



Office of Health Equity Advisory Committee

Office of Health Equity Overview

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Office of Health Equity (OHE) Overview

- California Health and Safety Code (CA-HS Code) Section 131019.5
- OHE Structure
- OHE Budget



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- **Achieve the highest level of health and mental health for all people**, with special attention focused on those who have experienced socioeconomic disadvantage and historical injustice, including, but not limited to, vulnerable communities and culturally, linguistically, and geographically isolated communities.
- Work collaboratively with the Health in All Policies Task Force to promote work to prevent injury and illness through **improved social and environmental factors that promote health and mental health.**
- Advise and assist other state departments in their mission to **increase access to, and the quality of, culturally and linguistically competent health and mental health care and services.**
- Improve the health status of all populations and places, with **a priority on eliminating health and mental health disparities and inequities.**



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Duties of OHE includes, but are not limited to the following:

- Conduct demographic analyses on health and mental health disparities and equities (updated periodically, but not less than every two years).
- Establish a comprehensive, cross-sectoral strategic plan to eliminate health and mental health disparities by July, 2014. (Updated every two years).
- Build upon and inform the work of the Health in All Policies Task Force.
- Assist and consult with state and local governments, health and mental health providers community-based organizations and advocates, and various stakeholder communities to advance health equity.
- By October 1, 2013, establish an advisory committee.
- Establish an interagency agreement between the State Department of Public Health and the Department of Health Care Services to outline the process by which the departments will jointly work to advance the mission of OHE.



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Definition of Terms:

- **Determinants of equity:** means social, economic, geographic, political, and physical environmental conditions that lead to the creation of a fair and just society.
- **Health equity:** means efforts to ensure that all people have full and equal access to opportunities that enable them to lead healthy lives
- **Health and mental health disparities:** means differences in health and mental health status among distinct segments of the population, including differences that occur by gender, age, race or ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity, education or income, disability or functional impairment, or geographic location, or the combination of any of these factors
- **Health and mental health inequities:** means disparities in health or mental health, or the factors that shape health, that are systemic and avoidable and, therefore, considered unjust or unfair.
- **Vulnerable communities:** include, but are not limited to, women, racial or ethnic groups, low-income individuals and families, individuals who are incarcerated and those who have been incarcerated, individuals with disabilities, individuals with mental health conditions, children, youth and young adults, seniors, immigrants and refugees, individuals who are limited-English proficient (LEP), and lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, and questioning (LGBTQQ) communities, or combinations of these populations
- **Vulnerable places:** means places or communities with inequities in the social, economic, educational, or physical environment or environmental health and that have insufficient resources or capacity to protect and promote the health and well-being of their residents

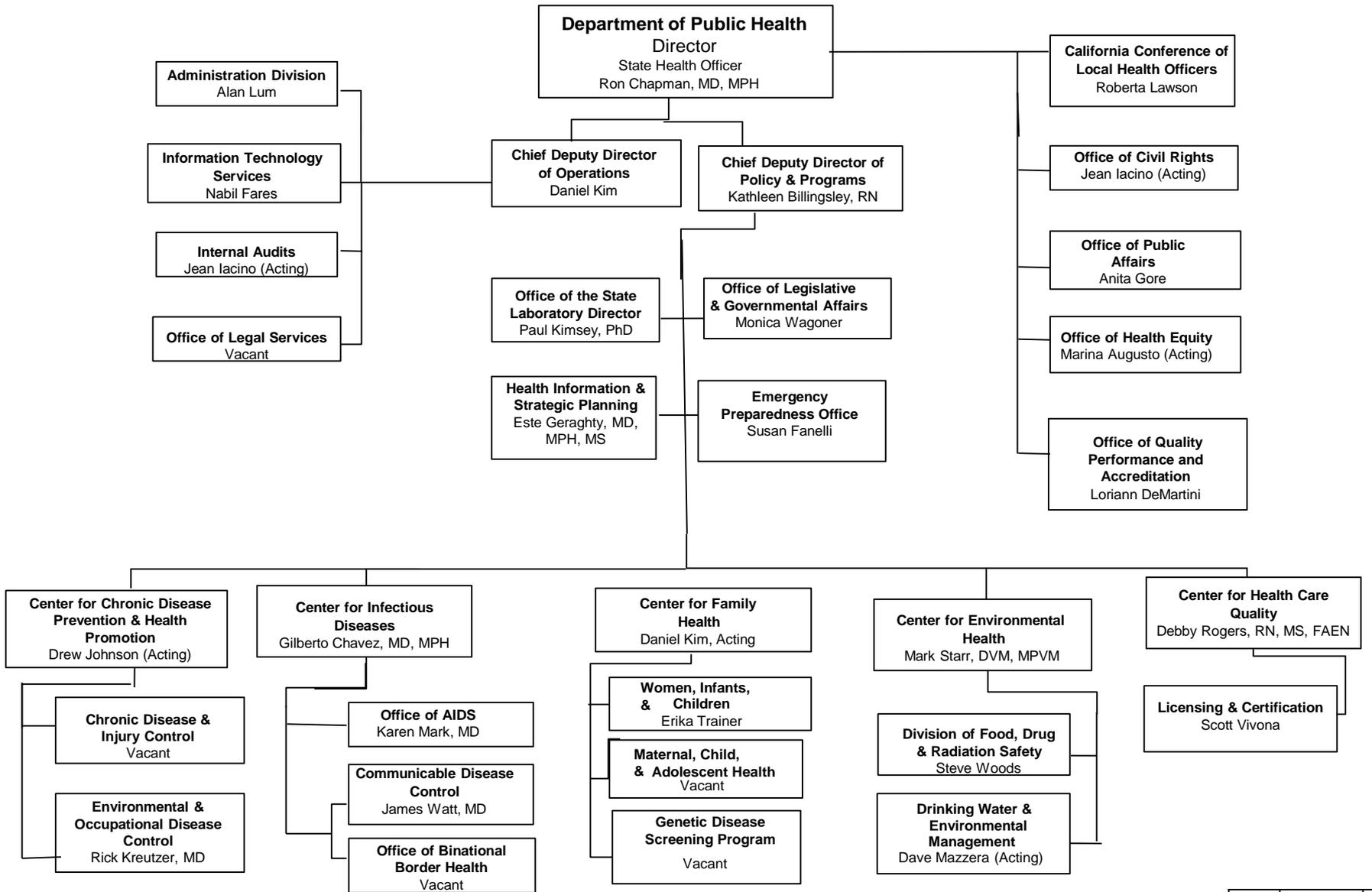


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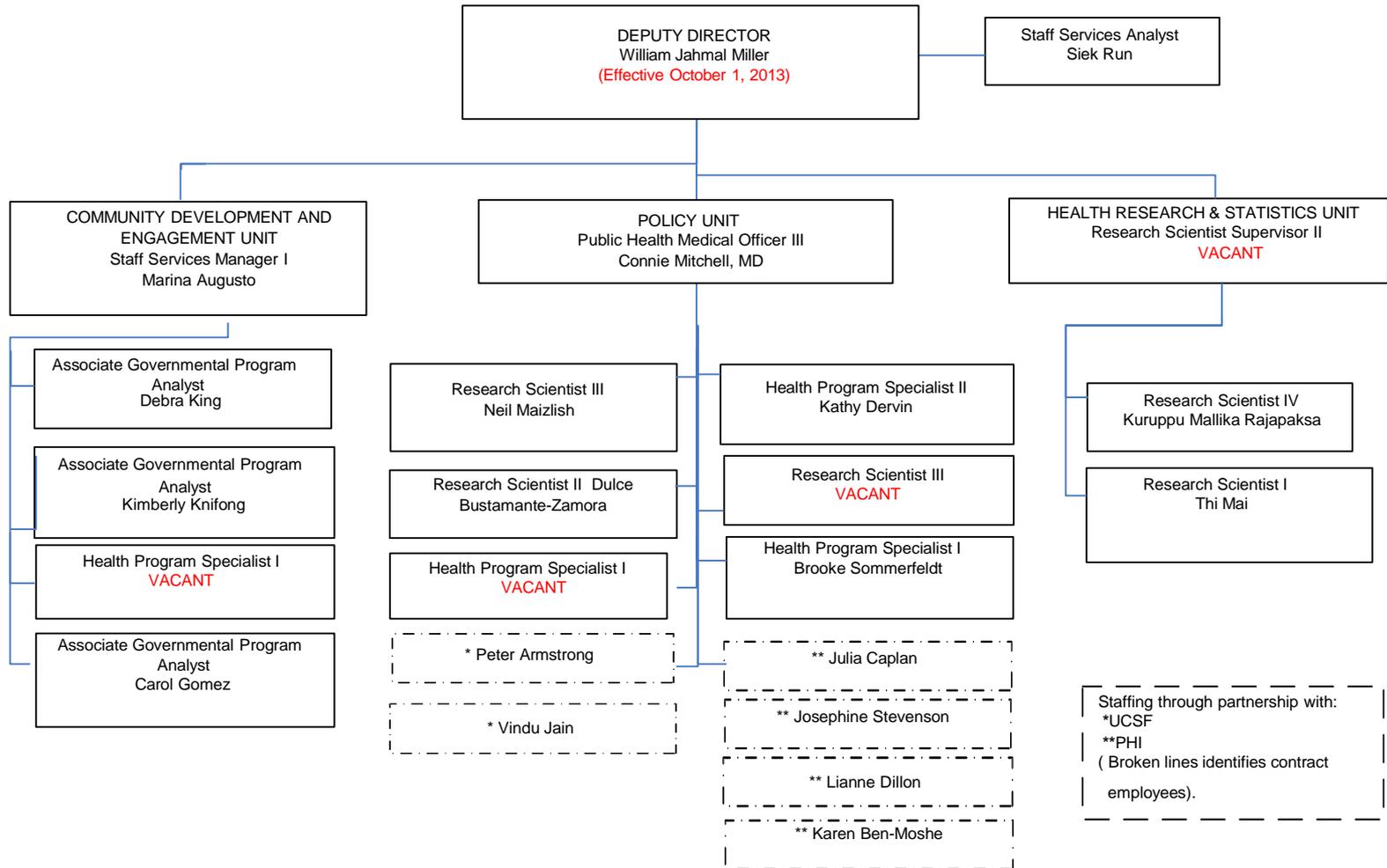
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CDPH – OHE Staff Introduction

- **Office of Health Equity (OHE):**
 - William Jahmal Miller – Deputy Director of the Office of Health Equity
 - Siek Run – Deputy Director’s Assistance
- **Community Development and Engagement Unit (CDEU):**
 - Marina Augusto – Manger of CDEU
 - Debbie King – OHE, CDEU, AGPA
 - Kimberly Knifong – OHE, CDEU, AGPA
 - Carol Gomez – OHE, CDEU, AGPA
- **Policy Unit (PU):**
 - Dr. Connie Mitchell – OHE, Chief Policy Unit
 - Neil Maizlish – OHE, Research Scientist III, Epidemiologist
 - Kathy Dervin – OHE, Health Program Specialist II
 - Brooke Summerfeldt – OHE, Health Program Specialist I
 - Dulce Bustamante-Zamora – OHE, Research Scientist II
 - Julia Caplan – HiAP, Policy Associate
 - Lianne Dillon – HiAP, PHI, Policy Associate
 - Karen Ben-Moshe – HiAP, Project Coordinor
 - Josephine Stevenson – HiAP, Policy Associate
- **Health Research and Statistics Unit (HRSU):**
 - Mallika Rajapaksa – OHE, Research Scientist IV
 - Thi Mai – OHE, Research Scientist I



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OHE Budget Overview:

OHE 's budget is over \$18 million for the Fiscal Year 13/14 and is currently supported through funding received from:

- ✓ Chronic Disease – Air Pollution Control
- ✓ Chronic Disease – Federal Special Project
- ✓ Proposition 99/Tobacco
- ✓ Proposition 63 – Mental Health Services Act
- ✓ California Office of Obesity Prevention
- ✓ Program 20 General Fund
- ✓ Program 40 General Fund