I. Alameda County Public Health Commission Update

Attachment

Dr. Muntu Davis, Director and County Health Officer, Public Health Department Commissioner Chair Justin Rausa, presented a PowerPoint presentation to update the Committee on the activities of the Public Health Commission.

The committees of the Public Health Commission include: Tobacco, Maternal & Child Health, Oral Health, Health in All Policies (HiAP) Youth and Nominating.

Accomplishments to date of the Tobacco Committee include:
- 2012 - Sponsored a resolution asking the Food & Drug Administration (FDA) to regulate or ban menthol in cigarettes
- 2013 - Brought tobacco-related provisions and concerns regarding the Free Trade Agreements to the attention of the full Public Health Commission
- 2014 - Partnered with Public Health Commission Youth to support SB 140 (Leno), which would have regulated e-cigarettes as a tobacco product

Accomplishments to date of the Maternal and Child Health Committee include:
- Developed and disseminated an informational brochure about Cytotec use in labor and the importance of informed consent
- Convened a meeting of all stakeholders working to develop a doula program at Highland Hospital

Accomplishments to date of the Oral Health Committee include:
- Office of Dental Health continued to staff and provide technical assistance to the school based workshop (Oakland Student Smiles which is comprised of representatives from OUSD, Asian Health Services, Native American Health Services, Lifelong Clinic and La Clinica de La Raza Health Clinics)
- Office of Dental Health continued its partnership with WIC program to provide dental services at four WIC sites operated by the Public Health Department

Accomplishments to date of the Health in All Policies Committee:
- Met with Dr. Davis to identify areas of support and potential staff interest
- Convened committee to develop action steps and goals
- Identified other county commissions and their contacts which may have common interests in this approach
- Completed a scan of enacted HiAP regulations at the state and local level
Accomplishments to date in the Youth Committee

- First committee to support a high school youth’s appointment as a District Commissioner on the Public Health Commission
- Passed resolution and completed a letter of support for SB 140 (Leno) in March 2015, which would have ensured that e-cigarettes are accurately defined as tobacco products and fall under the state’s existing smoke-free laws

The Public Health Commission’s recommendations include:

- Strengthen Board of Supervisors and Public Health Commission communications and relations
- Support the Public Health Department’s engagement in the Government Alliance on Race & Equity (GARE)
- Support full collaboration among all stakeholders for implementation of Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) priorities

Purpose:

☑ Report progress
☐ Advocacy or Education
☐ Request Health Committee Recommendation or Position
☐ Other:

This item was informational only and required no Committee action.

II. Tobacco Master Settlement Fund

Attachment

Rebecca Gebhart, Acting Director, Health Care Services Agency, presented a PowerPoint presentation of the Tobacco Master Settlement Fund allocations.

Tobacco Master Settlement Funds (TMSF) were distributed by the State to the Health Care Services Agency and the Board of Supervisors allocated uses for the funds as follows:

- $8 million for health care initiatives
- $6 million for debt service
- Alameda County securitized funds in 2002 and again in 2006
- Proceeds to pre-fund debt service

This resulted in general fund savings enabling the County to maintain the commitment of $8 million annually to health care initiatives.

The current $8 million allocation for health care initiatives is as follows:

- School Health Centers - $1.4 million
- Our Kids School Based Behavioral Health - $1 million
- Expanded Health Coverage IHSS - $1 million
- Early & Periodic Screening Diagnosis & Treatment (EPSDT) Expansion - $2 million
- Tobacco Control - $1 million
- Public Health - $1.175 million
- Health Insurance Enrollment/Healthy Smiles Dental - $425,000

The Health Care Services Agency requests the Health Committees’ support to allocate the proposed $8 million Tobacco Master Settlement Fund allocation at the current allocation levels.
Purpose:
☐ Report progress
☐ Advocacy or Education
☒ Request Health Committee Recommendation or Position
☐ Other:

Recommendation from Health Committee: Approved. Move to the full Board of Supervisors.

III.  Youth & Family Opportunities Program Update
Attachment

Tracey Schear, Director, and Kimi Sakashita, Associate Director, Center for Healthy Schools and Communities, presented a PowerPoint presentation on the Youth & Family Opportunities Program.

The countywide Youth and Family Opportunity Initiative removes barriers and creates access to health and wellness supports. It also elevates the capacity of “anchor” community based organizations to provide a continuum of integrated and high quality programs and services. The initiative targets youth and families with the least access to opportunities. Measure A funds were allocated at $2,489,000 in 2013-14 to the initiative in the “Priority Populations Children and Families” category.

Outcomes of the Youth & Family Opportunities Initiative include outreach to over 8,000 contacts at 341 events. Referrals made for healthcare and benefits including Medi-Cal, CalFRESH, CalWORKs, HealthPAC and SSI. It has also strengthened and integrated continuum of services.

The initiative outcomes in youth development include: 1) increased resiliency and life skills; 2) improved social-emotional wellbeing and 3) improved school performance.

Anita Johnson, Vashti Gibson and Finisha Wash are parents of children in the Youth & Family Opportunities Program and spoke in support of the program. Enayjan Neal, a youth leader at the Ashland REACH Youth Center supports the program.

Purpose:
☐ Report progress
☒ Advocacy or Education
☐ Request Health Committee Recommendation or Position
☐ Other:

This item was informational only and required no Committee action.

IV.  Medi-Cal 2020 (1115 Waiver) Presentation
Attachment

Dr. Kathleen Clanon, Medical Director, Health Care Services Agency and Scott Coffin, Chief Executive Officer Alameda Alliance for Health, presented a PowerPoint presentation on Medi-CAL 2020, also knowns as the 1115 Medi-Cal Waiver.

This is the third five-year 1115 Medi-Cal Waiver, from 2016-2020, known as Medi-Cal 2020. Medi-Cal 2020 uses a payment structure to incentivize quality and value of care. It shifts into primary and preventive care with an integration of systems while reducing costs and improving outcomes for high-risk and high cost beneficiaries.
Program strategies for Medi-Cal 2020 include:

- Develop infrastructure to support integration & collaboration among key entities over the long term;
- Increase coordination and appropriate access to care for the most vulnerable Medi-Cal beneficiaries;
- Reduce inappropriate emergency and inpatient utilization;
- Improve data collection and sharing amongst local entities;
- Increase access to housing and supportive services (optional); and
- Improve health outcomes for the Whole Person Care (WPC) population.

**Whole Person Care Pilot Program**

The Health Care Services Agency proposes to implement the Whole Person Care (WPC) Pilot Program. The WCP would serve individuals with repeated incidents of avoidable emergency use, hospital admissions, or nursing facility placement. WCP individuals include but are not limited to:

- Persons with two or more chronic conditions;
- Persons with mental health and/or substance use disorders;
- Persons who are currently experiencing homelessness; and/or
- Individuals who are at risk of homelessness, including individuals who will experience homelessness upon release from institutions (e.g. hospital, skilled nursing facility, rehabilitation facility, jail/prison, etc.)

The Whole Persons Care Pilot Program differs from the Coordinated Care Initiative (CCI) in that it the CCI target population is seniors and persons with disabilities and the WCP target population is high users of the system, and persons with poor health outcomes. Both programs aim to better integrate and coordinate physical, behavioral health, & community services.

**Purpose:**
- [ ] Report progress
- [x] Advocacy or Education
- [ ] Request Health Committee Recommendation or Position
- [ ] Other:

**Recommendation from Health Committee:** Approved. Move to the full Board of Supervisors.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Joe Rose, President, National Association of Mental Illness (NAMI) Alameda County South, thanked the Board of Supervisors for supporting Assembly Bill 1421, which aims to reduce hospitalizations and re-hospitalizations of the mentally ill population. Mr. Rose asked why it takes Behavioral Health Care Services so long to take action on re-hospitalizations.

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