



**HLWI Advisory Group Meeting**  
**Thursday, May 18, 2017**  
**10:00-11:00 am**

*Via Conference Call*  
Call-In Number: 1-800-882-3610  
Passcode 6506506#

**AGENDA**

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May 18, 2017

TO: HLWI Advisory Group

FROM: Cathy Martin, Vice President, Workforce Policy

SUBJECT: Welcome and Introductions  
HLWI Roster

**I. ACTION REQUESTED**

Review contact information and titles contained in the roster on the following pages.

**II. SUMMARY AND BACKGROUND**

Attached please find the most recent HLWI Advisory Council Committee Roster. Please review your contact information for accuracy. Forward all corrections to Michele Coughlin at [mcoughlin@calhospital.org](mailto:mcoughlin@calhospital.org).

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May 18, 2017

TO: HLWI Advisory Group  
FROM: Cathy Martin, Vice President, Workforce Policy  
SUBJECT: Draft March 23 Meeting Minutes

**I. ACTION REQUESTED**

Review and approve the minutes of the March 23 meeting of the HLWI Advisory Group in Sacramento.



## **HLWI Advisory Group Meeting**

*Thursday, March 23, 2017*

**10:00 – 2:00 pm**

### **Draft Minutes**

**Participants:** Sharon Arase, Danny Arimboaga, Patricia Buchner, Laurie Byrne, Shohreh Ershadi, John Ferguson, Sue Foltz, Dora Goto, Tim Hamill, Carola Howe, Susan Kazarian, Peggy Kollars, Sonja Maljian, Valerie Ng, Erica Padilla, Jason Pedro, Danielle Pollard, Jennifer Schiffgens, Karla Theis, Robert Thomas, Rowena Vito, Cindy Wong

**Guests:** Dean David Evans, Dr. James McKinnell

**CHA Staff:** Cathy Martin, Michele Coughlin

**Regional Association Staff:** Christiane Becker, Rebecca Rozen, Judith Yates

#### **Welcome and Introductions**

Dr. Tim Hamill welcomed participants and the meeting began at 10:02 a.m. Dr. Hamill welcomed new members John Ferguson, Erica Padilla, Danielle Pollard, AnhT, Rowena Vito and Shohreh Ershadi. Individual member introductions followed.

#### **Approval of Minutes from November 16, 2016 Meeting**

Dr. Hamill requested that participants bring forth any changes to the meeting minutes from the November 16 meeting. No changes were requested.

- It was moved, and seconded and the minutes from the November 16, 2016 meeting were approved.

#### **Landscape Update**

Dr. Hamill called upon the meeting participants to bring forward any emerging issues or trends for discussion.

Valerie Ng relayed that her facility's vacant CLS positions remained open, causing a critical situation with staffing shortages. She mentioned that she has been pulling previously retired staff back into work in order to maintain operations.

Jason Pedro opened a group discussion on the microbiology creating a bottleneck.

Cathy Martin informed the group on the March 16 MLT Scope Report conference call that was coordinated through CHA.

Robert Thomas introduced Dr. Shoreh Ershadi and announced that she was now the Section Chief and will represent LFS on the HLWI Advisory Group, though Robert would also like to attend periodically.

### **Update from CSU Stanislaus**

David Evans, the new dean of sciences at CSU Stanislaus introduced himself to the advisory group and opened a discussion on a possible new CLS training program on his campus. Dean Evans then listened to feedback and answered questions from the group.

### **Antimicrobial Stewardship**

Dr. James McKinnell from Los Angeles County presented on laboratory practices related to stewardship and development of the antibiogram and current breakpoints for isolates. Following his presentation, Dr. McKinnell gathered feedback from the advisory group. Cathy Martin will follow up with Dr. Perrott on the discussion feedback.

### **CLS Age Data Discussion**

The group examined the CLS age demographic charts for years 2014-2016, noting some unexplainable trends. The group agreed that the uptake in ages 25-35 seemed unrealistic, as did the extreme drop in the 55+ age bands. Cathy will follow up with survey consultants.

- Post Script: Survey consultants concluded that there was a glitch in the survey formatting that caused this issue. New graphs have been created and will be distributed along with the minutes from the meeting.

### **Legislative Update**

Cathy Martin provided the group with an update on priority legislation relating to laboratory workforce and education. Her update included an overview of the following bills of interest for 2017:

- AB 387 (Thurmond) which would expand the definition of “employer”. CHA opposes this bill, set for hearing on March 29.
- AB 613 (Nazarian) relating to one-button advances in medical device technology. CHA is following this bill pending further review.
- AB 658 (Walderon) which would temporarily suspend the annual renewal fee for clinical laboratory licenses until January 1, 2020. CHA is following this bill.





**The Imperative for Training Draft Document**

The group was presented with a draft table of contents related to the need for increased clinical lab training, which they reviewed. The full document will be completed once things are settled down relative to AB 387.

**Other Business**

Cathy Martin called attention to the next scheduled meeting, which will take place via conference call on May 18, 2017.

**Adjourn**

The meeting adjourned at 2:04 pm.

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May 18, 2017

TO: CHA Workforce Committee  
FROM: Cathy Martin, Vice President, Workforce Policy  
SUBJECT: Legislative Update – Workforce and Education Bills

**I. ACTION REQUESTED**

None. Discussion Item.

**II. SUMMARY AND BACKGROUND**

A list of priority workforce and education bills being tracked by CHA can be found on the following page.

## Legislative Update: Laboratory Related Bills of Interest 2017

<p>AB 387 (Thurmond)</p>	<p>This bill would expand the definition of “employer” for purposes of these provisions to include a person who directly or indirectly, or through an agent or any other person, employs or exercises control over the wages, hours, or working conditions of a person engaged in a period of supervised work experience to satisfy requirements for licensure, registration, or certification as an allied health professional, as defined. It would require persons obtaining clinical hours for certification or licensure in an allied health profession (as defined) to be paid a minimum wage in accordance with state minimum wage laws.</p> <p><b>CHA Position: Oppose</b></p>	<p>02/09/17: Introduced</p> <p>03/29/17: Passed Assm. Labor</p> <p>05/03/17: Placed on Assembly Appropriations Suspense File</p>
<p>AB 613 (Nazarian)</p>	<p>It is the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that recognizes 21st century technological advances in medical devices that are a direct outgrowth of high-technology research, development, and production capabilities in California and the United States. These advances have resulted in the creation of new, simple, one-button-operable versions of formerly complex, older equipment. It is the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation specifically relating to one such “one-button” advances in medical device technology to reflect the simplification of medical device operations by identifying the limited settings and circumstances in which closely supervised personnel, meeting federal CLIA-equivalent education and training standards, may use the device for non-diagnostic purposes. It is the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to specify the qualifications of properly trained and supervised personnel and the limited circumstances in which those personnel may perform a total protein refractometer test using an automatic, button-operated total protein refractometer with a digital readout in a licensed plasma collection facility in this state.</p> <p><b>CHA Position: Follow, Pending Review</b></p>	<p>02/14/17: Introduced</p> <p>04/24/17: Passed Assm. B&amp;P</p> <p>04/26/17: Passed Assm. Approps</p> <p>05/10/17: To Senate</p>
<p>AB 658 (Walderon)</p>	<p>Existing law provides for the licensure and regulation of clinical laboratories and various clinical laboratory personnel by the State Department of Public Health. Under existing law, the department inspects clinical laboratories and assesses a fee for licensure of those facilities. This bill would temporarily suspend the annual renewal fee for clinical laboratory licenses until January 1, 2020.</p> <p><b>CHA Position: Follow, Hot</b></p>	<p>02/14/17: Introduced</p> <p>03/02/17: Passed on consent</p> <p>04/20/17: To Senate</p> <p>05/10/17: Referred to Senate B&amp;P</p>

Revised: May 15, 2017

## **Health Laboratory Workforce Initiative Advisory Group 2017 Meeting Dates**

**THURSDAY, MAY 18, 2017**

**10 am – 11 am**

***VIA CONFERENCE CALL***

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**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2017**

**10 am – 2 pm**

***IN PERSON MEETING***

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**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2017**

**10 am – 11 am**

***VIA CONFERENCE CALL***

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