August 13, 2015

Dear (Project Officer):

On behalf of the members of the San Francisco HIV Prevention Planning Council (HPPC), we are pleased to provide this “Letter of Concurrence” to the San Francisco Department of Public Health (SFDPH), Community Health Equity & Promotion Branch, in response to Funding Opportunity Announcement PS12-1201.

The HPPC has reviewed the San Francisco Jurisdictional HIV Prevention Strategy submitted to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and concurs that the Jurisdictional HIV Prevention Strategy describes how programmatic activities and resources are being allocated to the most disproportionately affected populations and geographical areas that bear the greatest burden of HIV disease.

The HPPC was involved in the development of the San Francisco Jurisdictional HIV Prevention Strategy. During the past few months, members of the HPPC and other stakeholders received a series of opportunities to discuss and provide input on the strategy:

- HPPC meeting to update to full Council on the Jurisdictional Plan Work Group on May 14
- HPPC Jurisdictional Plan Work Group
- Key informant Interviews with SFDPH Population Health Division Staff
- HIV Health Services Staff
- Transgender Advisory Group meeting on June 22
- HIV Testing Coordinators meeting on July 10
- Latino Providers Network on July 22
- HPPC/HHSPC Joint Leadership Workgroup July 23
- HPPC Executive Committee July 23
- Draft sent to Hepatitis C Taskforce for comments on July 27
- Draft sent to Syringe Access Collaborative on July 29
- Draft Sent to HIV/AIDS Providers Network for comments on August 3
- HPPC meeting to present for Concurrence on August 13
The Jurisdictional Plan was discussed at the August 13th Council meeting, when a motion for concurrence was made, seconded and approved by the membership.

These deliberations demonstrate the effective and on-going partnership between the community planning group and the SFDPH. Should you wish additional information regarding this letter and/or HPPC involvement in preparation of the San Francisco Jurisdictional HIV Prevention Strategy, let us know.

We appreciate the CDC’s continuing support for the San Francisco’s HIV prevention efforts.

Sincerely,

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