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Meeting Minutes
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ATTENDEES:

Janet Berreman, MD, City of Berkeley
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Ken Cutler, MD, Nevada
Nichole Quick, MD, Yuba
Ed Moreno, MD, Monterey
Claudia Jonah, MD, Kern
Karen Smith, MD, CDPH/Director
Greg Oliva, CDPH/CCDPHD
Jessica Nunez de Ybarra, MD, CDPH/CDIC
Jerry Jeffe, CA Chronic Care Coalition
Jill Cook, Yolo, CHEAC
Leah Northrop, CDPH/CCLHO
Bela Matyas, MD, Solano
Karen Relucio, MD, San Mateo
Lou Anne Cummings, MD, Sutter
Jeff Gunzenhauser, MD, Los Angeles
Rob Oldham, MD, Placer
Nancy Williams, MD, El Dorado
Robert Kim-Farley, MD, Los Angeles
Brandon Nunes, CDPH/Chief Deputy Director, Operations
Caroline Peck, MD, CDPH/CDIC
Katya Ledin, CAPHLD
Kat DeBurgh, HOAC
Judith Reigel, CHEAC
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Ken Bird, MD, Fresno
Karen Tait, MD, Lake
Matthew Willis, MD, Marin
Scott Morrow, MD, San Mateo
Andrew Deckert, MD, Shasta
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Wendy Hetherington, Riverside, CCLHDME
John Holguin, Long Beach, CACDC
Robin Cox, Solano, CCLDHE
Michael Mudgett, CHIRB
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Karen Haught, MD, Tulare
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Olivia Kasirye, MD, Sacramento
Penny Borenstein, MD, San Luis Obispo
Barbara Cole, Riverside
Megan Crumpler, Riverside, CAPHLD
Pam Dudley, DPHN, San Luis Obispo
Betsy Thompson, MD, USDHHS, Region IX
Connie Mitchell, CDPH/CFH
Paul Kimsey, CDPH/OSPHLD

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9:00 a.m.	**Introductions and Welcome/President's Report**	Janet Berreman, MD, MPH, President, California Conference of Local Health Officers (CCLHO) and Health Officer, City of Berkeley, began the meeting by giving the President's report and then asking attendees to introduce themselves. ▪ Dr. Berreman stated that 3 position letters were sent to CDPH from CCLHO from actions taken at the December Board Meeting. ▪ Progress is being made on the Policy Platform revision. Dr. Muntu Davis, Dr. Berreman and Leah Northrop have worked on 3 chapters and have put them into a format which they believe will be much more accessible and useable for people. They hope to have something put together in the next month or two. ▪ There will be a call this afternoon with CCLHO and the County Health Executives Association of California (CHEAC) to go over the Governor's Budget that is being released this morning. ▪ A document is being put together that will summarize CCLHO's accomplishments over the last year. The hope is to continue this document over the years and to be able to share it with other partners. ▪ Dr. Berreman reminded the group that there is time on every agenda for Public Comment to CCLHO. This does not mean that CCLHO has to respond to anything brought up in public comment and that CCLHO members should not feel put on the spot. ▪ At the Executive Committee meeting, the group discussed recommendations that have been addressed to CDPH and other governmental bodies. These recommendations tend to be narrow and focused on the relatively downstream aspects of public health practice. CCLHO does not normally weigh in on legislation that may affect the social determinants of health in education, economics, and land use decisions, among many others. The legislative field seems vast and CCLHO does not have a good mechanism of weighing in there. If CCLHO wants to have an impact on health equity and promoting health equity in California, they need to look broaden their at the positions being taken. That conversation spurred an Action Item to bring to the group. The first idea was to create a new CCLHO Committee which evolved into creating a workgroup to explore the best ways for CCLHO to provide recommendations on health equity and social determinants of health. This would be a small workgroup to meet a few times and flesh out how CCLHO can better approach making recommendations. This is meant to broaden the way legislation is looked at. ▪ Another discussion was a proposal starting in February to only provide printed copies of the at the CCLHO Board meetings and have everything else distributed in advance so people can print ahead of time if they would like to have the approved minutes and presentations before the meeting. The goal is to start posting items by date on the CCLHO website so people can access	**1. MOTION CARRIED**: Motion to approve the CCLHO December 3, 2015 Board meeting minutes carried. (see attachment for tallied votes) **2. ACTION:** CCLHO approves the concept of creating a workgroup to look at health equity and the social determinants of health. (see attachment for tallied votes)

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		them before and after the meetings. Bela Matyas, MD, MPH, Treasurer, CCLHO and Health Officer, Solano County, reported. ▪ The CCLHO account has remained steady over the last year. The Fall Semiannual Conference almost broke even, being short by just $120.00. This was a result of a few last minute cancellations. If not for the cancellations, the Conference would have faired the same as previous Conferences. The CCLHO account remains steady at $48,800. The biggest upcoming expense would be on what ends up getting spent on the revision of the CCLHO Policy Platform.	
9:15 a.m.	**County Health Executives Association of California (CHEAC) Update**	Jill Cook, President, County Health Executives Association of California (CHEAC) and Assistant Director, Yolo County Health and Human Services Agency, reported. ▪ Jill Cook was very excited to be at the CCLHO Board Meeting and to work with Dr. Berreman in this new era. She will be serving as CHEAC President for a second term which is not usual. Dr. Berreman was able to participate at the CHEAC December Board meeting and it was great to have her there. Ms. Cook received a lot of positive feedback from having her there. ▪ CHEAC's membership differs from CCLHO in that their members all vary in their roles in the LHJs. There are agency representatives and public health department representatives. All 61 LHJ's are represented in CHEAC and their primary funding source dues from the LHJs. CHEAC leadership consists of a President, Vice President, Secretary/Treasurer and a Past President. The terms are typically 1 year. CHEAC has an Executive Team that consists of 12 members who meet monthly and are named by the current President. CHEAC staff is small but mighty, with 3.5 fulltime employees. CHEAC meets 5 times per year and has an annual Conference. ▪ Ms. Cook is staying for a second term because CHEAC has a lot of change going on. Judith Reigel who has been with CHEAC for 16 years is retiring and her last day is next Friday. CHEAC went through an arduous process to find a new Executive Director to fill Ms. Reigel's shoes. CHEAC has hired Michelle Gibbons who has been working at the California State Association of Counties (CSAC) and she starts on Monday. Ms. Cook would love to be invited back to introduce Ms. Gibbons to CCLHO. Ms. Gibbons is excited to work with CCLHO and HOAC to further connect all 3 organizations. ▪ CHEAC will be contracting out for legislative support. Ms. Cook went over some of their legislative priorities. The broadest priority is to support LHDs. CHEAC is always looking to protect funding for county and city health services. A new priority was added on advancing population health. CHEAC also advocates for legislation that supports LHD programs and policies. They have an approved	

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		prioritized legislative platform which she would be happy to share with CCLHO. CHEAC has a Legislative Committee which will be activated this month. All of this information is available on the CHEAC website as well. Ms. Cook acknowledged that Ms. Kat DeBurgh of HOAC participates on that Committee and it has been incredibly valuable. ▪ The reason Ms. Cook was on the agenda today was to continue to strengthen and enhance partnerships and seek opportunities for collaboration. This includes CCLHO and other affiliate organizations. Last year, Dr. Davis and Ms. Cook created a more formal mechanism and met monthly by phone which has continued with Dr. Berreman. ▪ Dr. Rob Oldham and Dr. Berreman both echoed how nice it is to be able to participate in CCLHO and CHEAC because it is much easier to see how the two organizations are aligned more than how they differ. ▪ Dr. Kim-Farley asked that Ms. Reigel share any wisdom with CCLHO before her retirement. In her 16 years, Ms. Reigel stated that the organizations are stronger than they have ever been and that they are both working towards a common goal. One thing Ms. Reigel has learned is that even through a lot changes, a lot doesn't change. The crisis may change but so many of the issues that are dealt with are the same over the years. Ms. Reigel feels confident that she is leaving everyone in good hands. ▪ Dr. Berreman noted that CHEAC has a relationship with the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) and that there is no reason why CCLHO should not foster that relationship as well.	
9:45 a.m.	**California Department of Public Health (CDPH) Report**	Karen Smith, MD, MPH, Director and State Health Officer, California Department of Public Health (CDPH), reported. ▪ There will be a conference call today for organizations and collaboratives pursuing funding for the 6 pilot projects on Accountable Communities for Health (ACH). Over 500 people are registered and Dr. Smith encouraged people to call in. CDPH has $500,000 of the $3 million CMMI Planning Grant. CDPH will be using this for 2 contracts. One is with Blue Skies Consulting to develop an evaluation framework for ACH. The second contract is with UC Berkeley School of Public Health. CDPH is asking them to look at the role of data and information exchange in ACHs. Very few places are doing clinical to non-clinical data exchange. CDPH would like to provide a toolkit for ACH's that want to start pursing information exchange. CMS came out with their Accountable Health Communities Grant which is not the same as what was described above. There is no penalty to apply for both. ▪ Dr. Smith congratulated all the jurisdictions who were among the finalists for the Let's Get Healthy Innovation Challenge. There were over 100 applications and they were all so interesting. The conference will be held on January 26, 2016 at	

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		the Holiday Inn in Sacramento, CA. There is a 300 person maximum and it is already waitlisted. Dr. Smith still encouraged people to sign up because others will be added on as people do not confirm their attendance. CDPH sent out a press release that announced the winners. ▪ CDPH will be doing a collaborative project with WIC and DSS through Cal-Fresh. The goal is to increase the number of children enrolled in both programs. A data use set agreement is now in place to use the data in jurisdictions to assist in data informed outreach. ▪ There are two things that show up as highlights in the Governor's Budget that may not get mentioned. One is the timely outbreak detection and disease prevention which will get $1.6 million of the General Fund and 14 positions. This is to build back some of the laboratory capacity and to increase capacity for surveillance and testing. The second item is on the medical marijuana implementation and safety act. CDPH has a piece of that in licensing the testing laboratories and the manufacturer's (Food and Drug Branch). There will be a media call today at 3 pm where all the licensing entities, including CDPH, will be included and discuss the different pieces. The budget contains $457,000 this year to get this process started and $3.4 million and 14 positions for next year to handle the regulatory responsibilities. Everyone is anticipating that legalization is coming and California would like to be ahead of the game on this one. The authors of the Act intend to do some clean-up legislation to deal with the March 1st deadline for LHDs and there has not been opposition yet. ▪ How does CDPH plan on addressing Meaningful Use Stage 3 coming up in 2018? Dr. Smith is looking into an initiative to look at public health in the long run. The longer term vision is called Public Health 2035. One key item in this is IT infrastructure and capabilities. The ideal solution to reportable disease is to have the EHR's talk to each other.	
10:10 a.m.	**State Budgetary Process**	Brandon Nunes, Chief Deputy Director of Operations, CDPH, presented. ▪ See presentation.	
10:55 a.m.	**Committee Reports and Action Items** ▪ **Communicable Disease Control and Prevention (CDCP) Committee** ▪ **Health Information and Data Committee**	Robert Kim-Farley, MD, Los Angeles County and Barbara Cole, RN, PHN, MSN, Riverside County, reported. ▪ The last CDCP Committee meeting was held on December 17 in Oakland and the next meeting will be held on February 18 in Sacramento. Health Officers and/or their communicable disease controllers are welcomed to attend (in person or by phone) at any or all of the Committee meetings. ▪ The CDCP Committee recommended, and the CCLHO Executive Committee agreed, to allot time for a presentation on the role of Health Officers and LHDs in the implementation of SB 277 during the February Board Meeting. ▪ The Committee is requesting CTCA to give a presentation on the recommendations from the California TB Elimination Advisory Committee	

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		(CTEAC) regarding actions needed for TB Elimination in California to the CDCP Committee at the April or a future meeting. The Committee is requesting CACDC to review the previous survey of CD Controllers for a proposed list of laboratory tests for which LHDs would like to receive negative test results, including a justification of why such negative reporting is needed. Bela Matyas, MD, MPH, Health Officer, Solano County, reported. ▪ The Health Information and Data Committee met yesterday and had a presentation from Jessica Nunez de Ybarra on the California Wellness Plan and addressing Goal 3 on chronic disease surveillance. CDPH does have a Cancer Registry and some innovations in stroke but that is it when it comes to chronic disease in California. When legislators ask CDPH how many children in California have diabetes, there is no way to answer that question. CDPH does have a lot of external partners who want to join in on this work. One big partner is Quest Diagnostics and they want to volunteer all the hemoglobin A1c data that they have to help CDPH paint a picture. A memorandum of understanding has been put together and there will be a meeting today from 1:30-2:30 to look it over. CDPH is trying to be thoughtful in their approach in how they move forward with this. ▪ CHSI also presented at the meeting and went over their vision of health informatics and statistics with IT infrastructure and capabilities. ▪ It was noted that CDPH should present at the CCLHO Spring Semiannual Business meeting on their overarching data vision plan.	**3. ACTION:** CCLHO supports the augmentation in the CDPH budget for re-funding the LabAspire Program with the recommended amendments. (see attachment for tallied votes) **4. ACTION:** CCLHO supports the TB Elimination Challenge: 2040 Budgetary Request. (see attachment for tallied votes)
	▪ **Small Jurisdiction Committee**	Ken Cutler MD, MPH, Health Officer, Nevada County, reported. ▪ The next SJC meeting will be held on February 9, 2016. Dr. Cutler and Ms. Northrop will be putting together the agenda soon if anyone had any recommendations for topics and presentations, to please let them know.	
	▪ **CCLHO Budgetary Action Request**	See the following CCLHO Budgetary Action Request Forms ▪ LabAspire Program Funding ▪ TB Elimination Challenge:2040	
12:15 p.m.	**Legislative Updates: Health Officers Association of California (HOAC)**	Kat DeBurgh, MPH, Executive Director, HOAC reported. ▪ HOAC will be hosting their Spring Continuing Medical Education Program at the Spring Semiannual Meeting in Berkeley on April 14-15, 2016. ▪ There will be a Health Happens Aqui Training on March 7th, 2016 which is part of HOAC's Communication Training with TCE. Every jurisdiction is entitled to one complimentary registration with travel assistance. Ms. DeBurgh has reached out to all health officers and CHEAC representatives with the information. In addition there will be 36 other paid slots at $17 available for	

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		others, with 5 spots are still available. ▪ The Legislature reconvened this week and there are already 2 HOAC bills already introduced that ban powdered alcohol in California. They are SB 819 by Senator Huff and AB 1554 by Assemblymember Irwin. ▪ HOAC is currently seeking an author for a bill to establish universal TB screening and targeted testing community college employees instead of universal testing for community college employees whether they are high risk or low risk. ▪ HOAC is slowly weighing on the issue of swimming pool safety. HOAC may not be able to sponsor it this year since it is an issue that other people are already working on and HOAC would like to join a coalition that is already in place. ▪ There is another bill on medical marijuana that would eliminate the March 1, 2016 deadline which was a drafting error in the medical marijuana bills. It says if a county has not introduced anything by March 1, 2016 then the state will take over licensing there and this was a mistake. The author is trying to fix this by getting a bill passed quickly and signed by the Governor to remove that requirement. ▪ The Initiative to recall Senator Pan failed. ▪ There is a new Assembly speaker, Anthony Rendon, who will be sworn in in March. He has said that his priority is early childhood education, dissolving gangs and training job seekers. He has an upstream view and if we can focus on early childhood education, we can positively influence many other areas.	
12:35 p.m.	**Brief Reports** **Volunteers to Advisory Committees** **Affiliates** **Regional Health Officer Groups**	See reports: ▪ Local Capabilities Workgroup ▪ EMSAAC/EMDAC/EMS Commission ▪ CDPH Office of Health Equity See reports: ▪ CAPHLD ▪ CCLHDN ▪ CACDC-John Holguin reported that he is now the Past President and Eric McDonald, from San Diego County, is the 2016 President. CACDC is recruiting candidates to become Members-at-Large and join the Executive Committee. Rob Oldham, MD, MSHA, Health Officer, Placer County, reported. ▪ There is new Regional Health Officer group that are calling themselves the El Placer Met Lo Health Officer Group which includes the greater Sacramento area. The group met over lunch after the last CCLHO meeting. They met with the Sacramento County Sustainability Manager and a few others. At the meeting they had a nice discussion on Health in All Policies. This group is	

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		hoping to put together a conference in May, in Sacramento, and will be geared towards people in this region.	
12:55 p.m.	**Public Comment**	Michael Mudgett, CHIRB, introduced himself and he is an epidemiologist with the California Tribal Epidemiology Center in Sacramento. They serve Tribes in California and would like to work with health departments that work with Tribes. Karl Mulligan, El Cerrito, read a letter addressed to CDPH and to the group. It read: “Happy New Year to you all. My name is Karl Mulligan and I live in El Cerrito in Contra Costa County. First, all of you should be proud of yourselves for your accomplishments, and in obtaining your positions as Local Health Officers. You've obviously worked hard to get to where you are in your careers. You are also powerful people, vested with the authorization (I'll quote from one of your publications) "to exercise police power, such as isolation and quarantine, to prevent further spread of disease". I would like to believe that you don't take these powers lightly, and so, don't make unfounded declarations. Instead, I expect that you base your declarations on facts and evidence which support such claims. That leads to the rabies declaration. As you know, and I'll quote from the "Local Rabies Control Activities, 2013 Annual Report". "Every year since 1987, the Director of the California Department of Public Health has declared all 58 counties in California as endemic for rabies, requiring each county to maintain a rabies control program per the California Health and Safety Code 121690(e). Last year on January 13, the Declaration that California is a Rabies Area, was signed by "Kathleen Billingsley for Dr. Ron Chapman". Did Dr. Chapman sign and swear to, an affidavit delegating his responsibility to declare California a Rabies Area to Ms. Billingsley? I want to be sure that this declaration is not signed as a routine matter. What report expressing facts and evidence did Ms. Billingsley use to lead her to that decision? When Karen Smith signs the Declaration, what Report will be cited to justify such a Declaration, if any? I want to let you know that I believe Animal Control Services throughout the state abuse this Declaration by quarantining biting animals without having first obtained a lawful Quarantine Order from the Local Health Officer. This is required by law. Otherwise animal owners are deprived of their property by an unlawful seizure- a violation of the 4th amendment of the U.S. Constitution regarding searches and seizures, the due process clauses of both the 5th and 14th amendments, as well as Article 1, Sections 7&15 of the California Constitution.	

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		From my troubled experience with Contra Costa County Animal Services in Martinez, I'm well aware that "the People" are routinely deprived of significant property interests without a lawfi.tl Order, and in violation of the said Due Process clauses. Furthermore, I contest that this unlawful quarantine, 597 laws regarding “cruelty to animals" are routinely violated. But these are issues I have directly with Contra Costa County and not really yourselves, except that it is the Declaration that California is a Rabies Are that is what 'Animal Control Services use to initiate their unlawful behavior. From the California Local Rabies Control Activities Annual Report, 2014, very close to 40,000 dogs and cats were quarantined in California. How many lawful quarantine orders were issued by yourselves, as LHO's. The difference between the number of quarantined animals, and the number of lawful quarantine Orders issued, should give a pretty good idea of how many California pet owners in 2014 were deprived of their property without due process. This is information I hope to obtain, compare and make public and I'd greatly appreciate your cooperation in obtaining this information. He thanked the group for their time.”	
1:00 p.m.	**Adjourn**	The next CCLHO Board Meeting will be held on February 4, 2016 in Sacramento.	

Attachment 1

CCLHO Board of Directors
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Tallied Votes

Health Officer	1. Action	2. Action	3. Action	4. Action
	Approval of Minutes	Workgroup to look at Health Equity & Social Determinants of Heatlh	Lab ASPIRE	TB Elimination
C. Kaiser	Y	--	Y	Y
N. Williams	Y	Y	Y	Y
K. Cutler	Y	Y	Y	Y
E. Moreno	Y	Y	Y	Y
R. Oldham	Y	Y	Y	Y
L. Cummings	Y	Y	Y	Y
B. Matyas	Y	Y	Y	Y
J. Berreman	Y	Y	Y	Y
K. Milman	Y	Y	Y	Y
K. Relucio	Y	Y	Y	Y
N. Quick	Y	Y	Y	Y
J. Gunzenhauser	Y	Y	Y	Y
C. Jonah	--	--	Y	Y
Total-	**Y-12** **N-0** **A-0**	**Y-11** **N-0** **A-0**	**Y-13** **N-0** **A-0**	**Y-13** **N-0** **A-0**

Y - Yay
N - Nay
A - Abstention
-- Not present during vote

Attachment 2

Acronym List

AB	Assembly Bill
AIDS	Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome
AMA	American Medical Association
ARB	Air Resources Board
CACDC	California Association of Communicable Disease Controllers
CAL/OSHA	Division of Occupational Safety and Health (Dept. of Industrial Relations)
CAPHLD	California Association of Public Health Laboratory Directors
CCLAD	California Conference of Local AIDS Directors
CCLHO	California Conference of Local Health Officers
CCLHDME	California Conference of Local Health Data Managers and Epidemiologists
CCR	California Code of Regulations
CD	Communicable Disease
CDC	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
CDCP	Communicable Disease Control and Prevention
CDPH	California Department of Public Health
CHEAC	County Health Executives Association of California
CHHS	California Health and Human Services Agency
CHSI	Center for Health Statistics and Informatics
CID	Center for Infectious Diseases
CMMI	Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation
CMS	Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
CTCA	California Tuberculosis Controllers Association
DGS	Department of General Services
DPHN	Directors of Public Health Nursing
EHR	Electronic Health Record
EMS	Emergency Medical Services
EMSA	Emergency Medical Services Authority
EPO	Emergency Preparedness Office
PHAB	Public Health Accreditation Board
HIV	Human Immunodeficiency Virus
HOAC	Health Officers Association of California
IT	Information Technology
LEMSA	Local Emergency Medical Services Agencies
LGHC	Let's Get Healthy California
LHD	Local Health Department
LHD	Local Health Jurisdiction
OEHHA	Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment
OHE	Office of Health Equity
SB	Senate Bill
SJC	Small Jurisdiction Committee
STD	Sexually Transmitted Diseases
WIC	Women, Infants, and Children