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## NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

### Board Agenda Memo

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**MEETING DATE:** August 13, 2019

**TO:** Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** **Jill Blake**

**SUBJECT:** Nevada County Public Health Department (NCPHD) 2019 Annual Report presentation to the Board.

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**RECOMMENDATION:** Accept the NCPHD Annual Report and Presentation to the Board.

**FUNDING:** N/A

**BACKGROUND:** The Nevada County Public Health Department serves the entire county and maintains a focus on population-level health. Our vision is for safe, healthy and thriving communities, and our mission is to prevent disease and injury, promote optimal health and wellness, and protect the community against disasters. We strive to let our core values guide all the work we do. Our values include wellness, caring, equity, quality, teamwork, diversity, enjoyment, communication, and appreciation.

NCPHD is seeking National Accreditation through the Public Health Accreditation Board. This process is, at its core, a quality improvement process, and NCPHD has approached it as such. The goal of accreditation is to improve and protect the health of the public by advancing the quality and performance of public health departments. Accreditation consists of the adoption of a set of standards and a process to measure department performance against those standards. Through this process, NCPHD has identified and continues to identify its strengths and successes as well as opportunities for improvement, and has begun to evaluate performance on a continual basis. The department is already more efficient and improved because of these efforts and our community is better served as well. The NCPHD 2019 Annual Report has been completed and it includes an update on the department's Accreditation efforts as well as accomplishments from the past year, recent actions taken by the department, and public health challenges on the horizon. NCPHD Director, Jill Blake, will present a summary of the report results.

**Item Initiated and Approved by:** Jill Blake, Department of Public Health Director