

**COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
PUBLIC HEALTH COMMISSION
SPECIAL MEETING
JUNE 22, 2015
MINUTES**

APPROVED

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COMMISSIONERS

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

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH REPRESENTATIVE

Dr. Jeffrey Gunzenhauser, Interim Medical Director***
Evelina Villa, Interim Public Health Commission Staff*

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PUBLIC HEALTH COMMISSION ADVISORS

Cynthia Harding, Interim Director***
Carrie Brumfield, Chief of Staff*

***Present **Excused ***Absent**

TOPIC	DISCUSSION/FINDINGS	RECOMMENDATION/ACTION/ FOLLOW-UP
I. Roll Call	<i>The meeting was called to order at 3:40 pm by Commission Chair Crawford at the host site location (313 N. Figueroa St, Room 804) and the four teleconference locations.</i>	Information only.
II. Discuss Next Steps in Response to Proposed Health Agency	<p><i>The Commission discussed whether or not it is in support of the proposed health agency model. Additionally, the Commission discussed whether or not it would pose alternative model recommendations to the Board.</i></p> <p><i>The Commission agreed to make a recommendation to the Board to review two/three objectives and develop a report of how it will be implemented. The Commission decided to listen to public comment before proceeding with voting and further developing the final motion to present to the Board.</i></p>	

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III. Opportunity for Public Comment	<p><i>Manal Aboelata, MPH, Prevention Institute, Managing Director</i></p> <p>Ms. Aboelata indicated that she believes in the notion of an independent role of the public health department because it is the independent role has allowed the department to be able to accomplish a many things. She indicated that one of her concerns regarding integration, is that the independent structure would be subsumed under the high demand/high cost related to healthcare services. She stated that service integration is important and she is concerned that population health would become invisible in a consolidated agency structure.</p> <p><i>Lynn Kersey, Maternal/Child Health Access</i></p> <p>Ms. Kersey echoed the same concerns as Ms. Aboelata regarding the line of authority to the Board. She indicated that she agreed with the deliberation regarding the Board to ask the three department directors collaborate and find areas of integration. She also stated that she is concerned regarding the word “delay” in the proposed recommendation due to the fact that it could potentially cause the focus to be lost. She asked the Commission’s motion to consider identifying the areas of integration, specifically. She asked the Commissioners to please urge the Board to not rush into an agency model.</p>	

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IV. Motion for Recommendation to the Board of Supervisors	<p>MOTION presented by Commissioner Bholat:</p> <p>The Public Health Commission recommends to the Board of Supervisors:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Delay a final decision on any model of integration; - Name an independent third party (not on the staff of the departments of Health Services, Mental Health, and Public Health) who is mutually agreed upon by the Board and the three department directors to assist the three departments in identifying three to four key areas (and developing a work plan within 90 days after naming the independent third party), where integration will result in enhanced care, services, and population health. <p>The motion was seconded by Commissioner Dowling. All Commissioners were in favor of the motion.</p>	
V. Adjournment	<p>The meeting adjourned at 4:54 pm.</p>	