

Summary of Court Reporter Minutes – D2
Public Hearing
Preventive Health & Health Services Block Grant

Wednesday, April 26, 2017, 1:00 P.M.

1616 Capitol Avenue, Mozar Conference Room, Sacramento, CA 95814

California Department of Public Health (CDPH) Attendees

Anita Butler, CDPH Business Operations Section Chief

Hector Garcia, CDPH Block Grant Administrator

Matthew Herreid, Block Grant Fiscal

Mary Rodgers, BGMIS Coordinator

Becca Parks, Acting Public Hearing Officer

Caroline Peck, Principal Investigator for the Grant

Members of the Public

No members of the public attended.

Introduction

The meeting opened at 1:00 P.M.

Opening remarks were presented by Hearing Officer Becca Parks. Ms. Parks gave a brief summary of the Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant (PHHSBG) and explained that the purpose of the Public Hearing is to present the Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2017 PHHSBG State Plan that will be submitted to the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and to take public comments on the FFY 2017 State Plan.

Public Hearing

Ms. Parks called the Public Hearing for the PHHSBG to order and introduced the presentation of the FFY 2016 State Plan, which is California's application for PHHSBG funding.

Ms. Parks opened the Public Hearing. She stated that CDC distributes PHHSBG funds to address their unique public health needs in innovative and locally defined ways. Grant activities address federal Healthy People 2020 Objectives and emerging health issues; provide leadership in developing and implementing Emergency Medical Systems; and optimize the health and well-being of the people of California.

CDPH and the Emergency Medical Services Authority (EMSA) will conduct programs and activities for California with the FFY 2017 PHHSBG award of \$10,600,069 from CDC. The grant and project term is October 1, 2016, through September 30, 2018. California plans to expend these funds in State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2017–18, which is July 1, 2017, through June 30, 2018.

The Public Hearing was noticed in the California Register on April 14, 2017. The FFY 2017 State Plan, Program Descriptions, and supporting documentation were posted on

the CDPH website. A hard copy was made available at the CDPH guard desk, located at 1616 Capitol Avenue, Sacramento, California 95814.

CDPH considers the proceedings to be quasi-legislative hearings. As such, witnesses presenting testimony at the hearing would not be sworn in nor would CDPH engage in cross-examination of witnesses. All written and oral statements submitted or made during the hearing would be taken under submission. Additionally, the record for this hearing would be open until 5:00 P.M. on June 24, 2016, to receive additional relevant information or comments in writing from interested parties at cddb@cdph.ca.gov. Opportunity to make a statement will be provided after each program description.

Ms. Parks asked if members of the public were in attendance. Members of the public did not attend in person or by telephone.

Ms. Parks introduced CDPH staff members present and Court Reporter Angie M. Materazzi.

Ms. Parks indicated that Mr. Garcia would give an overview of the FFY 2016 State Plan, including the FFY 2017 PHHSBG programs and the respective funding levels.

FFY 2017 PHHSBG Programs

Mr. Garcia explained that the \$10,600,069 PHHSBG grant from CDC would be split on a 70/30 basis between CDPH and the Emergency Medical Services Authority (EMSA), after reduction of the Rape Prevention Set-Aside from the total award.

Mr. Garcia presented the FFY 2017 PHHSBG programs included in the FFY 2017 State Plan (referring to Document #6). He requested public comments after each program description was read.

- **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:** this California-specific surveillance system 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 wellbeing. **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: \$102,452.**
- **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: \$135,541**
- **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: \$90,256.**
- **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: \$120,432.**
- **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: \$262,996.**
- **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: \$340,918.**
- **EMS Trauma Care Systems:** reduces morbidity and mortality resulting from injury in California by providing continued oversight of the statewide trauma system. **Funding level: \$210,276.**
- **Health in All Policies Task Force:** provides consultation to non-health agencies to integrate health and equity into their policies, programs, and procedures, and builds CDPH and local health department capacity. **Funding level: \$592,748.**
- **Healthy People 2020 Program:** supports the overall efforts of the Block Grant program by enhancing accountability and transparency through measuring progress and impact of funded programs through quality-improvement initiatives and well as communicating current accomplishments. **Funding level: \$676,000.**

- **Intentional and Unintentional Injury Prevention:** maintains injury prevention and control as core public health functions and ensures flexibility and capacity to address emerging cross-sector issues (e.g., opioid overdose epidemic, marijuana-impaired driving, and E-cigarette poisoning).
- **Obesity Prevention for Californians:** fosters development of healthy communities through the creation, adoption, and/or implementation of evidence-based policies, practices, and/or resources that support and advance community changes at state and local levels. **Funding level: \$300,000.**
- **Partnering to Reduce Preventable Nonfatal Work-Related Injuries:** establishes a new ongoing core capacity to reduce the impacts of preventable, nonfatal work-related injuries through public awareness campaigns and other interventions tailored to specific worker populations in high-risk jobs and industries. **Funding level: \$170,000.**
- **Preventive Medicine Residency Program:** Preventive Medicine Residency and Cal-EIS programs are the key workforce pipeline for hard-to-fill epidemiology positions in California state and local public health agencies. Trainees perform data and policy analysis and provide disease outbreak and emergency preparedness response, community needs assessments and planning, clinical prevention medicine, systems quality improvement, etc. **Funding level: \$565,278.**
- **Public Health Accreditation:** as part of the requirements to maintain CDPH's national accreditation, via the Public Health Accreditation Board, makes accreditation-related technical assistance available to California's local and tribal public health agencies and oversees internal departmental efforts. **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 for Paralytic Shellfish Poisoning Control:** reduces the incidence of paralytic shellfish poisoning illness in consumers through laboratory detection monitoring of shellfish from California shellfish-growing areas and coastal waters. **Funding level: \$275,000.**
- **TB Free California:** promotes prevention strategies to reduce tuberculosis disease among high-risk populations in California, including screening all foreign-born residents for TB, and for those who test positive, ensuring treatment. **Funding level: \$600,000.**

- **Using HIV surveillance data to prevent HIV transmission:** matches people living with HIV with their reported labs, to determine if they are receiving timely HIV care and treatment. **Funding level: \$500,000.**

Ms. Parks thanked Mr. Garcia for his presentation and announced that the PHHSBG Advisory Committee meeting would be held on May 10, 2017, from 1:00 to 3:00 P.M., at 1616 Capitol Avenue in Sacramento, to which members of the public were invited to attend.

Adjournment

Ms. Parks asked for additional comments. Hearing none, she reiterated that further comments would be accepted by e-mail at cddb@cdph.ca.gov until 5:00 P.M. on April 27, 2017.

The meeting adjourned at 1:34 P.M.