

### **Draft Community Meeting Outline:**

## **Introductions, Roles & Opening**

## **5 Minutes**

- Board members introduce themselves and a short message that they are happy to be here to listen and learn about what is important to residents about health care services on the Coast.
- A board member introduces Kathy as the new Administrator and her role today is to track discussion points and help keep us on time within the agenda.
- Kathy reviews the agenda and time allotments for each item to keep meeting to one hour and respect everyone's time.

## Why are we doing this

 MCHCD has gone through major changes in the past five years and the Board is interested in connecting with the community to share an update and to hear what priorities are important to residents on the Coast.

# MCHCD Update: 10 Minutes

- The purpose, or mission, of the MCHCD is to support thriving, healthy communities on the Coast by ensuring continuous, accessible, high-quality, sustainable health care.
- In 2020, due to the uncertainty surrounding the hospital's finances and future, MCHCD contracted with Adventist Health, a large health care network with stable financial and professional resources.
- MCHCD hospital facilities are 52 years old and in need of major repairs and upgrades to continue delivering health care on the Coast.
- In addition to several critical maintenance projects and needed capital improvements, the State
  of California has mandated that all hospitals be updated to current seismic standards by 2030.
   Failure to upgrade or replace our local hospital buildings as required by law could result in the
  closure of the hospital and clinic.
- We believe the closure of our local hospital would be a severe detriment to our community. As you all know, the nearest other hospitals for emergency services are in Willits and Ukiah, and both are an hour or more away.
- While no final decisions have been made at this time, the MCHCD Board of Directors is exploring a potential bond measure to fund repairing and upgrading the current hospital facilities as well as a variety of modernization projects that could provide expanded services to our community.

#### What is the Process?

- In January this year, the MCHCD commissioned a survey to find out how important it is to residents to retrofit the hospital to ensure it will remain open and operational.
- Preliminary support from the poll shows strong support but it is important to us to hear from you about your priorities about health care on the Coast.



# **Questions to the Community:**

#### **20 Minutes**

Kathy will preface this section with the caveat that these are intended to be open-ended questions to start the conversation and if someone would feel more comfortable speaking one on one with a board member they can indicate that on the feedback form and someone will follow up.

- 1. Given the current availability of health care and health care services on the Coast, what is most important for you and your family?
- 2. What other health care services would you like to see added or improved to support your family's health or health care?
- 3. What/who do you need to maintain good health or a healthy lifestyle?
- 4. What are the barriers for you and your family to receive or maintain good health or a healthy lifestyle?
- 5. Is there anything else you want us to know?

## **Questions from the Community:**

**20** Minutes

At this time, we would like to open this up to receive questions from you.

# **Closing & Next Steps**

#### **5 Minutes**

- The MCHCD Board is going to continue its outreach efforts with mailers and updates at monthly board meetings. If you are interested in learning more about this process please provide your email information on the Information Sheet and we will include you in emails. You can also visit the MCHCD website at <a href="www.mchcd.org">www.mchcd.org</a> to sign up to receive board agendas and updates.
- Thank you for your time today. (Personal message from the board members)