## South Central Family Health Center Board of Directors CEO Report

## January 28, 2014

## **SCFHC Health Center Overview for the month:**

- **Development Update:** Over the last several weeks staff has been diligently working on the submission of our HRSA Service Area Competitive (SAC) grant application which was successfully submitted electronically on Wednesday, January 22, 2014. In addition we are happy to report additional funding received last month:
  - Funding received from HRSA for Outreach and Enrollment on 12/9/13 in the amount of \$25,000
  - First time grant received from Dignity Health on 12/23/13 in the amount of \$18,000 for Diabetes Management Fitness and Nutrition Program
  - HRSA Service Area Competition (SAC) proposal submitted on 1/28/14 in the amount of \$2,737,284
- Covered California Update: As part of the new national Affordable Care Act health care transition, on January 1, 2014, L.A. Counties Healthy Way L.A. Matched patients were enrolled into California's Medi-Cal program. Unfortunately this transition has had some glitches with clinic enrolled patients not automatically transitioned into Medi-Cal. At SCFHC we have identified 400 patients in this category and are working with L.A. Care and the County to re-enroll those patients.
  - Our staff members went through the training to become Certified Enrollers (CEE), with one staffer so far certified as an enroller. The rest of our trained staff are still waiting for Covered California certification. So far we have enrolled a total of two patients qualified under Covered California and are continuing outreach to inform and enroll more with the help of L.A. Care and others who have certified enrollers.
- More For Less and SCFHC construction update: The repairs and alterations for the second floor of the More4Less Building is estimated to be completed by the landlords by early March. Our lease rent requirement will begin March 1, 2014, unless the required repairs and alterations by the landlord have not been completed.
  - SCFHC Construction: The construction bids went out and Advance Construction was selected. Construction has started on three new exam rooms and other alterations at our SCFHC clinic. Construction should be completed by early April.
- <u>Staffing and Clinic Reassessment</u>: Reviewing productivity and quality measures as well as putting in place a draft provider contract.
- S. Mark Taper Foundation Health Center @ TAS: Update and discussion

• Update on State Medicaid Directors Letter Regarding PPS On Wednesday, the National Association of Community Health Center's (NACHC) leadership met with the National Association of State Medicaid Directors (NAMD) to discuss a draft letter that NAMD had planned to send to Congress that called for major reforms to the health center program, including PPS. NACHC hoped to engage NAMD in a partnership to work on the issues raised in the letter, as well as other challenges Medicaid is facing (e.g. chronic care management). NAMD acknowledged the value of health centers; however they made it clear that they will send the letter to Congress and HHS, with some revisions, but intend to include their concerns with PPS. NAMD was clear that their position is that system-wide payment reform cannot happen with PPS. They are not interested in the workgroup approach proposed by NACHC, but would welcome NACHC's assistance in educating Congress about the value of Medicaid and the need for reform to the delivery system. NACHC intends to immediately and clearly respond to any letter NAMD sends to Congress on this matter. CPCA is engaged in this issue and will keep the members apprised of new information.