



Community Advisory Group (CAG) Meeting 7: Summary

Date	April 27, 2020		
Time	5:30 – 8:00 PM		
Location	Zoom Meeting		
Meeting Objectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Update CAG on Community Survey● Receive Feedback on Questionnaire● Discuss Town Hall Next Steps● Update CAG on SOC		
Reference Materials	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Draft Survey Questionnaire● SOC List		
HRS Project Team	Katie Butler	CAG Support Team	Ann Newton Karen Franco Winnie Chen Susan Harden
CAG Members in Attendance	Andrew Krowne Brian Allen Bruce Hector, M.D. Craig Galanti	Jeff Hammond Lori Aivazian Mary Blair Melissa Messer	Mihran Kalaydjian Mike Kaiser, Ph.D. Patricia Glueck
Meeting Overview	<p>The meeting began with a public comment period. One community member expressed the need for increased communication with the community.</p> <p>Public Health then provided a program status update and discussed the shift in the Health Study planning timeline due to COVID-19, and next steps on Health Study activities.</p>		
Meeting Actions	<p>Public Health will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Provide a summary of Meeting 7● Share a recording of Meeting 7● Upload meeting materials to ACDHRS website● Send out notification letters to SOC applicants● Send out an e-blast detailing next steps on initial community survey and announcing SOC nomination and ACDHRS website launch● Send CAG member names of volunteers for letter writing re: Fugitive Emissions Fire		



Notes on Listed Agenda Items

Item 1: Welcome & Greeting

Members joined the Zoom call from 5:15 – 5:30 PM.

Item 2: Meeting Objectives & Public Comment

The meeting was opened by the facilitator, Susan Harden.

Susan announced the following meeting objectives: to update all CAG members on the Community Survey and the Scientific Oversight Committee, along with receiving feedback on the questionnaire and discussing next steps for the virtual Town Hall.

A member of the public expressed concern over the lack of communication between Public Health and the community, especially in regard to notification of upcoming CAG meetings. Public Health understands the concern and is currently working on a questionnaire to gauge how to best and most effectively communicate with the community moving forward. For future meetings, Public Health will make an effort to provide further advanced notice of CAG meetings by publicizing meeting details on online platforms.

Item 3: Health Study Planning

Public Health provided an update on the upcoming milestones and the 2-3 month delay in the project timeline due to COVID-19. Public Health is working to shift the timeframe and develop draft elements to shape a Scope of Work. This will include three core elements (1. research project(s) to address health outcomes; 2. Community-based participatory research project(s); and 3. Administrative core) and likely have multiple research projects conducted by a third party researcher, in consultation with the SOC. The release of the research solicitation is now expected to occur in Spring 2021.

Item 4: Community Feedback Collected

Public Health shared feedback from the community, including overarching and repeated themes. This feedback can also be found on the Community Advisory Group and Public Information page of the [ACDHRS website](#).

In order to hear from the CAG and better understand community capacity, Public Health expressed interest in knowing the best type of platform to use along with communication methods moving forward.



Item 5: Scientific Oversight Committee

The purpose of the SOC is to provide diverse and well-seasoned expertise, guidance and oversight on the Health Study, and review research progress. Public Health discussed action items from SOC onboarding calls in March and preparation to announce the SOC through a press release and e-blast to garner public awareness.

CAG members expressed the importance of assembling a SOC with majority independent researchers over agency members in order to gain community trust. Overall, sentiment about the roster was positive. The SOC will provide guidance and advice on health study goals and other research-related questions. A joint meeting between the SOC and CAG will be held, possibly in late June or July.

The CAG strongly expressed a desire to have Andrea Polidori from SCAQMD on the SOC, given his previous involvement in the Porter Ranch Neighborhood Council Ad-Hoc meetings.

Item 6: Community Engagement

Public Health discussed the objective to further understand the desired level of community engagement. This process will involve gaining an understanding of the community's preferred remote communication methods which will in turn allow the community to notify DPH about preferred focus areas for the Health Study. The initial step will be to provide a Communications Preference Survey which will identify communications preferences and barriers. The information gathered by the survey will inform the DPH communications strategy to ensure broader reach and engagement capacity of the community in the months ahead.

Item 6: Town Hall Update

Public Health and CAG discussed the importance of having both Dr. Simon and Dr. Davis participate during the virtual Town Hall.

Dr. Simon will check with Dr. Davis on his availability and CAG members will work in collaboration with Public Health to ensure pertinent elected officials are invited. In addition, Public Health will coordinate with the Town Hall subcommittee on scheduling weekly meetings to progress Town Hall preparation efforts.

Item 7: Requested Updates & Next Steps

Public Health discussed the Fugitive Emissions Fire from the contaminated soil leak, which is localized but with an unknown source. The interagency group meets every Friday to discuss the progress of the investigation. At the request of the interagency group, SoCalGas completed a geochemical analysis report of carbon compounds in the oil/gas mixture. Answers to technical questions are currently being sought and the



Water Board was asked to review elements of the case. Public Health will maintain close oversight and re-visit technical reports as needed.

Dr. Simon and USC will work in coordination with the Cancer Registry Subcommittee and will schedule a meeting in the near future.

Public Health also provided a quick update on an upcoming public meeting hosted by CalGEM to discuss its Public Health rulemaking process.

Dr. Simon agreed to follow up with Dr. Nordella regarding his research and a data request to Kaiser. CAG member Craig Galanti offered to reach out to Dr. Nordella to discuss directly.