

AGENDA

Joint-Oversight Hearing

ASSEMBLY SELECT-COMMITTEE ON HEALTHCARE

WORKFORCE ACCESS and ASSEMBLY HEALTH COMMITTEE

Federal Health Reform: What does it mean for Health Workforce Development in the State of California?

June 30th, 2010, 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
State Capitol, Room 444

I. **Welcome:** Assemblyman Edward Hernandez and
Assemblyman William W. Monning

II. **Panel Presentations:**

A) **Oversight Hearing on the Health Workforce Provisions in Health Reform Package**

With the passage of Federal Healthcare Reform, states must now react to upcoming changes in healthcare. One important piece of health reform was the investment of \$11 billion in health workforce development. The federal law tasks regional centers with collecting; analyzing and reporting data on workforce need. These new opportunities raise questions about how our state agencies plan on applying and utilizing these workforce dollars to address ongoing shortages in the health workforce. Additionally, how do they plan on collaborating with the regional centers to create regional partnerships and strategies?

Office of Statewide Health and Planning Development

Director, Dr. David Carlisle

Labor and Workforce Development Agency

Executive Director of the California Workforce Investment Board, Barbara Halsey

Health Resources and Services Administration (Region 9)

Director of HHS Region IX, Herb Schultz

Department of Consumer Affairs

Director, Brian Stiger

B) Opportunities for being competitive for new health workforce grants?

Determining our current workforce requires us to identify key groups in the state that continue to be at the frontline of workforce development. Important partnerships with community groups, hospitals and local agencies are critical to producing and delivering the necessary health workforce in underserved communities. What are these groups doing today to identify key opportunities for the future demand in the health workforce? From their perspective, what role should the legislature and state be playing to fortify and expand workforce development in the healthcare arena?

California Workforce Association

Policy Director, Jennifer Mitchell

California Rural Health Association

Policy Director, Steve Barrow

California Hospital Association

Anette Smith-Dohring

Janice Buehler

California Primary Care Association

President/CEO, Carmela Castellano-Garcia

University of California, Health Institutions

Cathryn Nation, M.D., Associate Vice President for Health Sciences, UC Office of the President.

Community College Economic and Workforce Development

Stephanie Leach, Assistant Vice Chancellor

C) **Is there an opportunity now to create a Health Workforce Master Plan in California?**

Federal Healthcare reform establishes a National Health Care Workforce Commission to review workforce needs throughout the nation and aligns federal resources to address regional targets. In order to facilitate the targeting of regional shortages, competitive grants for workforce development have been authorized to enable states to form a health workforce commissions. How do we best articulate our health workforce needs? What kinds of commission models exist in other states? What partnerships should we be forging to develop real strategies? What would a comprehensive plan look like in California?

California Health Workforce Alliance
Jeff Oxedine and Kevin Barnett

III. **Public Comment**

IV. **Summary:** Assemblyman Edward Hernandez and
Assemblyman William W. Monning