SANTA BARBARA COUNTY BOARD AGENDA LETTER



Clerk of the Board of Supervisors 105 E. Anapamu Street, Suite 407 Santa Barbara, CA 93101 (805) 568-2240 Agenda Number:

Prepared on: 4/28/05

Department Name: Public Health Department

YES

Department No.: 041 **Agenda Date:** 5/10/05 **Placement:** Departmental **Estimate Time:** 90 minutes

Continued Item: If Yes, date from:

TO: Board of Supervisors

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SUBJECT: Public Health Department's Operations Presentation

Recommendation(s):

That the Board of Supervisors receive a presentation on the Public Health's Departmental Operations (Estimated Time: 60 minutes for staff presentation + 30 minutes for Questions & Answers).

Alignment with Board Strategic Plan:

The recommendation is primarily aligned with Goal No. 1, An Efficient Government Able to Anticipate and Respond Effectively to the Needs of the Community.

Executive Summary and Discussion:

During budget adoption in June 2004, the Board requested that each department make a presentation that provides an overview of its respective operations, budget, process improvements, management metrics (lost time, spans of control, overtime, etc.), management tools and operational concerns. Consequently, the Public Health Department is pleased to present its operational overview.

Mandates and Service Levels: No change in programs or service level.

Fiscal and Facilities Impacts: None with this action.

Special Instructions: None.

Concurrences: N/A.



Public Health Department

Operational Overview

May 10, 2005



Public Health is what we, as a society, do collectively to assure the conditions in which people can be healthy."

1988 Institute of Medicine



Prevention

- Primary Prevention
 - Reduces susceptibility or exposure to health threats (immunizations)
- Secondary Prevention
 - Detects and treats diseases in the early stages (mammography)
- Tertiary Prevention
 - Alleviates some of the effects of disease, injury, or disability (Rx, surgery)



Operational Overview

- I. Department Overview
- II. Administration & Support Division
- III. Community Health Division
- IV. Primary Care & Family Health Division
- V. Challenges and Opportunities
- VI. Glossary



I. DEPARTMENT



192 Programs

- PHD is 1 of 25 County departments that manages 17% of County's programs;
- A 1-minute overview of each program would take 3 hours
- One of the County's largest departments with complex funding and vastly diverse programs



PHD PROGRAMMATIC SPAN OF CONTROL



Statutory Responsibility

- Indigent Health Care "Virtual Hospital"
- Communicable Disease Control
- Disease Prevention
- Children's Medical Services
- Health Education
- Environmental Protection



Mission

- Improve the health of our communities by:
 - preventing disease
 - promoting wellness
 - ensuring access to needed health care



Public Health

- Prevent epidemics, control diseases
- Ensure access to care
- Limit risks in the environment
- Respond to disasters
- Prevent injuries, promote healthy behaviors

- Monitor health status of community
- Inform people about health issues
- Evaluate
 effectiveness and
 quality of health
 services



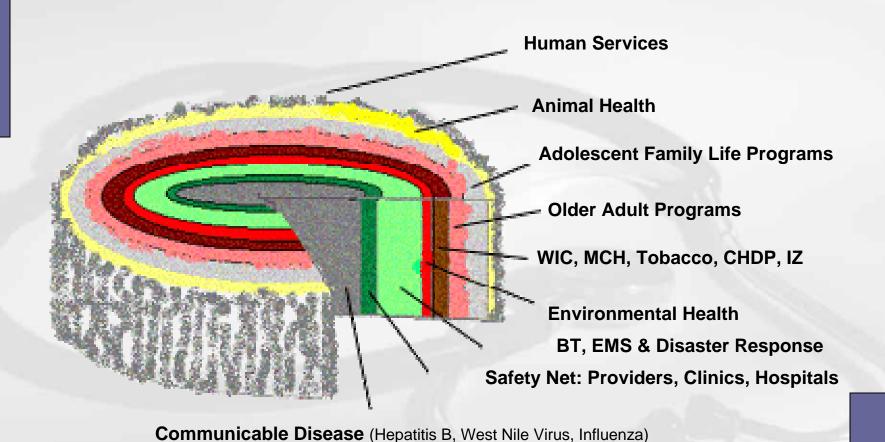
A Look Into the PHD Core







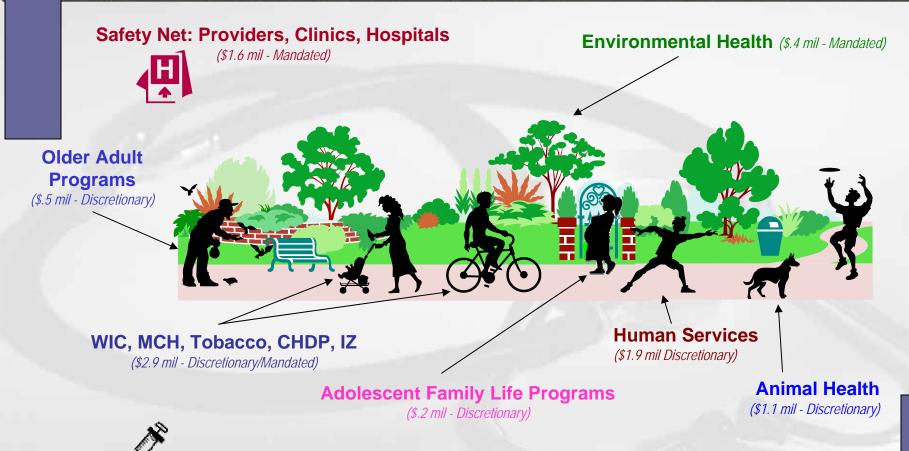
PHD Functions



Epidemiology (Disease Tracking)



Our Core Programs



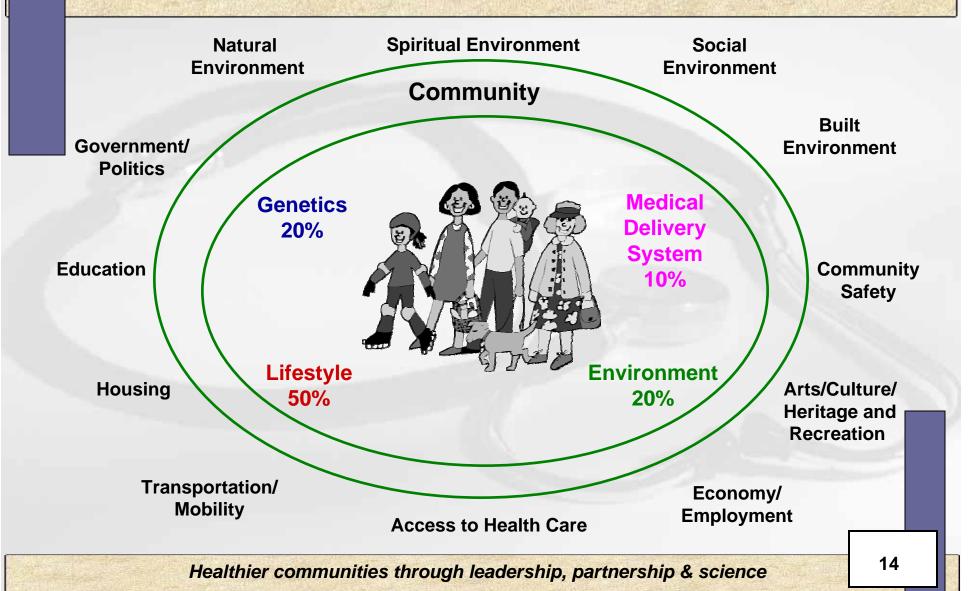
Communicable Disease (Hep B, WNV, Influenza) & Epidemiology (Disease Tracking) (\$.5 mil - Mandated)

BT, EMS & Disaster Response

(\$.5 mil - Mandated)



Factors Influencing Health





PH Achievements

Key PH Achievements of the 20th Century

- 1. Vaccinations
- Control of infectious diseases
- 3. Decrease in deaths due to heart disease, stroke
- 4. Healthier mothers and babies
- 5. Fluoridation of drinking water

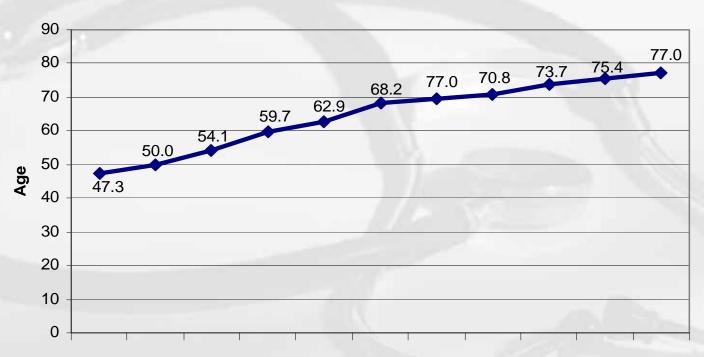
- Recognition of tobacco health hazards
- 7. Safer workplaces
- 8. Motor vehicle safety
- Safer and healthier foods
- 10. Family planning



U. S. Life Expectancy

U.S. Life Expectancy at Birth:

1900 - 2000 (both sexes)



1900 1910 1920 1930 1940 1950 1960 1970 1980 1990 2000



FISCAL STRUCTURE

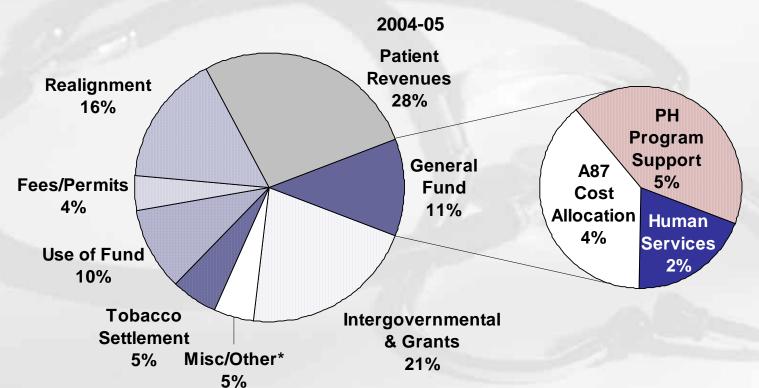




Financial Overview



Sources of Funds

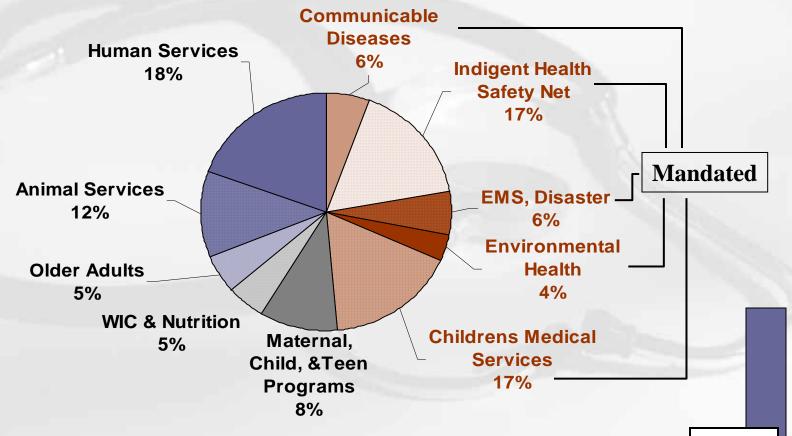




Financial Overview

PHD Use of General Fund

FY 2004-05





Fiscal Structural Deficit

- Costs Are Increasing...
 - Employee COLAs, benefits
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 - Medical
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This creates a situation where capital reserves are tapped to fund on-going operations.

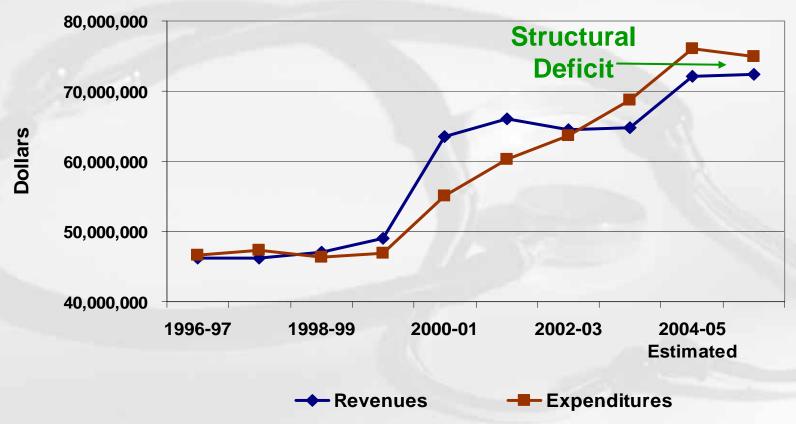


- While Re
 - Medi-Cal, Medicare, and other reimbursement rate caps
 - Capped grants and allocations
 - Contstrained local dollars to support mandates



Expenditures Outpacing Revenues

Revenue and Expenditure Trend





FQHC

- Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC)
- Critically Important Funding Source
 - Viability of local safety net is dependent on FQHC Status
 - Provides \$4-6 million annually in enhanced funding for indigent care
 - Payment of preventative services (not normally covered)
 - Requires services be provided "to all that are present"



Organizational Structure

Community Partners – Over 700

Department Structure



PHD Locations

Health Clinic Women's Health Ctr Women, Infants & Children **CCS Medical Therapy Unit Teen-Age Parenting Program Environmental Health Svcs**

Animal Services

Health Clinic Wellness Center CCS Medical Therapy Unit Animal Services

Santa Barbara Santa Barbara Channel County Pacific Ocean

Health Clinic

Health Clinic

Health Clinics Women, Infants & Children **CCS Medical Therapy Unit Teen-Age Parenting Program Environmental Health Svcs Animal Services**



Community Partners

- PHD Relies On An Interdependent System of Partnerships With:
 - 438 Physicians, Specialists and Other Medical Service Providers
 - 329 Non-Profit Organizations
 - 6 Community Clinics
 - 6 Hospitals
 - SB Regional Health Authority



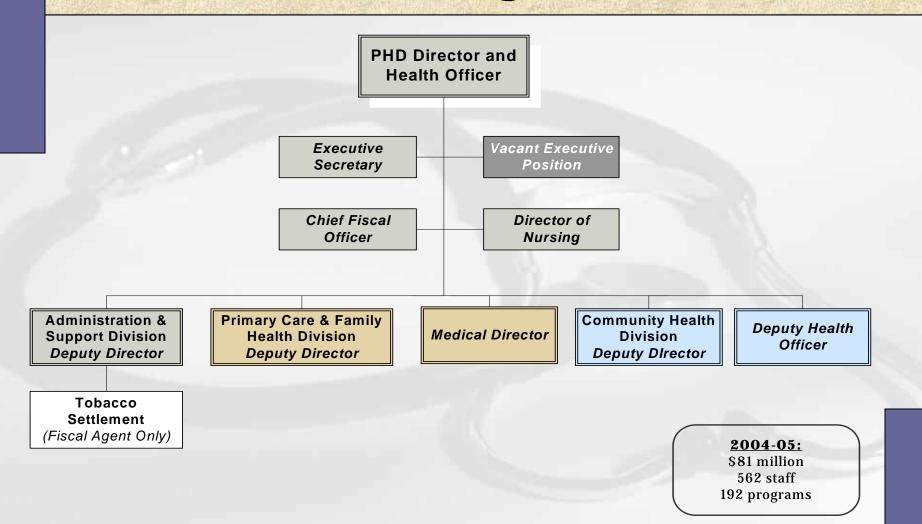


Department Structure

- Divisions
 - Community Health
 - Primary Care & Family Health
 - Administration & Support
 - Tobacco Settlement (Fiscal Agent Only)



PHD Organizational Chart





Department's Span of Control

Span of Control				
# of Direct Reports				
	Average	Range		
Executives (5)	10	4 – 21		
Managers (23)	5	1 – 8		
Supervisors (110)	6	1 – 20		



Scope of PHD Divisions

	2004-05 Proposed Budget			
	County Departments	Budget	# Staff	
1	Social Services	\$110,597,546	602	
2	Public Works	\$85,089,699	352	
3	Sheriff	\$81,451,084	665	
4	Public Health Department	\$81,106,616	561	
5	ADMHS	\$63,567,846	311	
	Family Health & Primary Care Divis	\$45,040,443	329	
6	Fire	\$35,365,699	248	
7	Probation	\$33,769,043	351	
8	General Services	\$30,466,319	158	
	Community Health Division	\$20,282,010	163	
9	Planning & Development	\$20,101,309	154	
10	General County Programs	\$17,615,881	16	
11	Gerk-Recorder-Assessor	\$17,485,830	112	
12	Court - Special Services	\$15,451,920	0	
13	District Attorney	\$13,624,464	135	
14	Parks	\$12,404,687	92	
15	Housing & Community Develop	\$10,379,794	12	
16	Child Support Services	\$9,878,570	117	
17	Public Defender	\$7,659,560	69	
18	Human Resources	\$5,165,195	29	
19	Treasurer-Tax Collector	\$4,832,740	51	
20	Auditor-Controller	\$3,891,909	54	
21	County Counsel	\$3,370,391	45	
22	Agriculture	\$3,254,512	35	
23	Board of Supervisors	\$2,051,118	22	
24	County Admininstrator	\$1,851,186	23	





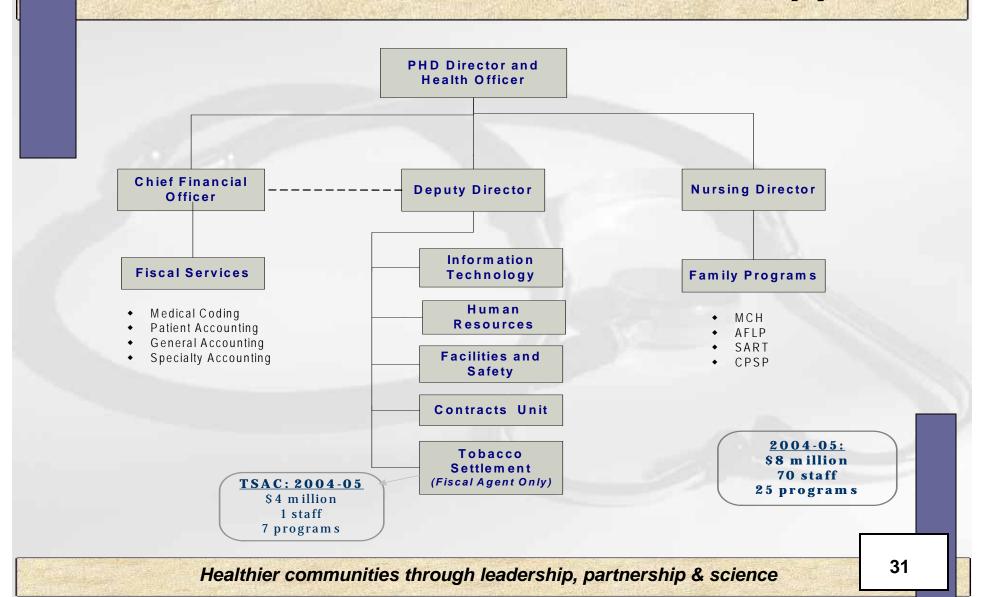
IV. ADMINISTRATION AND SUPPORT DIVISION







Administration & Support









- Over 45 computer applications supported
- 520 networked PCs; up from 320 PCs in FY 96/97 – 62% increase
- 17 IT staff support the computer needs of PHD;
 up from 14 staff in FY 96/97 –
 21% increase



- Supports Clinic Management System
 - Key application for appointment scheduling, registration, & billing
 - Bills \$20 million annually in revenue
 - 150 users
 - 185,000 claims annually 86% electronically







Pharmacy Applications

Automated prescription dispensing equipment in SB & SM is integrated with the Pharmacy Computer System enhancing quality and customer service.



Information Technology



- Allows community-wide health information sharing
- One of the first Regional Health Info Organizations (RHIO)
- \$10 Million project funded by California HealthCare Foundation
- Initiated by Dr. David Brailer, National Coordinator for Health Information Technology
- Improves quality, safety and efficiency of healthcare



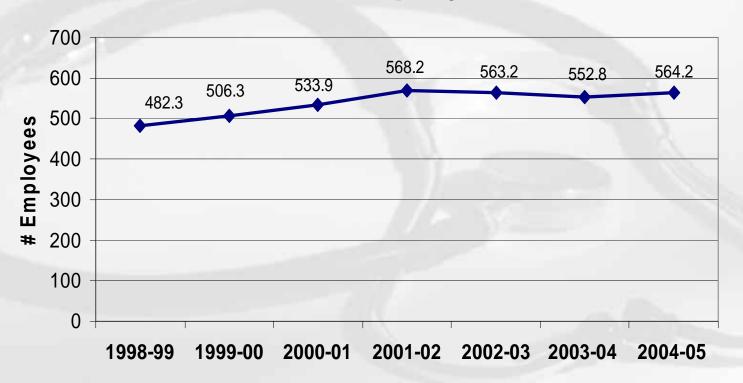
Human Resources





Number of Employees

PHD Employees



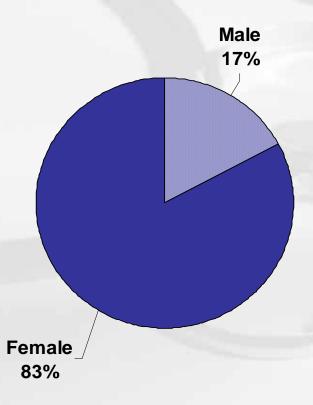


Employee Info

PHD Employees by Gender

As of Pay Period 07 - 2005



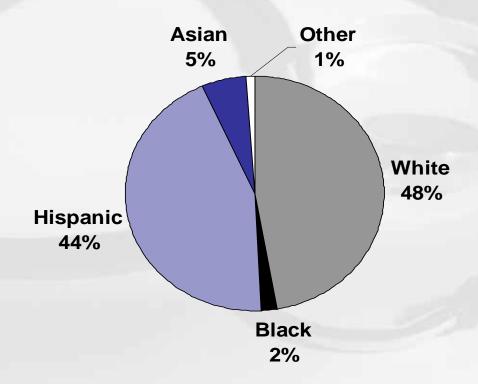




Employee Info

PHD Employees by Ethnicity

As of 4-9-04 (REG)



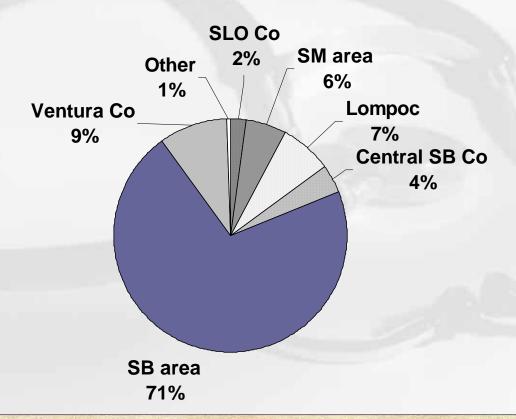


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Residence of PHD Employees Working in South SB County

(n=432)

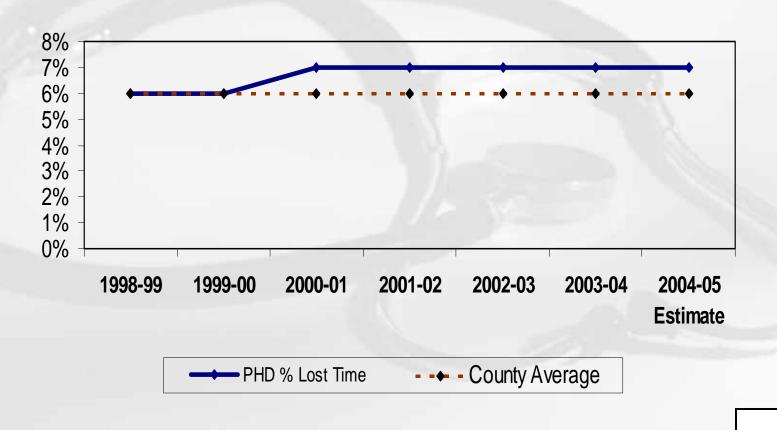






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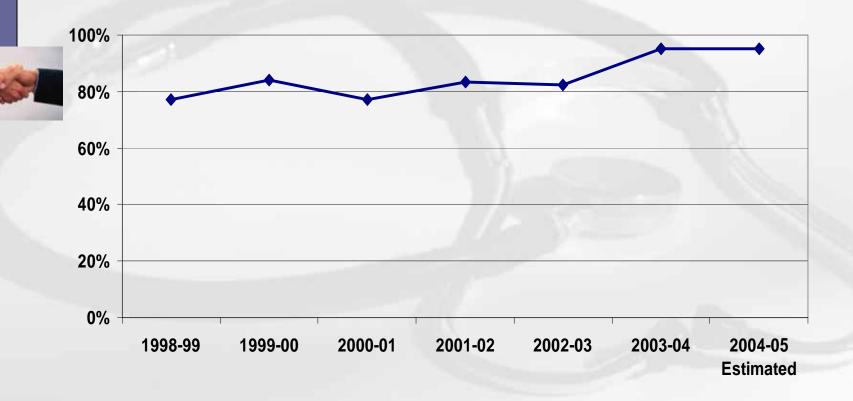
PHD Lost Time





Employee Performance Reviews

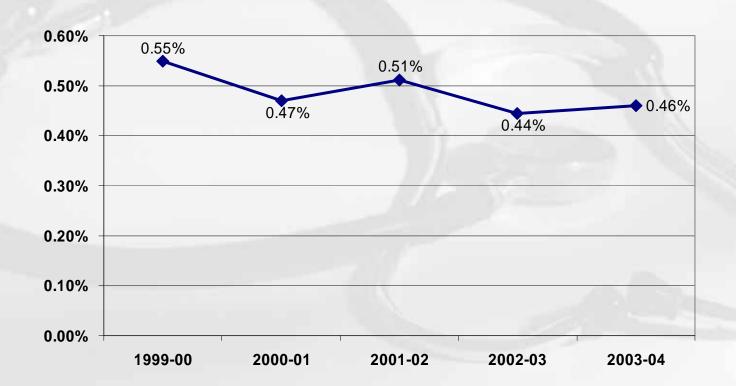
PHD Annual EPR's On-Time





Overtime

PHD overtime costs are consistently less than 1% of its total expenses:







- PHD Increased Focus on Safety
 - Hired Safety Officer in 2002
 - Focusing on decreasing workplace injuries
 - Injury Investigations and Preventability Assessments
 - All workplace injuries





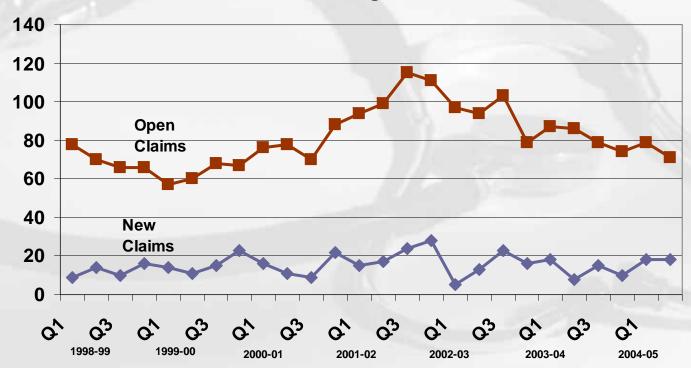
- Increased Focus on Safety
 - Ergonomic Injuries
 - Ergonomic injuries = 25% of PHD WC claims
 - Began Ergonomic Assessments
 - 35 completed in 04-05
 - Workstation modifications





Workers' Comp Claims By Quarter

Public Health Department 1998-99 through 2004-05





Workers' Compensation

PHD Workers' Compensation Costs: Paid and Incurred

1998-99 through 2004-05 Estimated





- Capital Projects (03/04 04/05)
 - Carpinteria Clinic Expansion
 - Lompoc Wellness Center
 - SM Women's Health Center
 - SM Animal Center









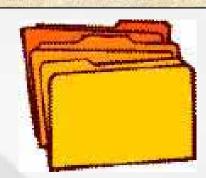


Contracts Unit



Contracts Unit

- Started in September 2003
- Goals
 - Centralize PH contracts
 - Streamline contracts and board letter processes
 - Manage insurance requirements
 - Minimize duplication of effort and rework
 - Increase efficiency and effectiveness

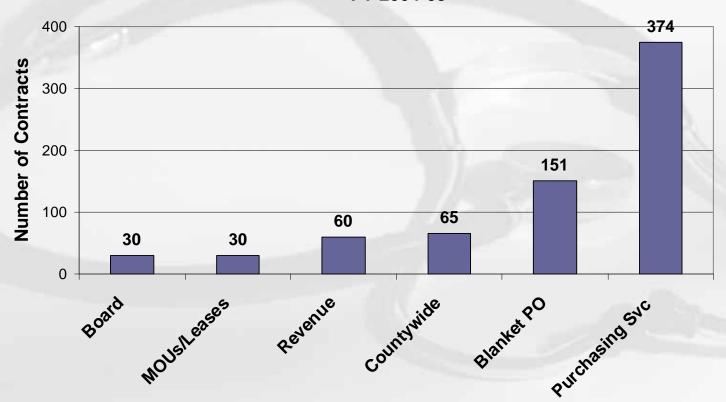




Contracts Unit

PHD Contracts by Type

FY 2004-05





Customer Service

Public Health Department Delivering Excellent Service

- Welcome warmly
- Offer to help
- 3. Be courteous
- 4. Keep people informed
- 5. Listen





Customer Service

- 1993: Customer Service Task Force
- 1994: Patient Satisfaction Surveys
- 1999: Department-Wide Training
- 2001: Employee ID Badges
- Ongoing satisfaction surveys
 - CCS, MSSP, WIC, Animal Services in addition to clinics



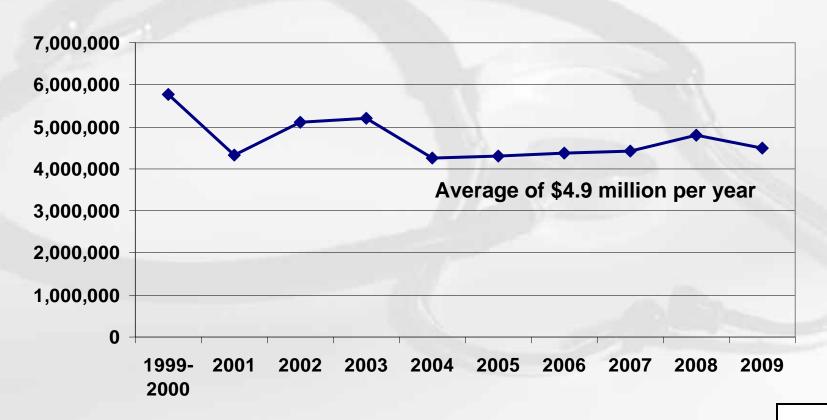
Tobacco Settlement



Funding Over Time

Tobacco Settlement Funding Over Time

Santa Barbara County 1999-2004 Actual & 2005-2009 Projected





Funding Uses

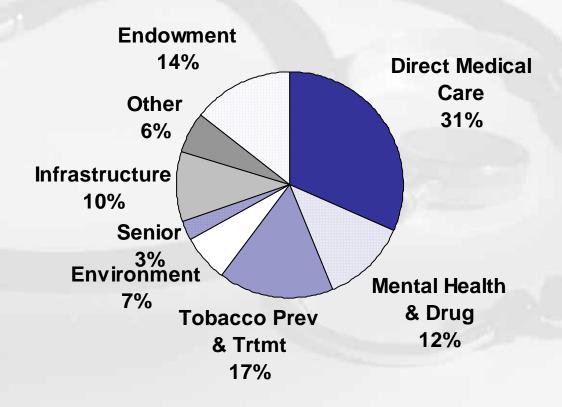
- Direct Medical & Dental Care
- Tobacco Prevention & Treatment
- Alcohol, Drug & Mental Health Services
- Senior Support Services
- Environment and Other Health
- Endowment
- PHD & ADMHS Capital Infrastructure



Allocations by Category

Tobacco Settlement Funding

Allocations by Category 1999-2005





TSAC: Long-Term Goals

- Reduce use of tobacco and other drugs
- Reduce tobacco-related illnesses
- Improve access to health care
- Increase prevention and education efforts



Outcomes: Tobacco Use

- 940 smokers quit through cessation programs
- Recognizable, effective media campaigns
- Education or interventions to 37,273 youth
- Funded 25+ CBOs/yr to reduce tobacco use
- Funded law enforcement to improved compliance with tobacco laws

JOYS OF QUITTING



When you quit smoking life throws you a party. Stop and smell the roses. Flay tag without getting caught. Kiss without hesitation. Blow out your birthday candles. Live longer. Every smoker thinks about quitting. Instead of focusing on what you're giving up, imagine what you'll be getting. When you're ready to quit, we're here to help.

Call 681-5407

LIFE WITHOUT SMOKE, IT'S A BEAUTIFUL WORLD.



Outcomes: Access to Care



- Provided 1,737 hospital inpatient days
- 567 patients received care in hospital outpatient settings
- 1,145 patients were able to see a specialist to get needed care
- 1,096 children received dental care
- Funded 3,388 emergency room physician encounters





II. COMMUNITY HEALTH DIVISION

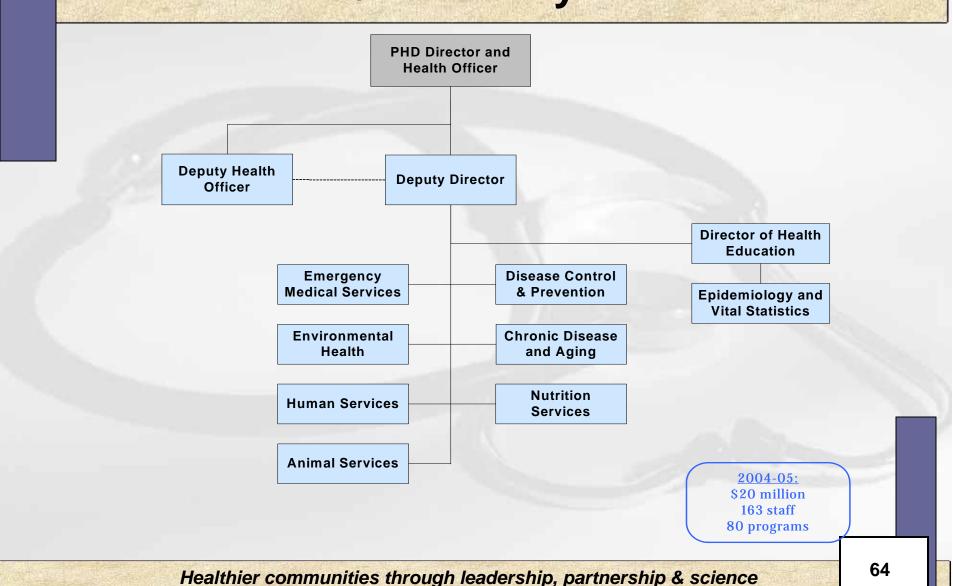








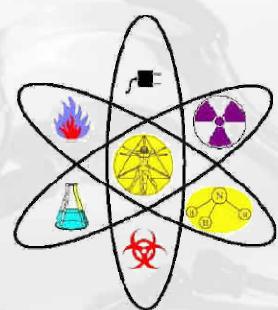
Community Health Division





Division's Scope

- Community Health is a large, diverse division
- 163 staff
- 80 cost centers
- Budget in excess of \$20 million

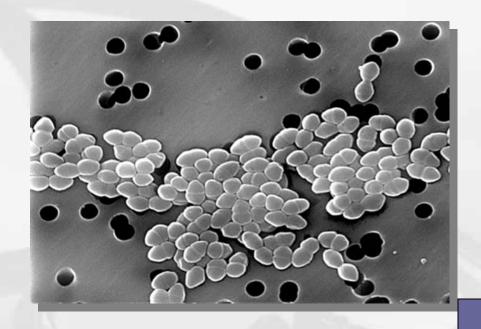




Disease Control & Prevention

DC & P Programs

- Disease Control
- HIV/AIDS Services
- BioterrorismProgram
- Public Health Lab
- ImmunizationProgram
- Epidemiology Unit





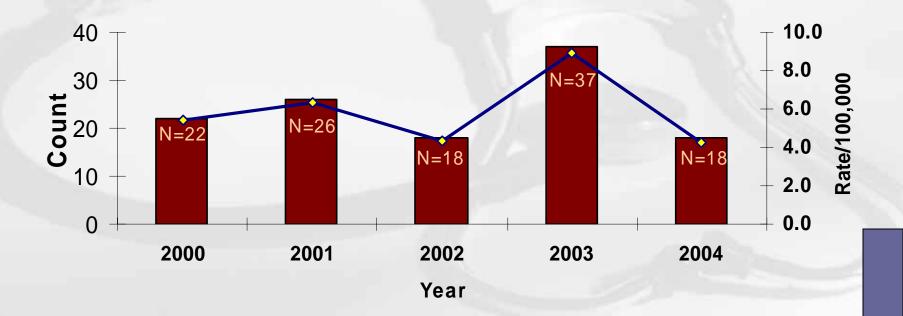
- Ensure and protect public health and safety
- Conduct disease surveillance, disease outbreak investigation, and disease control
- Consult with the medical community and public on infectious diseases
- Establish public-private partnerships to identify and control communicable diseases



- Monitor over 60 disease and disease syndromes
- Investigate disease outbreaks and enact control measures
- Respond to news/media on communicable diseases

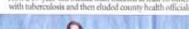


Tuberculosis Trends





ANATOMY OF AN OUTBREAK How a 19-year-old Mixtee man infected at least 56 others of the table of tabl





Officials scan for TB at shelte

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By CHUCK SCHULTZ

NEWS-PRESS STAFF WRITER



S.M. farmworker in jail for length of TB treatment

19-year-old Mixtec pleads no contest to evading care for infectious disease

7/27/04

By MELINDA BURNS

NEWS-PRESS STAFF WRITER

Doctors busy with TB outbreak

Five Santa Maria migrants receive treatment

> By THOMAS SCHULTZ NEWS-PRESS STAFF WRITER



- Pneumococcal Disease
 Outbreak at Shelters
- 353 given
 Pneumococcal
 pneumonia vaccinations
- 166 given influenza vaccines
- 206 given preventive antibiotics

Local News

Officials inoculate shelter visitors

2/12/04

By SCOTT HADLY

NEWS-PRESS SENIOR WRITER



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Disease Control

- 2004 Disease Control Accomplishments
 - Contact investigations reached 518 individuals linked to active TB cases
 - Investigated 182 food-borne illness referrals
 - 100% of communicable disease referrals are reviewed within 24 hours



HIV/AIDS Services

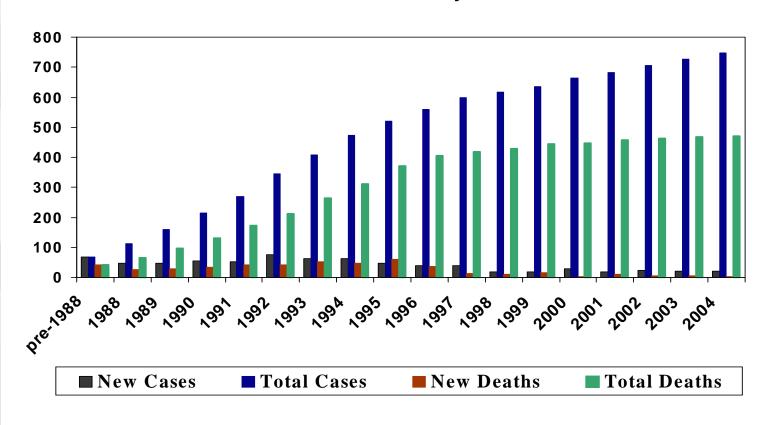
- Primary and Specialty Care
- Dental Care
- Mental Health Services
- HIV Counseling and Testing
- Case Management
- Education and Prevention
- Support Services





HIV/AIDS Services

AIDS Cases and Deaths Santa Barbara County 1981-2004





Immunization Program

- Plan for vaccine distribution and provide clinics
- Educate vaccine providers, schools and the public
- Conduct quality assurance site visits to providers
- Maintain Central Coast Immunization Registry



Circa: 1955

Immunizing Then...

Immunization Crowd

Getting Set for Big 'Hypo Job'



Circa: 1958

862 Persons 'Shot' at Polio Clinic

The 862 persons who were inoculated at Lompoc's Polio Immunization Clinic Wednesday was considerably less a number than the 1429 inoculated when the clinic staged its operation last month.

"We consider it every bit as big a success as the last month's because the biggest percentage were those receiving their second shots," said Mrs. Robert Cox, who is on the organizing committee.

Members of the Junior Alpha Club aided in resigstration procedures and Future Nurses helped doctors and nurses adminster the shots. Members of the Lompoc Police and Fire Departments also were on hand to provide

The clinic will be in Lom

Circa: 1959

Pertussis

Diptheria

Polio

(Whooping

Cough)

Tetanus

Rabies

8 Per Cent Of County

Circa: 1960



Immunizing Now...









Polio

Diptheria

Pertussis

(Whooping Cough)

Tetanus

Measles

Mumps

Rubella

Pneumococcal

Influenza

Varicella

(Chicken Pox)

Hepatitis A & B

Rabies



Bioterrorism Program

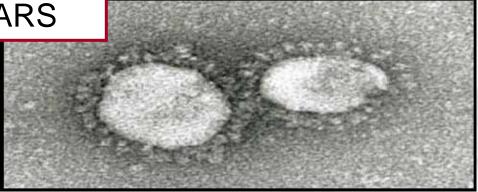
- Coordinate response to Bioterrorism agents (Anthrax, Smallpox, Ricin, etc)
- Pharmaceuticals from the Strategic National Stockpile
- Mass prophylaxis/immunization exercises
- Rapid detection and surveillance systems
- Laboratory Response Network





Bioterrorism Program







Avian Influenza (Bird Flu)





Bioterrorism Program

Preparedness

- 180 Public Health Department staff trained in disaster, bioterrorism, and infectious disease response
- Established secure firewall and emergency network capability for PHD computer system
- Formation of Medical
 Preparedness Advisory
 Committee (MPAC)





Human Services

- **Human Services Commission**
- Grant funding to 84 community-based organizations:
 - Food Services
 - Mental Health
 - Shelter Services
 Child Abuse
 - Advocacy

- Childcare
- Violence
- Senior Services



Human Services

- Food Distribution
 - Over 99,500 meals delivered to
 - the elderly and disabled
- Crisis Intervention Services
 - 1,800 people per year access rape crisis services
 - 275 children in family violence shelters each year





Human Services

- Shelter and Housing
 - Over 60,000 emergency homeless shelter bed nights are provided each year





Nutrition Services

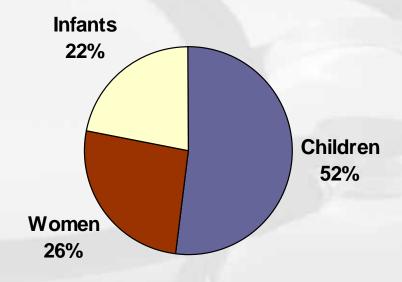
- Women, Infants, and Children Program (WIC)
- Children's Dental Program
- Project Lean
- Nutrition Network
- Breastfeeding Services





Nutrition Services

WIC provides monthly services to 14,875 low to moderate income, nutritionally at-risk, pregnant women and children under age 5



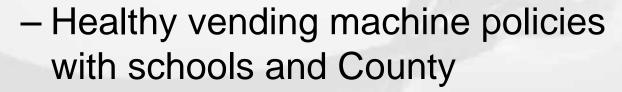
Individuals Served Monthly



Nutrition Services

Initiatives

- Addressing obesity with school districts and local coalitions
 - "SB County on the Move"



WIC breastfeeding rates among highest in the state





Children's Dental Program

- Target: Schools with 40%+ of students in free school lunch program
- 15,000 students reached YTD at 34 county schools
- Lead agency for Dental Access Resource Team (DART)
- School-based dental screenings







Emergency Medical Services

- Plan, implement, and monitor the EMS System
 - Paramedic accreditation/EMT certification
 - Evaluate quality of EMS system
 - Oversee trauma care system
 - Monitor EMS training programs
- Coordinate disaster medical services
- Prevent Injuries: bike helmet & car seat



Emergency Medical Services

Initiatives

- Maddy Fund
- Electronic Patient Care Record (E-PCR)
- Emergency Medical Dispatch (EMD)
- Childhood Injury Prevention



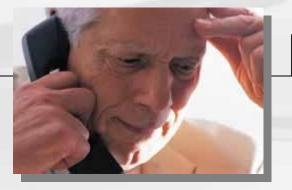




Older Adults Programs

- Case management, prevention and assessment services for seniors
 - Assist frail elderly to remain in their home
 - Promote health of seniors



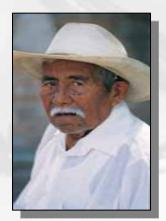






Older Adults Program

- Preventive Health Care for the Aging (PHCA)
 - Health assessments to 450 older adults yearly
- Geriatric Assessment Program (GAP)
 - In-home assessments to 297 older adults yearly
- MSSP
 - Support services to 190 clients at risk of placement in nursing home monthly



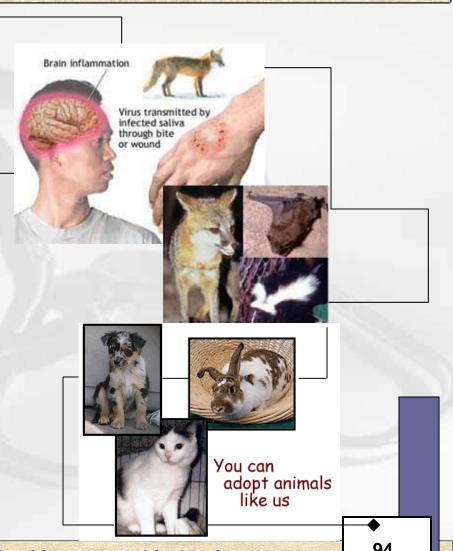


Cancer Detection Program

- Free breast and cervical cancer diagnostic services to uninsured, low-income women age 40+
- Over 6,000 women screened annually in the Tri-Counties
- Cancer education
- Regional provider network, including CQI and chart reviews
- Works with community coalitions in each county

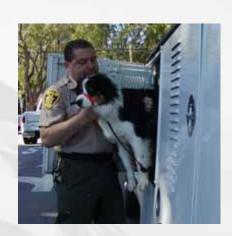


- Rabies control
- Adoptions
- Full-service animal shelters in Lompoc, SM, and SB
- Strays





- Animal control services in unincorporated areas and most cities
- Animal shelter services including lost and found, pet adoptions, and animal licensing
- Public information on wildlife, stray or aggressive animals, dog noise, and cruelty investigations





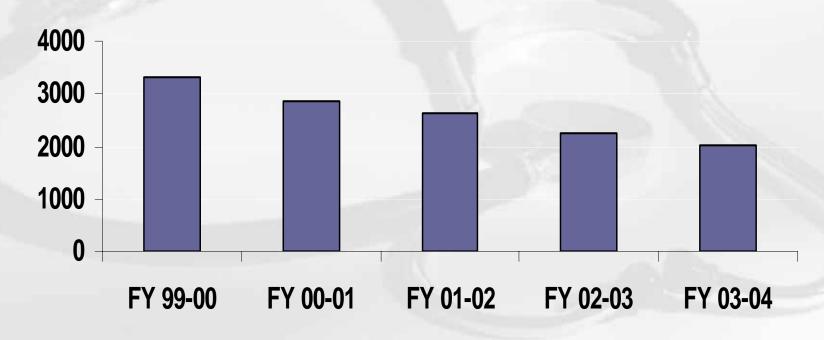
Accomplishments

- New Santa Maria Animal Center
- Gardner Ranch investigation re-homed 500 horses
- Partnerships with volunteer organizations (BUNS, ASAP, K-9 Pals, CAPA, Animal Care Foundation)
- Animal Services Academy





SB County Animal Services Animals Euthanized





Environmental Health Services







- Retail Food Protection
- Land Use
- Solid Waste
- Liquid Waste
- Recreational Health

- Drinking Water Quality
- Housing and Institution Safety
- Body Art
- Ocean Monitoring
- Vector Borne Diseases







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Environmental Health Services

- Retail Food Protection
 - 2,190 retail food facilities
- Recreational Health
 - 725 swimming pools and spas
- Liquid Waste
 - 10,000 inventoried septic systems
 - 470 plan checks in 2004
- Drinking Water
 - 142 inventoried water systems
 - 1,000+ water samples/year
- Ocean Water
 - Weekly monitoring of 20 beaches





Environmental Health Services

Accomplishments

- Food worker certification
- Improved food safety at festivals
- Countywide survey of septic systems



- Improved septic system maintenance
- Assistance for sewer engineering studies
- Improved turnaround time for plan checks





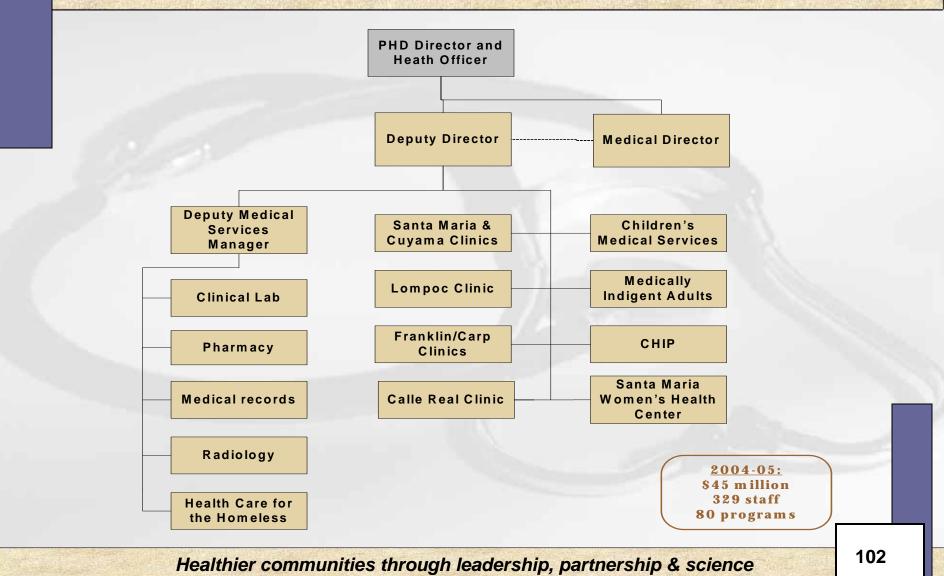
III. PRIMARY CARE & FAMILY HEALTH DIVISION







Primary Care & Family Health





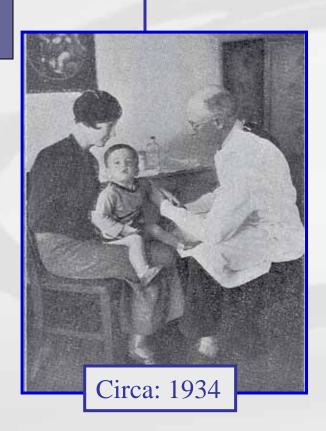
Division's Scope

- The Primary Care & Family Health Division is:
 - Large, complex division
 - 2nd largest ambulatory care provider in County
 - The only medical provider that serves all regions within County



Primary Care & Family Health

Providing access to care







Trends

- High rate of uninsured residents
- Increasing demand for clinic services
 - Declining community access
 - Clinic expansions



PHD Clinics









- Lompoc Clinic & Wellness Center
- SM Women's Health Center

- SM Clinic
- Cuyama Clinic
- Calle Real Clinic
- Carpinteria Clinic
- Franklin Clinic





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Uninsured Residents

Uninsured Residents by County



Source: 2003 CHIS Survey

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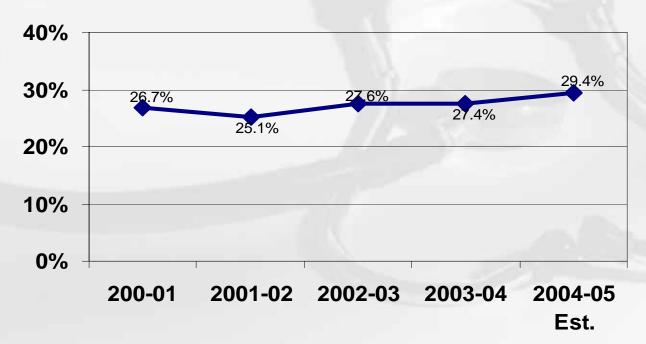
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Uninsured Patients Increase

The % of patients who are uninsured continues to increase:

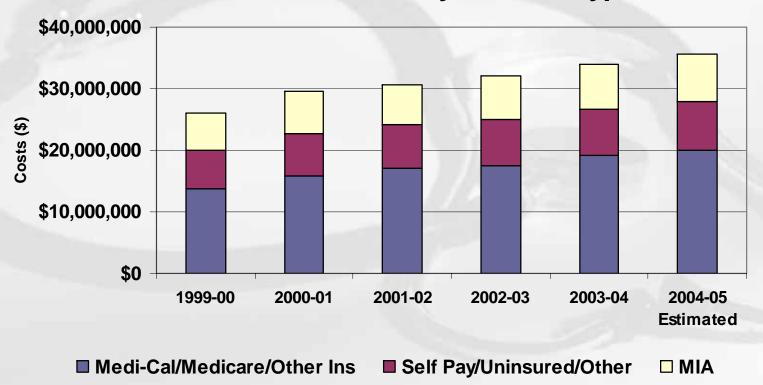
PHD Patients Who Are Uninsured





Medical Costs

Medical Costs by Patient Type



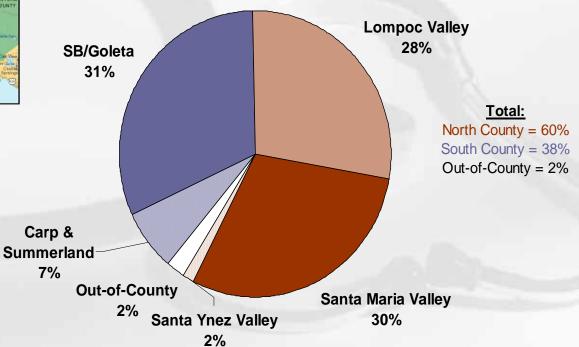


Patient Origin



Where Do Our Patients Live?

July 2003 - June 2004 Total Clients = 29,102

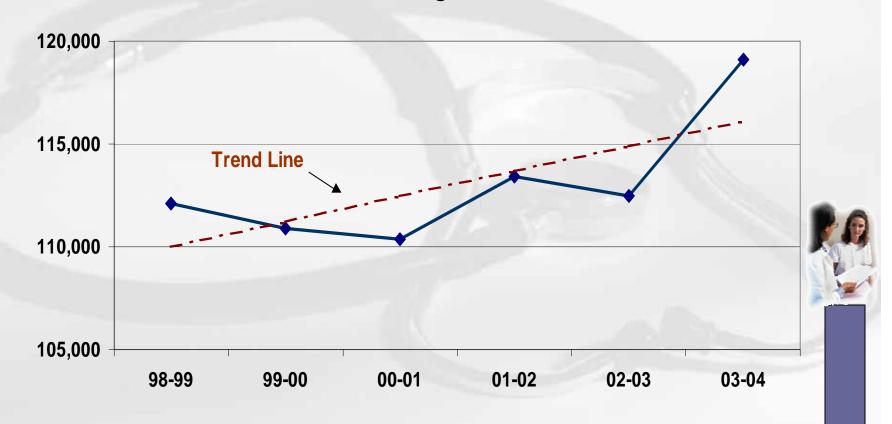




Clinic Visit Trends

Patient Visits

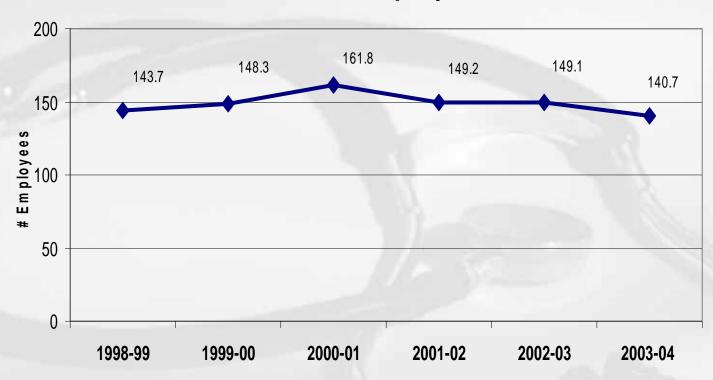
1998-99 through 2003-04





Clinic Employees

Clinic Employees





Prescription Volume Doubled

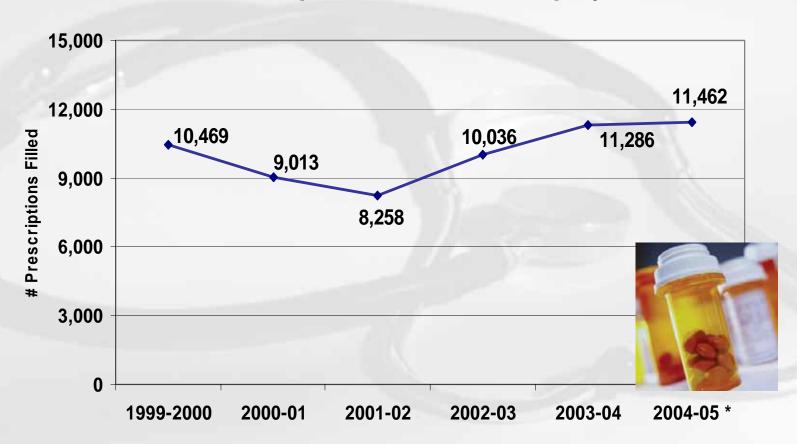
PHD Prescriptions Filled





Pharmacy Efficiency Increases

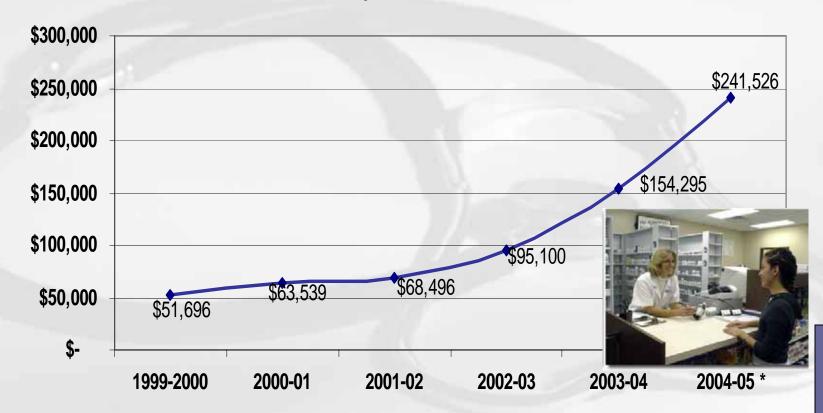
Prescriptions Filled Per Employee





Pharmacy Collections Increase

Pharmacy Patient Cash Revenue

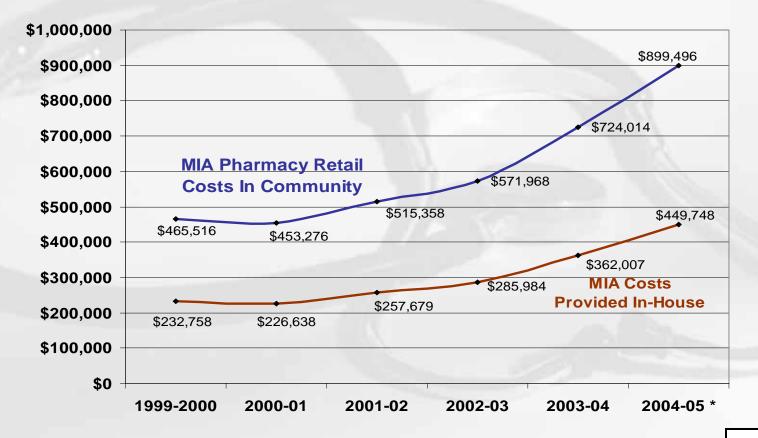




Pharmacy MIA Cost Savings

MIA Pharmacy Costs: Retail vs. PHD In-House







350,000

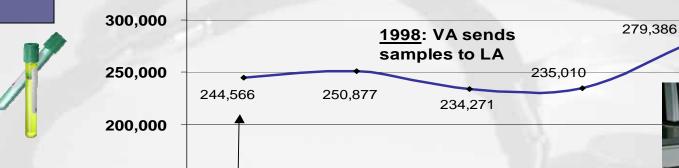
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Clinical Lab Test Volume

PHD Clinical Lab Tests



1997

1993: SB Rehab obtains

other provider

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2003

315,256



2004

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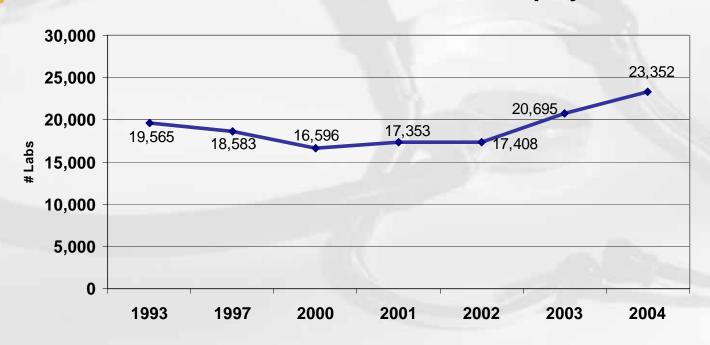
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Lab Efficiency Increases

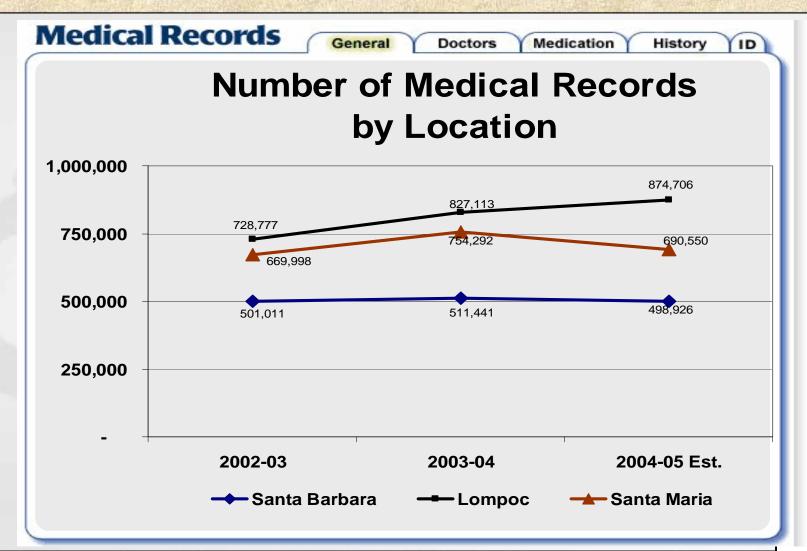
Each clinical laboratory employee is processing 20% more tests than 10 years ago:

Lab Tests Processed Per Employee





Medical Records Volume

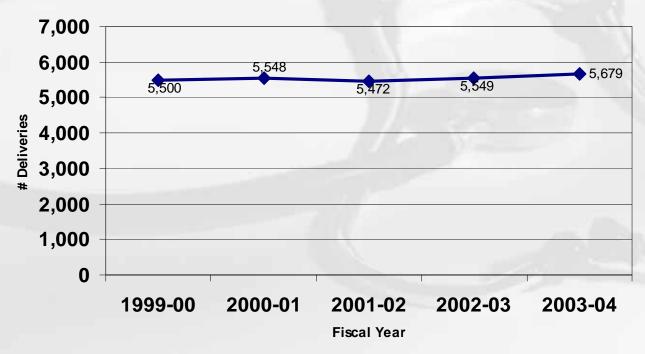




Countywide Deliveries

The # of babies delivered countywide constant at approximately 5,500/year:

Countywide Deliveries

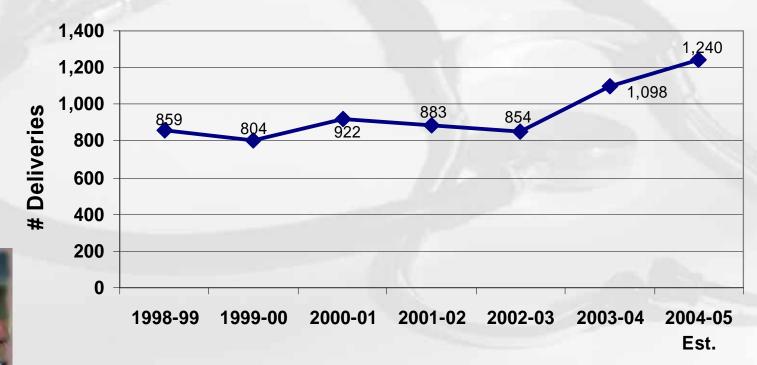




PHD Deliveries

The % of deliveries countywide done by PHD is increasing.

PHD Deliveries





MIA

- The County is legally responsible for providing health care to Medically Indigent Adults (MIAs)
- The MIA population has changed over the past several years which has caused an additional financial burden to the County.





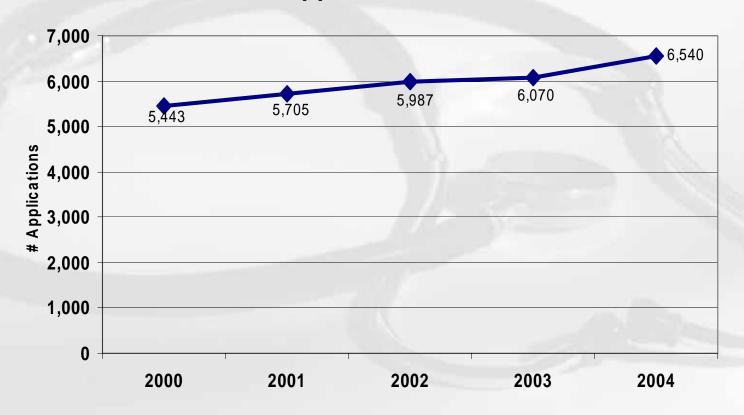




MIA Admin Workload

MIA Applications Processed



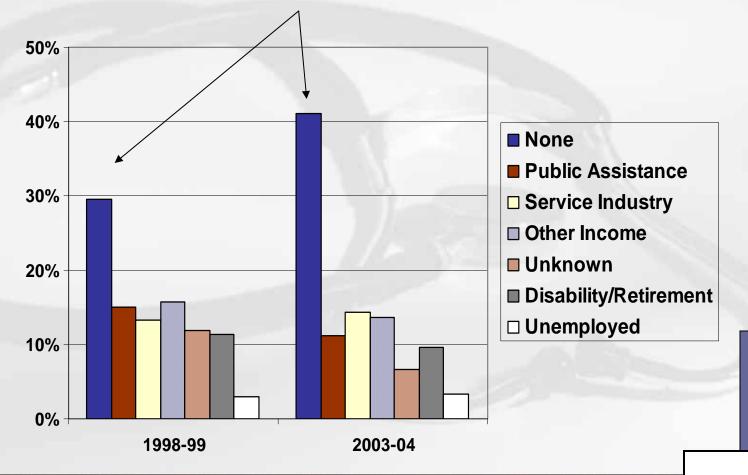




Income Source of MIA Patients

An increasing % of MIA patients have no income:





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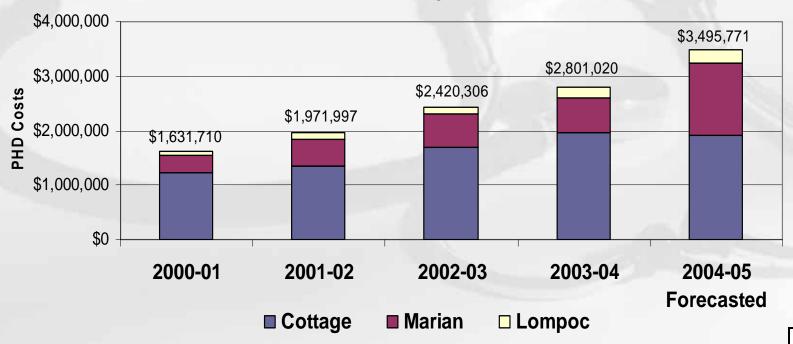
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MIA Hospital Costs Increasing

The cost to the County for in-patient hospital services has more than <u>doubled</u> in the past 5 years; \$1.8 million increase:

PHD Costs Continue to Increase for In-Patient Hospital Care



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Process Improvements

- 1. Medical Quality Improvement
- Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee



- 3. Robotics
- 4. Health Disparities Collaborative
- 5. Customer Satisfaction
- 6. Broken Appointment Rate
- 7. Medical Coding





Measuring Customer Service

- Patient Satisfaction Survey:
 - Since 1994 at all clinic sites
 - Linked to Performance Measures
 - Results tallied by site and overall total
 - Monitor trends over time



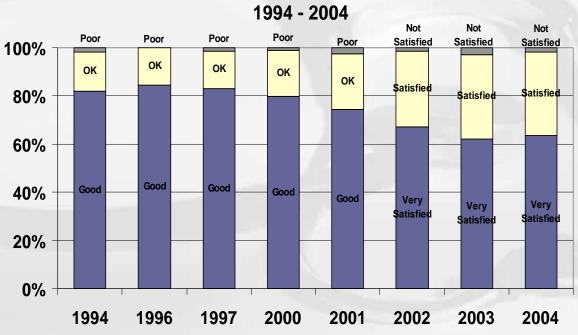


Outstanding Customer Service

Consistently, 97% or more of our clients are satisfied with the services they receive at our Clinics.

Public Health Department's Clinics

Overall Patient Satisfaction



All patients who visited clinics during 2 week period were surveyed.

An average of 1,150 patients were surveyed each year.

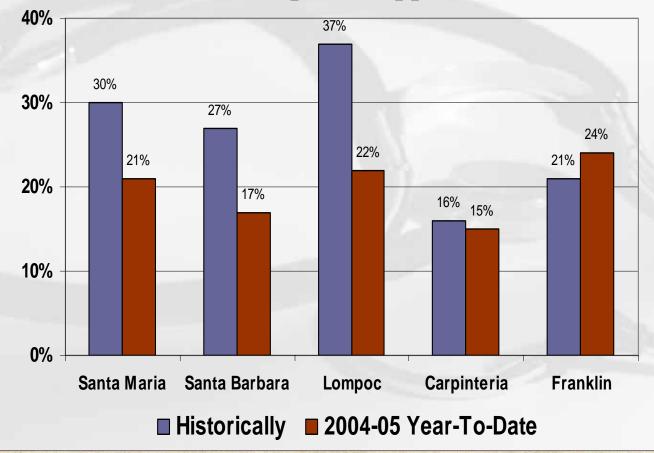
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Broken Appointment Rate

New initiative reduces # of patients who do not keep their appointments:







Medical Coding Improvements

- Improving medical coding services by 19% resulting in:
 - Legal compliance for billing and medical documentation
 - Revenue optimization through procedural coding practices
 - Efforts have increased coding and medical chart legal compliance by 50%



CCS Caseload Trends

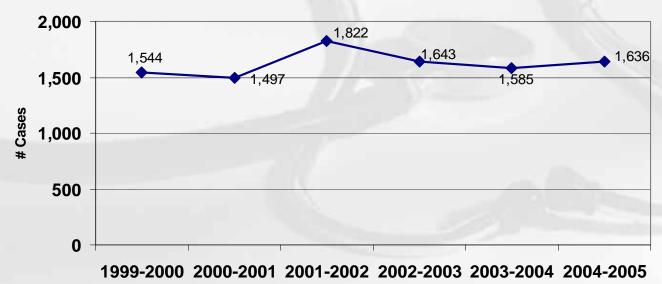
California Children's Services (CCS) is a mandated program that provides special health care for children.



California Children's Services (CCS) Caseload

Average Per Year





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CCS Expenditures Fluctuate

CCS's treatment costs greatly fluctuates over the years which, in turn, causes the County's required 50% match to fluctuate:





IV. Challenges and Opportunities



Challenges & Opportunities

Correct the Structural Deficit

- Relocate programs, evaluate service levels
- Streamline processes
- Seek additional funding

Maintain access to care:

- Specialty Care Access and Inpatient Care
- Professional recruitment and retention

Build infrastructure

- Transition to Electronic Medical Record
- Support operations, including Medical Records



Public Health = Prevention

"We have a choice. We can wait until people become ill, injured or disabled, and then treat them in our expensive medical care system or ...



Public Health = Prevention

...we can deal with the causes of these problems and prevent many of them from happening.

The choice we make affects how much money we must spend, and what we spend it on."





V. Glossary

AFLP: Adolescent Family Life Program

BT: Bioterrorism

CBO: Community-based organization

CHDP: Child Health & Disability Prevention Program

CHIP: The California Healthcare for Indigents program provides reimbursement for physicians and hospitals. The source of funding comes from surcharges on the sale of tobacco products.

CPSP: Comprehensive Perinatal Services Program

EMS: Emergency Medical Services

GF: General Fund.

IZ: Immunization

MCH: Maternal Child Health



V. Glossary of Terms

MIA: The Medically Indigent Adults (MIA) program serves uninsured and those not eligible for other health care coverage.

PHD: Public Health Department.

PHN: Public Health Nurse

MediCal: Health insurance program for low-income people of all ages and for long-term nursing home care for all citizens.

Medicare: Federal health insurance program for people 65 years of age or older, certain younger people with disabilities.

SART: Sexual Assault Response Team

TSAC: Tobacco Settlement Advisory Committee

WIC: Women, Infants & Children