## City of Carson City Agenda Report

Date Submitted: June 8, 2012 Agenda Date Requested: June 21, 2012 Time Requested: 10 Minutes To: Carson City Board of Health From: Health & Human Services (Marena Works) Subject Title: For Possible Action: Report, discussion and possible direction to staff regarding the Health Officer's report concerning activities the Health Officer is engaged in both inside and outside of CCHHS. Staff Summary: Provide an update on the Health Officers engagement in the department and community. This is an opportunity to formally inform the Board of Health of the Health Officers role and the projects she personally works on. Type of Action Requested: (check one) ) Resolution ) Ordinance ) Other (Specify) Information Only ) Formal Action/Motion **Does This Action Require A Business Impact Statement:** ( ) Yes ( X ) No Recommended Board Action: I move to accept the Health Officer's report and give direction to staff on CCHHS activities. Explanation for Recommended Board Action: Items may be brought up in the report that the Board may want to take action on to give staff direction. Applicable Statue, Code, Policy, Rule or Regulation: N/A Fiscal Impact: N/A Explanation of Impact:N/A Funding Source: N/A Alternatives: Supporting Material: Written report by Susan Pintar, MD Prepared By: Marena Works, MSN, MPH, APN

Reviewed By:  (Department Head)  (City Manager)  (District Attorney)  (Finance Director)	vo	Date: 6/12/12  Date: 6/12/12  Date: 6/12/1	
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Public Health Officer's Report to Carson City Board of Health

June 2012

For the record, my name is Dr. Susan Pintar. This is the first formal report I am offering as your public health officer. The role of public health officer has become a more active one in the past year and as health officer I have become involved with activities both inside and outside the department. Marena (CCHHS Director) has suggested that I give this report to the BOH for your information and so she can keep track of me!

- 1. Sexual Assault Response Team (SART)-as most of you know, we re-activated the SART team about two years ago. I chair quarterly meetings which include representatives of the Sheriff's office, the District Attorney's office, Advocates to End Domestic Violence, Carson Tahoe Regional Medical Center and CCHHS. We have dealt with a variety of issues including access to timely, local exams for victims, payment issues for forensic and medical services to victims and coordination of services to victims. I am pleased to report that there have been a number of improvements to the process that have resulted from these meetings. We continue to work on assuring availability of qualified nurse examiners at the hospital, educating the team members regarding Best Practices in the field of sexual violence and payment issues. I would like to encourage any of you to contact me with concerns or questions in this area for the SART team to address.
- 2. School-Based Health Center-I have been part of a committee chaired by Sam Santillo of Carson City School District to develop a health center for Carson City school-aged children and their families. A recent needs assessment by CCSD identified a school-based health center as an area of priority for the District and our committee has done site visits of centers in Las Vegas, identified a possible site near Gleason School and is working with the state to make sure we meet the appropriate standards of care. We anticipate including mental health screening and immunization services initially. Primary care and dental health have also been identified as areas of need for many students so we are working on ways to include these as well. I will keep you posted.
- 3. Governance-as part of the national accreditation process, we have been reviewing the role of the Board of Health and realize that we need to solicit input from our members and the public more actively. I will be contacting all of you a month or so before each of our meetings to ask if there are any public health issues you would like to add to the agenda and I encourage each of you to think about public health issues when you are hearing from your constituents or just going about your daily work. As the BOH, we have a unique opportunity to directly impact the health of the citizens of Carson City. I know there are lots of issues out there. We need to hear about them in order to plan for necessary services.

Thank you for your attention. Any questions?