

**VITAL STATISTICS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (VSAC)
VITAL RECORDS PROTECTION ADVISORY COMMITTEE (VRPAC)
JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING**

PUBLIC HEALTH POLICY AND RESEARCH BRANCH (PHPRB)
HEALTH INFORMATION AND RESEARCH SECTION (HIRS)

Wednesday, March 14, 2012
10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
1616 Capitol Avenue, Third Floor
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AGENDA

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- B. Introductions
- C. Approval of Minutes from the Previous Meeting
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- E. New Business—Attachment 2
- F. Recap of Data Requests Approved in the Vital Statistics Unit—Attachment 3
- G. Public Comment
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**ATTACHMENT 1
STATE REGISTRAR'S RESPONSE TO VSAC RECOMMENDATIONS**

The following research requests were reviewed by the Vital Statistics Advisory Committee (VSAC) on January 11, 2011. The VSAC's recommendation and the State Registrar's actions are recorded below.

- Project Title:** "Short-Term Neonatal Outcomes of Cesarean Delivery and Trial of Labor after Cesarean Delivery"

Principal Investigator: Tommy M. Bird, MS, Instructor, Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences

Data Requested: OSHPD Linked PDD/ED/AS/Birth Cohort 2000–2006 (select variables)

VSAC Recommendation: Approval

State Registrar's Action: Adopted
- Project Title:** "The Association between Gestational Age at Delivery, Race/Ethnicity, and Perinatal Outcomes"

Principal Investigator: Yvonne Cheng, MD, MPH, University of California, San Francisco; Aaron B. Caughey, MD, PhD, Oregon Health and Science University

Data Requested: Birth Statistical Master (select variables)

VSAC Recommendation: Approval

State Registrar's Action: Adopted

3. **Project Title:** "Childhood Cancer Record Linkage Project"
Principal Investigators: Anand P. Chokkalingam; Patricia A. Buffler, PhD, MPH, CPH, University of California, Berkeley, School of Public Health
Data Requested: Birth records provided by California Cancer Registry 1978–2009 (select variables)
VSAC Recommendation: Approval
State Registrar's Action: Adopted

4. **Project Title:** "Evaluating the Effectiveness of a 13-Valent Pneumococcal Conjugate Vaccine among Children"
Principal Investigators: Ramon Guevara, PhD, MPH; Laurene Mascola, MD, MPH; County of Los Angeles Department of Public Health
Data Requested: No additional data requested at this time; revisions to protocol
VSAC Recommendation: Approval
State Registrar's Action: Adopted

5. **Project Title:** "Northern California Consortium for the National Children's Study"
Principal Investigator: Irva Hertz-Picciotto, PhD, University of California, Davis
Data Requested: Birth Statistical Master obtained for another study (select variables)
VSAC Recommendation: Approval
State Registrar's Action: Adopted

6. **Project Title:** "The Effect of Local Deaths on Children's Behavior and Cognitive Skills"
Principal Investigator: Patrick Sharkey, New York University, Department of Sociology
Data Requested: Death Statistical Master (select variables)
VSAC Recommendation: Approval
State Registrar's Action: Adopted

7. **Project Title:** "Improving Cancer Registry Socioeconomic Data: Linkage with State Vital Records, Birth Certificate Data"
Principal Investigator: Dee W. West, PhD, Public Health Institute
Data Requested: Birth Statistical Master (select variables)
VSAC Recommendation: Approval
State Registrar's Action: Adopted

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ATTACHMENT 2—NEW BUSINESS

The following projects were reviewed by the Health Information and Research Section and require VSAC review and recommendation.

- Project Title:** “Evaluating the Effectiveness of a 13-Valent Pneumococcal Vaccine among Children”
Principal Investigator: Mirasol Apostol, MPH, California Emerging Infections Program
Data Requested: Birth and death statistical master 2010–2011 (select variables)
- Project Title:** “Adverse Birth Outcomes Associated with Ambient Temperature in California, 1999–2009”
Principal Investigator: Rupa Basu, PhD, MPH, Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA), Air Pollution Epidemiology Unit
Data Requested: Birth and fetal death statistical masters 1999–2009 (select variables)
- Project Title:** “Maternal and Infant Health Assessment”
Principal Investigator: Paula Braveman, MD, MPH, University of California, San Francisco
Data Requested: Birth statistical master 2012 (select variables)

4. **Project Title:** “Development of Visual Perception in Human Infants”
Principal Investigator: Karen R. Dobkins, PhD, University of California, San Diego
Data Requested: Birth and death records from San Diego Office of Vital Records (select variables)

5. **Project Title:** “RealAge Collaboration -Prediction of Mortality Risk Using Online Health and Health Interest Data”
Principal Investigator: James H. Fowler, PhD, University of California, San Diego, School of Medicine, Division of Social Sciences
Data Requested: Death statistical master 2000–2008 (select variables with personal identifiers)

6. **Project Title:** “Political Engagement Before and After the Death of a Spouse”
Principal Investigator: James H. Fowler, PhD, University of California, San Diego, School of Medicine, Division of Social Sciences
Data Requested: Death statistical master 2009 (select variables with personal identifiers)

7. **Project Title:** “Development of Statewide Perinatal Quality Improvement Metrics with OSHPD PDD/Birth Certificate Link Data”
Principal Investigator: Jeffrey B. Gould, MD, MPH, Stanford University, California Perinatal Quality Care Collaborative (CPQCC), California Maternal Quality Care Collaborative (CMQCC)
Data Requested: OSHPD Linked Birth Cohort

8. **Project Title:** “Impact of Maternal and Child Health Funding on Health Outcomes”
Principal Investigator: Cynthia Harding, MPH, Director, MCAH Programs, Los Angeles County Department of Public Health
Data Requested: Birth statistical master 1997–2010 (select variables); death statistical master 1989–2009 (select variables with personal identifiers)

9. **Project Title:** “Demographic, Geographic, and Built Environment Patterns and Clustering of Mortality During a Heat Wave”
Principal Investigator: Martha Harnly, MPH, CDPH Environmental Health Investigations Branch
Data Requested: Death statistical master 2005–2007 (select variables with personal identifiers)

10. **Project Title:** “Evaluation of the Effectiveness of Tdap Vaccination Strategies at Preventing Infant Pertussis”
Principal Investigator: Kathleen Harriman, PhD, MPH, RN, California Emerging Infections Program (CEIP)
Data Requested: Use of 2010, 2011 birth and death files previously purchased and 2012–2014 (to be purchased) for other CEIP research (select variables)

11. **Project Title:** “OPTN Deceased Donor Potential Study (DDPS)”
Principal Investigator: Karl J. McCleary, PhD, MPH, United Network for Organ Sharing (UNOS)
Data Requested: Death statistical master 2000–2009 with personal identifiers (entire file)

12. **Project Title:** “Preliminary Study of Reproductive Health Impacts in Nail and Hair Care Workers”
Principal Investigator: Thu Quach, PhD, Cancer Prevention Institute of California
Data Requested: Birth statistical master 1998 & 2009 (select variables) and birth cohort 1996–2008 (select variables)

13. **Project Title:** “The Influence of Air Pollution in the Los Angeles Metropolitan Area on the Occurrence of Birth Defects”
Principal Investigator: Beate Ritz, MD, University of California, Los Angeles
Data Requested: Birth statistical master 2009 (entire file) & death statistical master 2009 (select variables with personal identifiers)

14. **Project Title:** “Proposal to Continue Research on the Developmentally Disabled”
Principal Investigator: Dr. Robert Shavelle, PhD, FASCPDM, Life Expectancy Project
Data Requested: Death statistical master 2007–2009 (entire file)

15. **Project Title:** “Perchlorate and Thyroid Hormones in Pregnancy and Infants in Southern California”
Principal Investigator: Craig Steinmaus, MD, MPH, University of California, Berkeley, School of Public Health
Data Requested: Birth statistical master 2000–2002 (select variables)

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**AGENDA ATTACHMENT 3—
RECAP OF DATA REQUESTS APPROVED IN THE HEALTH INFORMATION AND
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County Requests

1. Los Angeles County Department of Health Services, MCAH Program: 2008 Birth Cohort File
2. Ventura County Public Health Department: 2010 Birth; 2009 Fetal Death; 2009 Death

Birth Requests

1. RAND California Statistics: 2010 Birth

Death Requests

1. RAND California Statistics: 2010 Birth

OSHPD Linked Data Requests

1. CDPH – Immunization Branch: 2010 OSHPD Patient Discharge, Ambulatory Surgery Center, Emergency Department
2. CDPH – Chronic Disease Epidemiology and Control-Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention Program: 2009 OSHPD Patient Discharge, Ambulatory Surgery Center, Emergency Department
3. CDPH – Injury Surveillance and Epidemiology: OSHPD Patient Discharge and Emergency Department

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OSHPD Linked Data Requests (continued)

4. CDPH - Occupational Health Branch: 2009 OSHPD Ambulatory Surgery Center Data, Emergency Department Data, Patient Discharge Data
5. California Department of Health Care Services- (CalMEND): 2010 OSHPD Patient Discharge Data