

## **Transparency Certificate of Excellence Awarded to Peninsula Health Care District**

Burlingame, CA (February 13, 2018) — The **Peninsula Health Care District (PHCD)** received the District Transparency Certificate of Excellence by the Special District Leadership Foundation (SDLF) in recognition of its outstanding efforts to promote transparency and good governance.

“This award is a testament to **Peninsula Health Care District’s** commitment to open government,” said Lawrence Cappel, PhD, PHCD board chair. “The entire district staff is to be commended for their contributions that empower the public with information and facilitate engagement and oversight.” To receive the award, a special district must demonstrate the completion of essential governance transparency requirements, including conducting ethics training for all board members, properly conducting open and public meetings, and filing financial transactions and compensation reports to the State Controller in a timely manner.

Since PHCD was established in 1947, the communities we serve have changed and evolved, as have the health care needs of District residents. One thing that has remained constant is the District’s unwavering commitment to the people living in San Bruno, Millbrae, Burlingame, Hillsborough, San Mateo and Foster City.

It is the mission of PHCD to ensure Mills-Peninsula Medical Center provides needed core services, to support programs that share our vision, and to do so in collaboration with other providers and qualified members of our community.

SDLF is an independent, non-profit organization formed to promote good governance and best practices among California’s special districts through certification, accreditation, and other recognition programs.

Special districts are independent public agencies that deliver core local services to communities, such as healthcare services, water, wastewater treatment, fire protection, parks and recreation, sanitation, mosquito abatement, ports, libraries, public cemeteries and more. Districts are established by voters and their funding is approved by voters to meet specific needs through focused service. They can be specially molded to serve large regions or small neighborhoods depending on the need.

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### **About the Peninsula Health Care District:**

Founded in 1947, the Peninsula Health Care District addresses the health and wellness of the San Bruno, Millbrae, Burlingame, Hillsborough, San Mateo and Foster City communities. The District is governed by a 5-member elected board of directors and is responsive to the unique health and wellness priorities of Peninsula communities. The District is developing facilities for future community benefit, remains focused on responsible stewardship of tax-payer assets, and is committed to full transparency.

To learn more about PHCD, visit [www.peninsulahealthcaredistrict.org](http://www.peninsulahealthcaredistrict.org).