## Beilenson Hearing Recommended Budget Fiscal Year 2010-11

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#### **Dental Clinic**

- Elimination of all non-mandated reparative dentistry including simple cavity fillings and oral service consultations
- Increase wait times for urgent dental treatments from 3 to 5 weeks

#### **Chest Clinic**

 Decreased Direct Observation Therapy (DOT) services from 5 to 2 days a week for low-risk TB patients based on clinical protocol

#### **Radiology Clinic**

- Routine x-rays will not be available the same day the patient presents at the clinic
- Delays in availability of x-ray report reading by the Radiologist by up to 7 days
- Monthly chest x-rays provided to stable asymptomatic homeless patients will be reduced by fifty percent.

#### **Primary Care Clinic**

- Annual patient visits will decrease from approximately 48,000 to 21,000. (No reductions will occur to the Refugee Clinic or Homeless Services)
- Eliminates evening appointments after 5:00 PM
- Specialty services (Orthopedic, Rheumatology and Gastroenterology) will be reduced due to on-call physicians' limited schedules
- Elimination of the Hepatitis C Clinic

#### **Del Paso and South City Health Centers**

- Elimination of both Health Centers
- Only the main Primary Care Center will remain open for services

#### **County Pharmacy and Support Services**

 Reduction in drug purchase costs will not affect Pharmacy clients. However, this projected reduction is based on corresponding reductions at the clinics which will impact the number of clients served.

#### **CMISP - Case Management**

 Significant processing delays for specialty care and inpatient hospital referrals.

#### **Immunization Assistance Program**

- 5,000 low-income seniors and high-risk individuals will have decreased access to seasonal flu, tetanus, and pneumonia vaccines
- 40,000 State immunization materials to area medical providers and schools will be delayed in delivery

#### **Public Health Laboratory**

- Leaves minimum staffing level to safely perform tests necessary to diagnose illnesses that cause outbreaks in the community such as tuberculosis, rabies and pandemic illnesses.
- Longer wait times for lab results for all individuals in an outbreak situation.

#### California Children's Services (CCS)

- May lead to delays of more than 5 days in reviewing referrals and authorizing medically necessary treatment services to children with serious medical conditions
- Reductions in Case Management may result in medical services not being coordinated for disabled children whose families are receiving CPS services. Access to specialty care and supplies may be delayed more than 5 days.
- Reductions in Medical Therapy may result in delays for children with cerebral palsy, muscular dystrophy, and related disorders receiving prescribed therapy evaluations and treatment, and may result in children being placed on waiting lists up to a year for necessary therapy services.

#### **Child Health & Disability Prevention (CHDP)**

- Reductions may result in delays of 3-4 weeks:
  - in meeting timelines for information gathering, identifying medical concerns, disposition of health information and consultation to Social Workers, attorneys, and substitute care providers.
  - in providing care coordination for 1,992 children annually
  - for children identified with serious health conditions to receive specialty care

#### **Public Health Nursing Services**

#### Nurse Family Partnership

 Annually, more than 495 pregnant or parenting women/teens and their children will no longer receive services

#### High Risk Infant

 420 children/180 families will not receive PHN visits to address serious medical conditions of children

#### Birth and Beyond

1,200 families will no longer receive nursing services

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#### Integrated Children & Family Services (ICFS)

- 1,284 CPS families and approximately 1,540 children not receiving services annually
- Eliminates 164 annual joint PHN/CPS emergency and immediate response visits to assess medically at-risk children, resulting in medical issues not being detected
- Elimination of 1,900 annual medical assessments of children in families with CPS involvement and decreased linkage of these families to community resources

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#### Integrated Children & Family Services (ICFS)

- Eliminates 125 developmental and health assessments for infants in the Early Intervention Family Drug Court program
- Eliminates the presence of a Public Health Nurse at each CPS site
- Loss of PHN services to 105 CPS families annually and approximately 420 children

#### Community Health Promotion & Infectious Disease Prevention

- High-risk youth will not receive education on pregnancy and STD prevention
- High-risk individuals will not receive HIV and/or Hepatitis C testing or prevention education
- Refugees with chronic diseases will not receive prevention or disease self-management education
- Parents/caregivers will not receive child passenger safety education

# Communicable Disease and STD Control & Epidemiology

- Adults who need immunizations or antibiotics to prevent diseases such as rabies or meningitis may not be identified and connected to services in a timely fashion
- CCS and developmental programs will see an increase in children with congenital syphilis requiring life-long services
- Commercial establishments where a food-borne outbreak is identified may have to remain closed for longer periods of time awaiting investigation as time allows

#### Ryan White CARE Program

 Delays in processing contractor invoices which may result in cash flow problems for Community Based Organizations

#### Vital Records

 Longer waits for certified copies of birth and death certificates