

**Memorandum**

*Office of  
Director, Student Services*

**To Mildred Browne, Ed.D**

**From Felicia Stuckey-Smith**

**Re Contra Costa Health Services - Mobile School-Based Health Clinics**

**Date January 29, 2011**

**On the February 8, Board Agenda is the request for approval of a Memorandum of Understanding with the Contra Costa Health Services to provide mobile school based health clinics at five school sites. A summary of services is included in the board docket.**

**Enclosed please find letters of support provided by site administrators and a school nurse.**

*From Concord High School*

Mildred Browne, Ed.D.  
Assistant Superintendent  
Pupil Services and Special Education  
Mt. Diablo Unified School District

Jan 26, 2011

Hello Mildred and Gary,

Mildred, I'm sending to both of your emails since the original was sent to your gmail. Good timing since Gary and I met with Jena Fiel and Marianna Dailey regarding Concord Highs health van yesterday. First, overall we are quite pleased with the services the Health Van provides to Concord High School students. This is especially true for our student athletes who are able to get sports physicals. Second, we have a new health educator being trained; Marianna who will give the students counseling on a variety of health issues and assist them with signing up for the necessary paperwork to receive services. This is invaluable since many of our families struggle with this piece. Third, our students at CHS are utilizing the health van services as evidenced by over 600 students seen. Jena and Marianna report that students not only pre-sign up but often drop by to see if an appointment is available. Fourth, the health van is recognizing potential safety concerns and making the necessary referral to administration, which includes CARE team referrals. I can speak to this personally as I had two referrals this month already and both Eric Diamond our school psychologist and I evaluated the situation and supported these two students. One is starting with a JFK intern and the other prefers a group and will start that quite soon, but is checking in with a counselor in the meantime. Fifth, Marianna will run all supplemental/outreach materials through myself and I'll check with Gary before any distribution at assemblies, classroom visits or lunch presentations.

Mildred, I did have a question on providing sick care and wellness checkups since Jena and Marianna said they don't provide this type of care, just chronic conditions such as asthma. I brought this up when asking about students with colds and the flu and believe Jena said they don't provide palliative care. I may have the word wrong, but basically they would help a student with an asthma issue with their inhaler but kids with colds and flu weren't seen for that. I would like to see this service expanded that students who are ill may seek care. We have discussed an action plan to minimize the time students are out of class and what times are better to take them that I believe will improve the current process. We discussed having the health van come on a Wednesday to minimize classroom disruption in the afternoon and have students available during their time. A concern discussed is the Hippo protocol and safety issues for students at risk. We're working on that and if Gary and I aren't satisfied with the outcome, you'll be notified immediately. I feel confident this will be able to be resolved successfully.

Thanks,  
Kimber

January 28, 2011

RE: The Health Van at Ygnacio Valley High School:

The Contra Costa Health Services Van is on the Ygnacio Valley High School campus in the parking lot twice a week for clinic hours during the school day. It is strategically located in the parking lot to provide accessible yet private access to the health care professionals that staff the van.

Students access the Van for a variety of reasons. On the YVHS campus, service begins after the student obtains a Clinic Appointment-Request Slip and identifies the services desired. This can range from physicals, including sport physicals, to immunizations, to conversations with the Teen Age Program Health Educator (TAP). This request slip is placed in the drop box and an appointment is made with the student.

In certain circumstances, the YVHS Staff and I have directed students with health issues to the Van. On such student that moved to the area was homeless, had diabetes, vision problems and did not know how to renew their health insurance in the area. Helping the student make the connection with the Van gave the staff and me the reassurance of knowing this student would obtain the necessary health care needed to be safe at home and at school.

The Contra Costa Health Services Van brings accessible medical services to a school community that may not otherwise obtain services.

Thank you,  
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***From Mt. Diablo High School***

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing this letter in support of the mobile health van that serves Mount Diablo High School every Wednesday and Friday. The mobile health van provides valuable services, information, and referrals to many students here at Mount Diablo High School. Students have the ability to pre-arrange an appointment or utilize drop in appointments to receive services they might otherwise not receive. The van also assists students with filling out the proper paperwork to receive additional health care through various state programs.

As a Student Services Coordinator at Mount Diablo High School I attend the CARE Team weekly meetings. In these meetings we will often refer students to the mobile health van for services and I have personally referred students in the course of meeting with them throughout the school year. I personally believe that the mobile health van is an invaluable service here at Mount Diablo High School that greatly benefits not only the students attending Mount Diablo High but their families as well.

Respectfully,

Rick Correa  
Student Services Coordinator  
Mount Diablo High School

**From Ygnacio Valley High School**

January 28, 2011

Subject: RE: MOU with CCHS

Hello Mildred,

Our health vans on our campus are a great asset and resource to our students. 56% of our students are on free and reduced lunches. Our students use the services for a cadre of issues, including some of the following:

- Physical examinations
- Health care services their families cannot afford
- Many of our families cannot afford health insurance and do not have health care, our families depend on the services the health vans provide.
- The health vans provide social and emotional services and support for our students.

Thank you, the YV community is thankful and appreciative of the services the health vans provide.

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