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

Wednesday, July 8, 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 Health Information and Research Section—Attachment 3
- G. Public Comment
- H. Additional Discussion Topics
 - CPHS recommendation for minimum data necessary data releases
 - CPHS/VSAC research protocol review process—workflow and timing
 - Consent Agenda/Calendar
- 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: California Cardiac Surgery and Intervention Project
Principal Investigator: Joseph Carey, MD, University of California, Irvine
Project Type: Continuing Project with Changes to the Protocol
Data Requested: 2011 Linked PDD/Death Data
VSAC Recommendation: Approved
State Registrar's Action: Adopted

2. Project Title: Evaluation of Longterm Pediatric and Neonatal Surgery Resource Utilization and Outcomes in California
Principal Investigator: Howard Hao-Chung Jen, MD, Tufts University, School of Medicine
Project Type: New Project
Data Requested: 2005-2012 Linked PDD/Birth Cohort File, 2005-2013 Non-Public PDD, 2005-2013 Non-Public EDD, 2005-2013 Non-Public ASCD
VSAC Recommendation: Approved
State Registrar's Action: Adopted

3. Project Title: Development of State-wide Perinatal Quality Improvement Metrics with OSHPD PDD/Birth Certificate Linked Data
Principal Investigator: Jeffrey Gould, MD, Stanford University
Project Type: Continuing Project
Data Requested: 2012 Linked PDD/Death Data
VSAC Recommendation: Approved
State Registrar's Action: Adopted

4. Project Title: Impact of the Affordable Care Act (ACA) on Hospital Care Utilization and Cost
Principal Investigator: Atul Gupta, PhD Candidate, Stanford University
Project Type: New Project
Data Requested: 2011 Linked PDD/Death Data
VSAC Recommendation: Approved
State Registrar's Action: Adopted

5. Project Title: Safety in Childbirth Estimating Benefit of Risk Appropriate Obstetrical Care
Principal Investigator: Kimberly Gregory, PhD, University of California, Los Angeles, School of Medicine
Project Type: Continuing Project
Data Requested: 2011 Linked PDD/Birth Cohort File
VSAC Recommendation: Approved
State Registrar's Action: Adopted
6. Project Title: Probabilistic Inference and Categorization Development in Infants
Principal Investigator: Fei Xu, PhD, University of California, Berkeley
Project Type: Continuing Project with Changes to the Protocol
Data Requested: 2014 Preliminary Birth Records (Name & Address), 2014 Infant Death Records (Name, Address, Mother's Maiden Name)
VSAC Recommendation: Approved
State Registrar's Action: Adopted
7. Project Title: Health and Economic Toll of Tobacco on California's LGB population
Principal Investigator: Wendy Max, PhD, UC San Francisco, Institute for Health and Aging
Project Type: New Project
Data Requested: 2013 Death Statistical Master File (No Personal Identifiers)
VSAC Recommendation: Approved
State Registrar's Action: Adopted
8. Project Title: Long-term Impacts of California Student Aid Commission's Cal Grant Entitlement Program
Principal Investigator: Oded Gurantz, PhD Candidate, Stanford University
Project Type: New Project
Data Requested: 1982 Birth Statistical Master File (Name)
VSAC Recommendation: Approved
State Registrar's Action: Adopted
9. Project Title: Longitudinal Study of Hospital Outcomes for California Children
Principal Investigator: Geraldine Oliva, MD, Linda Remy, PhD, Co-PI, UC San Francisco
Project Type: Continuing with Changes to the Protocol
Data Requested: 2013 Birth Statistical Master File (Name, Certificate Number, and Address), 2013 Death Statistical Master File (Name, Certificate Number, Address, MMN and SSN)
VSAC Recommendation: The Committee recommended to the State Registrar to request the requestor to revise and resubmit the application to reflect a database

endeavor only. Subsequent applications for research uses of the data would need to be submitted to VSAC for review as they arise. The requestor will be invited to join the call at the next meeting.

State Registrar's Action: Adopted

10. Project Title: Evaluating the Effectiveness of a 13-Valent Pneumococcal Conjugate Vaccine among Children

Principal Investigator: Laurene Mascola, MD, Christine Wigen, MD, Los Angeles County Department of Public Health

Project Type: New Project

Data Requested: 2005-2013 Birth Records from Los Angeles County

VSAC Recommendation: Approved

State Registrar's Action: Adopted

11. Project Title: Brain Mechanisms of Visual Development

Principal Investigator: Scott Johnson, PhD, UCLA Department of Psychology

Project Type: New Project

Data Requested: 2015 Real-time Birth Records and 2015 Real-time Death Data

VSAC Recommendation: Approved

State Registrar's Action: Adopted

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: Obstetric Management and Gestational Age-Specific Maternal Morbidity, Neonatal Morbidity, and Perinatal and Infant Mortality by Maternal Pre-pregnancy BMI from 2007-2011
Principal Investigator: Cassandra Gibbins-Pickens, MPH/Carol Hogue, PhD (Co-PI), Emory University
Project Type: New Project
Data Requested: 2007-2011 Linked PDD/Birth Cohort Files
2. Project Title: Disparities in Outcomes for Pediatric Diseases: Context, Access and Quality of Care
Principal Investigator: Nancy Wang, MD/Paul Wise, MD (Co-PI), Stanford University
Project Type: Continuing Project with Changes to the Protocol
Data Requested: 2010-2012 Linked PDD/ED/Death Data
3. Project Title: Strong Start for Mothers and Newborns Evaluation
Principal Investigator: Ian Hill, Urban Institute
Project Type: New Project
Data Requested: 2014-2016 Birth Statistical Master File (No Personal Identifiers)
4. Project Title: Imaging Intensity as a Measure of Cancer Care Efficiency
Principal Investigator: Benjamin Franc, MD, University of California, San Francisco
Project Type: New Project
Data Requested: 1989-2013 Death Statistical Master File (Name and Social Security Number)
5. Project Title: Predictors of Recurrent Breast Tumors in Women with DCIS
Principal Investigator: Karla Kerlikowske, MD, University of California, San Francisco
Project Type: Continuing Project
Data Requested: PI is requesting to use data she previously obtained; 2013 Death Statistical Master File (Name, Certificate Number, Address, SSN, and Mother's Maiden Name)
6. Project Title: Pregnancy Outcomes of Veterans (PROVE)
Principal Investigator: Ciaran S. Phibbs, PhD, VA Palo Alto Health Care System
Project Type: New Project

Data Requested: 1991-2012 Birth Statistical Master Files (Name, Certificate Number and Address), 1991-2011 Fetal Death Statistical Master Files (Name and Certificate Number)

7. Project Title: National Longitudinal Mortality Study (NLMS)
Principal Investigator: Norman Johnson, U.S. Bureau of the Census
Project Type: New Project
Data Requested: 1999-2011 Death Statistical Master File (Name, Certificate Number, Address, SSN, and Mother's Maiden Name)

8. Project Title: Learning to Listen Ahead in English and Spanish
Principal Investigator: Anne Fernald, PhD, Stanford University
Project Type: Continuing Project with Changes to the Protocol
Data Requested: 2014 Preliminary Birth Records (Name, Certificate Number and Address), 2014 Infant Death Records (Name, Certificate Number, and Address)

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

Birth Data Requests

1. Fresno County Department of Public Health – 2000-2012 Birth
2. Stanford University – 2013 Birth

Death Data Requests

1. Fresno County Department of Public Health – 2000-2009 Fetal
2. San Francisco Department of Public Health – 2013 Death
3. Stanford University – 2013 Death

CDPH Data Requests

1. Maternal, Child, and Adolescent Health – 2012 Birth Cohort, 2012 Fetal
2. Center for Infectious Diseases – 2012 Non-Public PDD
3. Occupational Health Branch – 2012 and 2013 MCOD