

Health Care Services Master Plan Fact Sheet

What is the Health Care Services Master Plan?

Effective January 2011, San Francisco Ordinance No. 300-10 requires the creation of a Health Care Services Master Plan (HCSMP). Specifically, the San Francisco Departments of Public Health (SFDPH) and Planning must create a HCSMP that identifies the current and projected needs for health care services in San Francisco and makes recommendations on how to achieve and maintain an appropriate distribution of health care services in the city. The HCSMP will be used by the Planning Department to guide land use decisions for health care related construction projects. The HCSMP requires approval by the Health and Planning Commissions as well as the Board of Supervisors and must be updated every three years.

What information will be in the HCSMP?

The HCSMP must contain a series of five assessments – a Health System Trends Assessment, Capacity Assessment, Land Use Assessment, Gap Assessment, and Historical Role Assessment – that display and analyze information needed to determine the City's current and future health care needs. The assessments must also consider the potential land use burden related to locating health care facilities in certain San Francisco neighborhoods. In addition, the HCSMP must contain policy recommendations to promote an equitable and efficient distribution of health care services in the San Francisco.

How will SFDPH and the Planning Department complete the HCSMP?

SFDPH has convened a 41-member HCSMP Task Force to assist with the HCSMP's development. Co-chaired by Dr. Tomás Aragón and Ms. Roma Guy, the Task Force represents a range of community stakeholders and serves in an advisory capacity to SFDPH and the Planning Department. To prioritize the work of the Task Force, the Task Force will focus on access to health care services, with a specific focus on underserved populations.

SFDPH has retained consulting services from Harder + Company Community Research. Harder + Company will support the Task Force planning effort and conduct the community research and data analysis necessary to complete the HCSMP assessments.

When will the HCSMP be complete?

A HCSMP draft is scheduled for completion by Summer 2012 when it will be available for public comment. The Health and Planning Commissions will hold hearings on the draft HCSMP in Fall 2012, with final consideration by the Board of Supervisors expected in June 2013.

Importance of Community Engagement

To maximize opportunities for community engagement, the HCSMP Task Force will meet 10 times between July 2011 and May 2012. Four Task Force meetings will take place in different San Francisco neighborhoods to provide opportunities for public comment. All Issue Meetings – as well as the first and final meetings – will take place at San Francisco City Hall. The current Task Force meeting schedule is as follows:

- **Launch Meeting:** Thurs., 7/27/11
- **Neighborhood Meeting** (*Bernal Heights, Mission, Excelsior*): Thurs., 9/22/11
- **Issue Meeting** (*Health Care Reform + 1115 Waiver*): Thurs., 10/27/11
- **Neighborhood Meeting** (*Chinatown, Tenderloin, SOMA, Civic Center*): Sat., 12/3/11
- **Issue Meeting** (*Health Care Financing*): Thurs., 12/22/11
- **Neighborhood Meeting** (*Western Addition, Richmond, Sunset*): Thurs., 1/26/12
- **Issue Meeting** (*Health Care Technology + Innovation*): Thurs., 2/23/12
- **Neighborhood Meeting** (*Bayview Hunters Point and Visitacion Valley*): Thurs., 3/22/12
- **Issue Meeting** (*Connectivity*): Thurs., 4/26/12
- **Final Meeting:** Thurs., 5/24/12

For more information, please visit the [HCSMP Task Force website](#) or email hcsmp.tf.dph@sfdph.org.