

## SAN MATEO COUNTY CHILDREN'S HEALTH INITIATIVE

## Insuring the Health of All Our Children

## MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AMONG SAN MATEO COUNTY CHILDREN'S HEALTH INITIATIVE ORGANIZATIONS

This document is an agreement among the San Mateo County Health Department, First 5 San Mateo County, the Hospital Consortium of San Mateo County, the San Mateo County Human Services Agency, the Silicon Valley Community Foundation (SVCF), the San Mateo County Central Labor Council (Labor), and the Health Plan of San Mateo (HPSM), regarding the Children's Health Initiative (CHI) Coalition, hereafter referred to as the "Coalition."

As directed by the San Mateo Community Health Authority and the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors, the Coalition will serve as an advisory body to the San Mateo Community Health Authority which is the governing body of the Health Plan of San Mateo. The Coalition will provide recommendations to the San Mateo Community Health Authority related to the coordination and maintenance of an initiative that will provide universal health care to all children in San Mateo County. The Coalition will also serve as the oversight on policy decisions related to the administration of "Healthy Kids," the County's local insurance program. As a decision making body, the Coalition will strive for consensus. However, if required, the Coalition will have a structure where each member organization has one vote, with all votes being equal. Ultimate authority on CHI decisions, whenever necessary, rests with the San Mateo Community Health Authority.

In addition, several Coalition members will have responsibility for daily operations of the initiative:

- The Health Plan of San Mateo will be the lead organization in the coordination of the Coalition's overall efforts, with the Director of Finance serving as the chair of the Coalition and its meetings. Responsibilities include such tasks as facilitating Coalition meetings, facilitating policy decisions, overseeing any financial analysis of CHI, monitoring the CHI's progress, and submitting grant reports to CHI funders. The HPSM will also be the plan administrator for the Healthy Kids program, providing Healthy Kids members with comprehensive health insurance coverage, as defined by the Coalition. It will also ensure Healthy Kids members maintain continuous coverage by collecting quarterly family contributions.
- The Health Department will oversee the CHI evaluation contract. The Health
  Department will also lead efforts related to Healthy Kids outreach, enrollment, and
  retention in concert with other current health outreach activities. The Health Department
  will be responsible for proposing any recommended changes in operations related to
  current Children's Health Initiative staff.

- The Human Services Agency will oversee eligibility determination for Healthy Kids initial applications as well as renewals, based on the guidelines and procedures set forth by the Coalition. HSA will also oversee the Healthy Kids family contribution assistance program. HSA Benefit analysts will also assist parents of potentially eligible children with the application and enrollment process for Medi-Cal, Healthy Families and Healthy Kids.
- SVCF will serve as the fundholder of private and public (non-County) funding raised for the Children's Health Initiative. SVCF will establish a CHI Fund; hold, manage, invest, and reinvest funds directed to support the CHI; and collect the income and pay and disburse proceeds from the CHI Fund for charitable uses as recommended by the CHI Coalition, with the HPSM Finance Director serving as the designated "signer" for the fund. In this role, all monies contributed to the CHI Fund shall become an irrevocable gift to SVCF and legal control and responsibility for the Fund rests with the SVCF. SVCF will assume responsibility for check writing, bookkeeping, investment management, tax reporting, auditing and monitoring of projects, and furnishing to the CHI Coalition quarterly reports of all CHI Fund income and expenses.
- The Hospital Consortium will assist with the marketing activities to sustain the CHI.

This group agreement, including any future amendments, constitutes the Coalition Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). This MOU is effective this 25<sup>th</sup> day of January 2007.

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