

**Summary of Court Reporter Minutes – D3**  
Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant  
Advisory Committee Teleconference  
Tuesday, June 5, 2018; 1:04 P.M.  
Kings River Conference Room, Sacramento, CA 95814

**Advisory Committee Members Present:**

Christy Adams, RN, BSN, MPH (via teleconference)  
Wes Alles, PhD, Chairperson (via teleconference)  
Paul Glassman, D.D.S., MA, MBA (via teleconference)  
Dan Spies, EMS Administrator (via teleconference)  
Caroline Peck, MD, Co-Chairperson (personally appeared)  
Nathan Wong, Ph.D. (via teleconference)  
Wilma Wooten, MD, MPH (via teleconference)

**Advisory Committee Members Not Present:**

Vicky Pinette, Sierra-Sacramento Valley EMS Agency  
Sam Stratton, MD, MPH

**California Department of Public Health (CDPH) Attendees Present:**

***Block Grant Team:***

Anita Butler, Block Grant Coordinator  
Rebecca Horne, Health Program Specialist  
Hector Garcia, Block Grant Administrator  
Matthew Herreid, Block Grant Fiscal

**Program Representatives**

Kate Bernacki, Safe and Active Communities Branch  
Jen Rohde-Budz, Office of AIDS  
Chelsey Carne, Office of AIDS  
Sheila Chinn, Nutrition and Obesity Prevention  
Damien DaRosa, Food and Drug Branch  
Elizabeth Stoller, STD Control Branch  
Jim Greene, Center for Health Statistics and Informatics  
Linda Gutierrez, Nutrition Education and Obesity Prevention Branch  
Alex Haq, Sensible Statistics  
Esther Jones, Chronic Disease Control Branch  
Sandy Kwong, Chronic Disease Surveillance and Research Branch  
Amanda Lawrence, Fusion Center  
Meredith Lee, Office of Health Equity  
Barbara Materna, Occupational Health Branch  
Tom McGinnis, EMS Authority  
Francisco Michel, Rape Prevention and Education Program  
Dana Moore, Office of Health Equity  
David, Montoya, Office of Quality Performance and Accreditation

Julie Nagasako, Fusion Center  
Mike Needham, Food and Drug Branch  
Jessica Nuñez de Ybarra, Chronic Disease Control Branch  
Christina Pamplona, Center for Infectious Diseases  
Monet Parham-Lee  
James Regan, Center for Health Statistics and Informatics  
Jeffrey Rosenhall,  
Neha Shah,  
Pam Shipley, Safe and Active Communities Branch  
Aimee Sisson, Chronic Disease Control Branch  
Elizabeth Stoller,  
Leslie Stribling, Office of Quality Performance and Accreditation  
Catrina Taylor, Research Scientist, Chronic Disease Control Branch  
Rick Trussell, EMSA  
Richard Votava,  
Angela Wise, EMSA

**Public Attendees:**

James F. Peters, Court Reporter, Diamond Court Reporters

**The meeting was then called to order at 1:04 p.m.**

**Welcome and Introductions:** Advisory Committee (AC) Chairman Dr. Alles welcomed attendees and then he took roll call.

Dr. Alles welcomed and thanked the Advisory Committee members, and Department Staff. Dr. Alles indicated that three action items are on the Agenda. The first item is to discuss the Work Plan and to seek approval. The second item involves the policy of allocating increased funding. This will require a vote by the ACM. The third item on the Agenda is the approval of the Minutes.

Dr. Peck welcomed the Advisory Committee members, indicating that we have a wonderful State Plan.

Dr. Alles requested that Hector Garcia present the participating programs.

**Block-Grant Funded Programs:** Block Grant Coordinator Hector Garcia presented the FFY 2018 Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant program descriptions, which includes the funding amount. These descriptions were shared with the AC prior to the meeting, were posted on the CDPH website, and a hard copy was placed at the security desk at 1616 Capitol Avenue, Sacramento, California.

**Award:** California's FFY 2018 award is \$10,600,069. CDPH and the Emergency Medical Services Authority split the award 70/30, respectively, after the Rape Prevention set aside is reduced from the total award. California plans to spend these funds in state fiscal year (SFY) 2018–19 (July 1, 2018, through June 30, 2019).

- **Rape Prevention Program.** This program approaches sexual violence from a public health perspective by building the capacity of California's 65 local rape crisis centers. **Funding level: \$832,969.**
- **California Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System Program:** a California-specific surveillance system that surveys adults on self-reported health behaviors. An annual BRFSS report is published, continuous use of which allows analysis of trends over time. **Funding level: \$400,000.**
- **California Wellness Plan Implementation:** California's chronic disease prevention and health promotion plan, with the overarching goal of equity in health and well being. **Funding level: \$440,000.**
- **Cardiovascular Disease Prevention Program:** supports a statewide cardiovascular disease alliance, Healthy Hearts California, which coordinates statewide heart-disease control and prevention efforts. **Funding level: \$424,654.**
- **Commodity-Specific Surveillance: Food and Drug Program:** collects and evaluates samples of food products known to be susceptible to microbial contamination and initiates efforts to remove adulterated items from the marketplace: **Funding level: \$200,000.**
- **Ecosystem of Data Sharing, CDPH Interoperability Initiative:** provides the infrastructure for data sharing within CDPH's registries and other data systems and with external stakeholders. **Funding level: \$214,291.**
- **Emergency Medical Dispatch Program/EMS Communications:** improves statewide training standards and provides uniformity through guidelines, improves public care, and maximizes efficiency of 911 systems. **Funding level: \$130,935.**
- **EMS for Children:** implements fully institutionalized EMS for Children in California by continuing to incorporate statewide compliance with national performance measures and the collection of statewide data. **Funding level: \$172,689.**
- **EMS Health Information Exchange** –Improves access to rapid specialized pre-hospital emergency medical services. **Funding level: \$451,602.**
- **EMS Partnership for Injury Prevention and Public Education:** maintains continuous EMS participation in statewide injury prevention and public education initiatives, programs, and policies. **Funding level: \$150,329.**
- **EMS Poison Control System:** supports California's Poison Control System, one of the largest single providers of poison-control services in the United States, and the sole provider of poison-control services for California. **Funding level: \$136,719.**

- **EMS Prehospital Data and Information Services and Quality Improvement Program:** increases specialized prehospital EMS data submissions into the state EMS database system and unites components under a single data warehouse. **Funding level: \$436,361.**
- **EMS STEMI and Stroke Systems:** reduces premature death and disability from heart disease and stroke through improved cardiovascular health detection and treatment during medical emergencies. **Funding level: \$258,478.**
- **EMS Systems Planning and Development –** Aims to improving quality patient care outcomes through 33 local emergency medical service agencies. **Funding level: \$727,274.**
- **EMS Trauma Care systems –** Reduces morbidity an mortality resulting from injury in California by providing continued oversight in the state3wide trauma system. **Funding level: \$262,743.**
- **Health in All Policies –** Facilities the California Health in all Policies Task Force. **Funding level: at \$592,748.**
- **Healthy People 2020 –** Awarded to enhance accountability and transparency of the Block Grant. **Funding level: \$667,274.**
- **Intentional and Unintentional Injury Prevention –** The program will ensure flexibility and capacity to address emerging cross- sector issues, such as the opioid overdose epidemic, run related homicides and suicides. **Funding level: \$884,629.**
- **Obesity Prevention for California –** Addresses obesity at both the state and local levels. **Funding level: \$300,000.**
- **Partnering to Reduce Preventable Nonfatal Work-Related Injuries –** Reduces the medical, social, and economic impacts of preventable nonfatal work related injuries. **Funding level: \$170,000.**
- **Preventive Medicine Residency Program –** Program is a workforce pipeline for hard-tofill epidemiology and physician positions in California. **Funding level: \$565,278.**
- **Public Health Accreditation –**Maintains the Department’s accreditation status. **Funding level: \$30,000.**
- **Public Health 2035 Capacity–Building Activities:** Builds cross-sectoral external relations, strategic development, and community engagement that move forward

CDPH's State Health Improvement Plan in support of the Public Health 2035 framework. **Funding level: \$776,370.**

- **Receptor Binding Assay** – Reduces the incidence of paralytic shellfish poisoning. **Funding level: \$275,000.**
- **TB California** – Promotes prevention strategies to reduce tuberculosis disease. **Funding level: \$600,000.**
- **Using HIV Surveillance Data to prevent HIV Transmission** - Matches people living with HIV with labs to determine if they are receiving timely HIV care and treatment. **Funding level: \$500,000.**

**Public Comment:**  
**None**

**Healthy People 2020 Objectives:** Dr. Alles pointed out that the Award will be used to address Healthy People 2020 Objectives, emerging health issues to provide leadership in developing and implementing emergency medical systems throughout California, and optimize the health and well-being of the people in California.

Also, the Department anticipates that CDC will award for the Federal Fiscal Year 2018 block grant funds in the amount of \$10,600,000. This amount is based on the prior year allocation.

It is also important to understand that the Emergency Medical Services Authority (EMSA) will split the award with the California Department of Public Health (CDPH), with 30% going to EMSA and 70% going to CDPH. The split is after the Rape Prevention set-aside, which is included in the Block Grant.

**Advisory Committee Discussion of the State Plan:** Dr. Wooten asked if the programs and funding under discussion were the same as those discussed during the May 4, 2018 meeting and why a second vote is being solicited. Anita Butler answered that CDC requires two Advisory Committee Meetings. The first to discuss funding allocations. The second is to obtain State Plan approval from the Advisory Committee.

**Approval of Minutes of May 4, 2018, Advisory Committee Meeting:** Dr. Alles reviewed the minutes; AC member Adams moved to approve, Co-Chair Dr. Peck seconded, and the AC unanimously approved the May Minutes.

**Budget:** Dr. Caroline Peck went over the federal omnibus budget passed for fiscal year (FY) 2018 and the CDPH Healthy People 2020 program.

Dr. Peck reported the good news that the Block Grant was flat funded for FFY 2018. As in previous years, the President zeroed out the budget, but it was restored by Congress. Because of concern that the Block Grant had been put under the Affordable Care Act,

CDC transferred it back into the regular CDC budget, as they did with other chronic disease programs. Continued support for the Block Grant is encouraging, and this will fund our programs through FY 2018–19.

We are very proud of the program success stories, a number of which were forwarded last year to the National Association of Chronic Disease Directors, and to CDC to communicate to Congress the value of the Block Grant program.

Ms. Wooten: I suggest including under the program description some type of statewide campaign to promote the LTBI issue, to increase awareness.

Dr. Peck: I will pass that along to Dr. Salves (sp), and I want to clarify that these Block Grant funds cannot be used for clinical services.

Ms. Wooten: I was looking at treatment and prevention, for advertising and educating providers, the whole LTBI issue, to help with long-term outcomes. I am suggesting a coordinated statewide campaign to educate individuals.

Dr. Alles: Is there a reason for taking the time to go through program by program, other than giving the AC or the public an opportunity to comment?

Dr. Peck: We want to be as transparent as possible; we want to allow the AC and the public to comment on how money is allocated.

### **Approval of State Plan**

Dr. Peck: I recommend approval of the state plan because it has a broad swath of objectives, and all of these will be good programs for California.

Dr. Alles: If you look at the breadth of programs presented here, that have been given Block Grant money, it has an impact on clinical costs and on people's lives, in not only longevity, but in quality of life. Thank you to people on the call who have devoted their career, or part of it, to public health. It's a worthy mission.

Dr. Alles requested giving AC members who were not present an opportunity to vote on approval of the PHHS Block Grant state plan. Dr. Peck concurred.

### **Adjournment**

Dr. Alles adjourned the meeting at 2:30 p.m.