

**Public Health Advisory Board**  
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**Meeting Notes: March 7, 2007**

**Members present:** Matt Hedges (chair), Leslie Benson, Leticia Garcia, Barbara Fox, Joan Hurlock, Terri Mack, Ana Negron, Dr. Raymond Wilson, Carolyn Goetze, Dr. Glennah Trochet (ex-officio), Dr. Dorothy Pitman (ex-officio).  
**Members absent:** Chris Wood (excused), Anthony Russell (excused), Vicki McGahan (excused), Scott Seamons (excused), Steve Soto.  
**Guests attending:** Sally Wheeler-Valine, Mellissa Meng, Dawn Dunlap, Sue Nesbit, Val Siebal, John Rogers, Jo Ellen Barnart, Robert Meagher, Donna Paul, Linda Kimura.  
**Staff:** Alan Lange, Kevin O’Keefe.

Issues	Discussion	Action/Recommendation
<b>Introductions</b>		
<b>Chair’s Report</b>	<p>The Chair made the following announcement:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The PHAB is allotted three seats on the Human Services Coordinating Council, but two of these seats are currently vacant. Anyone interested in joining should contact staff.</li> <li>• The PHAB has six Standing Committees in which the PHAB traditionally participates. Five of these Standing Committees currently do not include a PHAB member, including: Childhood Obesity Prevention Coalition; Dental Health Advisory Committee; HIV Health Services Planning Council; Perinatal Child &amp; Health Advisory Committee; and, Tobacco Control Coalition. Anyone interested in joining one of these committees should contact staff.</li> </ul>	
<b>Approve Meeting Notes</b>	The approval of the Minutes from the PHAB Meetings held on February 7, 2007 were approved unanimously with one change (the PHAB Sub Committee Updates are listed twice, remove one).	* M/S (Hurlock, 1 <sup>st</sup> ; Mack, 2 <sup>nd</sup> ) to approve PHAB Minutes from February 7, 2007 meeting with amendment.
<b>Letter of Support for Tobacco Control Coalition’s Resolution</b>	The Tobacco Control Coalition (TCC) has been working with Supervisor Roger Dickinson to develop a 50% Smoke-Free, Multi-Unit Housing Resolution that the Board of Supervisors will consider on April 3. The TCC requested a Letter of Support for the Resolution from the PHAB, which the PHAB chair developed. The PHAB looked over and approved this Letter of Support with two considerations: 1) include the statement “The PHAB of making this an actual mandate rather than a voluntary one”; and, 2) that the Executive Committee wordsmith this document at its next meeting.	* M/S (Benson, 1 <sup>st</sup> ; Hurlock, 2 <sup>nd</sup> ) to approve Letter of Support for Smoke-Free Resolution. * Executive Committee will wordsmith Letter of Support for Smoke-Free Resolution.
<b>Childhood Obesity Prevention Plan Update</b>	Sally Wheeler-Valine, Dawn Dunlap, and Mellissa Meng of the Childhood Obesity Prevention Coalition (COPC) presented their new Prevention Plan. This Plan, which has been a year in the works, makes many recommendations regarding childhood obesity in the following categories: health care; environmental; community-level; school-based; and, pre-school and child care-based. The COPC is in need of dedicated staff to coordinate implementation of the Prevention Plan. The OOPC is requesting that the PHAB write a Letter of Support to the Board of Supervisors.	* Research & Evaluation Committee will review the Childhood Obesity Prevention Plan and consider drafting a Letter of Support.
<b>Environmental Management Department Update</b>	Val Siebal, who recently took over as Director of the County’s Environmental Management Department (EMD), and John Rogers, who is the new Environmental Health Director of the EMD, introduced themselves to the PHAB and gave an update on the Food Safety Program Enhancements. In the first two months of the program’s implementation, the EMD inspected 1,837 restaurants with 87 percent receiving a Green (passing) grade. Approximately 13 percent (231 total) received a Yellow grade with less than one percent (11 total) receiving a Red grade. Siebal said that the EMD had anticipated that as high as 20 percent of eating establishments would receive a Yellow grade, so he was pleased with early results.	

<b>DHHS Updates</b>	<p><u>Primary Care Division:</u> Dr. Dorothy Pitman had to leave early and was unable to give her update.</p> <p><u>Public Health Division:</u> Due to time restraints, Dr. Trochet postponed her update until April.</p> <p><u>California Children's Services Update:</u> Program Coordinator Sue Nisbet gave a presentation on the California Children's Services (CCS), which is a mandated, statewide program that provides diagnostic and treatment services, medical case management, and physical and occupational therapy services to children under 21 years of age who qualify. Nesbit's update included details regarding: eligibility requirements, what the program is made up of, funding streams, staffing, performance measures, and challenges.</p>	
<b>Sub-Committee Updates</b>	The updates from the PHAB's Education & Outreach Committee, and Research & Evaluation Committee were tabled until the March meeting.	
<b>Announcements</b>	The Human Services Coordinating Council agenda item was tabled until April.	
<b>Adjourn</b>		Next meeting: April 4.