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**MINUTES** 

HEALTH COMMISSION COMMUNITY AND PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday August 17, 2021 <u>3:00 p.m.</u> Remote Meeting via Webex Event

#### 1) CALL TO ORDER

Present: Commissioner Suzanne Giraudo, Ph.D , Chair Commissioner Susan Belinda Christian, J.D.

Excused: Commissioner Cecilia Chung, Member

The meeting was called to order at 3:03pm.

## 2) <u>APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE HEALTH COMMISSION COMMUNITY AND PUBLIC HEALTH</u> COMMITTEE MEETING OF JULY 20, 2021 MEETING

Action Taken: The Committee unanimously approved the July 20, 2021 meeting minutes.

# 3) UPDATE ON SFDPH BHS PATHWAY AND INTERNSHIP PROGRAMS

Jessica N. Brown, MPH, Director, Mental Health Services Act, presented the item.

#### Commissioner Comments:

Commissioner Giraudo asked for more information regarding updating the DPH website with information regarding internships. Ms. Brown stated that the new BHS internship coordinator is working to central processes and information. She expects the DPH website to be updated with internship information in the next 6 months.

Commissioner Giraudo asked if the DPH Business Office can assist in renewing MOUs with schools for internship opportunities. Ms. Brown stated that BHS works with the DPH Business Office for all MOUs; there are several schools that have been taken off the list due to school program closures.

Commissioner Christian asked if the "Faces of the Future" program is open to all public school students. Ms. Brown stated that the program is currently only for students at John O'Connell High School and John Burton High Schools. Commissioner Christian asked if it is possible to restructure the "Faces of the Future" program to allow students from multiple schools to participate in one of the existing programs. Ms. Brown stated that it is not possible to restructure the program. However, it is possible to fund additional programs to expand the number of "Faces of the Future" programs. She noted that this would require more funding to hire more staff in the schools.

## 4) <u>EMERGING ISSUES</u>

This item was not discussed.

#### 5) <u>PUBLIC COMMENT</u>

There was no public comment.

#### 6) ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 3:27pm.