

SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA



ITEM: 2.4
(ID # 11804)

MEETING DATE:

Tuesday, January 28, 2020

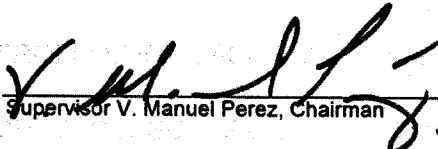
FROM : SUPERVISOR V. MANUEL PEREZ:

SUBJECT: SUPERVISOR V. MANUEL PEREZ: Update on Influenza Activity and Coronavirus
Outbreak

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Receive and File the update on influenza activity and coronavirus outbreak.

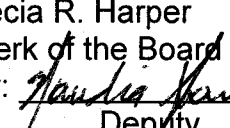
ACTION:


Supervisor V. Manuel Perez, Chairman 1/23/2020

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

On motion of Supervisor Perez, seconded by Supervisor Washington and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended.

Ayes: Jeffries, Spiegel, Washington, Perez and Hewitt
Nays: None
Absent: None
Date: January 28, 2020
xc: Supvr. Perez

Kecia R. Harper
Clerk of the Board
By: 
Deputy

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FINANCIAL DATA	Current Fiscal Year:	Next Fiscal Year:	Total Cost:	Ongoing Cost
COST	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
NET COUNTY COST	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
SOURCE OF FUNDS: N/A			Budget Adjustment: No	
			For Fiscal Year: 19/20	

BACKGROUND:

Summary

Update on Influenza Activity and Coronavirus outbreak in Wuhan, China

Influenza activity in the United States and California remains elevated and widespread. Locally in Riverside County, over 1,000 individuals tested positive for influenza in outpatient health care facilities during December 2019. Unusually for this time in the season, influenza B viruses were reported more frequently than influenza A.

As of January 17, 2020, **23 ICU cases** and **four flu-associated deaths** have been reported in the county. During the 2018/2019 influenza season (October 1, 2018-April 30, 2019), 71 ICU cases and nine flu associated deaths were reported.

The Department continues to monitor visits to the emergency departments and urgent care centers, which are elevated compared to the usual activity for this point in the flu season. RUHS-Public Health is encouraging all residents 6 months and up to obtain a flu shot. There is still time for residents to be protected. Even when the flu vaccine match is less effective, vaccination still makes people overall less likely to get the flu, and less likely to get a severe case if they do get the flu.

Emerging Public Health Threat Due to a Novel (New) Coronavirus

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has alerted local and state health officials about an outbreak of pneumonia caused by a novel type of coronavirus. The outbreak originated in Wuhan, China, but has now expanded to other countries, with the first case being reported in the United States on January 21, 2020. As of today, more than 460 cases have been reported, the majority in China. The CDC is closely monitoring the situation and is working with the World Health Organization. Passengers on direct and connecting flights from Wuhan, China are being screened for illness. At this time, no cases have been reported in Riverside County or California.

CDC and RUHS-PH believe that the risk to the public is low. However, Public Health will keep hospitals and other health care providers informed about the evaluation and management of ill

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individuals reporting possible exposure to coronavirus. The Board will be updated should cases be identified in the County.

For more health-related information, click the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention website <https://www.cdc.gov>

Impact on Residents and Businesses

N/A

Additional Fiscal Information

N/A