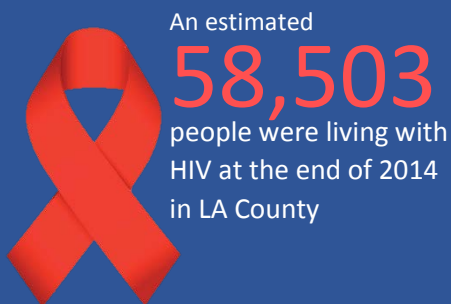
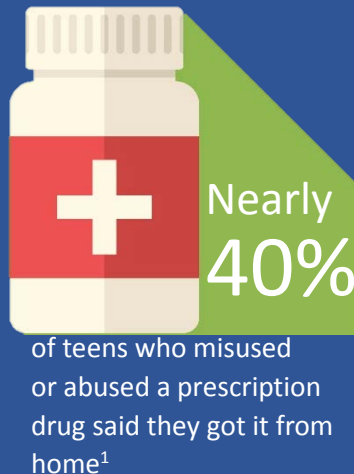


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DEVELOPED THE DRUG-MEDI-CAL ORGANIZED DELIVERY SYSTEM IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

DPH developed the Drug-Medi-Cal Organized Delivery System Implementation Plan to expand the continuum of substance abuse treatment services to reduce illicit drug use and its ill-effects. The document was developed with feedback from nine community stakeholder meetings, followed by a stakeholder workgroup process to better define the system's design and operationalize the implementation plan. The plan received approval from the California Department of Health Care Services in July 2016.

DEVELOPED AN ORDINANCE TO REQUIRE THE CREATION OF TAKE-BACK PROGRAMS FOR UNUSED PHARMACEUTICALS

In collaboration with Department of Public Works, DPH formed an Extended Producer Responsibility Workgroup which included multiple County departments and sanitation districts. The goal was to develop an ordinance mandating pharmaceutical producers to provide consumers with services that collect and dispose of prescription drugs/sharps in a safe, convenient, and financially sustainable way to protect health. Drawing upon the experience of other jurisdictions and inclusive of input from a wide range of stakeholders, the workgroup developed a draft ordinance and presented it to the Board for consideration in June 2016. Through the workgroup, DPH also demonstrated the feasibility and value of the proposed program, and reframed the issue as a public health concern.

IMPLEMENTED A COUNTY PREP PROGRAM TO PREVENT THE FURTHER SPREAD OF HIV

In October 2015, DPH launched PrEP clinics at Ruth Temple and North Hollywood Public Health Centers –the first two of five planned Public Health centers to do so. To complement public sector PrEP availability, DPH also entered into master services agreements with 14 local agencies to provide biomedical HIV prevention services. The corresponding Work Order Solicitation was released in early 2016 and resulted in 10 proposals. Funding recommendations were approved by the Board of Supervisors in August 2016. To promote expanded services, DPH launched a PrEP social marketing campaign in May 2016 titled "The Protectors." The campaign was publicly launched at the annual Drag-Con event and featured prominently at the Long Beach Pride event in mid-May and the Los Angeles West Hollywood Pride event in early June 2016.

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DPH conducts approximately



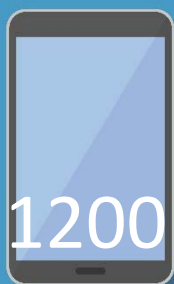
108,910

food-related inspections per year

Assessed soil for lead in

500 Exide-adjacent properties in 2 weeks

Fielded calls from



1200

Individuals concerned about Aliso Canyon gas leak

UPGRADED THE RATING CRITERIA FOR THE RESTAURANT GRADING SYSTEM

DPH evaluated and upgraded the rating criteria of the restaurant grading system to provide better customer service to retailers and better protect residents from foodborne illnesses. Based on a review of the science and feedback from multiple stakeholders, there were two major modifications to the system: 1) a revised grade card featuring the inspection date and inspector's initials, along with a proposed dashboard to provide trending data on facilities; and 2) additional point deductions for factors greatly associated with food-borne illness according to the evidence base. Concurrently, CityHealth, a project of de Beaumont Foundation, was working with 40 of the largest U.S. cities to provide leaders with tangible policy solutions for creating healthier communities. They chose LA County as its gold standard for restaurant grading and plan to use the revised model to set policy standards in other cities.

ADDRESSED THE EFFECTS OF AND REDUCED HARMFUL TOXIC EMISSIONS AND OTHER CHEMICAL EXPOSURES

DPH addressed the effects of harmful toxic emissions and other chemical exposures in communities highly and disproportionately impacted by pollutants to ensure the public's health and safety. Throughout the year, there was a major focus on communities affected by the Exide Battery Recycling Plant and the Aliso Canyon Gas Leak.

Exide: DPH developed a rapid assessment methodology to test soil for lead caused by the former Exide plant. Using this method, DPH demonstrated the ability to quickly assess residential properties in communities most affected, assessing 500 homes in under two weeks. At the State level, DPH advocated for additional funding for the California State Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) to address environmental disasters.

Aliso Canyon: In November 2015, DPH issued a Preliminary Environmental Health Assessment that confirmed ongoing health effects in the Porter Ranch community due to a gas leak and gave a directive to SoCalGas to provide free, temporary relocation services to affected residents. DPH also responded by fielding calls from over 1,200 individuals, providing education at community meetings, and advising healthcare providers with patients in the area. Once the well was sealed, DPH conducted indoor home testing in response to complaints from residents returning to their homes and facilitated a court order to SoCalGas to clean the homes of relocated residents upon request using the DPH Interior Home Cleaning Work Plan.

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pills dispensed/hour
during the Anthrax
exercise



Voted yes on
Measure JJJ

Parks After Dark



Sites in
2015

Sites in
2016

LED AN EXERCISE SIMULATING A WIDE-SCALE AEROSOLIZED ANTHRAX ATTACK

A simulated wide-scale aerosolized anthrax attack involving the entire Southern region from San Luis Obispo to the Mexico border took place as part of an emergency preparedness exercise in November 2015. DPH led this exercise which deployed eight public medical point of dispensing (POD) sites across the County with assistance from multiple County departments. Due to new streamlined POD protocols, DPH was able to reduce staffing from 72 to 46 individuals; reduce intake from minutes down to 10 seconds using a new form; and tested a new model allowing a household representative to obtain up to six bottles of medication during the exercise. As a result, DPH hit the target of dispensing 1,500 pills per hour. Feedback from LA City, the State, and CDC following the exercise was positive.

EVALUATED POSSIBLE HEALTH IMPACTS OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING MEASURE

DPH conducted a formal Health Impact Assessment (HIA) on Measure JJJ: Build Better LA Initiative which was on the November 2016 ballot. The measure was a Los Angeles City initiative that sought to increase housing stock and provide job opportunities to local workforce. The HIA estimated the possible effects of the initiative on affordable housing production and the potential health impacts of increased affordable housing. The report was completed and later released prior to the election. The measure passed with nearly 64% of the vote.

INITIATED VIOLENCE PREVENTION EFFORTS TO INCREASE COMMUNITY SAFETY

The Trauma Prevention Initiative (TPI) is a DPH-developed and launched place-based approach to reduce and prevent violence in communities with high need. In April 2016, a project implementation plan was developed to incorporate primary, secondary and, tertiary strategies to address violence. DPH then began securing community-based vendors to implement several identified strategies, including a hospital-based violence intervention and street intervention/safe passages. DPH also worked with the Department of Parks and Recreation, CEO, and Probation to support the violence prevention strategy of Parks After Dark and secured increased funding to expand the program from nine to 21 sites between summers 2015 and 2016. Separately, DPH developed recommendations to reduce and prevent gun violence and community violence in LA County in partnership with a larger multidisciplinary team.

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CA jurisdictions initiated GARE participation in Jan 2016.



COORDINATED HIGH-LEVEL, COUNTY-WIDE PARTICIPATION IN THE GOVERNMENT ALLIANCE ON RACE AND EQUITY

DPH initiated the County's participation in the Advancing Racial Equity learning cohort sponsored by the Government Alliance on Race and Equity (GARE) to increase the County's capacity to address race equity. DPH recruited learning team members and funded their participation. The team includes high-level representatives from the CEO Service Integration Branch, Human Resources, Sheriff's Department, District Attorney's Office, Probation, Children & Family Services, Community & Senior Services, Human Relations Commission, and DPH. The team began the training cohort in January 2016.

CONVENED NONPROFIT HOSPITALS TO MAXIMIZE OPPORTUNITIES FOR POPULATION HEALTH IMPROVEMENT

DPH convened a workgroup of community benefits managers at non-profit hospitals and their leadership in partnership with California Community Foundation, Dignity Health, Providence Health & Services, Kaiser Permanente, and Hospital Association of Southern California (HASC). The workgroup was convened to strategize ways in which nonprofit hospitals can effectively work together to conduct community health needs assessments (CHNAs) and align their community benefit financial investments to implement upstream, evidence-based strategies featured in DPH's Community Health Improvement Plan.

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The approximate number of non-profit hospitals in LA County



6,500

Outreach events to increase health insurance enrollment

INCREASED ACCESS TO HEALTHCARE THROUGH HEALTH INSURANCE ENROLLMENT

In partnership with contractors and other County departments, DPH expanded community outreach efforts to increase health insurance enrollment among eligible LA County residents. DPH contractors conducted over 6,500 outreach events to increase health insurance enrollment, reaching over 97,000 individuals. Over 83,351 direct service encounters were delivered. This included providing 26,000 individuals with health coverage application assistance; 10,500 individuals with community referrals for social services; and 47,724 individuals with advocacy and troubleshooting assistance.