



County of San Diego
HEALTH SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD
Meeting | Zoom | CAC Rm 302

Tuesday, August 6, 2024,
3:00pm to 5:00pm
MEETING MINUTES

Seat#	District	Primary	Attendance		Notes	Presenters	HHS Support
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							Dr. Ankita Kadakia, Interim Public Health Officer, PHS Dr. Elizabeth Hernandez, Director, PHS Dr. Anuj Bhatia, Deputy Director, PHS Adrienne Yancey, Asst Dir, Departmental Ops (Zoom 7/9) Heidi Aiem, Assistant Branch Chief, Epidemiology and Immunizations Services Branch JOY Bryers, Admin Sec, PHS Joshua Beidler,

13	N/A	Abrams, Lauren	X				Admin Sec, PHS Trieona Gates, Admin Sec, PHS
2	D1	Dr. Afflalo, Suzanne					
12	N/A	Alexiou, Dimitrios					
19	3	Alverson-Rodriguez, Lisa					
8	D4	Arroyo, Geysil (Vice-Chair)	X				
5	D3	Correa, Linda					
14		Daily, Jack	X				
13		Fraser, Tim					
18	D3	Hailey, Katelyn					
11	N/A	Hegyi, Paul	X				
		Jacobs, Kris					
4	D2	Jantz, Barry (Chair)	X				
14	N/A	Franciscus, Joanne	X				
7	D4	Lepanto, James	X				
1	D1	Melgoza, Ana					
11		Ohmstede, Jennipher (Alternate)					
15		Sales, Robin		X			
9		Remington- Cisneros Therese					
16		Seldin, Harriet (Alternate)	X				
12	N/A	Sumek, Caryn (Alternate)					

6	D3	Walters, Todd	X		
15		Yates, Judith			
9	D5	Remington- Cisneros Therese			

Minutes	Lead	Follow- up Actions	Due

Agenda Item	Discussion
I. WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS	<p>A. Roll Call</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Barry Jantz called the meeting to order at 3:04 PM. b. Introductions from PHS staff. <p>B. Remarks from the Vice Chairperson</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. N/A <p>C. Approval of August Agenda</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Moved by Paul Hegyi and seconded by James Lepanto [1:17:40]. b. Roll Call: All other HSAB members in attendance voted Aye. <p>D. Approval of July Meeting Minutes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Moved by Harriet Selden and seconded by Paul Hegyi. b. Roll Call: Joanne Franciscus and Robin Sales abstained. All other HSAB members in attendance voted Aye.
II. PUBLIC COMMENT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No public comment.

III. ITEMS FOR APPROVAL

A. Authorize Acceptance of University of California San Diego Additional Grant Funding from Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Center for Forecasting and Outbreak Analysis, Heidi Aiem, Assistant Branch Chief, Epidemiology and Immunizations Services Branch

**ITEM #XX: AUTHORIZE ACCEPTANCE OF
ADDITIONAL UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA
SAN DIEGO GRANT FUNDING FROM CENTERS
FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION**

Jeffrey Johnson, M.P.H. – Chief

Dr. Mark Beatty, M.D., M.P.H. – Assistant Medical Director

Epidemiology & Immunization Services Branch

Public Health Services

August 6, 2024



CONTEXT & OPPORTUNITY

- On October 24, 2023, the Board previously authorized acceptance of an estimated \$1,312,584 CDC grant subaward from UCSD for the period of September 30, 2023, through September 29, 2028, to improve preparedness and response to infectious disease through data, modeling, and analytics.
- Subsequently, the CDC made available to all U.S. grantee locations an additional funding opportunity.
- UCSD, with support from County of San Diego, Public Health Services, applied for and was approved by CDC for additional funding of which \$425,000 is allocated to County of San Diego, Public Health Services.



FUNDING DETAILS



Source:

Center for Forecasting and Outbreak Analytics
Grant

University of California San Diego

Additional Grant Funding: \$425,000

Total Grant Funding : \$1,737,584

Grant Period: September 30, 2023 through
September 29, 2028

Fiscal Year:	Amount:
FY 23-24	\$196,887
FY 24-25	\$646,897
FY 25-26	\$303,137
FY 26-27	\$262,517
FY 27-28	\$262,517
FY 28-29	\$ 65,629

GRANT FUNDING FOR FORECASTING AND OUTBREAK ANALYSIS

- **Funding Source:** Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)
- **Funding Amount:** \$19.6 million (includes the additional funding)
- **Primary Lead:** UCSD
- **Partnering Organizations:**
 - County of San Diego Health and Human Services Agency
 - UCLA, UCSF, and UC Riverside
 - Los Alamos National Laboratory
 - University of Washington



FORECASTING AND OUTBREAK ANALYTICS

- **Grant Goal:** Improve preparedness for and response to infectious disease outbreaks through data, modeling, and analytics
- **Funding will support:**
 - Disease outbreak response capabilities
 - Communities to identify public health threats
 - Decision makers during public health emergencies



PROJECT ACTIVITIES

Implement new analytical tools and enhance existing tools useful for public health emergencies

Test existing technology and find new ways to support modeling and outbreak analytics

Develop and validate models and outbreak analytics specific to a disease

Leverage various data sources useful for the development and enhancement of outbreak analytics

Identify information needs of policy makers related to disease modeling, forecasting and outbreak analytics

Provide training to public health professionals in disease modeling, forecasting and outbreak analytics



ADDITIONAL INFORMATION



Grant Project Team
Meeting with
CDC Director
Dr. Mandy Cohen
at UCSD



TODAY'S REQUEST

1. Authorize the **approval and acceptance** of \$425,000 in additional grant funds from the University of California San Diego for the Centers for Outbreak Analytics and Disease Modeling grant.
2. Authorize the Agency Director or designee, Health and Human Services Agency to **pursue future funding** opportunities.



THANK YOU



Questions and Answers:

James Lepanto: I just want to say that I think this of such importance, certainly after COVID and what we were faced with, and the things that were created during COVID to do this with the analysis and it just helps us with the training part of it so I think it's just wonderful.

Vote: Moved by **Paul Hegyi** and seconded by **Geysil Arroyo**.

Roll Call: All other HSAB members-in attendance voted Aye.

IV. CHAIR'S REPORT

- A. Survey Evaluation before HSAB Advance
- B. HSAB Advance, 9/25/24
- C. Youth Engagement Update
- D. Community Inspiration Awards

V. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- A. Subcommittee and Work Group Updates

**VI. PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES
LEADERSHIP REPORT**



Health Services Advisory Board Meeting Public Health Services Report

Thomas R. Coleman, M.D., M.S.
Medical Director

Adrienne Collins Yancey, M.P.H.
Assistant Public Health Director

August 6, 2024



Dr. Thomas Coleman: PPT Presentation



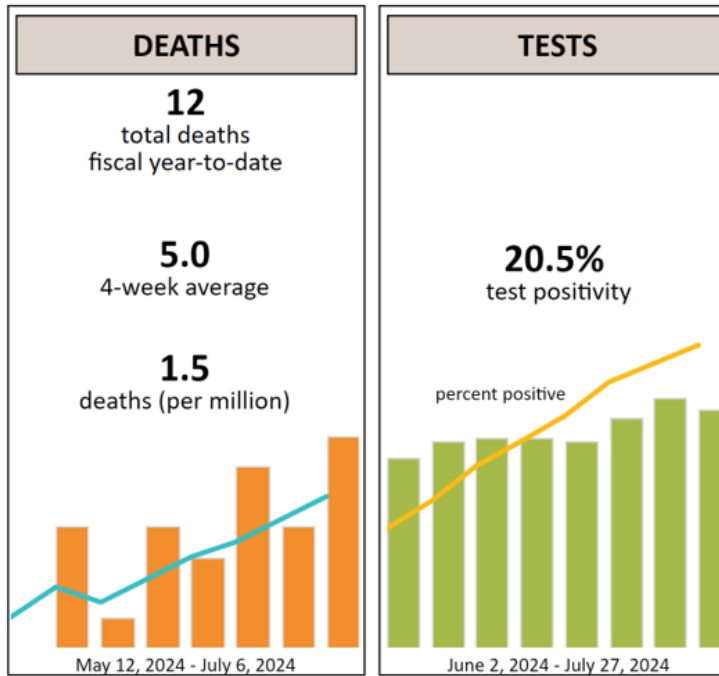
Public Health Officer Update

Thomas R. Coleman, M.D., M.S.
Medical Director, Public Health Services,
Maternal, Child, and Family Health Services Branch



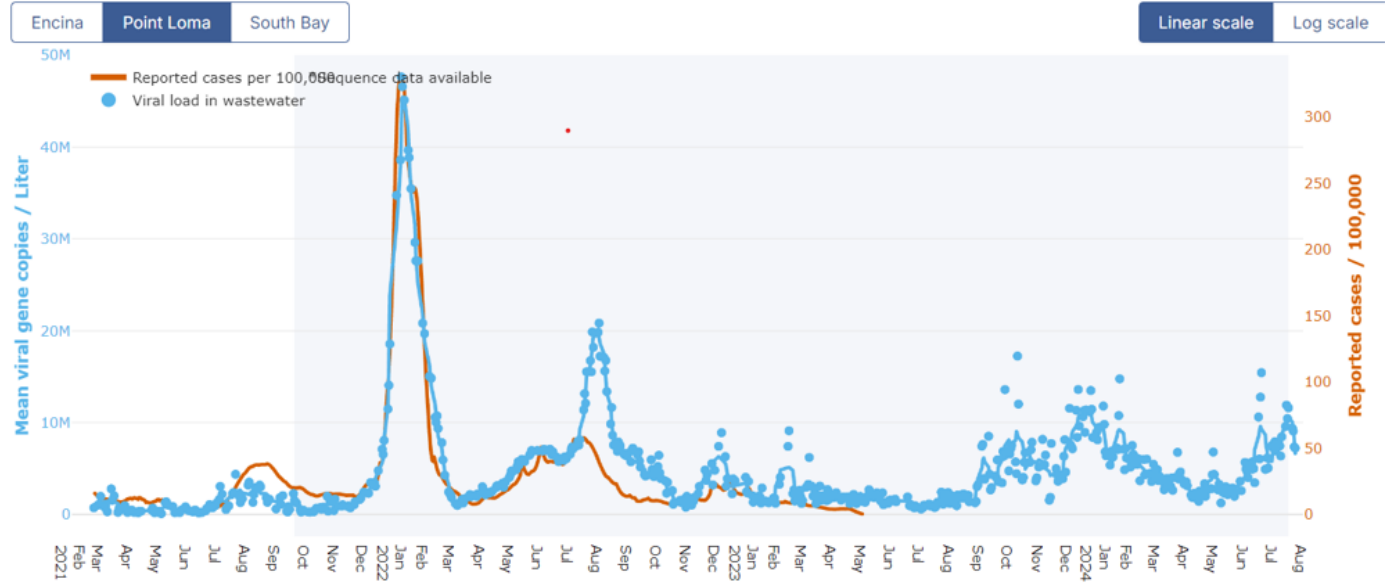


COVID-19



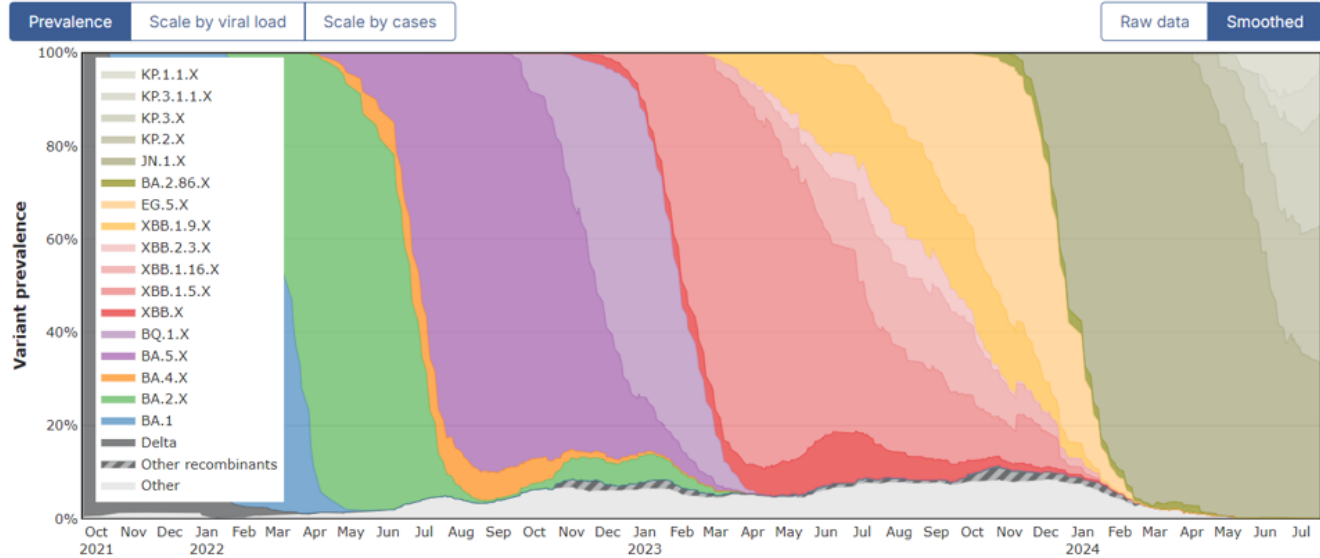
Updated August 1, 2024. Data are preliminary and subject to change.

COVID-19 Wastewater Levels



COVID-19 Wastewater Lineages

Wastewater lineages



COVID-19 Testing



- PCR Testing **AND** At Home Test Kits available at ALL Public Health Centers
- Free of Charge
- Walk Ins and Appointments accepted
- At Home test kits available at library locations
 - Chula Vista Public Library - Civic Branch
 - Chula Vista Library - South Branch
 - City Heights/Weingart Branch Library
 - Lemon Grove Library
 - North County
 - MLK Library

[Testing Schedule \(sandiegocounty.gov\)](https://sandiegocounty.gov)



Questions and Answers:

Barry Jantz: Dr. Coleman, it's Barry Jantz. Just out of curiosity, what can you tell us about any information about any organizations that are looking at masking again or anything like that. I heard some private sector folks were doing it, I heard some hospitals were doing it, but I--

Dr. Coleman: That's actually a great question, Barry. I know that in my discussion with Dr. Kadakia, I don't think she is at the point of contemplating making mandatory masking again. My wife is a social worker at one of the local hospitals, and I think they've gone back to masking, but it's not mandatory at all. I think the data would ultimately tell us, you know, what interventions might need to be taken. But obviously masking is a very important intervention. Any of us can mask at any point voluntarily, so I would encourage that if needed. We're sort of going back in time in many ways to the interventions that we use when the public health emergency, you know, was intact in terms of, as Adrian said, she was trying to be very thoughtful today. She had a COVID exposure yesterday, so she felt rather than come into the meeting that, you know, she would attend remotely. It's the same situation. If you are symptomatic, even if

it's not--you're not running a fever. I remember an MMWR a long time ago during the active pandemic, you know, that there was an adolescent that had allergy symptoms that ended up being positive. So the availability of PCR testing as well as at home testing is still very applicable. You know, certainly consider, you know, if you want to limit any of your activities. But at this point, it's really more voluntary interventions as we know that, you know, this surge is particularly occurring. The other thing I will tell you is that it will be in the fall, the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices recently approved the COVID immunization that will be upcoming in the fall. I know that Moderna was looking at a joint flu shot and COVID shot. That won't be on the market this year, but the recommendations will be for immunization in the fall, six months and older for both flu and COVID that will be able to be obtained at the same time. So that's what's to come right now. It's still making sure you're up to date on your immunizations and then all of the different interventions that we've all come to know very well.

Dr. Seldin: Do you know specifically when the new COVID vaccines will be available this fall?

James Lepanto: This is James, and Dr. Seldin was asking the same thing. I've heard the same thing and I've had a lot of people ask me because they know I'm on the board, like the vaccine expert, but when in the fall do you--do we have any projections of when that will be available in the fall?

Dr. Coleman: That's a great question, James and Dr. Selden. We're hopeful it'll be around the time of when flu shots would be available. So probably sometime September to early October. I saw that Adrienne nodded. I've not heard anything definitive. I know that the ACIP, as I mentioned, has approved the strains that will go in both the flu and COVID vaccine. I'm not aware of any overt timelines that have been disseminated so far.

Barry Jantz: Other questions? Great. Was that the end of your report, Dr. Coleman?

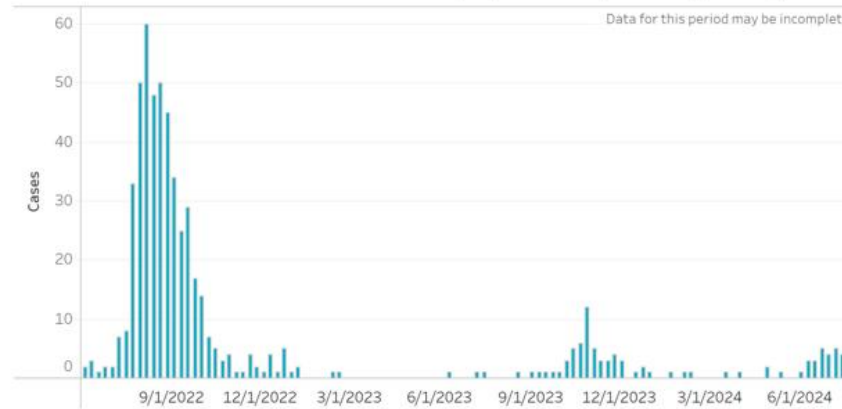
Dr. Coleman: We have one more slide, Barry, and that's related to Mpox.



Mpox

Cumulative Cases*	Cases Since Last Report	Cumulative Hospitalizations	Cumulative Deaths
567	7	22	1

MPOX Confirmed and Probable Cases* by Episode Date, ^ San Diego County



Total of **33**
cases since
May 2024

Effective 6/25/2024, data are updated weekly on Tuesdays.
Data through 7/27/2024. Last updated 7/30/2024.

Adrienne Yancey: PPT Presentation via Zoom



Public Health Director Update

Adrienne Collins Yancey, M.P.H.
Assistant Public Health Director,
Public Health Services

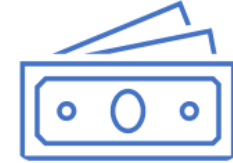




Total Public Health Funding FY23/24

Budget

\$228.2 Million



Grant Funding

\$202.6 Million

88.8%

Misc/Other Funding

\$4.9 Million

2.1%

Program Generated

\$3.8 Million

1.7%

(Allocation/Fees)

Net County Cost/GPR

\$16.9 Million

7.4%



Total Public Health Funding FY24/25

Budget



\$236.8 Million



Grant Funding



\$204.9 Million

86.6%

Misc/Other Funding



\$7.8 Million

3.3%

Program Generated

(Allocation/Fees)



\$3.1 Million

1.3%

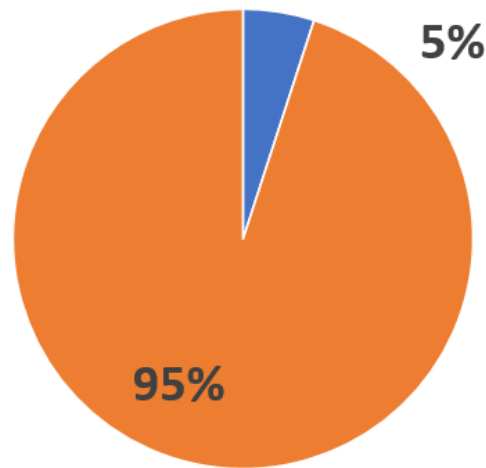
Net County Cost/GPR



\$20.9 Million

8.8%

PHS Vacancies as of 6/30/2024



■ Vacancies ■ Filled

775 Permanent
Employees

105* Temporary
Employees

Contracts Dashboard

Category		PHS		HHSA	
JUNE 2024	# Contracts	↓	133	↓	845
	FY Value of Contracts	↓	\$53.4 Million	↓	\$1.2 Billion
	# MOA/MOU & RA	↓	185	↓	642
	# Facility Use Agreements		5		49
	Total Number of Procurements	↑	50	↑	182

Public Health Services

BOARD LETTER FORECAST	
Board Meeting Date	Subject
August 27, 2024	Accept Ryan White Part A funding, accept funding the HIV Epidemic funding, and accept extended term of STI funding agreement
September 10, 2024	Accept carry-in funding for CalFresh Healthy – CalFresh Healthy Living
September 10, 2024	Authorize Acceptance of UCSD Additional Grant Funding from CDC for Forecasting and Outbreak Analysis
September 24, 2024	Perinatal Equity Initiative Program
September 24, 2024	Update on Task Force options and recommendations relating to expanding mobilization against the Tijuana River Sewage Crisis and waive board policy A-72
October 22, 2024	Accept HRSA Community Project Funding-Congressional Direct Spending (CPF-CDS) Funding and Single Source Procurements of Equipment and Supplies for DiaSorin, Agilent, and Hamilton
October 22, 2024	Single-Source Electronic Health Care System Procurement for Public Health

Confidential: Subject to the deliberative process.

Due to technical issues, Dr. Bhatia presented the last two slides on behalf of Adrienne Yancey.



Media/Community Events

Targeted Date and Time	Description & Location of Event
November 2023 and ongoing	Perinatal Equity Initiative (PEI) radio ads run on local radio stations, Z90 and Magic 92.5. Digital banners pop up on high-traffic websites. Both the radio and digital ads are played for the target audience and will redirect listeners and viewers to the Black Legacy Now website.
June 2024 and ongoing	PEI creatives (brochures, door hangars, and postcards) are being distributed in the community to promote educating African-American mothers on the importance of advocating for equitable and dignified maternity health treatment for themselves and their babies.
August 16 through August 17, 2024	Heat and Human Health Summit 2024 (H3SD 2024) T. Denny Sanford Medical Education and Telemedicine Center at the University of California, San Diego (3160 Biomedical Sciences Wy, La Jolla, CA 92093)
August 29, 2024	San Diego Immunization Coalition 20th Annual Kick the Flu Summit



Highlights

The National Association of County Health Officials Presentations/Abstracts Selected

1. How the Business Leadership Academy Collaboration Promotes Public Health and Employee Wellness Policies Among Small Ethnic and Rural Businesses
2. Equity without Stigma: A Novel Approach to Shaping Health Interventions through a Community Asset Framework
3. Data Strategies and Public Health Collaborations to Inform a Hepatitis A Response
4. Supporting implementation of whole person, status neutral approaches in the HIV prevention and care community
5. Leveraging a Summer Community Program to Educate and Promote Respiratory Infection Practices
6. Building Blocks of Resilience: Partnering to Create a Collaborative Shield from Disease in Communities Experiencing Homelessness



Health Services Advisory Board Meeting



Thank you!



The Public Health Services department, County of San Diego Health and Human Services Agency, has maintained national public health accreditation, since May 17, 2016, and was re-accredited by the Public Health Accreditation Board on August 21, 2023.

Questions and Answers

Dr. Coleman: Yeah, I was just reinforcing--I saw that the PEI board letter was there. So letting you know that we'd be back next month. I anticipate Ronda will probably be presenting that.

Dr. Bhatia: Thank you. Any questions on that?

VII. ROUNDTABLE

Geysil Arroyo: So I work at the SDSU School for Public Health. And we're working--the director of the School of Public Health and myself--on coming up with a summer experience for high school students to get their hands on public health projects. And we're very early on. So one goes to the internet and tries to look up information. And I came across this flyer from a program called Peer Public Health Advocate Camp.

James: One is, can we remind presenters to [include a discussion of equity?] I have been meaning to bring this up for a while and ask the County [to remind speakers to make sure they're including [the equity piece in their presentations.] The second thing is a frustration. Anuj is familiar with this. Suzanne is familiar with this because [inaudible]. There is a young woman who is eager to get involved with us and was looking at a way to become involved two years ago. We're now two years in. We thought of having her as Dr. Afflalo's alternate. [inaudible] for the life of me. This is not anything to do with Anuj. Anuj and the Department [have done everything they can to move this along.] We have sent emails, we have made contacts. I don't know if this is the Board of Supervisors. I don't know if it's the Clerk of the Board. It does not have anything to do with the department's issue. They've been very helpful in us trying to do this. But, you know, in all honesty, excuse me, this is damn embarrassing. For once we have someone coming to us that wants to be on the board, and it is taking two years now and we cannot get this [done]. So Anuj, not to put you on the spot, but [what can be done to expedite this process?]

Barry Jantz: And of course, the way I understand it, if this is a processing issue, if it's primary appointment, it goes to the Board of Supervisors, and it seems like that would even be a simpler process, is simply that particular supervisor saying, "Yes, I'm OK with this alternate."

Dr. Bhatia: I understand, yes, we will be following up and we will be communicating the message.

Dr. Seldin: I just have a question. This is mostly for Anuj, and maybe others. You were talking before in the kind of quasi, the presentation that is partially virtual and partially here, about the National Association of County Health Officers, or health something, but it made me think back to the National Association of Counties, NACo, Acts of Caring Awards, are those still happening? I was just thinking I hadn't heard anything in a long time. And I remember this because I got one at the time. It's, let's see, 15 or 20 years ago almost, that it was a collaboration with the County and the Dental Society. And it was a big deal, and it was fun. I haven't heard anything about those in a while. Is that still happening? We're talking about getting people involved, and to me that's like a great thing to highlight a lot of different things. Collaborations between the nonprofit and private sector, or private sector and government. Is that still happening, because I haven't heard anything in a long time.

Dr. Bhatia: I would need to look into that. I'm not sure if it is. I haven't heard of that [inaudible], but it's something we can look into to find out and let you know.

James Lepanto: I think it's still around.

Dr. Seldin: I recommend that people apply for that and that's sort of a combination of County staff and outside groups, but there's a lot of different collaborative activities going on, so it's nice to have that visibility and have that highlighted. So it may be happening, and maybe someone at the County that is involved, I just haven't heard anything

	<p>in a long time. I mean, it was--I was just--the whole thing of that, it all together, was such a positive experience, and I would hope that [indistinct] and we have so many things happening now that there would be ways in which that could be another thing, and recognizing at the community level, but then some of that gets recognized at higher levels.</p> <p>Barry Jantz: Anuj, so you can follow up. Thank you. An email went out from Anuj today reminding folks that if they were appointed after May 24, 2022, who have not received the required orientation, that there's a[n] option to do that coming up in October. So if you have questions on what the requirement is, or if you didn't get the email, or you need to focus on the email to see what it says exactly, but I think that's it. Basically, if they're appointed after May 24, 2022 and have not received the required orientation, then there is an orientation session on October 2.</p> <p>Dr. Bhatia: And there have been similar trainings offered in the past, and so if you cannot make it to this one, there will be others offered in 2025. So I know some of you have taken it. But the concern is that we make sure that the number of members who take the training once it's [inaudible] training does not constitute a quorum for the HSAB. So we need to make sure it's less than 8 members taking this.</p>
	<p><u>Questions & Comments:</u></p> <p>None</p>
<p>VIII. ADJOURNMENT</p>	<p>Meeting adjourned 4:04 PM.</p>
<p>IX. Next Meeting</p>	<p>HSAB Meeting: September 3, 2024, CAC Rm: TBD In-Person</p>