



CONSORTIUM EXCHANGE

CALIFORNIA ASSESSES ITS PROGRESS

The California Department of Health Services has reviewed the state's progress on *Healthy People 2000: National Health Promotion and Disease Prevention Objectives*. There has been significant achievement in meeting tobacco-related death and cancer death objectives. Diagnosed AIDS cases have been moving toward the year 2000 target since 1993. There were mixed results in the areas of alcohol and other drugs,



California Department of Health Services

environmental health. For more information, please visit <http://www.dhs.ca.gov/hisp/chs/yr2000/yr2000.htm>

violent and abusive behavior, maternal and infant and health, and heart disease and stroke. A number of diabetes objectives are moving away from the year 2000 target. Data challenges preclude reporting progress in

LIFESTEPS AT GENERAL MOTORS

The General Motors Corporation's LifeSteps Program focuses on health education and raising awareness of risk behaviors. Annual health risk appraisals are sent to all enrollees over age 19. A self care book, *Take Care of Yourself* is also provided. The program features an audio health library and a registered nurse is available via phone 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. In 1998, the LifeSteps Web site became yet another resource for the 704,000 GM households that are covered by this program. Within the last year, 75 percent of women 50-69 years of age had mammograms; 75 percent of women aged 19 and older had PAP tests; 68 percent of those aged 65 and older had a flu shot; 92 percent of those aged 21 and older had their blood pressure checked; and 75 percent of men over 35 and women over 45 years had their cholesterol checked. The program is confidential, voluntary and offered at no cost. For additional information contact Tim J. McDonald at (313) 556-9553.

DC'S HEALTHY RESIDENTS UPDATED

On January 14, 1999, the District of Columbia Department of Health released its progress report, *District of Columbia Healthy Residents: Year 2000 Objectives*. The priority areas covered in the report are cancer,

diabetes, environmental health, HIV/AIDS, immunizations and infection control, maternal and child health, nutrition, primary care, STD's, substance abuse, tuberculosis, violent and abusive behavior, and health care finance. The report identifies the progress made from 1993 to 1998. The District is using this progress review report in developing Healthy People 2010 objectives. For additional information, contact Carl Wilson at (202) 645-5889.

HEALTH ALLIANCE PLAN ASSESSES PROGRESS

The 1998 Report of the Health Alliance Plan, (HAP) a Michigan health maintenance organization utilizes the national Healthy People 2000 objectives to measure their plan's effectiveness. HAP's report includes comparisons on childhood immunizations, prenatal care in the first trimester, breast cancer and cervical cancer screening. The report reveals mixed results. For example, 75 percent of female HAP members aged 52-69 received a mammogram within the preceding two years, which exceeds the national target of 60 percent. On the other hand, 81 percent of HAP member children received all recommended immunizations in combination by age two, short of the national target of 90 percent. For additional information, contact Ron Davis at (313) 874-6276.

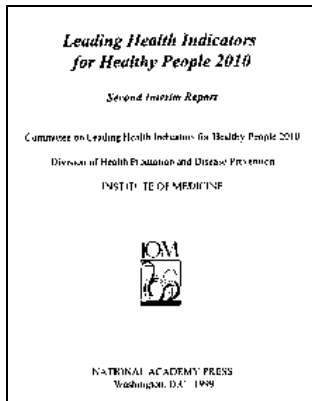
Welcome to New Consortium Members

The Office of Disease Prevention and Health Promotion welcomes these new members of the Healthy People Consortium. We look forward to working with you on national health objectives for the years 2000 and 2010.

- **The Optical Industry Association**
- **National Asian Women's Health Organization**

INSTITUTE OF MEDICINE (IOM) SECOND INTERIM REPORT ON LEADING HEALTH INDICATORS

Can a relatively small set of exemplary health indicators be identified which will reflect progress toward the health goals of the Nation—and do so in a manner which prompts public understanding and policy action related to the important determinants of that progress? ODPHP asked the IOM's Division of Health Promotion and Disease Prevention to convene a committee to consider issues relevant to the selection of leading health indicator sets for Healthy People 2010. The findings of the committee have been published in the *Second Interim Report on Leading Health Indicators for Healthy People 2010* and are now available on the Web. The report can be viewed at <http://www2.nas.edu/hpdp>. Please send your comments to IOM iomhplhi@nas.edu by March 15.



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HEALTHY PEOPLE 2000 DEFINED

The Second Edition of the Random House *Health and Medicine Dictionary* lists Healthy People 2000 as one of its 8,000 entries. The dictionary includes terms used to describe states of health, and the latest treatments and therapies. The definition cited in the dictionary for Healthy People 2000 is “a national initiative designed to promote health and encourage disease prevention in the United States by setting health objectives for the year 2000 that can be used to guide public health policy and program

development, with goals to be reevaluated and augmented for subsequent periods of time.” For more information, visit <http://www.randomhouse.com/sitemap.html>

VIEWING PUBLIC COMMENTS RECEIVED ON HEALTHY PEOPLE 2010

The public comment period for Healthy People 2010 Objectives: Draft for Public Comment has ended. Approximately 3,000 comments were received by Fax, E-mail, mail, Internet, regional hearings, and the November 12 and 13, 1998 Consortium meeting. All are available for viewing at <http://www.health.gov/healthypeople>. Comments are searchable by organization name, organization type, section or focus area of the document, city, state, zip code, and date.

ON THE WEB

National Guideline Clearinghouse™ (NGC), <http://www.guideline.gov/>: This new Web site is an Internet-based source of information on clinical care that will help health professionals to improve the quality of care they provide to their patients. The NGC, a repository for evidence-based clinical practice guidelines, was developed by the Agency for Health Care Policy and Research (AHCPR) in partnership with the American Medical Association (AMA) and the American Association of Health Plans (AAHP).

ABOUT CONSORTIUM EXCHANGE

Healthy People Consortium Exchange is an information resource whereby HEALTHY PEOPLE Consortium members can share news about prevention activities related to achieving the Nation's health promotion and disease prevention objectives. Please send news about your programs and activities to Miryam C. Granthon, Office of Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, 200 Independence Avenue, SW, Room 738G, Washington, DC 20201; (202) 690-6245; Fax (202) 690-7054; mgranthon@osophs.dhhs.gov.

Healthy People 2000 is a national initiative to improve the health of all Americans through prevention. It is structured around 319 national health promotion and disease prevention objectives in priority areas targeted for achievement by the year 2000. HEALTHY PEOPLE 2000's overall goals are to increase the span of healthy life for Americans, reduce health disparities, and achieve access to preventive services for all. Development of national health objectives for 2010 is in its final stages.

For more information, visit <http://www.health.gov/healthypeople>

New Food Safety Web Site Established, Food-Safety.gov: This new Web site is a “gateway” site designed to help the public find government food safety information on the web. The site provides links to food safety-related web sites from federal, state, and local government agencies.

