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

April 13, 2016
 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.
 3701 N Freeway Blvd.
 Sacramento, CA 95834

AGENDA

- A. Welcome
- B. Introductions and Announcements
- C. Approval of Minutes from the Previous Meeting
- D. State Registrar's Response to VSAC Recommendations- Attachment 1
- E. Consent Calendar - Attachment 2
- F. Discussion Items - New Business - Attachment 3
- G. Recap of Data Requests Approved in the Health Information and Research Section - Attachment 4
- H. Public Comment
- I. Additional Discussion Topics
- J. . Adjournment

**ATTACHMENT 1-
STATE REGISTRAR TO VSAC RECOMMENDATIONS**

The following project was reviewed by the Health Information and Research Section and required VSAC review and recommendation:

1. Project Title: Health and Economic Toll of Tobacco on California's LGB Community
Principal Investigator: Wendy Max, Ph.D./Hai-Yen Sung, Ph.D., Co- Principal Investigator, UC San Francisco
Project Type: Continuing Project with No Changes to the Protocol
Data Requested: 2005 Death Statistical Master File (select variables), 2010-2012 Death Statistical Master File (select variables), 2014 California Comprehensive Death File (select variables)
VSAC Recommendation: Approved
State Registrar's Action : Adopted

2. Project Title: The Effect of Crime and Highway Entrance Closures on Fertility and Health
Principal Investigator: Gregory DeAngelo, Ph.D., Daniel Grossman, Ph.D., Co-Principal Investigator, West Virginia University
Project Type: New Project
Data Requested: 1997-2013 Birth Statistical Master File (select variables)
VSAC Recommendation: Approved
State Registrar's Action: Adopted

3. Project Title: Mortality and Support on Online Social Media
Principal Investigator: James Fowler, Ph.D., University of California, San Diego
Project Type: Continuing Project with Changes to the Protocol
Data Requested: 2014 California Comprehensive Death File (select variables)
VSAC Recommendation: Recommend to approve with stipulation the applicant provide further information on how the data will be transferred from Facebook to UC San Diego.
State Registrar's Action: Adopted

4. Project Title: Predicting Adverse Pregnancy Outcomes
Principal Investigator: Laura Jelliffe, Ph.D., University of San Francisco
Project Type: Continuing Project
Data Requested: 2005-2014 Non-Public POD/ED/AS Linked Birth Files, 2005-2004 Non-Public POD linked Death Files, Birth and Fetal Death Data from Biobank
VSAC Recommendation: Approved
State Registrar's Action: Adopted

5. Project Title: Social Patterns in Naming Practices in the United States, 1990-2006
Principal Investigator: Phech Colatat, PhD, Washington University in St. Louis
Project Type: New Project
Data Requested: 1990-2006 Birth Statistical Master File (Name, Mother's Address)
VSAC Recommendation: Approved
State Registrar's Action: Adopted

ATTACHMENT 2 - CONSENT CALENDAR: OSHPD DATA REQUESTS

The following OSHPD projects are those being placed in the block in the Consent Agenda.

- Project Title: Assessment of Health Care Spending in California Patients with Liver Disease
Principal Investigator: Mindie Nguyen, MD, Stanford University
Project Type: New Project
Data Requested: 2005-2011 Linked POD/EDD/AS/Death Data
- Project Title: Factors Associated with the Closure of Emergency Services & Impact on Patient Outcomes; Effect of Unemployment on ED Utilization in California
Principal Investigator: Renee Hsia, MD, University of California, San Francisco
Project Type: Continuing Project with Changes to the Protocol
Data Requested: 2005-2011 EDD/Linked Death Data
- Project Title: Chronic Disease in California, 2007-2016
Principal Investigator: Janet Bates, MD, CDPH, Center for Chronic Disease Prevention
Project Type: Continuing Project
Data Requested: 2014 California Comprehensive Death File, 2014 Non-Public Patient Discharge Data, 2014 Non-Public Emergency Department Data, 2014 Non-Public Ambulatory Surgery Data

ATTACHMENT 3 - DISCUSSION ITEMS - NEW BUSINESS

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

1. Project Title: Hospital Variation in Obstetric Care
Principal Investigator: Xiao Xu, Ph.D., Yale University
Project Type: Continuing Project with Changes to the Protocol
Data Requested: 2007-2015 Linked POD/ED/AS/Birth Files
2. Project Title: Mental Rotation in Human Infants
Principal Investigator: David Moore, Ph.D., Pitzer College
Project Type: Continuing Project with Changes to the Protocol
Data Requested: Monthly Birth Data (10/01/15-07/01/18), Monthly Death Data (10/01/15-07/01/18)
3. Project Title: California Health Interview Survey
Principal Investigator: Ninez Ponce, Ph.D., David Grant, Ph.D., University of California, Los Angeles
Project Type: New Project
Data Requested: 2009-2013 Death Files (select variables), 2014 California Comprehensive Death File (select variables)
4. Project Title: Maternal and Infant Health Assessment
Principal Investigator: Paula Braveman, MD, Kristen Marchi, Co-Principal Investigator, University of San Francisco
Project Type: Continuing Project with Changes to the Protocol
Data Requested: 2016 Monthly Birth Records (select variables)
5. Project Title: Vaccine Safety Datalink (VSD) Study
Principal Investigator: Steven Jacobsen, MD, Kaiser Permanente
Project Type: Continuing Project with No Changes to the Protocol
Data Requested: 2014-2017 Birth File (select variables), 2014-2017 CCDF (select variables), 2013-2017 Fetal Death File (select variables), 2014 Multiple Cause of Death File (select variables)
6. Project Title: The Development of Object Representation in Infancy
Principal Investigator: Lisa Oakes, Ph.D., University of California, Davis
Project Type: Continuing Project

Data Requested: Monthly Birth Records from 1/1/2016-12/31/2020 (select variables),
Monthly Death Records from 1/1/2016-12/31/2020 (select variables)

7. Project Title: The Health and Housing Market Effects of Air Pollution
Principal Investigator: Daniel Sullivan, Harvard University
Project Type: New Project
Data Requested: 1994-2005 Birth File (select variables), 1994-2005 Fetal Death Files
(select variables)

AGENDA ATTACHMENT 4-
RECAP OF DATA REQUESTS APPROVED IN THE HEALTH INFORMATION AND
RESEARCH SECTION

Birth Data Requests

1. Riverside County – 2014 Birth File
2. Santa Barbara County – 2014 Birth File
3. San Francisco County – 2014 Birth File
4. Contra Costa County – 2014 Birth File, 2012 Fetal Death File
5. San Joaquin County – 2014 Birth File
6. Tulare County – 2014 Birth File
7. Stanford University - 2014 Birth
8. Washington University in St. Louis – 1990-2006 Birth

Death Data Requests

1. San Francisco County – 2012 Fetal Death File
2. COMSERV, Inc. - 2014-2015 Anti-Fraud Death
3. UCLA – 1979-2013 Death
4. Stanford University - 2014 Infant Death records
5. Central Research, Inc. - 2014 Anti-Fraud Death

CDPH Data Requests

1. Chronic Disease Control Branch - 2014 CCDF
2. STD Branch - 1989-2014 Birth Files, 1989-2014 Death Files
3. Center for Chronic Disease Prevention - 2014 CCDF
4. STD Control Branch – 2014 Birth File
5. Center for Health Care Quality - 2012-2014 Non-Public POD
6. Surveillance and Statistics Section - 2014 Non-Public POD, 2014 Non-Public EDD