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**Agenda Item No. 1
December 5, 2007 Meeting**

DATE: November 27, 2007
TO: Children and Families Commission of Orange County
FROM: Michael M. Ruane, Executive Director 
SUBJECT: 2007 Quarterly Performance Report – Focus Area: Healthy Children

SUMMARY:

The Children and Families Commission of Orange County invests almost 60 percent of the \$45.3 million program budget on the Healthy Children goal area. The December 2007 Quarterly Performance Report focus area is Healthy Children and the programs that are funded within the goal area. Over \$25 million was spent on programs including Bridges for Newborns, Community Clinics, Children's Dental and School Nurses. A summary of the Healthy Children programs, funding and accomplishments are included in the December 2007 Quarterly Report.

The Commission's evaluation data is collected to track program accomplishments, monitor changes in the lives of children and families, and provide guidance for program improvements. The Commission has adopted a comprehensive evaluation plan that includes both process and outcome measures that are established in the short, intermediate, and long term. In addition, the evaluation framework includes both Commission-wide and initiative-specific evaluations along with the development of community-wide data. Evaluation results are communicated through reports that are presented to the Commission and its grantees and posted on the Commission's web site.

Each quarter a performance report is developed to present summary level program and evaluation information in relation to the Commission's four Strategic Goals: Healthy Children, Strong Families, Ready to Learn, and Capacity Building. An annual summary report on all four goal areas is also developed at the conclusion of the fiscal year.

STRATEGIC PLAN & FISCAL SUMMARY:

The proposed report has been specifically reviewed in relation to the Strategic Plan and is consistent with the Commission's Healthy Children goal area. This agenda item does not include a funding request.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Receive 2007 Quarterly Performance Report-Focus Area: Healthy Children

Attachment:

2007 Quarterly Performance Report – Focus Area: Healthy Children

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Quarterly Performance Report

Focus Area: Healthy Children

December 2007



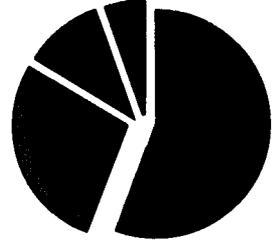
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Budget by Goal Area
(\$45.3 million in program spending)

Orange County Fast Facts

- 41,905 total births (2005 Data)
- 262, 229 children ages 0 – 5 (2000 Census)
- 100,753 children ages 0 – 5 directly touched by services – 38% of children 0 – 5
- 128 Commission-funded programs
- 117 organizations providing services

- 56% Healthy Children
- 29% Ready to Learn
- 10% Capacity Building
- 5% Strong Families



Healthy Children Fast Facts

- 67,273 health screens or well-child checks provided
- 49,596 home visits provided
- 39,582 children screened for developmental milestones
- 25,064 Kits for New Parents distributed
- 14,740 children linked to a medical home
- 11,232 children screened for dental health; 3,194 dental visits provided
- 8,376 children assisted with a health insurance application
- 3,034 home safety checks completed
- 1,594 children or families received behavioral health assessments
- Over 29,000 parents received health and/or injury prevention education

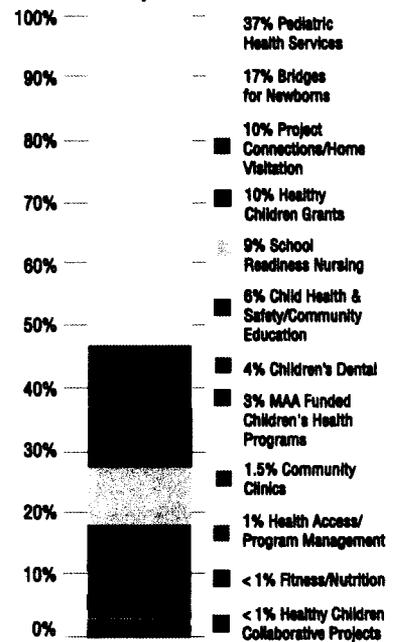
Healthy Children Programs: \$25,408,565

Program	Expenditures	Number Served	
		Children 0-5	Family Members
Bridges for Newborns	\$4,393,748	28,587	28,593
Child Health & Safety/Community Education	1,402,933	656	1,611
Community Clinics	377,906	1,733	129
Fitness/Nutrition	161,917	N/A	N/A
Children's Dental	1,099,770	2,603	1,399
Pediatric Health Services	9,461,680	26,912	28,548
Project Connections/Home Visitation	2,546,315	2,289	3,691
School Readiness Nursing	2,380,952	10,694	5,723
Healthy Children Program Grants	2,435,309	5,941	5,865
MAA Funded Children's Health Programs	788,444	1,801	2,747
Healthy Children Collaborative Projects	97,462	57	255
Health Access/Program Management	262,129	710	1,774
Healthy Children Total	\$25,408,565	81,983	80,335

Note: the Fitness and Nutrition program was a pilot program in 2006-07.

Fiscal Year 2006/07

Allocation of Healthy Children Expenditures



Healthy Children Program Summaries

Breastfeeding Promotion

In 2004, the Children and Families Commission launched the Breastfeeding Initiative as part of the Bridges for Newborns program, with the goal of improving the exclusive breastfeeding rate in Orange County. Each Bridges Screener is required to have a minimum of eight hours of breastfeeding training, provided through a seminar coordinated by the Hospital Association of Southern California (HASC). In 2006-07 over 50 providers received this training. Additionally, HASC distributes the Orange County Breastfeeding Resource Guide through 11 hospitals, Public Health Nursing, home visitation services, and Family Resource Centers. This resource guide is available in English, Spanish and Vietnamese.

Home Visitation Collaborative

The Commission funds seven home visitation programs, each serving a unique portion of the 0-5 population. Together these programs bring vital services to the doorstep of some of Orange County's most vulnerable children. Home visitation teams are multi-disciplinary, including nurses, promotoras, therapists, and social workers made up from a collaborative of community based organizations, the Health Care Agency, and hospitals. They meet quarterly to share best practices, sponsor joint trainings, and conduct critical program planning. In FY 2006-07, over 6,200 children and families received intensive home visitation services.

- **Paso a Paso** promotes the health and well being of low-income pregnant women by providing monthly home visits during the pregnancy and up to the baby's first birthday.
- **Nurse Family Partnership** is an intensive home visitation program for teens and young women under 24 who are pregnant for the first time.
- **Perinatal Substance Abuse Services Initiative/Assessment and Coordination Team** is a case management program for substance abusing and/or HIV infected pregnant women and their families.
- **Project Connections FRC. Health Access** provides short term home visitation services (1-3 visits) in order to improve the immunization status, health insurance enrollment and linkage to a medical home. Outreach workers are located at eight Family Resource Centers across the county.
- **Bridges for Newborns Home Visitation** clients receive an average of 10 visits during the baby's first year of life. Each client receives a different level of care, based on needs identified at the Bridges-affiliated birthing hospital.
- **Bridges for Medically High Risk Newborns** provides Public Health Nursing home visitation services to medically fragile infants until they reach 24 months of age.
- **Orange County Home Visiting Collaborative** provides intensive home visitation, parent education, and in-home mental health counseling services for at-risk families, through the Orange County Child Abuse Prevention Center and the Children's Bureau of Southern California.

Help Me Grow

By building a network of partners serving children 0 - 5 years of age, and maintaining a current inventory of behavioral, developmental and educational resources, Help Me Grow provides a single point of access to child development services for Orange County families and professionals. By calling the toll free number (866) GROW025, families are connected to community services to enhance the overall development of their children. Nearly 1,000 families were served by Help Me Grow in 2006-07.

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Fiscal Year 2006/07