

Sacramento County
Department of Health Services
Maternal, Child, and Adolescent Health Advisory Board



Meeting Minutes

January 14, 2025
8:30 AM - 10:30 AM

Zoom Meeting

Facilitator: Effie Ruggles
Scribe: Nkechi Michel

Meeting Attendees:

- Angelica Quach
- Nkechi Michel
- Brian Lawson
- Felix Tran
- Danica Peterson
- Fay Bursch
- Donyale Abe
- Dr. Harry Wang
- Leesa Hooks
- Daphne Echols
- Dr. Melody Law
- Samantha Slaughter
- Savannah Robinson
- Robert Hickman
- Robin Blanks-Guster
- Tosha Ulicni
- Patsy Aranello
- Erica Cambern
- Pamela Hawkins
- Fienishia Wash

Welcome and Introductions	The meeting was called to order at 8:30am by Effie Ruggles.
Agenda and Minutes	Robin motioned to approve the minutes and Rob Hickman seconded the motion to approve the minutes.
Public Health Officer's Report: Presented by Dr. Melody Law, Deputy Health Officer	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ca Dept Director retiring this month-Selected new person- Dr. Erica Pawn, Epidemiologist.• Respiratory virus wastewater data is available• Norovirus is on the rise. Many new cases with low immunity.• Avian flu is ongoing with no person to person spread.• Respiratory guidance update available for healthcare workers-

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Shared the Sacramento County respiratory disease dashboard
MCAH Updates: Presented by Leesa Hooks, MCAH Director	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NFPx program is coming to Sacramento County, which is an expansion of NFP, allowing the program to visit families on subsequent pregnancies. Will be able to tell who the new BIH RFP awardees are by next meeting. CA Maternal Health Task Force meeting coming up on January 30th Meeting with Managed Care plans about maternal mental health concerns in Sacramento County- increased screenings for mental health. Asking for low-cost TB screening resources- please send to Leesa Hooks or Nkechi.
Community Nursing: Daphne Echols	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completed 658 home visits this past two quarters in the fiscal year. Barriers to care are lack of stable housing, transportation- usually Medi-Cal clients Members could refer people to the Baby line number-875-BABY Continuing to connect with patients via referrals Cal Aim presentation coming up on the 30th of this month.
Presenters: Sarah Cheung: Sacramento County Tobacco Education and Prevention Program Brian Lampson/ Felix Tran: Sacramento County Youth Suicide Prevention Program	Resource Links from presentations: Email to be included in the Data Alerts: lamsonb@saccounty.gov Live Beyond ACEs campaign: https://livebeyondca.org/ https://988lifeline.org/ You Are Never A Bother! https://www.bulletpointsproject.org/ Resource for clinicians implementing lethal means reduction with patients https://takespacetopause.org/ Resource for Counseling on Access to Lethal Means. Covers more than fire arms and gives suggestions for how to discuss other lethal means. https://zerosuicide.edc.org/resources/trainings-courses/CALM-course
Nurse-Family Partnership Updates Staffing, Funding, Referrals, Community Collaboration/Support, Advocacy, and Benchmarks- Tosha Ulicni/ Angelica Quach	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> OA is promoting into new role. Hiring soon New PHN will be onboard Trainings: PHNs participate in numerous trainings including FEMA training, three-part intimate partner violence training and Certified Lactation Counselor Trainings in cohorts NFPx initiative was approved- The new criteria for NFPx allows for enrollment for any parity (not just first time moms) and enrollment up until delivery (no just until 28 weeks).

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CQI (Continuous Quality Improvement) Project 2024- increasing NFP referrals by 8 in the reporting period (2 months long) • Each PHN conducted outreach at various community sites to increase referrals • Accomplished increase in referrals
Board Member Updates/Announcements	N/A
Adjournment	The meeting was adjourned at 10:35 am by Effie Ruggles.