

# UCSF Health Acquisition of Dignity Hospitals and Associated Clinics



# Prop Q – Overview

- Proposition Q (1988) requires private hospitals in San Francisco to provide public notice prior to:
  - closing a hospital inpatient or outpatient facility,
  - eliminating or reducing the level of services provided, or
  - prior to the leasing, selling or transfer of management.
- The Role of the Health Commission
  - whether the proposed action will or will not have a detrimental impact on health care services in the San Francisco community.
  - The Health Commission **does not** have the authority to change the outcome of the proposed action.
- Oversight authority by the California Attorney General



#### PUBLIC NOTICE<sup>1</sup>

In accordance with the San Francisco Community Health Care Planning Ordinance (Proposition Q), St. Mary's Medical Center and its associated clinics (the "Hospital") provide notice that UCSF Health (or an affiliate) will acquire the assets and operations of the Hospital.

UCSF Health and the Hospital are working together to ensure a smooth transition of Hospital operations. UCSF Health expects to continue the existing Hospital services with no planned material reduction of the Hospital's workforce.

The Health Commission will hold a hearing on this proposed change; for information as to date, time and place, call the Health Commission at (415) 554-2666.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Note to San Francisco Health Commission: this notice will be translated into Spanish and traditional Chinese.



# **Specialty & Emergency Services**

Dignity Health hospitals provide important behavioral health, emergency and critical services in the City of San Francisco

#### **Behavioral Health**



- San Francisco Healing Center, operated by Crestwood Behavioral Health
- McAuley Adolescent Inpatient Unit (SMMC)
- McAuley Counseling Enriched Education Program (SMMC)
- Adult Inpatient Mental Health Services (SFMH)

#### **Emergency**



• Emergency Departments at St. Mary's Medical Center and Saint Francis Memorial Hospital

### **Other Critical Hospital Services**



- Bothin Burn Center (SFMH)
- Sister Mary Philippa Health Center (SMMC)
- The Gender Institute (SFMH)

- Women's Health Center (SMMC)
- Kentfield Hospital, located on St. Mary's campus



# Summary of UCSFH Acquisition

## Services

- Maintain existing services
- Invest in programs and infrastructure
- Facilities no longer subject to policy-based restrictions on care

# Staffing

- committed to retaining all employees of both Saint Francis and St. Mary's hospitals
  - Staffing increases as UCSFH anticipates serving more patients
- Dignity Health Medical Group offered employment by UCSF medical group

## Patients

- Continue shared commitment to caring for all patients, regardless of their ability to pay
- Honor all insurance arrangements that are presently available at Saint Francis and St. Mary's

## Community

 Continued outreach to groups as the process to integrate the organizations moves forward



# **Moving Forward**

## The Health Commission will receive regular updates from UCSFH through June 2027.

#### Updates will include data and information about:

- Patient accessibility and utilization of medical and behavioral health services at UCSFH St. Mary's and Saint Francis Hospitals, including Medi-Cal, Medicare, uninsured, and Healthy SF patients
- The continuation of existing behavioral health services at St. Mary's and Saint Francis Hospitals
- The workforce at St. Mary's and Saint Francis hospitals, including payor organizations accepted by providers, including physicians and advanced practice clinicians
- The governance structure and ownership details for UCSFH St. Mary's and Saint Francis Hospitals
- Progress on seismic improvements, and associated costs, to UCSFH St. Mary's and Saint Francis hospital buildings
- Information and commitments required by the California Attorney General regarding the sale