Let’s Get Healthy California: California to be the Healthiest State in the Nation by 2022

In 2012, Governor Brown issued Executive Order B-19-12 to create the Let’s Get Healthy California Task Force with the goal of making California the healthiest state in the nation by 2022. The Let’s Get Healthy California initiative focuses on furthering the Triple Aim – better health, better care and lower costs – and promoting health equity.

The Task Force is comprised of 24 individuals representing patients and consumers, healthcare providers, health plans, employers, community-based organizations, foundations, and organized labor.

The Task Force and subject matter expert advisors developed the Let’s Get Healthy Report that established baselines for key health indicators, identified obstacles, inventoried best practices, provided fiscally prudent recommendations and created a sensible framework for measuring improvements in key areas including:

- Reducing diabetes, asthma, childhood obesity, hypertension, and sepsis related mortality.
- Reducing hospital readmissions within 30 days of discharge.
- Increasing the number of children receiving recommended vaccines by age three.

The Innovation Challenge

The Let’s Get Healthy California initiative focuses on two strategic directions – Health Across the Lifespan and Pathways to Health—and six major goal areas – Healthy Beginnings, Living Well, End of Life, Redesigning the Health System, Creating Healthy Communities, and Lowering the Cost of Care. To advance the Let’s Get Healthy California Initiative, California Health and Human Services Agency (CHHS) and the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) introduced the Innovation Challenge to solicit innovative ideas and projects from California communities that further these strategic goals.

CHHS and CDPH received nearly 100 submissions from community and health advocates, health care providers, community based organizations, civic and data individuals. CHHS and CDPH selected 23 Innovation Challenge finalists that will be reviewed by the Task Force.

The Innovation Conference was held in Sacramento on January 26, 2016 and showcased and measured California’s progress to meet the six goal areas of the Let’s Get Healthy California report as well as recognized the selected innovations from communities across the state.

“The Let’s Get Healthy California Innovation Challenge was designed to promote improvement in population health and care through new pathways. It encourages the state and locals to collaborate, share ideas, and learn from one another to support new and creative ways to make California the healthiest state in the nation.”

- Karen Smith, MD, MPH
CDPH Director & State Public Health Officer

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