DHCS sent letters were sent noting a client may “opt in” to Medi-Cal by signing a form, calling Health Care Options at a central number or through the website. Thought this would be helpful for you to know in case you are fielding any questions from your clients or staff. Sample letters (Non-COHS Adult / Child) are in the link below.
- DHCS Express Lane webpage: <http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/medi-cal/eligibility/Pages/ExpressLane.aspx>

HOSPITAL PRESUMPTIVE ELIGIBILITY PROGRAM

- UCD has submitted an application for the Hospital PE Program. I have not received confirmation from other local hospital systems yet. DHCS PE webpage: <http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/services/medi-cal/eligibility/Pages/HospitalPE.aspx>

COUNTY MEDICALLY INDIGENT SERVICES

- Enrollment continues to decrease. As of Monday, there enrollment was 12,091.

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	<p>Historically we have had approx. 23,000 – 29,000 enrollment at any given point in time. This began to shift with LIHP and continues with ACA.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • County Eligibility will be sending another Notice of Action to beneficiaries shortly consistent with Board policy approved in September 2013. • County Health services will continue to transition beneficiaries, continue to serve residual CMISP for qualifying enrollees and has a small managed care medical home. Due to the magnitude of change, the change process within county services is large.
<p>Public Health Division Update</p>	<p>Olivia Kasirye, MD:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are currently 121 reports of critically ill influenza patients in intensive care units in California. • 29 influenza-associated deaths have been reported. This number exceeded the 2009 flu season. • Most of these patients have been young or middle aged adults under the age of 65. • The flu season is winding down as the reports are not coming in as often. • There is one report of Flaccid Paralysis in Sacramento County and 20 reported cases in California. • Flaccid Paralysis causes symptoms similar to Polio. • The CDC is still looking into isolating the virus but it is not being considered an outbreak at this time. • Dr. Kasirye reported that the Department of Waste Management is working on an insert that would be published in the Sacramento News and Review promoting the “Don’t Rush to Flush” campaign. • There was concern that the Department of Waste Management was not on the same page as PHAB regarding “Don’t Rush to Flush”, therefore the Director of Waste Management would like to meet with PHAB to understand their position on the topic and develop a unified message. • Dr. Kasirye reported that the Alcohol and Drug Committee is working on a campaign regarding the proper disposal of unused medications to prevent accumulation of dangerous medications in the home. • Action Item: Dr. Kasirye requested that time be allotted during the April PHAB meeting to discuss “Don’t Rush to Flush” further with Waste Management and the Alcohol and Drug

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	<p>Committee.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PHAB is still in the process of developing a letter/statement to be presented to the BOS and interested parties regarding the positions PHAB approved in February regarding the “Don’t Rush to Flush” campaign. • Action Item: PHAB agreed to have Robert Meagher, Peter Simpson, and Adam Dougherty draft the letter and present the draft letter to the PHAB Executive Committee on March 20th. • The Community Transformation Grant money was cut out of the Federal budget. The current funding goes through September 2014. Sierra Health Foundation has been the lead agency for the Sacramento project. • A statewide campaign started on March 5th called “Healthy Stores for a Healthy Community”. This was formed by a group called the Tobacco Prevention, Nutrition, and Alcohol Prevention Partners Working Together Committee. • The “Healthy Stores for a Health Community” campaign looks at the sales practices of stores selling Tobacco, Alcohol, and Junk Food to youth within the County.
<p>MAPP Oversight Committee Updates</p>	<p>Olivia Kasirye, MD:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There was a small delay completing the MOU with Drexel University, but that has been resolved. • Dr. Kasirye has been meeting with the MAPP Committee internally to ensure there is progress being made. • Action Item: Dr. Kasirye is requesting to meet with the Executive Committee to discuss the MAPP Committee’s plan and provide updates, as well as review the Health Status Report when it becomes available. • Action Item: Dr. Kasirye confirmed that the timeline presented to PHAB in February is a template and she is currently working on making a timeline that better reflects the intended goals of the MAPP Committee. Dr. Kasirye will request time on the agenda to present the final timeline.
<p>HSCC to discuss “Strengthening the Safety Net”</p>	<p>Melinda Avey, Chair of the Human Services Coordinating Council:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sacramento Board of Supervisors is meeting on April 9th to discuss “Strengthening the Safety Net”. • HSCC is going to the various Advisory Boards to get input on the current state of the “Safety Net” as well as holding workshops throughout the community.

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- The “Safety Net” is defined as those services that meet the most fundamental needs of individuals and families, such as food, shelter, clothing, and safety from victimization.
- Health Care is not being included in this assessment.
- HSCC presented the following questions for consideration:
 - Which safety net services are most critical in your community?
 - Robert Meagher: Shelter and victimization over food and clothing.
 - Allie Shilin: Would like to include Mental Health Services and Alcohol and Drug Counseling in coordination with Health Care Delivery Systems in this assessment.
 - Adam Dougherty: Same as Allie.
 - Douglas Williams: Same as Allie and Adam. Drug use leads to Mental Health issues, which lead to other Health issues.
 - Which safety net services are most successful in your community?
 - What are the biggest gaps in the safety net?
 - Douglas Williams: Education surrounding Drug and Alcohol counseling to youth who are impacted the most by the long-term health effects.
 - Peter Simpson: Separating Drug Users from Drug Abusers and providing the correct treatment. 10% daily drug users are in treatment or trying to get treatment, 90% of daily drug abusers are not seeking treatment. Funding is available to sobriety based 12 step programs, but not available for mental health, physical health, Hepatitis C, HIV infections, malnutrition, etc. An example is the lack of a Needle Exchange program in Sacramento County, and the lack of Naloxone Administration training.
 - Aside from “more funding”, what improvements could be made to safety net services that would most positively impact the safety net for those relying on services (e.g. streamline access to services)?
 - Peter Simpson: Better community planning: Needle Exchange, Naloxone Training.
 - Adam Dougherty: Better community planning: Implementing Laura’s Law (court-ordered assisted outpatient treatment), Providing First Responders with more flexibility to assist patients and divert them away from unnecessary Emergency Room services, Improve access to alternative services, and provide more in-home counseling services.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Allie Shilin: Better community planning: Looking at the whole family unit and potential services available to them and not just at one particular service. Ex: Mother with young children receiving assistance for Diabetes, but not receiving WIC assistance. • Raquel Simental expressed disappointment that a representative from the Board of Supervisors did not come to speak on this issue, but were available to addend the public workshops. Raquel Simental requested that PHAB invite a representative from the Board of Supervisors, or discuss this topic at the March Chief's Meeting. • Melinda reported that this task was given to the HSCC at short notice so planning was limited. • Action Item: PHAB agreed to formally respond to the questions presented after the March 13th meeting with the Chiefs. The letter would be finalized during April's PHAB meeting. HSCC requested that a draft response be provided by March 26th so the input can be included in the main report.
PHAB Budget	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • County Budget Hearings: June 17-18th • PHAB would like to be a part of the conversation regarding the development of the budget. • PHAB will add this item to the April Agenda for further discussion. • Action Item: Dr. Damiano will request information regarding budget timelines for April's meeting.
Complete PHAB Brainstorm of Discussion Topics for 2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Because of time constraints, PHAB agreed to allow members to rank the topics for 2014 in the order of importance through an online survey. • Members of the Public can include their input during the April PHAB meeting before the results are finalized. • Action Item: Allie Shilin will put together the online survey and tally the results to present at the March Executive meeting so it can receive final approval in April.
Public Comments	<p>Peter Simpson:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Action Item: Would like time on the April PHAB Agenda to discuss Naloxone and Needle Exchange programs. • Harm Reduction Services implemented a free training program for Overdose Rescue for Opiate Overdoses including the administering of Naloxone. Free kits will be provided that

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contain two doses of Naloxone. HRS has a goal of distributing 1,000 kits. Anyone interested in being trained can contact HRS at (916) 456-4849 or e-mail: hrrdir@pacbell.net for more information.

- Office of AIDS has approved a new method for allowing local organizations, like Harm Reduction Services, to provide Needle Exchange Programs within communities that do not already have a program set up through local Government. Sacramento County does not have a Needle Exchange Program. The application process is very complicated and requires community organization. Each site requires a separate application, written consent from the owner of the property, and an endorsement from the Local Citizen's Committee, Drug Free Zone, or Neighborhood Watch. Anyone interested in participating in the Needle Exchange Program can contact HRS at (916) 456-4849 or e-mail: hrrdir@pacbell.net for more information.

Mildred Kahane:

- **Action Item:** Would like discuss a program that recycles unused medications so they can be used by individuals who can't afford them. PHAB will add this item to the Executive Agenda on March 20th for consideration on a future agenda.

Adjourn

- 1:35 pm