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## CEO Report Notes from April 27, 2022 Board Meeting

### *Ara Chakrabarti, CEO*

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The following is an outline of comments from the CEO at the recent Redwood Coast Medical Services (RCMS) Board Meeting. A complete recording of the board meeting is available at: <https://www.rcms-healthcare.org/board-of-directors.html> (scroll down on the web page to *Meetings – Recording and Documents*)

### **Community Communication**

- RCMS was invited to go to the Peggy’s Place radio show in KGUA to provide an update on RCMS. Dr. Afsoon was there with me. We informed the listeners on activities and initiatives that RCMS is currently focusing on. This was also an opportunity to introduce Dr. Afsoon to the community as our Medical Director and hear her perspectives on her new role. A replay of the interview is available at this link: <https://soundcloud.com/kgua/pp-rcms-ara-chakrabarti-and-dr-afsoon-hellos-and-goodbyes>

### **Organizational/Operational update**

- On April 22 the Dental Team went to Arena Elementary and Manchester Elementary Schools to perform school screenings on 65 of the Pre-School and Kindergarten students. These screenings consist of a visual examination of the children’s mouth, teeth and gums and provide oral health education. There is no fee for this service and allows us to know which children in our community need follow up and with the parent’s permission we will help facilitate the next steps to dental treatment. This is a service we provide in collaboration the Mendocino County Public Wellness Local Oral Health Program. Next, we will be screening the students 1-3rd grades at a date to be determined.
- Another reminder to all – the HRSA 3 yearly operational site visit and audit is scheduled for July 6,7, and 8. Because of the pandemic, this visit will be on-line with specific audit focus on our Clinical, Financial, and Administrative/Governance functions.
- Shout out to out lab professionals – this week is lab professional appreciation week. Also, today is Administrative professional appreciation day – thanks to all our administrative professionals for all they do.

## **COVID-19 Testing and Vaccination**

- RCMS hosted two booster vaccination clinics in April. The first one was on April 10<sup>th</sup> – we gave booster or other COVID vaccination to 467 people. The second vaccination clinic was April 23 and we provided 297 booster shots. These were very successful vaccination clinic thanks to many community volunteers and particularly our two partner organizations -- South Coast Fire Department and CLSD. These two organizations and their leaders, Chief Warner and District Administrator Dave Crowl together with members of their organizations absolute key for making these vaccine clinics successful. Thank you to Fire Department and CLSD, and the community volunteers – without your involvement and help, we will not be able to pull these off.
- Last week was Volunteers Celebration week – we want to thank all volunteers who help RCMS in many activities.

## **Facilities**

- And finally, our somewhat noisy and disruptive remodeling activity for the main building first floor is continuing. We are hoping to have this activity completed in the next few weeks. Our remodeling activity for the main building first floor is continuing. We are still hoping to have most of the work to be completed in the next few weeks.