City of Carson City Agenda Report

Date Submitted: December 10, 2013 Agenda Date Requested: December 19, 2013 Time Requested: 10 minutes To: Carson City Board of Health From: Health & Human Services Department (Susan Pintar) 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. (Susan Pintar) Staff Summary: Provide an update on the Health Officer's engagement in the department and community. This is an opportunity to formally inform the Board of Health of the Health Officer's role and the projects she personally works on. **Type of Action Requested:** (check one)) Resolution) Ordinance X) Formal Action/Motion) Other (Specify) Information Only **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 in which the Board may want to take action or give staff direction. Applicable Statute, Code, Policy, Rule or Regulation: N/A Fiscal Impact: N/A Explanation of Impact: N/A Funding Source: N/A Alternatives: Not to accept the Health Officer's report and give direction to staff on CCHHS' activities. Supporting Material: Written report by Susan Pintar, MD, FAAP

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It's never dull at the Health Department. Activities to prevent disease and promote wellness continue around the clock. So far, it has been an early, but relatively light flu season. There have been a few sentinel cases but no significant patterns of influenza disease have emerged yet this year. However, influenza usually hits in mid-winter so we still have time to vaccinate those who need it. Following the successful POD exercise in October, we have had a number of other activities to promote influenza vaccine including a Food for Flu campaign and vaccinators who go to community events such as the Light After Dark Walk put on by Advocates to End Domestic Violence.

Our cross-jurisdictional project with Douglas County, to share environmental health services, continues on schedule. The project has created two local jobs and staff will begin doing restaurant and pool inspections in Douglas County at the first of the year. It is good to see the cooperative effort between the two counties.

Quality improvement activities are also taking the forefront as we pursue national health department accreditation. There are a number of projects in place to make sure we are following the highest and best standards of practice in public health. We will be asking members of the board to contribute their input to some of these projects and welcome any suggestions for improvement from the board and the public.

Lastly, the Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) continues to make slow but steady progress. We have heard reports from some of the committees who are working on specific health problems within our community. Today you will hear from the chair of our Issue D workgroup who will update us on the status of mental health services in Carson City.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan R. Pintar MD FAAP Carson City Health Officer