MEMO

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SUBJECT: Planners4Health California Initiative update

Per your request, this outline provides you with a brief activity overview regarding APA California’s Planners4Health Initiative in the past 12 months:

1. On June 28, 2019, the LA section organized its inaugural Plan4Health convening entitled Planning for Public Health: Taking Action Through Policy & Design. You can read a recap [here](#).
2. On July 25, 2019 the San Diego Section organized the event entitled Plan4Health: Integrating Planning and Public Health where we Live, Learn, Work, and Play. You can read more about it [here](#).
3. On August 13, 2019, the Northern Section began a series of conversations with the Bay Area Regional Health Inequities Initiative on their Healthy and Resilient Homes Leadership Program.
4. On October 29, 2019, the Inland Empire Section organized the SB1000 Forum and Roundtable. Learn more about it [here](#).
5. On April 1, 2020, the Northern Section kicked off a statewide conversation on Planning and Public Health in the age of COVID-19. See the webinar materials [here](#). Since then, this effort has turned into a regular series of webinars addressing topics that came out of that initial conversation:
   a. On May 6, 2020, Transportation and Public Spaces were explored. Learn more [here](#).
   b. The next webinar is scheduled for June 11, 2020 to discuss issues related to homelessness and affordable housing. Learn more [here](#).
6. We now have a steering committee and we are currently focusing our energies on organizing the COVID-19 webinars.
7. The Northern Section is currently conceptualizing their next event. The members involved are also considering folding that energy into a concurrent Planners4Health Conference that could take place during the APA California Conference. Information on this will be provided on a separate cover.
8. **WHAT’S NEEDED:**
   a. We would like to request that Planners4Health is included under the one of the existing APA California Board’s portfolio--Diversity and Inclusion seems to be the best fit.
   b. Support at the Chapter level to continue to deliver the content and opportunities the program has to offer to all of our members.