

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
 PUBLIC HEALTH COMMISSION
 FEBRUARY 27, 2014
 MINUTES

APPROVED

COMMISSIONERS

Jean G. Champommier, Ph.D., Chairperson*
 Crystal D. Crawford, J.D., Vice-Chair**
 Waleed W. Shindy M.D., M.P.H.*
 Michelle Anne Bholat, M.D., M.P.H.*
 Patrick Dowling, M.D., M.P.H.**

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES REPRESENTATIVE

Jonathan E. Fielding, Director of Public Health and Health Officer***
 Angela Haley, Secretary*
 Public Health Commission

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMISSION ADVISOR

Cynthia Harding, Chief Deputy*
 Public Health

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMISSION YOUTH ADVISOR

Vacant

*Present **Excused ***Absent

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I. CALL TO ORDER	The meeting was called to order at approximately 10:04 a.m. by Chairperson Champommier at Central Public Health Center.	Information only.

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<p>II. ANNOUNCEMENTS & INTRODUCTIONS</p>	<p><i>Introductions of Commissioners and guests were conducted.</i></p>	<p><i>Information only.</i></p>
<p>III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES</p>	<p><i>The January 23, 2014 minutes will be approved at the next meeting when Vice-Chairperson Crawford is present.</i></p>	

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<p>IV. PUBLIC HEALTH REPORT</p>	<p>Cindy Harding provided the Commission with a Public Health Report and discussed public health activities since the last report on January 23, 2013.</p> <p>Community Transformation Grant – Year Two (September 18, 2012, AGENDA ITEM 34)</p> <p>Ms. Harding informed the Commission that the attached report provides updates on progress across the project's multiple strategic directions including interventions that support tobacco-free living, increase access to clinical preventive services, promote active living and healthy eating, and expand access to healthy and safe physical environments across L.A. County.</p> <p>Impact of Fiscal Year 2014 Federal Omnibus Budget on Community Transformation Grant Initiatives and Other DPH Programs</p> <p>Ms. Harding informed the Commission that the recently enacted omnibus budget for federal fiscal year (FFY) 2014, which began on October 1, 2013, does not include a funding allocation for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) Community Transformation Grants (CTG) program. This program funds the Department of Public Health's (DPH) Choose Health LA initiative (\$9.85 million in FFY 2013) that</p>	

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<p>IV. PUBLIC HEALTH REPORT CONTINUED</p>	<p>includes a number of contracts and activities focused on reducing tobacco use and exposure to secondhand smoke, improving nutrition, increasing physical activity, increasing access to clinical preventive services, and creating safe and healthy physical environments. The omnibus budget, however, included increased funding for heart disease, stroke, and diabetes prevention at the CDC, and the creation of a new Community Prevention Program to further advance prevention and multi-sector work in communities.</p> <p>Network For A Healthy California Grant – Year One (September 18, 2012, Agenda Item 34)</p> <p>The report provides updates on progress across the grant's objectives, including milestones and outcomes achieved during Year One, in the following categories: Infrastructure/Program Development; Partnerships; County Nutrition Action Plan; Community Assessments; Community/Media Events; Quantitative Outcomes; and Lessons Learned.</p> <p>Report on Healthy Design Phase II (Item 7, Agenda of January 23, 2012)</p> <p>The report is in response to the Board's January 23, 2012 motion by Supervisor Yaroslavsky in support of the Healthy Design Ordinance (HDO). The report summarizes the accomplishments of the Healthy Design Workgroup (HDW) in 2013 to implement the goals of the HDO and describes the</p>	<p>Dr. Simon recommend that Jean Armbruster, Director, PLACE Program come and give a presentation to further discuss DPH involvement in the Healthy Design Workgroup.</p>

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<p>IV. PUBLIC HEALTH REPORT CONTINUED</p>	<p>HIV Medical Home Fee-For-Service and Medical Care Coordination Implementation Update</p> <p>The Department of Public Health (DPH) was requested by the Board to report on the progress of the implementation of fee-for-service (FFS) contracting for HIV/AIDS Ambulatory Outpatient Medical (AOM) Services. The shift to FFS contracting for AOM services has successfully allowed Ryan White Program (RWP) dollars to be directed in a more cost effective and equitable manner. The shift to FFS also better positions DHSP to remain in compliance with payer of last resort requirements crucial to administering the RWP in an era when patients may now be eligible for other federally financed care.</p> <p>Update on Implementation of the Food Vehicle Inspection Grading Ordinance</p> <p>Ms. Harding provided an update on the implementation of the food vehicle inspection grading ordinance. This update reviews the current issues being addressed by DPH Environmental Health Program and the affected industries. DPH Environmental Health implemented the vehicle letter grading in two phases. Phase I was initiated in November 2010 and applied to "high risk" food vehicles such as full-service food trucks and carts.</p>	

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<p>V. UPDATE - COMMUNITY TRANSFORMATION GRANT</p>	<p>Dr. Paul Simon, Director, Division of Chronic Disease and Injury Prevention, provided the Commission with an update of the Community Transformation Grant (CTG). Dr. Simon discussed the Choose Health L.A. brochure that details CTG efforts.</p> <p>Division of Chronic Disease and Injury Prevention: Key Focus Areas</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reducing tobacco use and exposure to second-hand smoke • Improving nutrition • Increasing physical activity • Reducing injuries and violence • Increasing access to high-impact clinical preventive services • Promoting healthy aging <p>Major Funding Sources</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proposition 99 – State tobacco tax revenue - \$2 million per year • Communities Putting Prevention to Work (Federal Stimulus, \$32 million, 2009-2011) • Community Transformation Grant – Affordable Care Act, \$30 million, 2011-2014, originally planned through 2016 but recently eliminated from federal budget, effective October 2014) 	

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<p>VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS</p>	<p>Chairperson Champommier asked if there were any items they felt the Commission should focus on this year and work with DPH. Also, he asked Ms. Harding if she can take the lead on the planning portion of any ideas would be greatly appreciated. Ms. Harding indicated in the past the Commission agreed to support DPH on the city of L.A. ballot initiative and city planning, and public health centers. Listed are the following ideas Ms. Harding thought the Commission might would like to consider to focus on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PH Accreditation • Affordable Care Act in PH • Public Health Centers in the future • Developing the environmental and toxic exposure in impacted communities <p>Ms. Harding will discuss with Dr. Fielding and the executive team any ideas/suggestions they may have the Commission can become involved with, and will bring an outline for discussion at a future meeting.</p> <p>The meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m.</p>	