

**February 6, 2015  
Member Advisory Committee  
Meeting Minutes**

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**Members Present:** Lourdes Alarcon, Starr Gul, Ed Evans, Raquel Cárdenas, Irene Conway, Charles Conway, Elia Fernandez, June Lynn Kealoha-Hall, Diana Jerome, Willow Lancaster, Vivian Lee, Ching Suk Lam, Chin Hong Lou, Un Un Che, Liu Zhong Chen, Anh Le, Shaowei Luo, Diane Maluia, A. Jon Martinelli, Gene Porfido, Merlin Nw, Linda Ross, Libah Sheppard, Maria Luz Torre, Kwai Fong Tsui, James Walker, and Idell Wilson

**Members Absent:** Nancy Rodríguez and Stacey Robledo

**Excused:**

**Guests:** Lee Rogers

**Staff:** Valerie Huggins and John F. Grgurina, Jr. CEO

**1. Welcome, Introductions and Roll Call:**

The meeting was called to order at 1:00pm.

- 2. Approval of Agenda & Minutes:** The agenda was approved with and the minutes from the January 9, 2015 meeting were approved with two corrections, 1) Liu Zhong Chen name was misspelled, and 2) Willow Lancaster was excused)

**3. Committee Reports:**

**Chair & Governing Board Report-Maria Luz Torre**

Irene Conway and Maria Luz Torre co-chaired the meeting. The Governing Board met in January and updates were reported at the January meeting. There were questions from members about Affordable Care Act and Covered California.

Maria Luz Torre explained that the deadline to enroll by Feb 15 does not apply to most San Francisco Health Plan members considering that they are already covered and that it applies mainly to those applying for Covered California (our CA version of the ACA). We deferred the question to staff regarding the penalty if someone does not have health insurance.

The next Board meeting is scheduled for March 4, 2015.

**Quality Improvement Committee Report-Ed Evans and Irene Conway**

Irene Conway and Ed Evans reported that the Quality Improvement Committee (QIC) met in December. The next scheduled meeting is February 12, 2015.

Ms. Conway mentioned the Committee only discussing and reviewing policy and procedures. Ms. Conway stated that Dr. Glauber mentioned having focus groups at the Satellite office when we move.

Mr. Evans reminded the Committee to get their kids vaccinations updated.

Lastly, Ms. Conway and Mr. Evans continue to encourage the Committee to let them know if they are experiencing any issues so it can be brought up at the Quality Improvement Committee.

**Staff Report-John F. Grgurina, Jr., CEO**

John F. Grgurina, Jr., CEO, gave a few updates on the State level. The Governor's proposed 15-16 budget are pretty good news for Medi-Cal managed care plans. There's no major cuts to Medi-Cal program, no new major programs given to managed care. Fully funds projected 15-16 caseloads of 12.2 million and 30% of total state population will be enrolled in Medi-Cal.

Lastly, Mr. Grgurina reported that the State's auto assignments rates are at 95% which means for every 100 members who do not make a choice, 95 members will come to San Francisco Health Plan and five will go to Anthem Blue Cross.

Mr. Grgurina answered most of the Committee's questions.

**Anna LeMon, Project Manager, HECLS**

Ms. LeMon was not present as she is currently on maternity leave.

**4. Discussion: Dr. Jim Glauber; SFHP's Chief Medical Officer – Super Virus**

Dr. Jim Glauber, SFHP's Chief Medical Officer attended the meeting to discuss the Super Virus such as Ebola. Previously known as Ebola hemorrhagic fever, is a rare and deadly disease caused by infection with one of the Ebola virus strains. Ebola can cause disease in humans and nonhuman primates.

How an infectious disease is transmitted – whether through direct contact with bodily fluids, through air, or other means, as well as whether human-to-human transmission is possible – is important for understanding how to prevent and track the disease. Ebola is transmitted only through direct contact with bodily fluids, as are HIV and Hepatitis C. Other diseases, such as measles, flu and SARS, are transmitted through airborne means. Human- to-human transmission occurs for all of the diseases included in this profile except for malaria, which is transmitted by mosquitoes to humans.

Ebola is one of the most deadly infectious diseases, causing death in approximately 50-90 percent of those who become infected. This is much higher than almost every other infectious disease included.

Currently, there is no vaccine to prevent Ebola, no treatment for the disease (other than treatments for its symptoms and some experimental treatments), and no cure. Other diseases have treatments but no vaccine and no cure (such as HIV), while still others have vaccines, but cannot be treated or cured (such as measles).

Dr. Glauber answered most of the Committees questions. Most of the discussion focused on vaccines and their pros and cons.

**5. Public Comment**

The Co-Chairs reminded the Committee to arrive on time and stay for the full two hours to receive a stipend. In addition to this, the Co-Chairs also reminded guest that the Committee is at capacity; however, the meetings are open to the public.

## **6. Calendar Items for Next Meeting**

There were no items calendared at this time.

## **7. Prospective Members**

There was one member, Lee Rogers who nomination was voted on by the Committee as this was his second consecutive meeting. His nomination will go before the full Board at the March 4th Governing Board meeting.

The Committee and prospective members were informed that the Membership Advisory Committee will be at capacity of 30 members once Lee Rogers membership is confirmed. Prospective members were informed that they are welcome to attend because the Member Advisory Committee meetings are open to the public. But in fairness to them, and so as not to keep up their hopes, it was reiterated that there are no vacant seats at this time.

## **8. Announcements**

Several announcements were made and printed copies were passed on the table for the Committees review.

## **9. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 3pm.

Date Approved \_\_\_\_\_

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Maria Luz Torre and Irene Conway, Co-Chairs