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

Wednesday, December 10, 2014
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: California Occupational Safety and Health Surveillance (U60OH00 8468-10)
Principal Investigator: Jennifer Flattery, CDPH/Occupational Health Branch
Project Type: Continuing Project
Data Requested: 2013 Non-Public PDD, 2013 Non-Public EDD, 2013 ASCD, 2014 EDRS Data
VSAC Recommendation: Approved
State Registrar's Action: Adopted

2. Project Title: Healthcare Utilization Patterns Among Homicide Victims
Principal Investigator: Jahan Fahimi, MD, University of California, San Francisco
Project Type: New Project
Data Requested: 2010 PDD/Linked Death Data
VSAC Recommendation: Approved
State Registrar's Action: Adopted

3. Project Title: National Estimates for Inpatient Care, Outcomes and Hospital Effect among Hispanics
Principal Investigator: Amresh D. Hanchate, PhD, Boston University
Project Type: New Project
Data Requested: 2010-2011 PDD/Linked Death Data
VSAC Recommendation: Approved
State Registrar's Action: Adopted

4. Project Title: Evaluation of the Effectiveness of Tdap Vaccination Strategies at Preventing Infant Pertussis
Principal Investigator: Pamala Kirley, California Emerging Infections Program
Project Type: Continuing Project with Changes to the Protocol
Data Requested: 2013 Birth Statistical Master File (Name, Certificate Number, and Address), 2014 Real-time birth data (Name, Certificate Number, and Address), 2013 Death Statistical Master File (Name and Mother's Maiden Name), and 2014 Infant Death Records
VSAC Recommendation: Approved with stipulation the program confirms that they will not be re-releasing the data as part of their project as mentioned by the State Registrar.
State Registrar's Action: Adopted

5. Project Title: Utility of the “Surprise” Question to Identify Emergency Department Patients with High 1-Year Mortality
Principal Investigator: Lauren Fine, MD, Alameda Health System
Project Type: New Project
Data Requested: 2011-2013 Death Statistical Master File (Name and Social Security Numbers)
VSAC Recommendation: Approved
State Registrar’s Action: Adopted

6. Project Title: Determinants of Post-neonatal Infant Mortality
Principal Investigator: Emily Oster, PhD, University of Chicago
Project Type: New Project
Data Requested: 2002-2011 Birth Cohort Files (Address)
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: Maternal Neonatal Complications
Principal Investigator: Dotun Ogunyemi, MD, Erica Davenport, MD, Charles Drew University, University of California, Los Angeles
Project Type: New Project
Data Requested: 2005-2012 Birth Cohort File (No Personal Identifiers)

2. Project Title: Multigenerational Familial and Environmental Risk for Autism (MINERvA) Network - California
Principal Investigator: Gayle Windham, PhD, CDPH, Environmental Health Investigations Branch
Project Type: Continuing Project with Changes to the Protocol
Data Requested: PI is requesting to use data she has already obtained (1982-2007 Birth Statistical Master File, 1982-2007 Birth Cohort Files, 1982-2008 Death Statistical Master File)

3. Project Title: Restaurant Program Lower Income Area Panel Survey
Principal Investigator: Tania Gutsche, University of Southern California
Project Type: New Project
Data Requested: 2009-2012 Birth Statistical Master File (Name & Address)

4. Project Title: Disparities in Care, Morbidity, & Survival Among Infants with Birth Defects
Principal Investigator: Suzan Carmichael, PhD, Stanford University
Project Type: New Project
Data Requested: 1997-2011 PDD/Linked Birth Cohort File, 1997-2003 Birth Statistical Master File (Certificate Number only)

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

Birth Data Requests

1. San Joaquin Public Health Services – 2013 Birth, 2013 Death
2. Los Angeles County Public Health – 2013 Birth, 2013 Death
3. Sonoma County Department of Health Services – 2013 Birth, 2013 Death
4. Los Angeles County MCAH – 2012 Birth, 2010-2011 Birth Cohort, 2012 Death
5. Santa Barbara Public Health Department – 2013 Birth
6. Marin County Epidemiology – 2013 Birth, 2013 Death
7. Monterey County Health Department – 2013 Birth
8. Alameda County Public Health Department – 2013 Birth
9. Shasta County – 2013 Birth, 2013 Death
10. USC – 2011-2012 Birth, 2010-2011 Birth Cohort
11. DHCS – 2013 Birth
12. UC Santa Cruz – 2013 Birth
13. California Emerging Infections Program – 2013 Birth
14. National Bureau of Economic Research – 2002-2011 Birth Cohort

Death Data Requests

1. San Francisco Department of Public Health – 2013 Death
2. Fresno County Department of Public Health – 2008-2011 Fetal
3. San Luis Obispo Public Health Department – 2013 Death, 2013 Birth
4. Public Health Institute – 2012 Death
5. USC – 2008-2013 Death
6. Bevan & Associates LPA, Inc. – 2013 Death
7. Cross Country Computer Corporation – 2013 Death
8. DHCS – 2013 Death
9. UC Santa Cruz – 2013 Death
10. California Emerging Infections Program – 2013 Death
11. Estate Research Associates, Inc. – 2013 Death

CDPH Program Requests

- 1. Maternal, Child, & Adolescent Health – 2013 Non-Public PDD, 2010 and 2011 PDD linked to BC**
- 2. Environmental Health Investigations – 1998 Linked PDD Birth Cohort**
- 3. Occupational Health Branch – 2013 Non-Public PDD, 2013 Non-Public ASCD**
- 4. STD Control Branch – 2013 Birth**
- 5. Office of Aids – 1983-2010 MCOB**
- 6. Infectious Diseases – 2000-2013 Death, 2000-2010 Merged Death**