Alameda County Health Care for the Homeless Commission Meeting  
Friday June 21, 2019 10:00am -12 noon
Approved MINUTES

**HCH Commissioners Present**  
Lynette Lee  
Claudia Young  
Boona Cheema (chair)  
Lois Bailey Lindsey  
Michelle Schneidermann  
Laura Guzman  
Shannon Smith-Bernardin  
Ana Bagtas  
Samuel Weeks DDS

**Absent:**  
Fr. Rigo Caloca-Rivas  
Gloria Crowell  
Denise Norman

**County Staff/Partners Present:**  
Lucy Kasdin LCSW, HCH Interim Director  
Jeffrey Seal MD, Medical Director  
Heather MacDonald Fine AHS  
David Modersbach ACHCH  
Theresa Ramirez ACHCH  
Will Keola-Thomas RN

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| A. CALL TO ORDER  
1. Welcome & Introductions  
2. Adopt agenda | Meeting Chaired by vice-Chair Lynette Lee. Convened 9:05am  
Adopt agenda – Agenda adopted by Commission. | Motion:  
L.B. Lindsey  
Second:  
C. Young  
Yea: unanimous |
| B. CLOSED SESSION | No Closed Session. |
| C. PUBLIC COMMENT** | Will Keola-Thomas RN a nurse from SF introduced himself and shared interest in HCH program homeless outreach services. |
| D. CONSENT AGENDA | Review and Approve Minutes of 5/17/19 HCH Commission meeting |
| E. HCH DIRECTOR REPORT | ACHCH Director Lucy Kasdin presented Director’s Report.  
**Personnel:** ACHCH Program has hired a new Finance Manager. Omar Rascon is leaving for a new position 7/1/19  
**Operational Site Visit** conditions almost cleared, based on approval of CO-Applicant Agreement  
**HRSA Services Area Competition:** Will be presented to Commission on 7/19/19 in draft form for comments and in final form on 8/9/19 for approval  
**Street Health Contracts.** Contracts went to BOS on Tuesday 6/18 for approval in principal for funding and to move contracts along, approval given to BOS to give HCSA Director Colleen Chawla authority to approve contracts based on approval of contracts by HCH Commission |

Motion:  
L.B. Lindsey;  
Second,  
S. Weeks  
Yea: unanimous
today. ACHCH staff is advocating with Colleen about creating a standard model – shifting the model – shifting to multidisciplinary teams (including BH/SUD) covering a specific geographic region – focus on coordination. Consistent model used across the County to increase standard approaches, consistent delivery of services at targeted sites, etc. We need to be ready to explain our model to different stakeholders in technical terms.

Commission discussed the HCH Street Health model, and agreed to continue to be strong in supporting our model. Important to remember that the HCH Commission is THE governing authority of our Scope of Project. Commissioners disturbed by offers made to contractor ROOTS, but still affirming their decision of 5/17/19 that ACHCH health center funding would only be extended through 7/1/19 for ROOTS. HCSA has allocated other funding for continuation of ROOTS contract through rest of CY19.

Discussion of oversight/monitoring of ROOTS contract performance for rest of CY. Who will take on that duty? As long as ROOTS services on ACHCH Scope of Project, then ACHCH should have a role in that, but oversight arrangements are still being negotiated by HCSA/Alliance.

**Oral Health Needs Assessment** recommendations will be presented to HCH Commission in July meeting.

**Extreme Weather and Air Quality Emergencies.** ACHCH activated cooling center/heat response last week. Staff working with ACPHD and County-wide planning on communications for extreme weather (heat and smoke) responses. Goal is to move the organizing of cooling center and communication up to a coordinated countywide response.

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**G. AHS Subrecipient Report**

Heather MacDonald Fine of AHS Homeless Coordination Office presented:

The AHS Co-Applicant Board is officially seated and had their first meeting. They meet on the second Tuesday of each month 5:30pm at AHS HGH Hospital.

Moving forward on recruiting and hiring a AHS Health Center Director for homeless subrecipient services.

Discussion of AHS Budget process and funding issues in near future especially with loss of PRIME funding, possible $65M deficit forseen. AHS leadership evaluating where cuts would have to come from. News Article [here](#).

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**H. HCH Commission Orientation: ACHCH Contracts Overview**

Grants Manager David Modersbach provided an overview of ACHCH health center contracts for this upcoming year.

Commissioners gave feedback on improving presentation of contracts (newly edited version available here).

**Homeless Vendor Pool:** Discussion of West Oakland Street Health contract which is under process to use new County Vendor Pool. On May 21, 2019, the Board of Supervisors approved a Master Contract with the Housing Solutions for Health Vendor Pool (Vendor Pool). The Vendor Pool is designed to accelerate the pace of contracting with qualified homeless
service and housing providers, as part of our ACGOV Vision 2026 to end homelessness in the County by 2026. Currently there are 25 vendors who are qualified into the Vendor Pool and are available for immediate contracting. Additional vendors who qualify into the Vendor Pool will be added on a rolling basis. Health Care Services Agency (HCSA) Special Projects Office will be administering the Vendor Pool selection and contracting process while Programs/Departments will be responsible for contract oversight, monitoring and payment.

Lifelong West Oakland Street Health contract is new to the Commission and is under process to use new County Vendor Pool, ACHCH plans to incorporate this team into our Street Health operations and utilize non-Federal/grant MHSA funding for this team. This contract will come to the HCH Commission in the near future for consideration and approval.

The idea is that with a standard, scaleable approach, the ACHCH program could reproduce many more Street Health teams that are geographically focused, using the Vendor Pool to streamline contracting and procurement.

Emphasis placed on the need for South/East County/Tri-Valley area Street Health Teams, Commissioner Young shared that Livermore Pleasanton are interested in funding this approach.

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<th>1. New HCH Commissioner Approval: Approve Julie Lo as an HCH Commissioner. Commission voted unanimously to appoint Julie Lo as Commissioner.</th>
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<td>2. ACHCH Contract Review and Approval:</td>
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<td>Commission reviewed the following contracts: AHS Subrecipient Agreement; Lifelong TRUST Clinic, Lifelong Street Health (E.Oakland), Tri-City Health Center Street Health (S.County), Tiburcio Vasquez Street Health (Central County), Fruitvale Optical. ROOTS extension was approved with ACHCH funding through 6/30/19 only. Commission voted unanimously to approve the above contracts.</td>
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<td>3. ACHCH Commission Co-Applicant Agreement</td>
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<td>Commission reviewed and discussed the new draft of the Co-Applicant Agreement. Staff gave overview of key differences in documents (AHS Board of Trustees removed as a co-signer, additional updated language from HRSA Health Center Compliance Guide, and termination language.). After discussion, Commissioners requested more time to review document edits in red-lin format. A special meeting was set for Tuesday 6/25/19 at 10:00am, and ACHCH staff will ensure that the meeting is publically noticed.</td>
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<td>4. CCAB Update:</td>
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<td>CCAB reviewing mid-pilot Patient Experience process and results. CCAB does have feedback especially in terms of using the Pat Ex process to get more details of what is not going well vs. what is going well for</td>
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patients.
Discussion of Kimberlee Burks’ life, contributions and her passing last
month. She will be missed, and staff, CCAB members and Commission
are exploring how to learn from her passing to strengthen and support
persons who have formerly experienced homelessness and continue to
work in this field.
Shared Certificate from EveryOne Home PITC.
Joint HCH CCAB/Commission meeting scheduled for Friday August 9, 2019
9:-11am. 1404 Franklin Street.

5. Report Back from NHCHC:
Lois Bailey Lindsey and Laura Guzman, Shannon Smith- attended from
HCH Commission. Valuable conference and a great look at NHCHC
approaches nationwide, impressed with extent of ACHCH involvement,
including both HCH CCAB consumers Sabrina Fuentes and Jeannette
Johnigan, and consumer involvement nationwide. Significant discussion
and emphasis at conference on equity/ work and especially in
confronting racism in our work. Sam reminded all about the
importance of HCH Commissioners and CCAB members to attend
conferences along with staff.

6. Executive Committee
Met last week, discussion of possible HCH Commission retreat,
recruitment, approval of Julie Lo.

7. Street Health Committee met once, working to update encampment
standards document.

8. Budget and Clinical committees did not meet.

I. OTHER ITEMS
1. Items for upcoming agendas:
• **Next Meeting:** Discuss possible HCH Commission Retreat in Fall.
• **Special Phone Meeting Tuesday 6/25/19 10:00am** Review Approval of Co-
Applicant Agreement.
• **Next Meeting:** HCH Commission meeting Friday July 19, 9-11am, 1000 San
Leandro Blvd, San Leandro. Agenda will include QI update, review of SAC
submission.
• **August 9, 2019** Joint HCH Commission/HCH CCAB meeting 9-11am 1404
Franklin Street #200 **NOTE TIME AND DATE CHANGE!** (Agenda will include
PITC presentation, Approval of SAC submission)

H. ADJOURNMENT
Meeting adjourned at 11:12AM.

MINUTES APPROVED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE OF HCH COMMISSION
7/19/2019
Verified by Lois Bailey Lindsey, HCH Commission Executive Committee
Secretary

[Signature]
Date: 8/9/2019