Understanding the trends that will change how we think about, deliver & support health in Contra Costa County and collectively planning to address those changing realities.

July 25 Work Teams Session Overview

Following the April Community Meeting to launch Envision Health, four teams were organized to take a deep look at key issues that would shape Envision Health and provide a foundational understanding of the county's present health system. Comprised of Contra Costa Health Service staff members and community stakeholders, these teams worked over the course of ten weeks to comprehensively research a specific area, investigate relevant information and help shape a deeper understanding of our health system.



On July 25, the teams gathered to present their findings to a packed room of their colleagues, anxious to learn about the intense work they had undertaken. Each team presented a 15-minute overview of their efforts, including key take-away points. Thanks to the teams' dedication and passion for excellence, the presentations prompted far greater awareness among the audience and stimulated considerable break-out discussion and

"This brought together a diverse group of CCHS & community partners to develop alignment." dialogue. For most, this marked the first time they were engaged in an indepth, system-wide conversation about the Health System's Purpose, Metrics (Shared definition of health and key metrics) View of the System and Community Engagement. It provided an unvarnished view of both the challenges CCHS faces as well as a host of opportunities to further the department's mission and contribute to the county's overall health.

Reviews of the meeting were very positive, calling the session a success that allowed for a fresh conversation that stretched beyond traditional CCHS division boundaries. Attendees and team members reported feeling informed as well as engaged by a meeting that fostered department-wide collaboration and inclusiveness. The preponderance of information presented could be overwhelming and several participants asked if the time could be extended and more staff invited to hear from the work teams. Fortunately, the Envision Health process allows for that increased involvement. In the next 60 days, an aggressive outreach and community engagement program is planned.



Over the coming months, the information presented will be further digested and broadly shared, serving as a means of furthering Envision Health's outreach efforts. A second and third community meeting is planned for October and November to share these findings and gather greater community feedback.