

HIV Community Planning Council  
COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT COMMITTEE  
Wednesday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> 2019  
25 Van Ness, 8<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Room  
3:00-5:00 pm

**Committee Members Present:** Ben Cabangun, Wade Flores, T.J. Lee-Miyaki, Mike Shriver, Eric Sutter

**Council Member Present:** David Gonzalez

**Committee Members Absent:** Orin Allen [A], Lee Jewell [E], Juba Kalamka [E], Laura Thomas [E]

**Others Present:** Kevin Hutchcroft, Derrick Mapp, Angela Di Martino, Jeremy Tsuchitani-Watson (HCAP)

**Support Staff Present:** Melina Clark, David Jordan

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## *Minutes*

### **1. Introductions**

The meeting was called to order at 3:10 pm by Co-Chair Sutter. Everyone introduced themselves and quorum was established.

### **2. Review/Approve April 3<sup>rd</sup> 2019 DRAFT Agenda – VOTE**

The April 3<sup>rd</sup> 2019 DRAFT Agenda was reviewed and approved by consensus.

### **3. Review/Approve March 6<sup>th</sup> 2019 DRAFT Minutes– VOTE**

The March 6<sup>th</sup> 2019 DRAFT Minutes were reviewed and approved by consensus.

### **4. Announcements**

- CM Flores announced that he was recently elected as a chair in Marin. There was also a new Executive Director elected. He added that he has recently recovered from being seriously ill, and is happy to be back.

### **5. Public Comment**

- None.

### **6. HCAP Report**

- Jeremy Tsuchitani-Watson updated the Committee on the HIV Consumer Advocacy Project (HCAP) report:
  - He reported on a number of cases with Service Categories including Housing, Dental, Ambulance/Outpatient, Psychosocial Support, Emergency Financial Assistance and Non-Medical Case Management.
  - Between March 1 and March 31 2019, the highest number of cases were in Money Management and Emergency Financial Assistance (Housing), each with two cases. Ambulatory/Outpatient, Food, Housing and Psychosocial Support each had one case.
- Jeremy Tsuchitani-Watson announced that he is leaving his position. He has enjoyed working with ALRP and with everyone here. He noted that you may not get a May report on time because of the staffing changes.

### **7. Getting to Zero Update Review**

- None.

## 8. Needs Assessment and COLA Update- VOTE

- The group discussed and chose COLA targets for 2019.
- CS Jordan noted that last month they had discussed focusing this year's COLAs on women.
  - Derrick noted that he is surprised the African American women aren't on last year's brainstorming list, as these folks seem to be experiencing significant disparities within the system of care.
- CM Cabangun asked how COLA targets are determined.
  - CS Jordan responded that the COLA targets come from conversations that happen during this committee. Brainstorming is informed by the current public and funding conversations happening within the EMA.
  - CM Sutter added that the COLAs are useful but not definitive. Often only a few people attend the COLAs.
  - CS Jordan noted that the COLAs are often focusing on a very specific subgroup. The small group setting allows for a unique perspective which is often complimentary to the Needs Assessment. We try to get very specific qualitative information. Because we are lacking in numbers, the qualitative piece becomes more important.
    - While the Needs Assessment needs to be focused on Ryan White Part A service recipients, the COLAs do not have this constraint. They provide an opportunity to engage the prevention side.
- **MOTION: CM Shriver moves to establish the 2019 COLA targets. There will be three COLAs total, all with a focus on women:**
  - **Transwomen of color**
  - **African American women**
  - **Women who use drugs**
- **CM Gonzalez seconds the motion.**
  - CM Shriver noted that the data show that these groups experience some of the most significant health disparities. Black women are significantly statistically harmed by the health care system.
  - CM Sutter offered to connect CS Jordan with folks in these populations. Past recruitment issues seem to have stemmed from a lack of engagement from providers.
- CS Jordan asked for clarification on the suggested populations. It usually works better to be as specific as possible.
- Derrick Mapp noted that it seems there is a significant disparity among black heterosexual women. He suggested including transmen in the COLA as well.
  - The group agreed to focus on transwomen this year and add transmen to the list for next year.
- **AMENDMENT MOTION: CM Gonzalez moves to specifically focus on cisgender, heterosexual African American women, in addition to transwomen of color and women who use drugs. All of the COLAs will be status neutral.**
- **MOTION APPROVED: See column (1) for vote breakdown.**
- CS Jordan asked for suggestions on where to go for COLA recruitment. The group came up with ideas including Trans Thrive, Translife, transgender group at UCSF and the Southeast clinic.
- CM Cabangun suggested doing respondent-driven recruitment rather than blanket recruitment.
  
- The group went over the interview guide for the Needs Assessment. CS Jordan asked if there's anything that should be added to tailor the interview to the aging population with HIV.
- CM Shriver suggested tweaking the first question to include a prompt for what has happened in the last decade. Are they receiving different care now than they did before? Instead of "think back over the last month" change it to "think back over the last 10 years."

- CM Flores recalled being asked about his medical history and having a hard time remembering everything that he’s experienced in the past. He has been increasingly interacting with younger doctors, and having to explain many things to them. He recalled a recent interaction where the provider was unaware that long term use of HIV medications can cause organ damage.
  - CS Jordan noted that it could be helpful to learn more about the interaction of long-term HIV medications and aging.
- CM Shriver questioned whether the HIV system of care is prepared to deal with issues that come up around aging. Issues such as mobility and cognitive ability are not built into the HIV system of care.
  - He suggested adding a question about food and/or mobility insecurity.
- CM Flores noted that in his experience, many doctors approach HIV patients in the same way, whether the patient has been positive for 1 year or 30 years.
- Angela suggested asking about folks’ support networks. At Curry Senior Center, they see a lot of social isolation among seniors.
- CM Shriver suggested reframing questions to talk about resilience rather than hardships and challenges.
- CM Lee-Miyaki suggested asking: Are you accessing care that’s specific to aging?
- CS Jordan asked if we could talk about recruitment and outreach. This particular Needs Assessment will focus on HIV positive folks.
  - Folks offered to connect him with groups at Curry Senior Center, Shanti, LGBT center, Fort Miley and SFAF Positive Force.

**9. Next Meeting Date & Agenda Items- VOTE**

*The next Community Engagement Committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, May 1<sup>st</sup> 2019 at 25 Van Ness 8<sup>th</sup> floor Conference Room from 3-5 pm.*

**10. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:45 pm by Co-Chair Sutter.

**Community Engagement Committee**

**HIV Community Planning Council**

Roll Call: **P**=Present; **A**=Absent; **E**=Excused; **L**=Leave of Absence

Votes: **Y**=Yes; **N**=No; **B**=Abstain; **R**=Recused (deduct from quorum)

**April 3, 2019**

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1.	Orin Allen	A	-										
2.	Ben Cabangun	P	Y										
3.	Wade Flores	P	-										
4.	Lee Jewell	E	-										
5.	Juba Kalamka***	E	-										
7.	T.J. Lee-Miyaki	P	Y										

8.	Helen Lin***	A	-									
9.	Mike Shriver	P	Y									
10.	Eric Sutter (Co-Chair)	P	Y									
11.	Laura Thomas	A	-									
	David Gonzalez	P	Y									

<b>Ayes</b>											
<b>Nays</b>											
<b>Abstain</b>											
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