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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING:
Hospital Supplier Diversity Commission****March 12, 2021****MEETING MINUTES**

Members Attending: Lupe Alonzo-Diaz, Physicians for a Healthy California; Jennie E. Kim, Providence St. Joseph's; Baljeet Sangha, San Francisco Health Network, San Francisco Department of Public Health; Cameron M. Stewart, Alcam Medical; Tracy Stanhoff, AD PRO, American Indian Chamber of Commerce of CA; Ruksana Azhu Valappil, NEEV, Inc.; Theresa A. Martinez, Community Connections, LLC; Jackson Dalton, Black Box Safety, Inc.; Lilly Rocha, HONOR LGBT PAC; Cecil Plummer, Western Regional Minority Supplier Development Council; Tara Lynn Gray, CA Office of Small Business Advocate

Attending by Phone: No members attended by phone.

Presenters: Elizabeth Landsberg, OSHPD Director; Michael Valle, OSHPD Chief Information Officer & Deputy Director; Beth Herse, Attorney; Ty Christensen, Health Program Auditor II; Lupe Alonzo-Diaz, Commission Chair

Public Attendance: 37

Agenda Item # 1 Welcome and Oath of Office

Elizabeth Landsberg, Director of OSHPD, welcomed the Hospital Supplier Diversity Commission and members of the public. She then administered the Oath of Office for Commission members.

Agenda Item # 2 Overview

Michael Valle, Chief Information Officer and Deputy Director, provided an overview of the commission's role and purpose according to legislation.

Agenda Item # 3 Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act

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Beth Herse, OSHPD Attorney, provided an overview of the requirements of Bagley Keene Open Meeting Act.

Agenda Item # 4 Chair's Opening Remarks

Lupe Alonzo-Diaz, Commission Chair and Facilitator, provided an overview of Commission expectations and remote meeting ground rules.

Agenda Item # 5 OSHPD Data Programs and Hospital Supplier Diversity Reporting Program Overview

Ty Christensen, Health Program Audit Manager III, provided an overview of current OSHPD data programs and discussed the legislative requirements of the Hospital Supplier Diversity Reporting Program.

The Commission discussed items such as department funding for current data programs, what the plan was for hospital reporting and how, and when the reports would be available. Following an overview of the Hospital Supplier Diversity Reporting Program, commission members discussed the role of diverse and small business certification, creating benchmarks for diverse spending the development of regulations, and a suggestion for creating a resource hub for hospitals that are working to expand their outreach to diverse suppliers. The commission also inquired about OSHPD providing a list of hospitals and contacts for those hospitals that will be required to submit supplier diversity reports.

Agenda Item # 6 Hospital Supplier Diversity Commission Discussion

Members of the Hospital Supplier Diversity Commission discussed what success would look like for the Hospital Supplier Diversity Reporting Program as well as anticipated challenges.

Some ways success was defined included:

- An overall increase in diverse spend within hospital settings
- Modeling programs after successful examples in California such as: CA Public Utilities Commission, Kaiser Permanente, CA Department of Insurance
- Increasing the number of diverse suppliers contracting with hospitals
- Implementation of supplier development programs
- Utilization of smaller suppliers
- Ensuring large contract buyers include diversity in their operations

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- Hospitals having robust contract language for their prime suppliers and for second tier inclusion and reporting
- Hospitals having a proportionate representation of suppliers correlating directly to the communities they serve
- Increased diversity amongst large contract buyers
- Hospitals allocating better resources to the outreach and reporting efforts
- Developing and implementing local preference policies

Some anticipated challenges identified included:

- Challenges around equity to make sure that we're not creating a kind of a pay to play scenario where you have to pay to become a preferred or requested vendor
- Resource allocation
- Organizational change within hospitals required to encourage growth and increased utilization of diverse suppliers
- Ensuring that outreach programs are actually connected to the right people
- Hospitals identifying diverse suppliers
- Hospitals setting up the systems to collect the required data
- Challenges around mandating supplier certification including costs for small businesses and potential fraud
- Geographic location of diverse suppliers and rural versus urban healthcare systems and hospitals

Public comment: The public provided comment on Group Purchasing Organizations and expressed concerns for increasing percentage spend goals without prioritizing by specific supplier categories.

Agenda Item # 7 Next Meeting Topics

Michael Valle, Chief Information Officer and Deputy Director, provided an overview of the next meeting schedule and anticipated next meeting topics.

Agenda Item # 8 Public Comment

There were no comments provided by the public.

Agenda Item # 9 Adjournment

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The meeting adjourned at 1:55 p.m. The next meeting would be scheduled via Doodle Poll.