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**PENINSULA HEALTH CARE DISTRICT RESPONDS TO  
SAN MATEO COUNTY CIVIL GRAND JURY REPORT**

**Burlingame, CA May 21, 2014** - The Peninsula Health Care District (PHCD) today responded to the San Mateo County Civil Grand Jury Report, with this statement from District Board Chair Lawrence Cappel, PhD.:

“We appreciate the due diligence by the San Mateo County Civil Grand Jury, and believe the May 19, 2014 report should be read by all residents of our District, as it demonstrates the importance of transparency and utility of Special Districts. We believe serving taxpayers with an understanding of who we are and how we spend tax monies is of utmost importance. We strive to provide timely, accurate and useful information on District business and give our constituents an opportunity to have their voices heard. We support the Grand Jury’s recommendation to follow the California Special District Association’s Transparency Certification Guidelines and can report that Peninsula Health Care District is in the process of filing for this Association recognition. The Association of California Healthcare Districts is currently piloting a Transparency Certification Program that is targeted to be available to all 78 healthcare districts throughout the State later this year. We are committed to compliance with these standards as well.”

**About the Peninsula Health Care District:**

Created by state legislation and launched by local voter approval in 1947, the Peninsula Health Care District (PHCD) serves the communities of San Bruno, Millbrae, Burlingame, Hillsborough, San Mateo and Foster City by responding to local priorities and allocating resources to programs and service that address these needs. For more information, visit [www.peninsulahealthcaredistrict.org](http://www.peninsulahealthcaredistrict.org).