



THE STAKEHOLDER BRIEF

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The California Department of Public Health (CDPH) is pleased to present “The Stakeholder Brief,” a quarterly update of important upcoming activities, actions and accomplishments from CDPH. Updates include information about meetings, presentations, media announcements and solicitations for input or services. To receive this update or to unsubscribe from the list, visit the CDPH [Subscription page](#). For questions, concerns or suggestions, please contact us at CDPHPress@cdph.ca.gov. Thank you.

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Stakeholder Meetings

California Conference of Local Health Officers

- **April 13 - 15, 2016**, the California Conference of Local Health Officers (CCLHO) will hold its spring [semiannual meeting](#) in Berkeley. The three-day meeting, “Data Informed Public Health Practice,” includes a CCLHO business meeting and a continuing medical education program. All CCLHO semiannual meeting information is available on the CDPH [CCLHO Web page](#).
- **June 2, 2016**, the California Conference of Local Health Officers (CCLHO) Board of Directors will meet in Sacramento. All CCLHO meeting information is available on the CDPH [CCLHO Web page](#).

Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion

- **April 9, 2016**, the Site Assessment Section (SAS) of the CDPH Environmental Health Investigations Branch will celebrate the efforts and commitment of the city of South Gate’s Community Environmental Health Assessment Team (CEHAT). The CEHAT is a diverse team of community members, business owners, community advocates, members of civic groups and state, local and federal government agencies. For the past year the CEHAT has implemented the Protocol for Assessing Community Environmental Excellence in Environmental Health,



collected and prioritized the community's environmental health concerns, and is developing an action plan to address these concerns. SAS will invite representatives and officials to this stakeholder meeting, which is scheduled for 10 a.m., at the South Gate Girl's Club House at South Gate Park, 4940 Southern Avenue, South Gate, CA 90280.

- **May 5 and June 21, 2016**, the CDPH Oral Health Program will convene the Oral Health Program Advisory Committee/Partnership in Sacramento to continue efforts to develop the State Oral Health Plan. The committee unites oral health leaders and stakeholders from throughout the state and provides strategic advice on the formation of the State Oral Health Plan.
- **June 9, 2016**, the Tobacco Education and Research Oversight Committee (TEROC) will meet in Sacramento. TEROC advises the CDPH/California Tobacco Control Program, the California Department of Education's Tobacco-Use Prevention Education Program and the University of California Office of the President's Tobacco-Related Disease Research Program on agency, policy and budget issues. The three programs will provide updates on the 2015-2017 TEROC Master Plan objectives. Representatives from the American Cancer Society, American Heart Association and American Lung Association will provide updates on current tobacco-related activities and legislation.
- **June 21, 2016**, the CDPH Comprehensive Cancer Control Program and its coalition, the California Dialogue on Cancer will host its biennial stakeholder conference at California State University, Sacramento. The goals of the conference are to educate leading cancer control professionals on the latest topics in cancer control and provide a working session to begin planning for implementation of *California's Comprehensive Cancer Control Plan, 2016-2020*, California's strategic plan to reduce the cancer burden in the state.
- **June 30, 2016**, the Office of Problem Gambling will host its Advisory Group meeting in Sacramento. The group convenes on a quarterly basis and functions as a forum to bring together state agencies involved in regulating California's gambling industry, legislative and industry representatives, and other key stakeholders. For more information, please visit the [OPG Web page](#).

Center for Environmental Health

- **April 13, 2016**, the CDPH Radiologic Health Branch will hold its biannual Radiologic Technology Certification Committee (RTCC) public meeting in Los Angeles. The RTCC assists, advises and makes recommendations for the establishment of regulations necessary to ensure the proper administration and enforcement of the Radiologic Technology Act in accordance with California Health and Safety Code sections 114855 through 114865. The RTCC meeting agenda and minutes will be posted on the [CDPH website](#) closer to meeting date.
- **April 30, 2016**, the CDPH Food and Drug Branch will participate in the National Drug Take Back Day by hosting drug-disposal collection sites at various locations in Northern California. National Prescription Drug Take Back Day is a nationwide event that aims to provide a safe, convenient and ecologically responsible method of prescription drug disposal while educating the public about the potential for abuse of medications. For more information, please visit the [U.S. Department of Justice's website](#).

Center for Family Health

- **May 4, 2016**, the CDPH Maternal, Child and Adolescent Health (MCAH) Division will host its biannual meeting of local MCAH directors. MCAH will convene representatives from the 61 local health jurisdictions to discuss emerging issues, and Title V administrative and programmatic priorities. The formal agenda and MCAH statewide director update will be posted to the [MCAH Web page](#) closer to the meeting date.

The Title V Maternal and Child Health Block Grant provides core funding to California Title V programs serving all pregnant women, mothers, infants, children and adolescents, including children with special needs.

- **May 12, 2016**, the CDPH California Home Visiting Program's (CHVP) State Interagency Team Workgroup will hold its quarterly meeting in Sacramento. This meeting will focus on the collaboration between the Department of Developmental Services/Regional Centers and local CHVP sites. The workgroup strives to improve home visiting through interagency collaboration. For more information, visit the [CHVP Web page](#).

Center for Health Statistics and Informatics

- **May 5, 2016**, the CDPH Center for Health Statistics and Informatics-Vital Records (CHSI-VR) will meet with county clerks, recorders and health departments at the quarterly Vision Group meeting in Sacramento. Discussion items include the issuance and registration of births, deaths, fetal deaths and marriages. The Vision Group meeting is jointly sponsored by the County Recorder Association of California and CHSI-VR.
- **June 16, 2016**, the CDPH Center for Health Statistics and Informatics-Vital Records Registration Branch will hold its annual Technical Advisory Group meeting in Sacramento. Participants of this meeting include local registrars, medical examiners/coroners, and staff from medical facilities and funeral homes who share in the process of registering death and fetal death certificates. Discussion items include death certificate and amendment registration issues, policy updates, external causes of death, Vital Records Business Intelligence System and future updates to the Electronic Death Registration System. This meeting will also be available via teleconference and Web-Ex.

Center for Infectious Diseases

- **April 11, 2016**, the CDPH Office of AIDS will convene a "Getting to Zero" meeting in Sacramento to bring together key stakeholders to generate broad interest, support and ideas for a "Getting to Zero/Ending AIDS plan" for California. Participation for this meeting is by invitation only.
- **April 12, 2016**, the CDPH Office of AIDS (OA) will host a California Planning Group meeting in Sacramento to develop the 2016 Statewide Needs Assessment and California's Integrated HIV Surveillance, Prevention, and Care Plan (Integrated Plan), as required by OA federal funders (the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and the Health Resources and Services Administration). The needs assessment will identify HIV service

gaps and areas of greatest need. The Integrated Plan will articulate the goals and objectives to address those gaps and needs. OA will also provide program updates for the HIV Care, Prevention, AIDS drug assistance and surveillance branches. This meeting is open to the public.

- **April 20, May 18 and June 15 of 2016**, the CDPH Office of Binational Border Health, as part of the San Diego County Promotores Coalition (SDCPC), is convening a monthly SDCPC meeting in San Diego. The SDCPC mission is to advance, value and recognize the work of Promotores, and to support organizations that work with Promotores to increase access to services for residents of San Diego County.
- **May 6, 2016**, the CDPH Office Binational Border Health (OBBH) will hold its biannual Advisory Group Meeting in San Diego. The advisory group is composed of 12 members, representing the California Conference of Local Health Officers, local governments, health plans, hospitals, community-based organizations, health consumers and universities in urban, and rural communities in California. The group's goal is to support the OBBH mission by developing and monitoring a strategic plan for OBBH to address border/binational health issues. It also advises CDPH and the California members of the U.S. – Mexico Border Health Commission on critical health issues. This meeting is open to the public.
- **May 12, 2016**, the CDPH Office of Binational Border Health (OBBH), in coordination with several agencies representing government, academia and nonprofit organizations in the California - Baja California border region, will hold its General Border Health Consortium of the Californias Binational (BHCC) Meeting in San Diego. The goals of the BHCC Binational Group are to create networking opportunities to strengthen collaboration, improve communication, streamline coordination, share knowledge, and facilitate access to trainings and capacity building for individuals and organizations working in public health in the border region, and educate local, state and federal legislators regarding public health issues affecting the region. This meeting is open to the public.
- **June 7, 2016**, the CDPH Office of Binational Border Health will convene the California-Baja California Quarterly Epidemiology Meeting in Mexicali, Baja California, Mexico. Participants include key local and state public health officials from California and Baja California. The purpose of the meeting is to enhance situational awareness as it relates to infectious disease matters in the border region. This meeting provides a platform for sharing information on current infectious disease cases and/or outbreaks in the border region and to discuss other issues of public health concern.
- **June 2016**, the CDPH Office of Refugee Health, in collaboration with the California Department of Social Services' Refugee Programs Bureau, will hold four quarterly regional stakeholder meetings in Los Angeles, San Diego, Sacramento and Alameda. The goal is to promote community engagement and improve self-sufficiency, adjustment and integration for newly arriving refugees by sharing information on refugee processing and arrivals, health concerns, available funding and resources, and other timely issues affecting refugee placement.

Office of Health Equity

- **May 9, 2016**, the CDPH Office of Health Equity's (OHE) Advisory Committee will hold its quarterly meeting in Sacramento. The OHE Advisory Committee was created to advance the goals of OHE. It is comprised of up to 26 representatives from state agencies and departments, local health departments, community-based organizations, vulnerable communities and stakeholder communities. For more information about the committee and this meeting please visit [OHE's Web page](#).

Laboratory Field Services

- **June 3, 2016**, the quarterly meeting of the Clinical Laboratory Technology Advisory Committee (CLTAC) will be held in Richmond with a videoconference link to Los Angeles. The agenda and information about teleconference access will be posted in advance on [Laboratory Field Services website](#).

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Trainings & Conferences

Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion

- **April 19 and May 2, 2016**, the CDPH Office of Problem Gambling will conduct California Gambling Education and Treatment Services (CalGETS) training events in Sacramento (April 19), and in San Diego (May 2). This CalGETS Phase II Training consists of eight-hour classroom sessions featuring advanced topics for the treatment of problem gambling behavior. Each session will have capacity for 50 providers and will provide five problem gambling-related continuing education units. Attendees must be an active provider in the CalGETS program.
- **May 12, 2016 (tentative)**, the CDPH Chronic Disease Control Branch (CDCB) will host the Prevent Diabetes STAT™: California Call to Action meeting in Sacramento. This meeting is the next phase of the Prevent Diabetes STAT™: California initiative and partner meeting held in September 2015. The meeting brings together California partners and stakeholders who represent major employers, health plans, health care providers and others to provide input to a state and regional action plan to grow and sustain the National Diabetes Prevention Program in California. CDCB has developed workgroups to begin implementation of the priorities based on the four pillars of focus: Awareness, Availability, Screening/Testing/Referral and Coverage. Members of those workgroups will be in attendance.
- **May 25 - 26, 2016**, the CDPH Safe and Active Communities Branch (SACB) and the Alameda County Health Care Services Agency will co-host the annual statewide Senior Injury Prevention Educational Forum in Oakland. The forum will address healthy aging and examine topics relevant to older adults and their care givers. SACB will conduct training on universal-design concepts, which create environments accessible to those of all abilities, including older adults.
- **June 6 - 7, 2016**, the National Nanotechnology Coordination Office (NNCO) of the National Nanotechnology Initiative (NNI) and its European Union (EU) counterpart is organizing a

workshop in Arlington, VA to bridge research efforts in the Environmental Safety and Health (ESH) fields of engineered nanomaterials (ENM). US and EU scientists engaged in the ESH aspects are part of seven "Communities of Research" which are coordinated by the NNCO (www.us-eu.org). Dr. Gabriele Windgasse is the U.S. co-chair of the "Human Toxicity" Community of Research and the lead of CDPH's NanoGroup. The workshop will include two hypothetical spills involving nano-enabled pesticides and a mock public meeting/news conference.

- **June 13 - 16, 2016**, the CDPH Office of Problem Gambling, in partnership with the California Friday Night Live Partnerships' Betting on Our Future (BOOF) program, will host "Spotlight Festival 2016" in Southern California. BOOF is a youth-driven problem-gambling awareness campaign supported by a grant from the California Office of Problem Gambling. Youth from 27 sites, representing 13 counties in California, who have created, worked on and supported projects for the BOOF campaign will gather at the Spotlight Festival. During the event, youth will attend workshops, participate in hands-on activities and build skills in leadership, advocacy, team-building, public speaking and project planning. Representatives from agencies across the state are on hand to offer expertise and knowledge and to view the awareness projects youth participants have worked on over the year. For more information, please visit the [OPG Web page](#).
- **June 28 - 29, 2016**, the CDPH Safe and Active Communities Branch will hold a statewide convening in Sacramento on lessons learned from domestic and sexual violence prevention projects focusing on community mobilization and youth leadership development. Youth leaders and staff from local rape crisis centers and domestic violence services agencies will present their experiences in the implementation of the Close to Home community mobilization model. This prevention strategy mobilizes young people and their communities to create dialogue and action for healthy relationships.
- **Summer 2016**, CDPH will hold provider workshops for pilot Perinatal and Infant Oral Health Quality Improvement (PIOHQI) projects in Sonoma County. The workshop will unite medical and dental providers, and will include presentations from the state dental director and subject matter experts from throughout California. CDPH was recently awarded the PIOHQI expansion grant to improve the oral health of high-risk pregnant women and infants.

Center for Environmental Health

- **April 21 and 22, 2016**, the CDPH Food and Drug Branch's Food Industry Education and Training Unit will host food safety trainings in Gilroy, for registered food processors on the topics of Good Manufacturing Practices and Allergen Control. Food processors can register for these free trainings at the [department's website](#).

Center for Family Health

- **Spring 2016**, CDPH Maternal, Child and Adolescent Health Division will conduct two-day training in Sacramento for Adolescent Family Life Program (AFLP) staff at the local level. The goals of the training are to enhance case manager and supervisor skills related to implementing the Positive Youth Development intervention. AFLP addresses the social, health, educational and economic consequences of adolescent pregnancy by providing comprehensive case management services to pregnant and parenting teens and their children.

- **April 4, 2016**, CDPH Maternal, Child and Adolescent Health (MCAH) Division will host a training webinar for local MCAH program staff on the Help Me Grow (HMG) system. The HMG system connects children at risk for developmental and behavioral issues by providing a comprehensive, coordinated system for early identification and referral to services. The focus of this webinar is on the spread and scale of HMG in California through important state and local strategic partnerships.
- **April 14 and 21, 2016**, the CDPH Maternal, Child and Adolescent Health Division will host the Northern and Southern California Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS) Training for Emergency Personnel and Public Health Professionals. The Northern California training will be held April 14th in San Jose and the Southern California training will be held April 21st in Riverside. The agenda will focus on an overview of Sudden Unexpected Infant Death (SUID)/SIDS current research and risk reduction, and the roles of the first responder, coroner/medical examiner, grief bereavement support and SIDS coordinators. For more information, please visit the [SIDS Program Web page](#).
- **April 15 and June 7, 2016**, the CDPH Maternal, Child and Adolescent Health Division will host the Comprehensive Perinatal Services Program (CPSP) Orientation Training for newly enrolled CPSP providers. The April orientation will be in Oxnard and the June orientation will be in Orange County. This training addresses program requirements for implementing CPSP, including an overview of CPSP and review of the enhanced service requirements for client orientation, case coordination, assessments (health education, nutrition and psychosocial) and implementation of the individualized care plan. For more information, please visit the [CPSP Web page](#).
- **May 17 - 19, 2016**, the CDPH California Home Visiting Program will host the “Great Beginnings Start before Birth” training in Sacramento. Based on best-practice standards, with an emphasis on the psycho-social issues facing expectant parents, home visitors will learn how to help parents enhance prenatal bonding, stimulate brain development and reduce stress, thereby increasing healthy birth outcomes for the mother and baby.

Center for Health Statistics and Informatics

- **March 10, 24, and April 14, 2016 (Los Angeles), March 16 and April 13, 2016 (Orange), April 12, 2016 (Sacramento), April 2, 2016 (Ventura), and April 27, 2016 (Fresno)**, the CDPH Center for Health Statistics and Informatics will host new user training on California’s Electronic Death Registration System. Participants include medical examiners/coroners, and staff from medical facilities, funeral homes and local registration districts who process death certificates.
- **April 20, 2016**, the CDPH Center for Health Statistics and Informatics will host new user training on the California Fetal Death Registration System, via webinar. Discussion items include the statutory requirements that govern fetal death registration within California.
- **April 19 - 20, 2016**, the CDPH Center for Health Statistics and Informatics-Vital Records will participate in a clerk/recorder workshop in Los Angeles County to discuss birth, death, marriage and other related topics.

- **June 12 - 15, 2016**, the Center for Health Statistics and Informatics staff will attend the annual meeting of the National Association of Public Health Statistics and Information Systems (NAPHSIS), in conjunction with the National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS), in Kansas City, MO. NAPHSIS is a national nonprofit organization representing all state vital records and public health statistics offices in the United States. The annual NAPHSIS meeting provides vital-records stakeholder training regarding national standards and developments in the field of vital records.

Office of Health Equity

- **April 19, 2016**, the CDPH Office of Health Equity’s Climate Change and Health Equity Team will host the Climate Action Team (CAT) - Public Health Working Group quarterly meeting at the California Environmental Protection Agency in Sacramento. This meeting will focus on the state framework for action on climate change, and explore how local health departments and community organizations can engage in state climate change policy and planning. Meeting participants include CDPH staff, staff from other CAT member agencies, local health department staff and stakeholders representing various public health, environmental and policy organizations. This meeting is open to the public. For more information, please visit the [CAT Web page](#).
- **May 31, 2016**, the CDPH Office of Health Equity will present a workshop in San Francisco, “Capitalizing on the Power of the Social Determinants of Health: Moving Our Data and Strategies Upstream to Achieve the Promise of Health Equity.” The workshop provides prevention researchers and practitioners with a context in which to most appropriately address health equity, namely through a grounding in the social determinants of health. Utilizing California as a case study, the workshop will explore the emergence of health-equity as a key component to the important decisions impacting prevention science, including getting the right data, telling a compelling story and moving instrumental institutions, partners and funders to action. In this interactive session, participants will assess their own opportunities and challenges for adopting or integrating a health-equity agenda and have access to the presenters for individualized consultation.

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Regulatory Action

Laboratory Field Services

- **March 2016**, the CDPH Laboratory Field Services issued an All Clinical Laboratories Letter (ACLL) regarding accrediting organizations (AO) authorizing clinical laboratories in lieu of a state issued license. The ACLL has a 30-day comment period and does not become effective until the 45th day. The ACLL has the effect of a regulation for AOs. Section 1223 of the California Business and Professions Code allows CDPH to approve private, non-profit accrediting organizations to inspect clinical laboratories operating in California or laboratories outside California that process specimens originating in California for the purpose of deeming them to meet the requirements of California clinical laboratory law for licensure or registration. Laboratories can choose licensure or registration by CDPH or

certification of deemed status by a private non-profit accrediting organization approved by CDPH.

Grants, Contracts

- **April 29, 2016**, applications are due for the recently released Request for Proposals (RFP) for Accountable Communities for Health. CDPH, in partnership with the California Health and Human Services Agency, is leading the development of an Accountable Communities for Health evaluation framework and toolkit. Accountable Communities for Health seek to bring together key sectors and partners from the community to the healthcare delivery system in order to collectively advance a common health goal. CDPH is also developing recommendations around data, information sharing and data analytics for Accountable Communities for Health. Community Partners, with support from the California Endowment, Blue Shield of California Foundation and Kaiser Permanente, released the RFP for up to six Accountable Communities for Health. Please visit [Community Partners](#) for additional information.

Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion

- **April 6, 2016**, the California Tobacco Control Program (CTCP) is scheduled to release Request for Proposals (RFP) 16-10064 for the purpose of awarding a single agreement to an agency qualified to provide information clearinghouse services to support CTCP-funded projects. The anticipated term is January 1, 2017, through June 30, 2021, and funding ranges from approximately \$5.4 million to \$9 million for the 54-month term. Funding is from the Proposition 99 Tobacco Tax and Health Protection Act of 1988 and contingent upon available revenues in the Governor's Budget for fiscal year (FY) 2016-17 and subsequent FYs. For more information, please visit the [CTCP's website](#).

Center for Family Health

- **April 2016**, CDPH California Home Visiting Program (CHVP) will begin administering the Project LAUNCH (Linking Actions for Unmet Needs in Children's Health) grant, awarded in 2015 by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Agency. CHVP will partner with four public-health systems (Alameda, Fresno, San Francisco and Butte counties) to expand on the success of the earlier Project LAUNCH work in Alameda County (2009–2014), with the long-term goal of strengthening home visiting in all California counties. Strategies that will be replicated include adding mental health consultation to home visiting, strengthening families and building parent leadership and engagement through Parent Cafes, and cross-sector collaboration and systems integration efforts at the state and local levels.

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Reports

Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion

- **June 2016**, the California Cancer Registry (CCR) anticipates releasing "*Advanced Stage Oral and Pharyngeal Cancer in California, 2008-2012*" on the [CCR's website](#). This report will contain maps and tables for communities throughout the state with higher than expected proportions of

advanced stage oral and oropharyngeal cancer. Case selection included men and women, aged 20 years and older, diagnosed with oral or oropharyngeal cancer between January 1, 2008 and December 31, 2012. Proportions of advanced stage oral and oropharyngeal cancers are displayed by county and by medical study service area. The report will assist public health programs in dental screening interventions throughout the state.

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Speeches & Presentations

Center for Infectious Diseases

- **April 14, 2016**, the CDPH Office of Refugee Health staff will present an overview of public health care for refugee populations in California titled “Oversight, Funding, and Delivery Systems” to a Sacramento State group of visiting medical scholars from Germany. Most of the scholars are working professionals and have extensive experience in the German health care system. They are seeking insight into California’s refugee health practices.
- **June 14, 2016**, the CDPH Office of Refugee Health staff will present an overview of refugee health in California at the 11th Summer Institute on Migration and Global Health, in Oakland. This event is organized by the Health Initiative of the Americas, a program of UC Berkeley’s School of Public Health, in conjunction with the Center of Expertise On Migration and Health and the Migration and Health Research Center.

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Recent Activities & Achievements

Center for Environmental Health

- **March 28, 2016**, CDPH lifted its health advisory regarding rock crab caught around the Channel Islands, with the exception of one area between Santa Rosa Island and Santa Cruz Island, after test results indicated that levels of domoic acid in the rock crab had declined to safe levels. On March 18, 2016, CDPH modified its health advisory regarding Dungeness crab caught along the coast, lifting the advisory for Dungeness crab caught in areas south of the Sonoma/Mendocino County line after recent test results showed declining levels of domoic acid in crab caught in these areas. On December 31, 2015, CDPH lifted a portion of its health advisory regarding Dungeness crab and rock crab caught between the Santa Barbara/Ventura County Line and Latitude 35° 40' N (near Piedras Blancas Light Station, San Luis Obispo County), excluding state waters around the Channel Islands. The original health advisory, issued November 3, 2015, warned consumers not to eat Dungeness crab or Rock crab caught between the Southern Santa Barbara County line and the Oregon border due to elevated levels of domoic acid. These elevated levels of domoic acid in crustaceans, fish and shellfish pose a significant risk to the public if they are consumed by humans. CDPH continues to collect additional crab samples to test for domoic acid. Laboratory results and other updates are routinely being posted on the [CDPH website](#).

Fusion Center

- **January 26, 2016**, CDPH, in partnership with the California Health and Human Services Agency, hosted its first Let's Get Healthy California Innovation Conference in Downtown Sacramento. At the conference, CDPH Director and State Public Health Officer Dr. Karen Smith unveiled the [Let's Get Healthy California](#) interactive website and dashboard. The website provides a platform for local communities and other state agencies to share best practices and promote a collective effort towards achieving meaningful improvements in eliminating health disparities and improving health outcomes. By sharing ideas, inspiring others, connecting people, stories, and data we are better able to leverage tools and strategies towards becoming the healthiest state in the nation. Sign up for Let's Get Healthy California updates and take a look at opportunities to engage on the [Let's Get Healthy California Together Web page](#).
- The Fusion Center is one of the Department's newest additions. Fusion Center activities include identification of internal and external opportunities for collaboration. The Fusion Center also supports cross-functional initiatives and activities including emerging issues, CDPH innovation strategy and Agency-supported initiatives, such as Let's Get Healthy California, health system transformation and Accountable Communities for Health. The Fusion Center is exploring new models and approaches to align public health, the health care delivery system and community-based innovations to improve overall population health. It will leverage programs and their expert staff to analyze relevant data and develop policy for a cohesive and coordinated effort throughout California. With a focus on strategic development and external relations, the Fusion Center is designed to strengthen the Department of Public Health and work towards Dr. Smith's vision of Public Health 2035.
- **Spring 2016**, the Fusion Center, with support from the Let's Get Healthy California Goal Teams, plans to design training to inform CDPH staff about the Let's Get Healthy California initiative and its six goal areas: Healthy Beginnings, Living well, End of Life, Redesigning the Health System and Creating Healthy Communities and Lowering the Cost of Care. In-depth coverage of each goal and its indicators are available at letsgethealthy.ca.gov

Office of Quality Performance and Accreditation

- **February 2016**, the Office of Quality Performance and Accreditation (OQPA) launched the redesigned [California Performance Improvement Management \(CalPIM\) Network website](#). The CalPIM Network is co-sponsored by the CDPH/OQPA and the County Health Executives Association of California (CHEAC). OQPA and CHEAC are aligning resources and engaging in collaborative initiatives to support accreditation, quality improvement, and related activities within local and tribal public health agencies across California. The CalPIM website includes accreditation-preparation resources from the national, state, local and tribal level. Network participation provides opportunities to engage in cross-jurisdictional collaboration to optimize the health and well-being of Californians.

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