

# Sacramento County Public Health Advisory Board

## Meeting Minutes

January 3, 2018 (12:07 PM - 1:25 PM)

## Meeting Location

Primary Care Center  
4600 Broadway  
Sacramento, CA 95820  
Conference Room 2020

## Moderator:

Dr. Steven Orkand

## Scribe:

Theresa Vinson

## Board Attendees:

Felicia Bhe, Jofil Borja, Sandy Damiano, Steve Heath, Farla Kaufman, Steve Orkand, Emmanuel Petrisor, Jefferey Rabinovitz, Kimberly Sloan, Phillip Summers, Jack Zwald

## Board Members Excused:

Paula Green, Barbara Law, Martha Moon

## Board Members Absent:

## Guest Speakers:

Staci Syas, HIV and STD Program Manager  
Sacramento County, Division of Public Health

## Guests:

Meeting Opened at 12:03 PM

## Welcome and Introductions

Dr. Orkand welcomed PHAB members and guests.

## **Minutes Review**

Minutes from the December meeting were approved w/corrections (2) noted.

## **PHAB Vacancies and Appointments**

PHAB has 2 Vacancies

## **Public Health Division**

Dr. Kasirye provided an update regarding flu season and also discussed the report from Kaiser (distributed to group via email). We are hearing it has increased and some counties are experiencing a backlog in emergency services. We are waiting to hear about the effectiveness of the current vaccine in California. Based on data from Australia; it is only 10% effective. In our County, the public is still being advised to get the vaccine.

Marijuana, as of next Monday, has been approved in California for adults so there are lots of changes in terms of regulations. Locally, the City of Sacramento has been busy preparing to start issuing permits. We are still waiting to see which direction the County will take, however. Prior to this, the Public Health Division was able to issue medical marijuana cards; we were processing the cards and the State issued them. The State will no longer have that role so all counties have to decide how the program will be managed, going forward. We have only received approximately 500 applications in Sacramento County but because marijuana is now legal, people who have cards can get a tax exemption for their purchase, this could have an impact. Other counties are being contacted to see what they are doing to manage the program and ensure we have the same or a similar system in place for issuing cards. We are checking with other counties to see how we can streamline the process.

Dr. Orkand indicated Joe Devlin, Marijuana Compliance Manager, Office of Cannabis Policy & Enforcement, City of Sacramento, will speak at the February PHAB Meeting regarding the legalization of marijuana.

## **Primary Health Services Division**

### Healthy Partners Program Data

There are projected significant savings for this fiscal year. We have not met with the County Executive's office yet so we are unsure of the content and/or recommendations. We hope to have a board item in February including data and

recommendations. We will report back. PHAB made supportive comments about the Healthy Partners program last month when the Advocates presented.

### Medi-Cal Managed Care

The Medi-Cal Managed Care data sheet (copy distributed) closes out 2017. In December, there were 436,000+ enrollees in Sacramento County Medi-Cal Managed Care. United Healthcare, new health plan, went live October 2017. Aetna Better Health will be active January 2018.

Default rate - 33% (lowest in state)

### Annual Enrollment 2011 through 2017)

2011 200,000

2014 Increased trajectory upward

2015 Enrollment stabilized

2017 Decreased over 6,000 members

These are net decreases overall and do not account for total changes.

### January

Medi-Cal Managed Care Meeting - There will be an update on the Health Information Exchange presented by the Hospital Council. (Note: this has been postponed.)

### February

Care Coordination Meeting - the City and County will present on their Homeless Initiatives and status of the initiatives

## **PRESENTATION**

### **Staci Syas, HIV and STD Program Manager, Sacramento County**

STD and HIV/AIDS Update: Trends and Emerging Issues

Staci highlighted a statement made by Dr. Jonathan Mermin, Director, Center for Disease Control and Prevention.

“We have reached a decisive moment for the nation. STD rates are rising, and many of the country’s systems for preventing STDs have eroded. We must mobilize, rebuild, and expand services – or the human and economic burden will continue to grow.”

Staci highlighted national data from 2015 through 2016. This presentation is focused on data from 2016 as the data for 2017 is not yet completed.

## Chlamydia

In 2016, Sacramento County females ages 15-24 had the highest rates of Chlamydia in California. See chart below.

Age	Sac Rate	CA Rate
15-19 =	3,002	2,101
20-24 =	3,804	3,354

This disease is especially prevalent in the young, female, African American population, where 'silent' disease can cause the most damage.

Sacramento County continues to see growth in sexually transmitted diseases. In 2016, California alone reported 207 cases of congenital Syphilis, which is nearly 33% of all cases reported in the U.S. In particular, we are having a heavy burden related to congenital syphilis cases on a statewide level.

## Congenital Syphilis

- From 2012 to 2014, the annual number of reported early syphilis cases among women in California more than doubled from 248 cases to 594. The increase in syphilis cases among women continued in 2016 with 728 primary & secondary cases reported.
- The annual number of reported congenital syphilis cases more than tripled during between 2012-2014, from 30 to 100. In 2016 alone there were 207 cases reported.
- Syphilitic stillbirths also increased, from 1 case in 2012 to 12 cases in 2014.

## HIV/AIDS

- In the past 10 years, AIDS cases have dramatically decreased.
- While AIDS cases have decreased, new HIV cases have held fairly consistent with most increases being seen in the Southern United States.

## STD/HIV Prevention and Control Efforts

- STD/HIV Prevention Program
  - Evidence Based Interventions
  - HIV Testing
  - Provider Trainings
- STD/HIV Surveillance
  - Provider training and assistance
  - Linkage to care efforts
  - Partner Services
- Ryan White Care Program
  - Viral Suppression
  - Getting to Zero
- Sacramento Workgroup to Improve Sexual Health (SACWISH)

## Announcements

### Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 PM.

Submitted by Theresa Vinson, Scribe and Dr. Steven Orkand, Chair

### Next Meeting of PHAB:

**February 7, 2018, 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM**

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