

**Agenda Item No. 5  
March 4, 2009 Meeting**

**DATE:** February 23, 2009

**TO:** Children and Families Commission of Orange County

**FROM:** Michael M. Ruane, Executive Director

**SUBJECT:** Pediatric Health Services Program - Progress Report

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### **SUMMARY**

This report provides a summary of the programs reviewed by the Pediatric Health Services Committee at their February 2009 meeting and highlights the status of the Commission's investments in ambulatory care and developmental services through the Children's Hospital of Orange County (CHOC) and University of California, Irvine (UCI) collaboration. The Commission previously delegated authority to the Pediatric Health Services Committee (PHS) for oversight and monitoring of these programs. This report provides an overview of the progress to date in expanding system capacity and increasing access to care through two programs:

- **Ambulatory Care Clinics** – This program expands and supports a network of ambulatory care clinics providing primary pediatric and prenatal care for the women and children of Orange County. In addition, these community clinics will serve as a primary referral source to the multiple subspecialty programs.
- **Developmental Services/Autism Services** – These programs connect children and families with the developmental services needed to support their children's healthy development. Major investments include the development of services specifically related to autism and providing comprehensive assessment, treatment (as appropriate) and referral services.

### **Ambulatory Clinic Programs**

Ambulatory programs represent 32 percent of the Commission's investment in the CHOC/UCI pediatric health programs in fiscal year 2008/09. This program is targeted at reducing barriers to care and expanding the community capacity to provide critical primary care services to government insured underinsured and uninsured children and pregnant mothers in Orange County. The Commission funding has allowed CHOC to greatly increase the number of 0-5 year old children with access to quality primary care:

- Currently, the CHOC clinics provide 84,000 visits per year with 50 percent of the visits provided to 0-5 yr old children, a 4 percent growth over last year and a 25 percent growth since 2003 with the opening of the Garden Grove and Costa Mesa clinics.
- Thirty percent of the clinic visits are well child visits promoting health and school readiness.

These clinics also continue to operate as Read Out and Reach sites and have distributed over 6,800 books from July through November 2008. CHOC and UCI continue to pursue strategies to support long-term sustainability and are currently working to designate CHOC clinics as FQHC

sites (Federally Qualified Health Clinics) through the affiliation with UCI. The attached status report (Attachment 1) provides a summary of performance and progress, in the new dashboard format consistent with the Bridgespan recommendations. As shown, the programs have achieved targets in almost all areas with the exception of prenatal care visits.

### **For OC Kids/Autism**

The Commission's investment in Neuro-Developmental Services includes four integrated programs designed to promote early identification of children with developmental needs and to connect those families with the programs and resources to support their healthy growth and development. For OC Kids is designed to address the increasing number of children identified with autism spectrum disorder and connect those families with treatment and therapy services. Help Me Grow, works in conjunction with For OC Kids and provides linkage services and education to primary care pediatricians and other providers for early identification of conditions. On an annual basis, For OC Kids provides a range of assessment, treatment, and family support services:

#### ***Assessment and Treatment***

- Initial comprehensive medical evaluations for Autism, ADHD and other developmental disorders for approximately 1,000 children ages 0 – 5.
- Follow-up medical visits to established patients with a diagnosis of Autism, ADHD and other developmental disorders for approximately 1,700 young children.
- HANEN program *It Takes Two to Talk* early language intervention for parents of late-talking toddlers and preschool aged children with specific language impairment; up to 15 families served per class series.
- HANEN program *More Than Words* early language intervention for parents of preschool aged children with Autism Spectrum Disorder or related social communication difficulties; up to 15 families served per class series.

#### ***Parent Support Services & Provider Training***

- Three courses for a minimum of 120 parents of children newly diagnosed with autism.
- Parent/grandparent/family education to a minimum of 70 participants.
- Social Worker Clinical visit consultations and family support to 300 families.
- Social Worker Observation/assessment of 25 children in day care, preschool or school for the purpose of clinical assessment and feedback to parents and team regarding diagnosis and placement.
- Sixteen training sessions for a minimum of 100 physicians, nurses, and other health care professionals, on a variety of topics including the early identification and diagnosis of autism and ongoing management strategies.
- Training of a minimum of 100 teachers and early childhood education and care providers on the early identification and diagnosis of autism, ADHD, and other developmental problems and intervention strategies in the typical preschool and elementary school settings.

Kathy Kolodge, RN, and Joe Donnelly, M.D., Program Director will present an overview of the program status, progress in improving access to care for the growing number of children with developmental conditions, and the how recent economic conditions and the state budget crisis are impacting their programs.

### **CAST Medical Director**

In April 2008, the Commission considered recommendations for program funding renewals developed by the Pediatric Health Services Committee (PHS) and authorized contracts to implement the recommendations. As part of this agenda item, a FY 2008/09 work plan was proposed that included review of the Child Abuse Services Team (CAST) Medical Director scope of services and community need.

Over the course of 2008, stakeholders in the community developed a five-year vision for expanding CAST medical services to address the medical aspects of prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of child abuse and neglect in Orange County. The initial step to implement the vision could be made possible through a continued commitment of ongoing financial support from the Commission and Hoag Memorial Hospital to fund the Medical Director position. PHS has previously approved funding to support the creation of a CAST Medical Director for the county. The position has been vacant for the past year due to the resignation of the former incumbent and pending input from the stakeholder planning process.

A \$50,000 per year commitment from the Commission is recommended for the remaining term of the current Pediatric Health Services contracts (April 1, 2009 – June 30, 2011); a \$112,500 total commitment. Funding, available through unallocated PHS balances, would be allocated to the County of Orange Health Care Agency (HCA) through the Master Services Agreement, as it now exists or is amended in the future. HCA will directly recruit and hire directly a permanent Medical Director who will maintain linkage with the UCI through an academic appointment.

### **PRIOR COMMISSION ACTION:**

April 2, 2008 – Pediatric Health Services Program 3-year Funding Renewal Recommendations

### **STRATEGIC PLAN & FISCAL SUMMARY**

The item has been reviewed in relation to the Strategic Plan and is consistent with the Healthy Children goal. This funding request is for the amount of \$112,500 for a term of 27-months commencing April 1, 2009. Funding for this item is included in the FY 2008-09 budget within the Healthy Children budget category.

### **RECOMMENDED ACTIONS:**

1. Receive status report and provide direction to staff.
2. Authorize continued funding for CAST Medical Director and County of Orange Program Services Agreement expenditures for the period April 1, 2009 through June 30, 2011 as presented in attachment 2.

### **ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Ambulatory Care Program Worksheet
2. Proposed April 1, 2009 through June 30, 2011 Program Services Agreement Funding

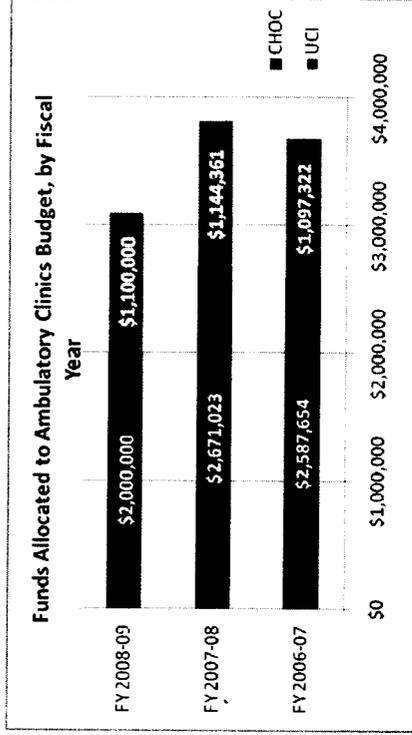
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## Ambulatory Clinics

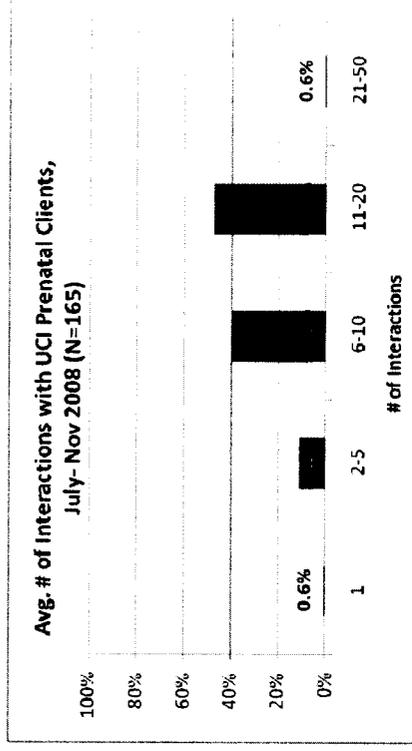
Goal: Healthy Children

**Program Description:** CHOC and UCI will collaborate to create a network of ambulatory care clinics providing primary pediatric and prenatal care for the women and children of Orange County. In addition, these community clinics will serve as a primary referral source to the multiple subspecialty programs supported by the Commission through the UCI/CHOC collaborative.

### What are the Investments?



### What are the Results?



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#### Activities

Activity	Target	Actual (through 11/08)
Prenatal Visits - UCI	6,750	2,770
Prenatal Visits (New Patients)- UCI	1,200	376
Primary Care Encounters - Children- CHOC	7,000	1,387
Primary Care Encounters - Children - UCI	145	155
Asthma Screening - CHOC	700	376
Completed Insurance Apps - CHOC	2,550	1,387
Completed Specialty Care Referrals - CHOC	1,080	155
Care Management (incl. specialty care referrals & insurance assistance) - UCI	1,700	826
Reach Out & Read - Book distribution - UCI	2,550	3,363
Reach Out & Read - Book distribution - CHOC	5,500	3,521

### What are the Results?

- On track to reach target
- 10% or less from being on track to reaching target
- >10% from being on track to reaching target

#### Outcomes

##### UCI

- 24% of mothers experienced complications during their pregnancy or delivery, yet
- 99% of mothers delivered babies who were healthy
- **CHOC— Garden Grove (GM) and Costa Mesa (CM):**
- 24% of children entered GG/CM clinics without insurance, but by the end of services, fewer than 10% were uninsured
- 41% of children who entered GG and CM clinics had a condition or concern identified that required further investigation—93% of the conditions uncovered were medical; 4% behavioral; 4% nutritional and 4% developmental

**Program Services Agreement  
 County of Orange and Children and Families Commission of Orange County  
 Proposed Program Funding for the Period April 1, 2009 through June 30, 2011**

<b>Program Service Number</b>	<b>Program Name</b>	<b>Description – Current Program</b>	<b>Strategic Plan Primary Goal</b>	<b>Recommended Annual Funding</b>
CDI-HCA-02	Child Abuse Service Team (CAST) Medical Director	CAST services address the medical aspects of prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of child abuse and neglect in Orange County	Healthy Children	\$50,000*

\*\$112,500 for the term of the Agreement