

California Department of Public Health, Office of AIDS

Report to San Francisco EMA HIV Health Services Planning Council

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Office of AIDS Division/Cross Branch Issues

On February 4, 2016, the California Department of Public Health, Office of AIDS (OA) announced the award of the California Statewide Training and Education Program to the Asian and Pacific Islander Wellness Center. The term of the award is April 1, 2016 through March 31, 2018. The purpose of CSTEP is to provide a statewide mechanism to assess training needs among medical and support service providers, and other professionals working with persons living with HIV, develop relevant curricula on HIV related topics and health literacy, conduct trainings, establish and maintain accessible training formats, and evaluate training effectiveness.

Ryan White Part B: HIV Care Program (HCP)

- On February 3, 2016, a Request for Application (RFA) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2016-2018 HCP and Minority AIDS Initiative (MAI) funding was released to HCP and MAI Contractors. The RFA packet included formulaic allocation amounts, budget instructions, and budget forms.
- On February 5, 2016, HCP contractors were provided an opportunity to request additional funds for FY 2016. The additional funding is limited in amount and only available for April 1, 2016 through March 31, 2017. Highest priority will be given to HCP contractors who traditionally have spent down their full allocation in the last few years and who did not receive additional funding over their formulaic allocation amount.

HIV Prevention

On February 11, 2016, OA announced the authorization of the Orange County Needle Exchange Program (OCNEP) for a period of two years at the Santa Ana Civic Center in Santa Ana, California. Authorization is effective February 11, 2016 through February 11, 2018, and is subject to renewal at the end of the two-year certification period following consultation with local law enforcement officials and the local health officer.

The official announcement can be found on the OA website at www.cdph.ca.gov/programs/aids/Documents/Notice%20of%20Authorization%20of%20Orange%20County%20Needle%20Exchange%20Program.pdf

Statewide Needs Assessment and Integrated Plan

The Resource Inventories for the three Ryan White Part A Co-Authors (i.e., Inland Empire, Sacramento County, and Santa Clara County) were submitted to OA for review and the Statewide Resource Inventory is being completed. OA will meet with other departments within the State that provide HIV resources to discuss their resources and services to the Needs Assessment and input on the Integrated Plan. Final selection of the priority questions to be addressed in the Needs Assessment, as well as the specific areas of interest and priority populations, was determined based on input from California Planning Group members, OA staff, and people living with HIV/AIDS and other community stakeholders.

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