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**CHIP PUBLIC POLICY COMMITTEE**  
***Meeting Minutes***  
**May 27, 2010**  
**8:30 am- 9:30 am**  
San Diego County Medical Society  
5575 Ruffin Road, Suite 250  
San Diego, CA 92123  
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In Attendance:

Michael Bardin, Scripps Health	Jill Monroe, County of San Diego
James Beaubeaux, San Diego County Medical Society	Kamal Muilenburg, SDBHC/SDHCC
Bud Beck, M.D., 2-1-1 San Diego	Mike Peddecord, SDSU
Anette Blatt, Scripps Health	Danae Ramirez, County of San Diego
Elizabeth Bustos, San Ysidro Health Center	Dana Richardson, CHIP
Aaron Byzak, UC San Diego Health Sciences	Beth Ruland, CHIP
Ruth Covell, M.D., UCSD School of Medicine	Barbara Ryan, RCHSD
Clarissa Falcon, Office of Senator Ducheny	Chris Searles, M.D., UCSD
Kristin Garrett, CHIP	Caroline Smith, County of San Diego HHSA
Rosemarie Marshall Johnson, M.D., SCDMS Foundation	Sara Steinhoffer, Sharp HealthCare
Debra Kelley, American Lung Association	Mike Van Gorder, Scripps Health
Hala Madanat, PhD, SDSU Graduate School of Public Health, San Diego Prevention Research Center	Judith Yates, HASDIC
Lindsey Masukawa, Assemblymember Saladana	

I. <u>Welcome / Introductions:</u>	8:30 am	K Muilenburg/ S. Steinhoffer
All members introduced themselves.		
II. <u>Updates:</u>		
A. 1115 Waiver		All
Rady Children's Hospital plans to apply to be a pilot for the care of children with special needs (those covered by the California Children's Services [CCS] program). As part of the Medicaid Waiver, the State has proposed several options for pilot projects and Rady Children's is exploring all possibilities in designing a San Diego pilot project.		
B. State Budget		State Assembly reps.
<p>L Masukawa presented an overview of the Governor's Budget Revision; including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CalWORKS program and General Fund support will be eliminated effective October 1<sup>st</sup></li> <li>• Budget cuts have been proposed to many programs, including CalWORKS, Mental Health and Medi-Cal.</li> </ul>		

- Other program changes include enrolling more seniors and people with disabilities in managed care and increasing co-payments.
- The Senate Finance Committee is currently reviewing the proposed cuts.

The Committee discussed changes in mental health funding and requested to receive information on federal minimum rate reimbursement.

Please see (5.27\_Governor's May Revision.doc) for a detailed list of proposed revisions.

C. Announcement: UCSD Beacon Partnership Award

A. Byzak

A Byzak presented an overview of the UCSD Beacon Partnership Award; including:

- UCSD was notified in early May that they were awarded one of fifteen Beacon Partnership Awards; the UCSD project is a \$15 million award provided over three years.
- UCSD Beacon Project efforts will focus on:
  - Bringing providers together to expand pre-hospital emergency field care and electronic information transmission;
  - Empowering patients to take an active role in their health management; and
  - Improving continuity of care to veterans and military personnel through electronic record initiatives.
- Partners include: UCSD, Scripps Health, Sharp HealthCare, Rady Children’s Hospital, the VA Medical Center, Naval Medical Center, FCHC’s, County of San Diego HHSA, San Diego City EMS, California Institute for Telecommunications and Information Technology, SDSU School of Public Health and the community college district.
- UCSD and the Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Exchange (ONC) are currently in negotiations after budget reductions have impacted parts of the project.
- Contact A Byzak (abyzak@ucsd.edu) with questions.

The Public Policy Committee expressed interest with regard to receiving updates on the project. It was mentioned that although there maybe be policy implications with respect to coordinating the project’s efforts, that updates may be better addressed within the CHIP Care Coordination Work Committee.

The Public Policy Committee requested to receive further information in the future, including program details; the Committee will revisit the UCSD Beacon Project at its June 24<sup>th</sup> meeting.

III. Social Determinants of Health

A. Presentation

8:50 am

H. Madanat,  
PhD / D.  
Richardson

Dr. H. Madanat gave a presentation on the Social Determinants of Health; highlights from this presentation include:

- Health Outcomes are often evaluated on an individual/behavior level; however, the root causes of health inequities can often be traced back to economic and social conditions and related policy issues.
- Health inequities have grown larger over time; some attribute this growing disparity to the fact that root causes (e.g. societal/policy issues) are often not addressed in attempts to solve

persistent public health challenges.

- According to the Social Determinants of Health Model, many factors play a part in shaping health, including the social / physical environment, genetic endowment, individual behavior, disease, social status, prosperity and health care. It was noted that health care is one of many factors that impacts the health individuals.
- Social Determinants of Health have been recognized, particularly in the past decade, by several public health organizations, including the World Health Organization (WHO) and the Center for Disease Control (CDC).
- Socio-ecological models of health consider changes in health outcomes through a variety of lenses: individual, interpersonal, organizational, community and public policy. Today's practitioners are applying new methods and considering strategies to improve the "built environment" as a way to influence and plan for better health across all populations.
- Comprehensive action plans to address public health issues what is called "the Spectrum of Prevention" which includes a combination of the following strategies: influencing policy and legislation, changing organizational practices, fostering coalitions, educating providers, promoting community education, and strengthening individual knowledge and skills; all components of the action plan are interrelated.
- Finally, Dr. Madanat gave an overview of the San Diego Prevention Research Center; the Center uses community-based participatory research to engage the community and create sustainable solutions.

B. Question and Answer

9:20 am

H. Madanat,  
PhD / D.  
Richardson/  
All

The Public Policy Committee discussed the difficulties in engaging other sectors in public health efforts.

It was mentioned that there is often a disconnect between the point of care and the environment that patients reside in. The Committee noted that it is often counterproductive to separate communities by affluence; and regional-focused policies will help raise overall health standards, regardless of class.

Dr. Madanat is working to engage health economists in her work, in order to better communicate the financial benefits of primary prevention and public health promotion.

D Richardson distributed a document outlining how the Social Determinants of Health relates to CHIP's goal of improving health outcomes throughout San Diego County.

IV. Adjournment

9:30 am

K Muilenburg/  
S Steinhoffer

**Next Public Policy Committee Meeting:** June 24, 2010

**Special HHSA Health Strategy Agenda Presentation for CHIP Committees:**

June 23, 2010 at 8:30 a.m.

County of San Diego HHSA

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