



State of California—Health and Human Services Agency
California Department of Public Health



RON CHAPMAN, MD, MPH
Director & State Health Officer

EDMUND G. BROWN JR.
Governor

VSAC Committee Members

David Grant, PhD, Director
California Health Interview Survey
UCLA Center for Health Policy Research

Sun Lee, MPH
Epidemiologist
Los Angeles County Department of Public Health

Emily Putnam-Hornstein, PhD
Assistant Professor
University of Southern California
Research Associate
University of California, Berkeley

Jonathan M. Teague, Manager
Healthcare Information Resource Center
Office of Statewide Health Planning and
Development

Erlinda Valdez
Board Member
California Funeral Directors Association

Shannon Muir, PhD
Science and Technology Fellow
Senate Health Committee

CDPH Staff

Jim Greene, M.D., M.S.
State Registrar
Deputy Director
Center for Health Statistics and Informatics

Ellen Badley, MHA
Chief
Public Health Policy and Research Branch

Laura Lund, MA
Science Advisor
Public Health Policy and Research Branch

Henry Montes
Chief
Data Management Unit

Heather Fukushima
HPS I
Health Information and Research Section

Cindy Tanaka-Fong
Research Analyst II
Data Management Unit

Colin Chew
Research Analyst I
Health Information and Research Section

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

Wednesday, February 11, 2015
9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.
1616 Capitol Avenue, Sixth Floor
Tuolumne Room 74.653

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. New Business—Attachment 2
- F. Recap of Data Requests Approved in the Vital Statistics
Unit—Attachment 3
- G. Public Comment
- H. Additional Discussion Topics
- I. Adjournment

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

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

1. Project Title: Did California Paid Family Leave Improve Children's Health?
Principal Investigator: Ariel Marek, PhD student, University of California, Davis
Project Type: New Project
Data Requested: 2000-2007 PDD/Linked Birth Cohort Files
VSAC Recommendation: Approved
State Registrar's Action: Adopted

2. Project Title: Enhancement of Surveillance of Vaccine Preventable Diseases Using California Hospital Discharge
Principal Investigator: Cynthia Yen, CDPH/Preventable Diseases Epidemiology
Project Type: Continuing Project with Changes to the Protocol
Data Requested: 2013 Non-Public Patient Discharge Data, 2013 Non-Public Emergency Department Data, 2013 Non-Public Ambulatory Surgery Center Data, 2005-2010 Linked PDD/ASCD/Birth Cohort Files
VSAC Recommendation: Approved contingent upon confirmation by OSHPD or CDPH that release of SSN of the OSHPD data is permissible.
State Registrar's Action: Adopted

3. Project Title: Childhood Autism Risks from Genetics and the Environment (CHARGE) Study
Principal Investigator: Irva Hertz-Picciotto, PhD, University of California, Davis
Project Type: Continuing Project with Changes to the Protocol
Data Requested: 2013 Birth Statistical Master File (Name, Certificate Number, and Address), 2013 DSMF (Name, Certificate Number, and Mother's Maiden Name)
VSAC Recommendation: Approved
State Registrar's Action: Adopted

4. Project Title: The Development of Object Representation in Infancy
Principal Investigator: Lisa Oakes, PhD, University of California, Davis
Project Type: Continuing Project with Changes to the Protocol
Data Requested: Infant Death Records from 01/01/15-12/31/15, Real-time Birth Records from 01/01/15-12/31/15
VSAC Recommendation: Approved
State Registrar's Action: Adopted

5. Project Title: Maternal and Infant Health HP2020 Objectives

Principal Investigator: Holly Shulman, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention,
Michael Curtis, PhD, CDPH, Epidemiology, Assessment, and Program Development
Branch

Project Type: New Project

Data Requested: 2011-2012 BSMF (Name and Certificate Number)

VSAC Recommendation: Approved

State Registrar's Action: Adopted

CANCELLED

ATTACHMENT 2—NEW BUSINESS

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

1. Project Title: Environmental Health Tracking and Childhood Cancers in California
Principal Investigator: Julia Heck, PhD, Beate Ritz, M.D., PhD, University of California, Los Angeles
Project Type: New Project
Data Requested: 2012-2013 Birth Statistical Master File (Name, Certificate Number, and Address), 2012-2013 Death Statistical Master File (Name, Certificate Number, Address, Mother's Maiden Name)

2. Project Title: Gestational Vitamin D and its Relationship with Autism
Principal Investigator: Jaime Sconberg, PhD Candidate, Irva Hertz-Picciotto, PhD, University of California, Davis
Project Type: New Project
Data Requested: PI is requesting to use 1998-2008 Birth Statistical Master File and 1998-2008 Death Statistical Master File that was previously obtained by Dr. Irva Hertz-Picciotto.

3. Project Title: Effect of Gender Treatment and Outcomes After Carotid Interventions
Principal Investigator: Natalia Egorova, PhD, MPH, Mount Sinai School of Medicine
Project Type: Continuing Project
Data Requested: 2011 PDD/Linked Death File

**AGENDA ATTACHMENT 3—
RECAP OF DATA REQUESTS APPROVED IN THE HEALTH INFORMATION AND
RESEARCH SECTION**

Birth Data Requests

1. San Bernardino County – 2013 Birth, 2013 Death, 2011, 2012 Multiple Cause of Death
2. RAND Corporation – 2011 Birth, 2013 Birth
3. Santa Cruz Health Services – 2013 Birth
4. San Diego Health & Human Services Agency – 2013 Birth, 2011 Birth Cohort

Death Data Requests

1. Mendocino County – 2010-2013 Death
2. RAND Corporation – 2013 Death
3. Navigant Consulting, Inc. – 2013 Death
4. California Correctional Health Care Services – 2013 Death

CANCELLED