



# County of San Diego

## HEALTH SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD

1600 PACIFIC HIGHWAY, SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA 92101-2417

Tuesday, February 5, 2019 | 3:00-5:00 PM

County Administration Bayside Room 1 & 2  
1600 Pacific Highway, San Diego, CA 92110

### MEETING MINUTES

Members/Alternates Present		Members Absent/Excused		Presenters	HHSA Support	
Seat 1/Dist 1	Karrar Ali	Seat 3/Dist 2	Judith Shaplin	Patrick Buttron	Dr. Wilma Wooten, Public Health Officer and Director	
Seat 2/Dist 1	Suzanne Afflalo	Seat 5/Dist 3	Gregory Effron	Emergency Medical Services		
Seat 4/Dist 2	LaVonna Connelly	Seat 6/Dist 3	Elly Garner			
Seat 7/ Dist 4	James Lepanto (Chair)	Seat 9/Dist 5	(vacant)			
Seat 8/Dist 4	Shawn Amirhoushmand	Seat 10/Dist 5	(vacant)	Brad Richardson		Dr. Anuj Bhatia Deputy Director
Seat 11/Cmt	Paul Hegyi	Seat 11/Altn	Jennpher Ohmstede	Environmental Health Specialist		
Seat 14/Cmt	Greg Knoll	Seat 12/Cmt	Dimitrios Alexiou			Nora Bota, Community Health Program Specialist
Seat 16/Cmt	Leonard Kornreich	Seat 12/Alt	Judith Yates			
Seat16/Alt	Harriet Seldin	Seat 13/Cmt	Henry Tuttle	Susannah Graves		Katrina Wyatt Administrative Assistant
		Seat 13/Altn	Tim Fraser	Public Health Medical Offcr.		
		Seat 14/Cmt	Jack Dailey		Paloma Arvizu Samahan Health Care	
		Seat 15/Cmt	Mike Matthews			
		Seat 15/Altn	Jenifer Mendel		Porchia Rich, California Children's Services (CCS) Medical Director	
		Seat 17/Cmt	(vacant)			
					Keith Van Wagner Health Officer Admin.	
					Romina Morris Dept. Budget Mgr.	
					Jackie Werth Health Svcs Project Coord.	

Minutes	Lead	Follow-up Actions	Due
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Jan. 9, 2019	Nora Bota	A Doodle to be sent out to all HSAB Members for the date on proposed dates for the Advance.	Feb. 2019
Feb. 5, 2019	James Lepanto	Reach out to the new Board of supervisors for new Committee appointments.	March 2019
Feb. 5, 2019	James Lepanto	Oral Health Discussion to be placed in March Agenda	March 2019
Feb. 5, 2019	Nora Bota	Andy Pease, Executive Finance Director's Report to be provided to the Committee.	March 2019

**Near Dates of Importance**

**Next Meeting:** Tuesday, March 5, 2019, 3-5 PM – County Administration Center, 1600 Pacific Highway, Rooms 302/303

Agenda Item	Discussion
<b>I. Welcome &amp; Introduction</b>	James Lepanto called the meeting to order at 3:01 PM. The HSAB members and people in attendance were introduced.
<b>II. Public Comment</b>	No public comment.
<b>III. Update/ Presentation/ Discussion/ Follow-up Action Items</b>	<p><b>A. Health and Human Services Agency Update, Nick Macchione, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer, Agency Director, Health and Human Services Agency</b></p> <p>Nick Macchione, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer, Agency Director was unable to attend the meeting. Agency Director Macchione has scheduled to attend the next Health Services Advisory Board meeting; scheduled for March 5, 2019.</p> <p><b>B. Public Comment</b></p> <p>There was no comment.</p>

**IV. Action Items**

**A. Approval of January 8, 2019 Meeting Minutes**

Paul Hegyi motioned and Greg Knoll seconded. There were no corrections to the minutes. All HSAB members in attendance voted Aye, with no oppositions or abstentions. The motion carried and the minutes were approved.

**B. Approval of Tuberculosis Elimination Initiative Board Letter**

**1) San Diego County TV Elimination Initiative**

Presenter: Dr. Susannah Graves

**Background:**

The Board Letter presented to the Committee for approval is regarding Tuberculosis (TB) being a communicable bacterial disease transmitted from person-to-person through shared indoor air space. Groups disproportionately affected by TB include homeless individuals, and those with diabetes, kidney failure, cancer, and HIV infection. Lost income due to illness and workplace exclusion during infectiousness puts individuals with TB at risk for homelessness, and isolation for family and friends to prevent contagion further disrupts existing social supports. Severe complications of TB disease such as brain and spinal infection can occur and are most common in children under the age of five years and can result in stroke, hearing and vision loss, and developmental disabilities.

With significant advances in TB treatment and prevention in recent decades, it's transmission accounts for only 20 percent of new cases in California. The remaining 80 percent are due to reactivation of latent infections. Based on California Department of Public Health (CDPH) estimates, approximately 170,000 San Diego County residents are infected with latent TB. Without treatment, these individuals harbor a 5-10 percent risk of reactivation and progression to infectious TB disease in their lifetimes. Of these individuals an estimated 20 percent are aware of their infection and only 12 percent have been treated. Treating Latent TB Infection (LTBI) will prevent TB cases in San Diego County and provide a crucial step in achieving the goal of TB Elimination.

Today's action would formally establish the *San Diego County TB Elimination Initiative*. This item supports the Building Better Health and Living Safely components of the *Live Well San Diego* vision, by bolstering local efforts toward elimination of a curable disease to improve longevity and quality of life.

The HSAB members approved the board letter for the Board of Supervisors (BOS) to take action on March 12, 2019.

Approval of Board Letter

Greg Knoll moved for approval and LaVonna Connelly seconded. There were no corrections to the Board Letter. All HSAB members in attendance voted Aye, with no oppositions or abstentions. The motion carried and the Board Letter was approved.

**Discussion (Q/A):**

**How will this initiative reach or engage the private practice community?**

This initiative will be utilizing the same strategy that will be used to eliminate Hepatitis C. That is through medical education and through the San Diego Medical Society.

**How will this initiative reach the occupational health providers?**

Currently, universal testing is required by law to test people but not required to treat people. There is no mandate for treatment. There is a new requirement that individuals that are identified in immigration screenings, that those cases, be reported. We can utilize this mandate to provide educational material so that treatment may be sought.

**Who is providing funds for the first year of this initiative?**

Our initiative has included funding for an education and outreach program and a group/activity has been included to seek or secure outside funding.

**Are those in detentions (jails) continued to be tested?**

Yes, to protect the public health of the individuals incarcerated. In 2007 a letter was written with the rationale and recommendation that those in public jails and also inmates that are incarcerated in federal facilities continue with this practice.

**As a border county how does our County measure in comparison to other border counties?**

We have increased exposure compared to Imperial County due to the border travel of commuters (to and from Mexico??) to our County. High prevalence states include California, New York and Texas.

**What are the possibilities of including the Border area as part of the high risk focuses?**

A Border Health Consortium that will include these measures not only on the United States side but what efforts are being made by Mexico, specifically Baja toward this initiative. Then we will bring to bear and expand our partnership to eliminate Tuberculosis.

**C. Approval of Region VI: Mutual Aid: Agreement Board Letter, Patrick Buttron, Emergency Medical Services Specialist, Public Health Preparedness and Response, Public Health Services**  
**1. Public Health Preparedness and Response**

Presenter: Patrick Buttron

**Background:**

The board letter presented to the Committee for their approval is regarding the County of San Diego Health and Human Services Agency's responsibility for coordinating emergency medical responses to public health disasters or emergencies and has an integral role in response to natural and other disasters, including fires, floods, earthquakes, hazardous spills and other catastrophes that may occur in the San Diego region. To maximize available resources and ensure the most effective response, the County enters into cooperative agreements with other jurisdictions in the Southern California region to provide mutual assistance and share resources, such as equipment, supplies, and mental and/or environmental health staff during these types of events.

Today's action supports the countywide *Live Well San Diego* vision by ensuring timely and efficient response to emergency disasters in San Diego County, thereby promoting a healthy, safe and thriving region.

The HSAB members approved the board letter for the BOS to take action on March 12, 2019.

Approval of Board Letter

Greg Knoll moved for approval and LaVonna Connelly seconded. There were no corrections to the Board Letter. All HSAB members in attendance voted Aye, with no oppositions or abstentions. The motion carried and the Board Letter was approved.

Discussion (Q/A):

**Where will this funding come out of? General funding?**

Counties will ultimately be responsible for funding the response efforts in their jurisdiction. This is applicable if San Diego County borrows resources from and/or if they provide them to a neighboring County, where San Diego will be responsible for providing payment in the former and will get reimbursed in the latter scenario.

**Are there contingency plans when other counties need our emergency assistance?**

There are currently two plans through the process of internal need and then regional and finally state. If the state cannot provide assistance, then the federal government provides it.

**D. Public Comment**

There was no comment.

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**V. Chair's Report**

**A. Health Services Advisory Board roles and Responsibilities**

- The Board to reach out and schedule meetings with Board aids.
- Reaching out to the BOS Aids.
- The BOS minutes were included in today's packet for the Committee to review and utilize going forward.

**B. Health Services Advisory board Advance**

- **Schedule Date**
  - Doodle to be emailed for the proposed HSAB Advance dates
  - Time proposed is 9:00 am to 2:00 pm
- **Gather Feedback on Advance Agenda**
  - Please share your ideas as to topics that may be discussed and prioritize beside the other duties we are designated on this board.

**C. Vacancies**

None reported.

<p><b>VI. Informational Items</b></p>	<p><b>A. Committee Reports</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li><p><b>1. Policies and Program:</b> Leonard Kornreich (Chair), Greg Knoll, Harris Efron, Karrar Ali, LaVonna Connelly</p><p>Dr. Leonard Kornreich met with the Health Policy Advisory Board and their recommendation to the Committee is that the area of Adult Oral health be highlighted either in its upcoming Advance or via a White paper.</p></li><li><p><b>2. Budget:</b> James Lepanto (Chair) and Judith Shaplin</p><p>James Laponte (chair) discussed and reviewed the Budget proposed by Andy Pease. Made the committee aware that Andy Pease will be a presenter to update the Committee of budget issues.</p><p>No update.</p></li><li><p><b>3. Health Legislation:</b> Paul Hegyi (Chair), Elly Garner, Harriet Seldin, Henry Tuttle, Dimitrios Alexiou</p><p>No update.</p></li><li><p><b>4. Strategic Planning/Annual Report/Nominating Committee:</b> James Lepanto</p><p>No update.</p></li></ol>
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<p><b>VII. Public Health Officer's Report Items</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Public Health Officer Report</b></li> </ul> <p>Dr. Wooten reviewed new items in red text on the Public Health Officer's Report.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>A. Communicable Disease Issues</b></li> <li><b>B. Meningococcal Disease Outbreak (CAHAN sent on September 28, 2018)</b></li> <li><b>C. The June case was later determined through testing at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to be a different strain of the meningococcal serogroup B bacteria, unrelated to the other two cases.</b></li> <li><b>D. Serogroup B was found in 37% of San Diego County cases between 2008 and 2018 and accounted for seven of the eleven cases reported in 2018. Serogroup B has been the cause of 11 U.S. university/college outbreaks since 2008, including two others in California: one at the University of California Santa Barbara, in 2013, and one at Santa Clara University, in 2016.</b></li> <li><b>E. In 2018, eleven meningococcal disease cases were reported in San Diego County, the highest number reported since 2013. There have been two cases so far in 2019, neither associated with SDSU.</b></li> <li><b>F. SDSU students are returning to campus in late January; efforts to educate and vaccinate them are continuing. In addition, vaccine will be offered to new students arriving on campus as second semester enrollees. The County and SDSU plan to do at least one mass vaccination clinic this semester in addition to supporting other ongoing vaccination opportunities.</b></li> <li><b>G. As of 1/24/2019, 8,537 undergraduates 23 years of age and younger had received at least one dose of the meningococcal B vaccine, 58% of the targeted number of 14,653 (which is 55% of the undergraduate population in that age group); 3,007 were fully vaccinated, 21% of the targeted group. Among students living in the traditional residence halls, where the goal is to vaccinate 90%, 1,545 students had received at least one dose of the vaccine, 74% of the targeted number of 2,094; 562 were fully vaccinated, 27% of the targeted group.</b></li> <li><b>H. Four mini-PODS will be conducted in February and March.</b></li> <li><b>I. In the last month, 118 new Zika cases were reported in Mexico with illness onset in 2018.</b></li> <li><b>J. Total Zika Testing referrals to EPI Program for consultation of potential cases: 4,836 referrals</b></li> <li><b>K. Cases Ruled out: 4,666</b></li> </ul>
<p><b>VII. Public Health Officer's Report</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>a) Grants</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>a. Dr. Wooten and Dr. Thihalolipavan have continued to brief internal groups regarding the new Kresge Initiative. The next plan of action is to meet with each of the municipalities individually, beginning with the City of San Diego, to introduce the initiative and delve into opportunities for communication, coordination, and collaboration.</b></li> </ul> </li> <li><b>b) Public Health Initiatives</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>a. The Medical Advisory Committee last met on January 14, 2019. The Pacific AIDS Education Training Center (PAETC) presented information on how the organization can support the work of the GTZ Medical Advisory Committee. The committee reviewed a draft Dear Colleague letter that outlines the County recommendation for routine HIV testing, regardless of risk factors for everyone aged 13-65 at least one time.</b></li> <li><b>b. Hepatitis C Initiative – approved by the Board of Supervisors In December 2018.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>• Year 1 is and will be spent creating a plan, managing the process, and finalizing the draft Recommendations report.</b></li> <li><b>• The initiative is on track and continues to be a collective impact approach with American Liver Foundation providing a coordination role along with the participation and leadership of multiple other stakeholders.</b></li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b>Meetings for most committees have initiated (Steering; Research and Surveillance; Access, Testing, and Treatment; and Consumer) while the advisory committee for which Dr. Wooten and Paul Hegyi will co-chair is being finalized and scheduled.</b></p> </li> </ul>



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	<p><b>c) Announcements</b></p> <p><b>d) New Hires: Deputy Director for Public Health Services (Dr. Anuj Bhatia), Department Finance Manager for Public Health Services (Romina Morris), Child Health and Disability Prevention Coordinator for MCFHS (Adrienne Yancey), and California Children’s Services (CCS) Medical Director (Dr. Porchia Rich). Departure – CCS Medical Director (Dr. Denise Green). Temporary Assignments-Acting Agency Program and Operations Manager for MAA/TCM Program (Karen Ventimiglia).</b></p>
	<p>No public comment.</p>
<p><b>VIII. Public Comments</b></p>	<p><b>A. Agenda Items - Suggested future meetings</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. Lessons Learned from Hepatitis A – (March 2019)</li> <li>B. Tuberculosis Elimination Initiative Board Letter– (February 2019)</li> <li>C. Board of Supervisor Resolution for DHCS Agreement with MAA Board Letter – (March 2019)</li> <li>D. Title V maternal and Child Health (MCH) Block Grant Board Letter – (March 2019)</li> <li>E. E. Hansen’s Disease Board Letter – (March 2019)</li> <li>F. Health Services Advisory Board Advance – (March 2019)</li> <li>G. Annual Youth Risk Behavior Survey – (April 2019)</li> <li>H. Community Health assessment community Health Improvement Plan and Public Health services Strategic Plan (May 2019)</li> <li>I. Accept Tuberculosis funding from the State Board Letter – (June 2019)</li> </ul>

