

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF STANISLAUS
ACTION AGENDA SUMMARY

DEPT: Health Services Agency *NAH*

BOARD AGENDA # *B-2

Urgent Routine *out*

AGENDA DATE December 8, 2015

CEO Concurs with Recommendation YES NO
(Information Attached)

4/5 Vote Required YES NO

SUBJECT:

Approval to Apply for National Public Health Accreditation by the Health Services Agency/Public Health Division

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Approval for the Health Services Agency's Managing Director or her designee to apply for National Public Health (PH) Accreditation.
2. Authorize the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors to sign the Letter of Support for the Public Health Accreditation application (Attachment A).

FISCAL IMPACT:

The final approved budget for Fiscal Year 2015-2016 for Health Services Agency/Public Health is \$26.3 million. The cost to apply for the five-year accreditation is \$31,800. This expense can be funded with Health realignment dollars and has been included within Health Services Agency/Public Health budget for Fiscal Year 2015-2016. There is no additional impact to the County General Fund.

BOARD ACTION AS FOLLOWS:

No. 2015-596

On motion of Supervisor Chiesa, Seconded by Supervisor O'Brien
and approved by the following vote,

Ayes: Supervisors: O'Brien, Chiesa, Monteith, DeMartini, and Chairman Withrow

Noes: Supervisors: None

Excused or Absent: Supervisors: None

Abstaining: Supervisor: None

- 1) Approved as recommended
- 2) Denied
- 3) Approved as amended
- 4) Other:

MOTION:

ATTEST: Christine Ferraro
CHRISTINE FERRARO TALLMAN, Clerk

File No.

DISCUSSION:

The Health Services Agency/Public Health Division is seeking approval to apply for national Public Health (PH) Accreditation from the Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB). PH Accreditation standards are based on two concepts: 1) adequate and appropriate delivery of the 10 Essential Public Health Services and 2) a culture of continuous quality improvement to improve effectiveness and efficiency of services (see Attachment B for a list of the 10 Essential Services). Currently, PH Accreditation status is not mandated; however it is likely that it will be a criterion for competitive funding in the future. The PH Accreditation process would serve as an opportunity for external expert evaluation of the quality and performance of HSA/PH. A large majority of jurisdictions that have achieved PH Accreditation nationally report that the process improved the effectiveness and efficiency with which they deliver required public health services.

The California Department of Public Health recently achieved PH Accreditation as did Ventura County. There are currently 11 counties throughout California that have already submitted their applications to begin the PH Accreditation process; a process of approximately 12-18 months. Most California county health departments plan to apply for PH Accreditation within the next three year period. Health Departments may not apply for PH Accreditation without the support of their governing/appointing authority and must submit a letter of support from that body with the application.

Accreditation fees are established based on county population and range from \$12,720 to \$95,400. For a jurisdiction of Stanislaus County's size (200,000 – 1,000,000 residents), the cost of PH Accreditation for the upcoming five-year period will be \$31,800, due in December 2015. The PHAB assures a twelve month advance notice of the fee schedule changes.

The Health Executive Committee of the Board of Supervisors was briefed on this initiative on October 27, 2015.

POLICY ISSUES:

The Board of Supervisor's approval of this request will enable the Health Services Agency to apply for national Public Health Accreditation. This project promotes the Board's priorities of A Healthy Community and Efficient Delivery of Public Services, by adhering to national standards.

STAFFING IMPACT:

Existing staff will provide needed services related to this request. The additional staff time utilized for PH Accreditation activities aligns with current work duties, as the PH Accreditation process has been designed around fulfillment of the 10 Essential Public Health Services. There is no additional staffing impact.

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December 8, 2015

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To the Public Health Accreditation Board:

The Board of Supervisors of Stanislaus County, California is pleased to provide this Letter of Support acknowledging authorization for the Stanislaus County Health Services Agency Public Health Division to apply for Public Health Accreditation and to submit the required application fee.

For any questions, please contact Public Health Director, Dr. Rebecca Nanyonjo, at 209-558-7116 or RNanyonjo@schsa.org.

Sincerely,

Terrance Withrow, Chairman
Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors

Ten Essential Public Health Services and Three Core Functions

<i>Core Function</i>	<i>Essential Service</i>	<i>Examples of Essential Service Delivery at HSA</i>
Assessment	1. Monitor health status to identify and solve community health problems	Issue comprehensive <i>Community Health Assessment</i> every five years; assist hospitals to meet IRS requirements to conduct <i>Community Health Needs Assessments</i> .
	2. Diagnose and investigate health problems and health hazards in the community	Receive and investigate reports of Title XVII diseases (e.g. cases of Tuberculosis, outbreaks of foodborne disease)
Policy Development	3. Inform, educate, and empower people about health issues	Teach smoking cessation classes; educate families on nutrition; conduct awareness campaign about West Nile virus prevention.
	4. Mobilize community partnerships and action to identify and solve health problems	Work with locally-owned small retail food establishments (e.g. "mom and pop stores") to stock healthy food options in areas not served by grocery stores or farmers markets.
	5. Develop policies and plans that support individual and community health efforts	Work with school districts to develop Local Wellness Plans that address tobacco and other drug use, nutrition and physical activity and other issues of student health and safety; Work with OES and other agencies to develop a county <i>Outbreak Prevention Plan</i> .
Assurance	6. Enforce laws and regulations that protect health and ensure safety	Coordinate investigations and media communication with enforcement agencies (e.g. Environmental Health, Department of Agriculture, Mosquito Abatement Districts) to protect public health.
	7. Evaluate effectiveness, accessibility, and quality of personal and population-based health services	Gather and analyze data on health access and quality; discuss identified issues with internal and external partners to improve access to care as well as the quality and effectiveness of health services.
	8. Link people to needed personal health services and assure the provision of health care when otherwise unavailable	Link WIC clients to CSA to assist in health insurance enrollment; provide travel immunizations to residents (especially rare vaccines that are not available to or economically feasible for small providers to stock).
	9. Assure competent public and personal health care workforce	Provide continuing education to HSA staff and external health professionals (e.g. Child Health and Disability Program [CHDP] and Health Promotion trainings specifically for or open to non- staff); educate physicians and other health care providers on trends and new medical guidelines for rare and emerging diseases (e.g. congenital syphilis).
	10. Research for new insights and innovative solutions to health problems	Participate in the Fresno State Central Valley Health Policy Institute Leadership Academy; collaborate with CVHPI and 7 other Valley counties to publish regional data and initiatives.



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