WHAT IS THE HEALTH CARE SERVICES MASTER PLAN?

The Health Care Services Master Plan (HCSMP) identifies current and projected needs for health care services in San Francisco and is intended to improve access to care, particularly for San Francisco’s vulnerable populations. The HCSMP is used by the Health Commission, Planning Commission, and the Board of Supervisors to guide health care and land use policy decisions.

The first Plan (“2013 HCSMP”) was adopted and came into effect on December 26, 2013, after an extensive public process. Planning Code Section 342 (Ordinance No. 300-10) requires the San Francisco Department of Public Health (SFDPH) and the San Francisco Planning Department to update the HCSMP every three years.

The HCSMP includes four assessments, which rely on extensive community health and land use data.

- **Community Health Assessment** highlights major health trends in morbidity/mortality and identifies social determinants (ex: race, income) correlated with health.
- **Medical Facility Overview and Land Use Assessment** analyzes the current supply of medical services, the demand and need for new medical space, and potential land use impacts of new medical facilities.
- **Health Systems Capacity and Gap Assessment** describes utilization and resource availability of the health care system and evaluates geographic, cultural, and linguistic access.
- **Health Systems Trends Assessment** reviews current changes in the local, state, and national health care environment impacting service delivery.

HOW IS THE PLAN APPLIED TO MEDICAL FACILITIES?

Certain medical facility development projects are required to verify that they support the goals and health needs identified in the HCSMP by providing data on how they plan to meet the HCSMP Consistency Determination Guidelines—a list of actions that medical facilities can take to improve access to care. Since the adoption of the 2013 HCSMP, five projects completed the required process (HealthRight 360, Jewish Home, Kaiser Permanente, Presidio Surgical Center, and Planned Parenthood).

As part of the 2019 HCSMP Update, the City is proposing amendments to streamline the Consistency Determination process and increase its efficacy. More information on this proposal will be posted on the project website.

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1 Applicable to Hospitals / Medical Centers (Planning Code Sections §102, §890.44) and Health Service / Medical Service (§102, §890.114) uses that are adding 5,000+ gross square feet of new/expanded space or adding 10,000+ gross square feet of change of use to medical.

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TO LEARN MORE

Project website: [http://www.sf-planning.org/hcsmp](http://www.sf-planning.org/hcsmp)

To be added to the mailing list, please sign up at: [http://bit.ly/2fPZpTv](http://bit.ly/2fPZpTv)
2019 HCSMP UPDATE & SUPPORTING LEGISLATION

SFDPH and the Planning Department are currently developing an updated HCSMP, for anticipated adoption in fall 2019. The goals of the update are to:

- Provide the most current and available data describing health care services, capacity, utilization, and distribution.
- Highlight health inequity and critical health care issues that have emerged since the 2013 HCSMP.
- Update the assessment of trends in medical use development.
- Assess HCSMP Consistency Determination guidelines for potential revision.
- Develop supporting legislation and policy recommendations to improve access to health care, including amendments to land use policies.

OUTREACH & ADOPTION PROCESS

To involve stakeholders in the development of the 2019 HCSMP, SFDPH and the Planning Department are using a variety of communications and outreach tools, including:

- Stakeholder interviews
- A public workshop
- A public comment period

Prior to the public adoption hearings at the Health Commission and Planning Commission, there will be additional outreach and opportunity for public comment in spring 2019.

NEXT STEPS

CONCLUDE OUTREACH
Spring 2019

RELEASE DRAFT PLAN
Summer 2019

HOLD ADOPTION HEARINGS
Fall 2019

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