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From: Department of General Services
Office of Audit Services

Subject: AUDIT REPORT: COMPLIANCE WITH STATE BUSINESS
MANAGEMENT POLICIES

Attached is the final report on our compliance audit of the business management functions and services of the California Department of Public Health (CDPH). The objective of our audit was to determine compliance with policies set forth in the State Administrative Manual, and the terms and conditions of any specific delegations of authority or exemptions from approval granted by the Department of General Services (DGS).

As noted in the report, we concluded that CDPH is conducting its business management functions and services in compliance with state requirements.

We sincerely appreciated the cooperation and assistance provided by CDPH’s personnel.

If you need further information or assistance on this report, please call / e-mail me at (916) 376-5064 / Dennis.Miras@dgs.ca.gov, or Susan Mitchel, Management Auditor, at (916) 376-1909 / susan.mitchel@dgs.ca.gov.

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cc: Brandon Nunes, Chief Deputy Director of Operations

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AUDITOR'S REPORT

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
COMPLIANCE AUDIT
REPORT NO. 0122
DATE: February 7, 2020

TO: Dr. Sonia Angell, Director
    California Department of Public Health

This report presents the results of our compliance audit of the business management functions and services of the California Department of Public Health (CDPH). These audits are routinely performed under the authority granted to the Department of General Services (DGS) by Government Code Sections 14615 and 14619. The objective of our audit was to determine compliance with policies set forth in the State Administrative Manual, and the terms and conditions of any specific delegations of authority or exemptions from approval granted by DGS.

As applicable, the scope of our audits of state agencies includes, but is not limited to, compliance with policies governing fleet administration, driver safety and insurance, surplus property and real estate. Our audit was conducted in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards.

To determine compliance, we reviewed policies and procedures, interviewed parties involved, tested records and transactions and performed other tests as deemed necessary. The period covered by our testing varied depending upon the area of review and the type of transactions involved; however, the emphasis of our review and testing was with current procedures and transactions completed during the 2018-19 and 2019-20 fiscal years.

Based on the audit results of our fieldwork conducted over the period October 9, 2019 through January 21, 2020, we concluded that CDPH is conducting its business management functions and services in compliance with state requirements.

We are pleased with how receptive and responsive CDPH staff and management were to our suggestions for improvement and with the prompt actions taken and commitments made to address issues identified and discussed during our audit fieldwork. However, we did not perform subsequent effectiveness tests to determine whether the corrective actions were functioning as intended. CDPH's management has the ongoing responsibility for ensuring that its business management policies and procedures are functioning as prescribed and are modified, as appropriate, for changes in conditions.

We sincerely appreciated the cooperation and assistance provided by CDPH’s personnel.
If you need further information or assistance on this report, please contact me at (916) 376-5064, or Susan Mitchel, at (916) 376-1909.

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