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TREATMENT OF MULTI-DRUG RESISTANT TUBERCULOSIS

The Daily News recently published an article about the Olive View TB Unit on the increase in the number of patients with drug resistant tuberculosis (TB), the lack of available drugs to treat these patients, and the failure of patients to comply with their treatment.

I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors direct the Department of Public Health to include the following information in the quarterly reports to the Board:

1. Overall increase in TB in Los Angeles County for each of the past five years and the first half of 2014;
2. The increase in the number of patients with multi-drug resistant TB; and
3. An assessment and recommendation on the need to increase TB beds in the isolation unit at Olive View Medical Center.

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