

Health and Human Services Agency
Health Services Advisory Board (HSAB)
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Public Health Officer's Report

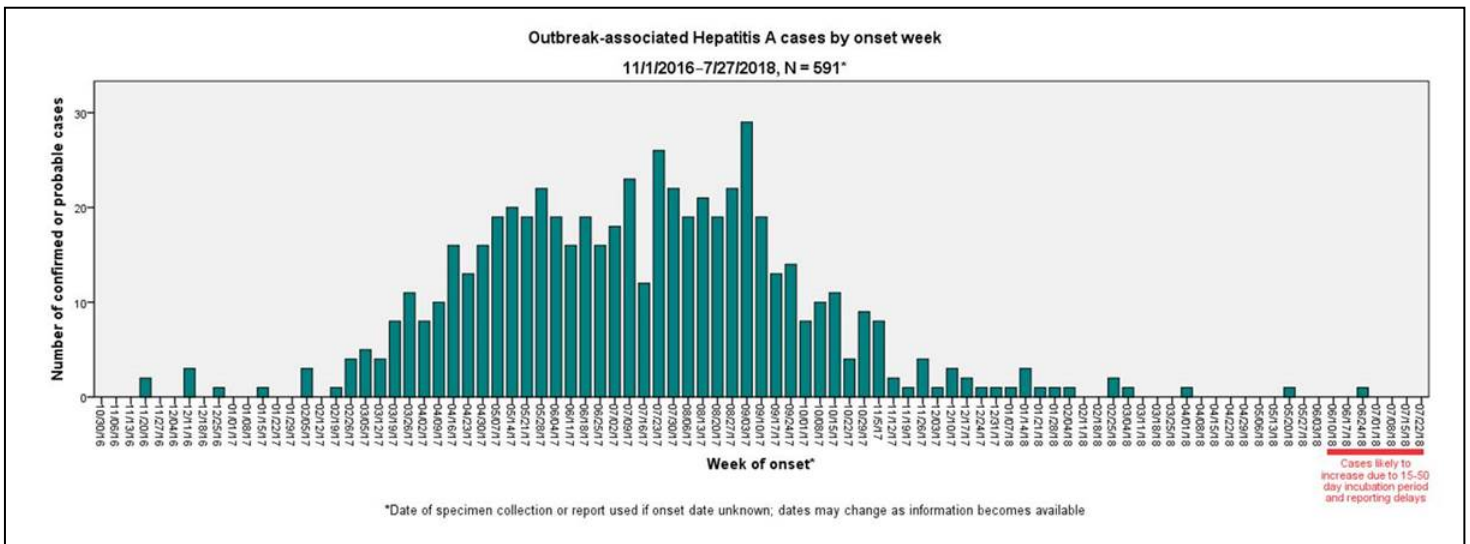
I. Communicable Disease Issues

A. Infectious Disease Issues

1. Hepatitis A (**Report issued on 7/27/18, bi-weekly report**)

- Outbreak News
 - The Kentucky outbreak has now become the worst in the nation with **1,170 cases as of 7/14/18**.
 - **West Virginia now has 699 reported cases, surging past the San Diego total.**
 - **The Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Division of Viral Hepatitis has established a division-level incident command structure to coordinate the agency's response to the national HAV situation.**
 - San Diego Outbreak
 - At-risk Populations: Homeless population and illicit drug-using individuals or both.
 - Genotype 1B, with 16 strains
 - **SD Case Demographics – One new confirmed cases since the last report.**
 - **591** cases with onset dates from 11/22/16 – **6/28/18**, 20 deaths, **406** hospitalizations
 - **406 (68.2%)** hospitalizations, 20 (3.4%) deaths
 - **403 males (68.2%); 188 females (31.8%)**
 - 5-87 years (median 43.0 years, mean 43.9 years)
 - **201** (34%) documented homeless and illicit drug use
 - 91 (15%) homeless only
 - **78** (13%) illicit drug use only
 - 167 (28%) neither homeless nor illicit drug use
 - **54 (9%)** unknown (no records or interview)
- Co-infection
 - **26/491 (5.3%)** confirmed or probable Hepatitis B
 - 83/**477** (17.4%) confirmed or probable Hepatitis C
- Other Characteristics
 - 24 Food Handlers
 - 8 healthcare workers
 - **Other jurisdictions linked to San Diego (cases as of 7/27/18):**
 - California: Santa Cruz (76 cases), Los Angeles (44 cases), Monterey (12 cases), OC, Santa Clara, SLO, Imperial, Placer, Riverside, Ventura
 - U.S.: Arizona, Colorado, Illinois, Indiana (**298 cases**), Iowa, Kentucky (**1,170 cases, early case epi-linked to SD**), New Hampshire, Ohio (**156 cases**), Oregon, Rhode Island, Utah (259 cases), Hawaii, **West Virginia (699 cases, epi-linked to SD & Kentucky)**, Nashville (15 cases), and **Tennessee (113 cases)**.
 - International: Canada
- Strategies
 - Conducting outreach to homeless and substance use treatment facilities using Point of Distribution (PODs), mobile vans, and field foot teams.
 - Vaccinating jail/detention facilities
 - Partnering with hospitals (nurses), AMR (paramedics), and temporary nursing staff to vaccinate SRO's, treatment facilities (contract and non-contract), and other locations with at-risk populations.
 - Continuing to work closely with medical community (i.e., FQHCs, EDs), law enforcement, behavioral health and Regional Task Force on Homeless. **Asking the medical community to sustain efforts to identify and offer vaccines to those at risk due to the outbreak and/or routinely recommended by CDC. In the last month we have talked to the HASDIC board (7/11/18) and FHCS quarterly providers meeting (8/1/18) and will be talking to HCP Physicians Council in the future.**

- Vaccinations as of **7/4/2018: 188,701**
- Hygiene Kits Distributed as of **7/4/2018: 11,993**
- Handwashing (HWS) Station as of **5/4/2018: All 160 out of 160 HWS have been removed.**
- Communications:
 - News Stories:
 - 24 issued; last issued on June 18, 2018.
 - Publications
 - 11 issued: CAHAN alert last issued on February 15, 2018.
 - Reports:
 - After Action Report released on May 10, 2018: <https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/dam/sdc/cosd/SanDiegoHepatitisAOutbreak-2017-18-AfterActionReport.pdf>
 - Grand Jury Report released on May 18, 2018: <https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/dam/sdc/grandjury/reports/2017-2018/HepAReport.pdf>
 - Response approved by BOS on Aug 7, 2018: <https://bosagenda.sdcounty.ca.gov/agendadocs/doc?id=0901127e808b874a>
 - Web page: http://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/hhsa/programs/phs/community_epidemiology/dc/Hepatitis_A.html



- Zika Virus (**Reported on 8/3/18 for local cases through 7/31/18**). Now report issued first Thursday each month or as new cases occur.
 - **One new case confirmed since the last report.**
 - Total Zika Testing referrals to EPI Program for consultation of potential cases: **4,392 referrals**
 - Cases Ruled out: **4,234**
 - Confirmed Zika cases (all travel-associated): **109**
 - Total travel related cases: 103 (+2, Mexico)
 - Sexual transmission: 2
 - Congenital infection: **4**

II. Board Actions

- Getting to Zero – Annual report via Board Memo issued on June 26, 2018 to coincide with National HIV Testing Day.
- Hepatitis A Outbreak
 - San Diego County declared a local health emergency, which was signed on Sept 1, 2017. It declares that the “spread of Hepatitis A in San Diego is a threat to public health” and “a local health emergency is declared in San Diego County.”
 - September 6 & 12, 2017: Ratify declaration of local health emergency: Hepatitis A Outbreak
 - September 26, 2017, October 10, 2017, October 24, 2017, November 6, 2017, November 14, 2017, November 27,

2017, December 5, 2017, December 19, 2017, January 2, 2018, and January 9, 2018: Continue local health emergency.

- San Diego County Board of Supervisors motion to end local health emergency on January 23, 2018.
- After Action Report issued May 10, 2018.
- Grand Jury Report issued May 18, 2018 and responses went to **BOS morning of Aug 7, 2018.**

III. Public Health Issues

- A. West Nile Virus Zika Season: Department of Environmental Health issued Media Advisory on April 2, 2018 to notify the public of the start of mosquito season.
- B. National Public Health Week, April 2-8, 2018, with *Live Well San Diego* Public Health Champion Awards Ceremony on Friday, April 6, 2018.
- C. CAHAN released on February 16, 2018: Pertussis Increasing in San Diego.
- D. **August is Immunization Awareness Month.**
- E. **September is National Preparedness Month.** <https://www.ready.gov/september>

IV. Grants

A. New Applications

1. **Prevention** {Public Health Actions to Prevent Obesity, Diabetes, Heart Disease and Stroke}: funded to work in the City of San Diego geographic area
 - Components 1 & 2:
 - For implementing food sodium standards and environment and lifestyle changes (DPPs) – excited about the development of the Diabetes Prevention Programs
 - Diabetes prevention and community clinical linkages; health system interventions – Chronic Disease Surveillance via EHRs
 - This grant ends September 29, 2018.
 - Two new CDC application are being prepared for submission in July 2018
 - **CDC-RFA-DP18-1817:** Diabetes and Heart Disease & Stroke Prevent Programs-Innovative State and Local Public Health Strategies to Prevent and Manage Diabetes and Heart Disease and Stroke: This will provide funding for similar strategies that were in Component 1, Diabetes Prevention Program, and Component 2. **The application was submitted on July 9, 2018. Notification of the award will occur on September 29, 2018.**
 - **CDC-RFA-DP18-1813: REACH Grant:** This will provide funding for similar strategies that were in Component 1, strategies 1-4 of the previous Prevention funding. This also has two additions for a tobacco cessation strategy and community linkages. **The application was submitted on July 16, 2018. Notification of the award will occur on September 29, 2018.**
2. **Kresge Emerging Leaders in Public Health Grant:** PHS was accepted into the third cohort of the Kresge Foundation's Emerging Leaders in Public Health program. In addition to the \$125,000 in grant funding, PHS' leadership will receive leadership development trainings and technical assistance to help implement their proposed transformative concept – convening municipal governments and local stakeholders to tackle public health problems affecting the entire region. This new role builds off of the collaboration between city governments and the County to manage sanitation efforts during the hepatitis A outbreak. **Dr. Wooten and Dr. Thihalolipavan are attending one of three required in-person meetings the week of August 6, 2018.**

B. Funding

1. **Gonorrhea Surveillance:** California Department of Public Health is applying for a CDC grant. HSHB submitted an application specific to San Diego County. Funds are gonorrhea surveillance and to support lab testing in identifying ways to eliminate the disease. Start date is August 1, 2017; Application was submitted on May 15th; Amount is \$71,000. Award status pending.
2. **Naloxone Proposal:** to participate in a naloxone distribution effort. Application submitted May 1st. Approved. A plan has been developed and will implement. \$248,300 (full amount). **As of August 1, 2018, 5,228 (97% of current supply and 79% of total allocated supply) doses were picked up by 16 agencies:** San Diego County Medical Examiner (46 does), Chula Vista Police Department (**200 doses**), A New PATH (2,160 doses), Fallbrook Unified High School District (2 doses), Interfaith Community Services (50 doses), Mira Costa College Police Department (18 doses), La Maestra Wellness Supportive Services (100 doses), SDSU PD (62 doses), North County Health Services (100 doses), SD Police Department (1800), All Peoples' Encinitas (600), House of Metamorphosis (40), **Oceanside Police Department (30), Union of Pan Asian Communities (4), Mountain Health and Community Services Inc (12). Indian Health Council is scheduled to pick up 150 doses.**

3. **Hep A Funding:** CDPH funding \$350,000 to hire two Epidemiologists.
4. **Oral Health Funding:** Prop 56 Funding - \$842,000 Estimated
5. **Zika Funding for PH Lab:** The State awarded PH Lab \$1,046,404 (June 2017 – June 2018). Scope of work includes following additional outcomes:
 - Add the Gene Sequencing Instrument
 - Establish agreement for Zika testing for binational/Baja/Mexico cases
 - Establish agreement for Zika testing with Imperial County
6. **Zika Funding:** EISB was awarded \$413,793 for staffing support. Funding is for March 1, 2017-July 31, 2018.
7. **Public Health Lab Microbiologist Training Funds:** \$75,500 was awarded to the lab to train 2 microbiologists.
8. **Strategic HIV Prevention Projects,** funded by the state: PHS will receive \$1.8 million over the next two years (July 2017 through June 2019). There were only four awards, and San Diego County was the only health department that was funded. The other awardees include two community-based organizations (the LA LGBT Center and the San Francisco AIDS Foundation) and one federally qualified health center (AltaMed in LA/Orange County).
 - Proposal focused on a couple of core activities related to Getting to Zero:
 - PrEP education and navigation.
 - Rapid initiation of anti-retroviral therapy (ART) for individuals newly diagnosed with HIV.
 - Awareness Campaigns.
9. **Tobacco Control Program**
 - **Tobacco program was notified on July 19, 2018 that the state will allocate \$2,805,276 for FY 17/18.**
 - Additional Tobacco Funding \$182K one time only; pending funding from recent legislation (Prop 56)
10. **STD Funding:** The CDPH STD Control Branch {STDCB} received a \$5 million one-time increase in funding spendable in FY16-17, FY17-18, and FY18-19. Recently received \$427,649 of that amount.
11. **Sodium:**
 - Partnering with LAHD on new Sodium reduction grant. Local focus: School districts and health care systems. Application submitted last week. \$100K/year X 5 years. AWARDED
12. **SNAP-ED (Also known as NEOP (Nutrition, Exercise and Obesity Prevention):**
 - Submitted next 3-year cycle application and work plan; activities will continue to focus on policy, systems, and environmental change for nutrition and PA

V. Public Health Initiatives

A. Major Initiative Updates and Highlights

1. Getting to Zero – Medical Advisory Committee: HIV, STD, and Hepatitis Branch has convened a Medical Advisory Committee consisting of healthcare professionals and executives from local healthcare systems and stakeholders to support Getting to Zero. The primary objectives of the committee are to increase routine HIV testing in healthcare settings and to optimize referral mechanisms for HIV linkage to care, pre-exposure prophylaxis, and post-exposure prophylaxis. Met with the Hospital Association of San Diego & Imperial Counties and community clinic networks on March 14, 2018; Met with San Diego County Medical Society on April 10, 2018; Met with Family Health Centers of San Diego on April 11, 2018. The “Getting to Zero” Board Memo went to the Board of Supervisors on June 26th. **The Medical Advisory Committee met in June 2018.**

VI. Board Letter Forecast

DATE / BOARD LETTER	BOS MEETING	BRANCH	POC
September 2018			
1. Accept Ryan White Funding for FY 18-19 (Approved by HIV Planning Group in June 2018)	9/11/18	HSHB	Patrick Loose and Lauren Brookshire
October 2018			
2. Health Services Advisory Board Bylaws (Scheduled for HSAB on 9/4/18)	10/9/18	PHS Admin	Dr. Wooten and Nora Bota
3. Accept SNAP-Ed Grant Funds for the Nutrition Education and Obesity Prevention (Scheduled for HSAB on 9/4/18)	10/9/18	MCFHS	Dr. Coleman
4. Hepatitis C Elimination Initiative (Scheduled for HSAB on 9/4/18)	10/9/18	PHS Admin	Dr. Wooten and Dr. Thihalolipavan
November 2018			
5. Amend HIV Planning Group Bylaws (Scheduled for HIV Planning Group on 11/6/18)	11/13/18	HSHB	Patrick Loose and Lauren Brookshire

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6. TB Elimination Initiative (Scheduled for HSAB on 11/6/18)	11/13/18	TBRH	Dr. Graves
7. CDC Grant Opportunities: 1817 and 1813 (Scheduled for HSAB on 11/6/18)	11/13/18	MCFHS	Dr. Coleman and Adrienne Gilleran
8. Housing for Homeless Tuberculosis Treatment for Clients (Scheduled for HSAB on 11/6/18)	11/13/18	TBRH	Dr. Graves
December 2018			
9. Region VI Mutual Agreement (Scheduled for HSAB on 11/6/18)	12/11/18	PHPR	Patrick Buttron

VII. Announcements

- A. **Personnel – Effective August 3, 2018, the BOS approved 18 new positions for PHS, 12 new nursing positions and 6 other staffing positions, to support with preparedness and emergency management.**

VIII. Site Visits/Audits

Timeframe	Description	Auditor
12/4/17 – 6/11/18	State audit of public health nursing level ratios. Report from site visit was issued on 6/26/18.	State
4/16/18 – 8/3/18	Fiscal audit of FY 15/16 for Public Health Preparedness and Response expenditures. Exit interview was completed on 8/3/18.	State
6/6/18	State audit of Hepatitis A outbreak.	State
8/9/18	Laboratory Field Services section of the California Department of Public Health will be conducting a biennial audit on Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments (CLIA). Additionally, BioWatch contractors will be performing an audit and inspection of the BioWatch operation.	State

IX. Legislation

- A. Nothing currently to share.

X. Recognitions and Awards

- A. Public Health Services received three NaCO awards: 1) Hepatitis A Housing Program – Preventing the Spread; 2) Utilizing Foot Teams – Reaching the Unreachable During a Hepatitis A Outbreak; and 3) Vaccination Strategies – Engaging Hospital Emergency Departments as Vaccinators During a Hepatitis A Outbreak.

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HEALTH SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD UPDATE – ELIGIBILITY OPERATIONS

HEALTHY SAN DIEGO – JULY 2018

HEALTHY SAN DIEGO (HSD)

Enrollment

Please see below for May 2018 data.

Managed Care	May 2018
HSD Enrollment	720,111
State Default Rate*	32%
San Diego Default Rate*	32%

*Data provided by the Department of Health Services' Health Care Options Section (HCO) via COPS-11 Monthly Enrollment summary report.

COUNTY MEDICAL SERVICES (CMS)

Enrollment	May 2017	May 2018
CMS	54	33

Current CMS materials are available on the CMS website.

BOARD LETTERS

N/A



HEALTH SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD UPDATE – ELIGIBILITY OPERATIONS

HEALTHY SAN DIEGO – AUGUST 2018

HEALTHY SAN DIEGO (HSD)

Enrollment

Please see below for June 2018 data.

Managed Care	June 2018
HSD Enrollment	717,956
State Default Rate*	36%
San Diego Default Rate*	38%

*Data provided by the Department of Health Services' Health Care Options Section (HCO) via COPS-11 Monthly Enrollment summary report.

COUNTY MEDICAL SERVICES (CMS)

Enrollment	June 2017	June 2018
CMS	58	45

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N/A