

**Sacramento County
Public Health Advisory Board**

Meeting Minutes

April 5, 2023 12-1:30PM

Meeting Location

7001-A East Parkway, Conference Room 1
Sacramento, CA 95823

Moderator: Sonal Patel, Co-Chair

Scribe: Nick Mori

Meeting Opened: 12:04 PM

Board Members:

Category	Name	Attendance
Community Member	Vacant	
Community Member	Vacant	
Community Member	Vacant	
Community Member	Elisabeth Abbott	
Community Member	Phillip Summers	Yes
Public Health Professional	Vacant	
Public Health/Health	Vacant	
Vice-Chair	Sonal Patel	Yes
Community Member	Chase Smith	Yes
Vice-Chair	Bekalu Amare	Yes
Public Health/Health	Sara Bowsky	
Public Health Professional	Vacant	
Public Health/Health	Vacant	
Community	Vacant	
Community	George Meyer	
County Staff	Dr. Olivia Kasirye (Ex-officio)	Yes
County Staff	Noel Vargas (Ex-officio)	

Other County Leadership: Michelle Besse (SUPT), Andrew Mendonsa (Primary Health)

Review of Minutes: March minutes were approved. (Motion: Smith; Second: Smith; unanimous vote).

Announcements

Sacramento County Public Health is transitioning staffing of PHAB to Valley Vision. Angelina Olweny and Jessica Lara from Valley Vision were in attendance.

Admin Updates-PHAB Recruitment-Sonal Patel

Two new members have been appointed to PHAB by the Board of Supervisors. Deanna Drake and Mark Borges will become voting members upon successful completion of their ethics training and Form 700.

Public Health Update: Dr. Olivia Kasirye, Public Health Officer

COVID-19

- State and local COVID-19 emergencies have ended
- Remaining CDPH COVID-19 Health Officer Orders ended, effective 4/3/2023
- Some health care settings may continue masking requirements on their own
- SCPH continues to monitor COVID and will alert the public of significant developments
- Continue to recommend masking in crowded public settings and on public transportation and to stay home when sick
- Changes to federal coverage for vaccine and treatment are expected

Multi-Drug Resistant Organisms

- Increases in California and locally
- Some outbreaks in long term care facilities in Southern California
- A few cases have occurred locally

Primary Health/Correctional Health Update: Dr. Andrew Mendonsa, Primary Health

- Updates on weekly COVID-19 testing, case, and vaccination data as of 03/29/2023
- Updates on average daily population and nurse intakes
- Numerous ACH staff vacancies
- Mays Consent Decree updates
- See Primary Health Update handout for additional information

SUPT Update: Michelle Besse, Program Manager

- Opioid deaths increased from 2021 to 2022
- Fentanyl education and awareness in schools continues with plans to expand to

college campuses

- Narcan is available in several public settings; FDA approved over-the-counter, which should make it even easier to obtain
- See SUPT Update handout for additional information

Sacramento County Public Health Strategic Plan & Accreditation: Megan Sheffield, Program Planner

- When Dr. Kasirye was hired as Health Officer over a decade ago, PHAB identified achieving Public Health Accreditation as a priority and she is committed to seeing that through
- Public Health now has dedicated staff working towards achieving accreditation, which requires them to demonstrate how they meet a series of national standards
- Some funding streams are tied to accreditation requirements, including a Community Health Assessment and Community Health Improvement Plan
- Public Health developed a Strategic Plan prior to COVID-19 and will be updating next year
- PHAB members will have an opportunities to provide input on suggested adjustments as the Strategic Plan is renewed
- See slides for additional information

PHAB 2023 Topics

At the March PHAB meeting, Tim Lutz and Dr. Kasirye presented their priorities. The PHAB Executive Committee identified areas where PHAB priorities overlap with DHS/SCPH priorities and a plan for addressing each area at PHAB meetings in 2023. They include:

- Alzheimer's
- Homelessness & Community Response
- Workforce Development
- Correctional Health & Justice-Involved Populations
- Drug Overdose & Safe Injection
- Youth Mental Health & Suicide Prevention

See Priorities for Discussion handout for more information.

Public Comment

An attendee expressed concerns about County policies to conduct sweeps on unhoused people experiencing homelessness.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 1:36PM.