

HIV Community Planning Council  
FULL COUNCIL MEETING  
Monday April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2017  
25 Van Ness, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Room  
San Francisco, CA  
3:30-6:30 pm

**HIV Community Planning Council Members Present:** Chuck Adams, Margot Antonetty, Bill Blum, Jack Bowman, Cesar Cadabes, Ed Chitty, Billie Cooper, Zachary Davenport, Michael Discepola, Cicily Emerson, Elaine Flores, Wade Flores, Timothy Foster, Matt Geltmaker, Dean Goodwin (Co-Chair), Jose Luis Guzman (Co-Chair), Liz Hall, Paul Harkin, Bruce Ito, Lee Jewell, Darryl Lampkin, Kevin Lee, T.J. Lee-Miyaki, Andrew Lopez, Jessie Murphy, Ken Pearce, Mick Robinson, Darpun Sachdev, Michael Shriver, Charles Siron (Co-Chair), Gwen Smith, Don Soto, Eric Sutter, Laura Thomas, Linda Walubengo (Co-Chair)

**HIV Community Planning Council Members Absent:** Ben Cabangun (Co-Chair) [E], David Gonzalez [A], Ron Hernandez [E], Matthew Miller [A], Stacia Scherich [A]

**Others Present:** Barbara Green-Ajufo, Bill Hirsch, Amanda Newstetter, Eduardo Siqueiros, Chris Smith, Fred Smith, Jeremy Tsuchitani-Watson

**HHS Staff Present:** Joseph Cercere, Kevin Hutchcroft

**CHEP Staff Present:** Nyisha Underwood

**Support Staff Present:** Ali Cone, Dave Jordan, Mark Molnar, Liz Stumm

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***Minutes***

**1. Call to Order and Roll Call. Introduction of Members of the Public.**

The meeting was called to order at 3:35pm by Co-Chair Walubengo. Roll was called and quorum was established.

**2. Review and Approve April 24, 2017 DRAFT Agenda – VOTE**

The April 24, 2017 DRAFT Agenda was reviewed and approved by consensus.

**3. Review and Approve March 27, 2017 DRAFT Minutes – VOTE**

The March 27, 2017 Minutes were reviewed and approved by consensus.

**4. Announcements**

- Co-Chair Walubengo noted that Chip Supanich and Andrew Lopez are stepping down from the Council. The Council acknowledged their work with the merging of the Prevention and Care Council.
- CS Molnar announced that the Council will not receive a Getting to Zero update this month or the next. The Council will vote on a GTZ representative during the May meeting.
- Co-Chair Siron noted that if you have a question during the presentations, please place your name plates horizontally.

**5. Public Comment**

- Chris Smith commented that he is a PLWH and a social worker at UCSF. He noted that he is having a situation that he is having a hard time remedying. He has two patients without legal status in the U.S. who also have mental health issues that prevent them from working. They cannot get clearance from CAP in order for them to gain income to obtain housing. He wanted to bring this information to the Council and if anyone has any information on this issue to please let him know.

## 6. Council Staff Update

- CS Jordan announced that the Homeless/Unstably Housed Need Assessment Work Group has been scheduled for April 27<sup>th</sup> from 3:30-5:00 at 25 van Ness on the 8<sup>th</sup> floor conference room.
- CS Stumm reported that the overall rating for the March Full Council evaluations were a 9.5. Members enjoyed the PrEP update and HIVE presentation.

## 7. CHEP and HHS Update

- Co-Chair Goodwin announced:
  - We are waiting for the full amount of our grant award that we expect in May or June.
  - We will have a Part A comprehensive site visit in late June. Our site officer Lenny Green will be attending the June Full Council meeting.
  - Quality Management Trainings: We had a Quality Management training on avoiding burnout on April 14<sup>th</sup> that was well attended. There will be future trainings on best practices for caring for Transgender clients on June 1<sup>st</sup> and we are finalizing a day/time to conduct a half-day training for providers on assessing and advancing their internal quality management practices.
- Co-Chair Guzman announced:
  - Eliminating Hep C in SF: End Hep C SF and SF Hep B Free will be represented at the Summit for the Elimination of Hep B and C as Public Health Threats in the U.S. A meeting that will be held in Atlanta to discuss the release of the National Strategy for the Elimination of Hep B and C on April 27-28.
  - Harm Reduction Training Institute: In collaboration with CBHS, we are contracting with Harm Reduction Coalition to offer harm reduction trainings to DPH and DPH-funded agencies and staff.
  - Encampment Health: CHEP collaborates with our funded providers at GLIDE Harm Reduction Services, SF AIDS Foundation Syringe Access Services, and City partners at Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing's Encampment Resolution Team, and DPH's Street Medicine Team to provide HIV and HCV testing, harm reduction supplies, Narcan trainings, medical care and refreshments to residents of the encampments.

## 8. CDPH Office of AIDS Update- VOTE

- CM Hall reviewed the March Office of AIDS report.
- Getting to Zero: Work is continuing within the CDPH, Office of Aids coordinating the tasks associated with the 12 objectives within the Laying Foundation for Getting to Zero: CA's Integrated Plan. At the April CPG meeting, members were updated on the Plan and provided input regarding objectives and strategies. As well as they were provided with a description of the Needs Assessment effort to date.
- Office of AIDS: OA is collaborating with the Department of Public Health Care Services to improve data sharing and analysis of data of Medi-Cal beneficiaries living with HIV in order to improve viral suppression. An initial analysis identified that in 2014, there were 45,033 Medi-Cal beneficiaries who were infected with HIV.
- Ryan White Part B, ADAP: OA has hired a permanent ADAP Branch Chief, Sandra Robinson, who will be starting on April 17<sup>th</sup>.
- Breach of ADAP client information: CDPH has currently identified 93 ADAP clients whose information in the A.J. Boggs portal was likely inappropriately accessed by an unknown individual who were not authorized to access the information.
- ADAP transition: Clients were sent a letter from Magellan Rx Management informing them of this transition and letting them know that there is no required action for clients at this time.

- Magellan will continue to provide real-time, 24/7 access to medications, including 30-day supply for existing ADAP clients who experience access issues at the pharmacy.
- HIV Care Program: OA is applying for RWPB Supplemental X08 funding. The application is due to HRSA on May 15<sup>th</sup>.
- HIV Prevention: A Request for Applications was released to offer grants of naloxone product and funding to all 61 local health departments to conduct Naloxone Distribution Projects.
- California Planning Group: An in-person CPG meeting was held on April 4-6 in Sacramento which was the first meeting for new CPG membership.

#### **9. UCHAPS Update- VOTE**

- Co-Chair Guzman reported:
- We are working on updating our best practices documents and creating new ones. We are also working on our pharmacy prevention activities, overdose prevention and updating our syringe access document. Our timeline is to have this ready by our in-person meeting in Los Angeles in late July.

#### **10. Policy Update- VOTE**

- CM Jewell reported:
- CAEAR Policy call: On April 28<sup>th</sup>, the Continuing Resolution expires. Republicans will need Democrats in order to prevent the shutdown of the government. The Government has reached the debt ceiling and needs to be raised. Congress will return from Easter break 3 days before the CR expires.
- Hill visit feedback: The President budget was dead upon arrival. Democrats have outlined what they want: Sequester level funding to be eliminated and no poison pill amendments like Planned Parenthood.
- In a meeting with the Chair of Labor HHS' subcommittee, Tom Cole expressed opposition of to the \$54B in cuts but he would not be surprised not to see \$12-24B in cuts.
- Republicans are expressing their opposition to the cuts in news talks shows. All members we talked to favor an omnibus (pass all bills) budget resolution. The President has proposed \$18B in cuts in FY18 and is looking for \$30B to build a border wall.
- The HHS Secretary is in line to let the ACA fail to push forward a healthcare bill. The legality of the individual mandate is in question. The IRS will not enforce the individual mandate. Essential benefits could give States more room to decide what is covered, i.e. preventative care and contraceptive coverage.
- The President has put forward that there will be no health care or budget unless funds are included to begin building the border wall. Many Republicans have come out against this, especially given the short amount of time available to raise the debt ceiling.
- What you can do: Establish a relationship with you Congressional Representative and Senators. Meet with your local office(s) over your concerns.

#### **11. Local and State Responses to Uncertainty in Health Care Funding**

- CM Blum presented on national trends and potential local impacts.
- CM Pearce inquired about the 1.2B the City gets and then 1B that agencies get, are both pots of money potentially compromised if federal funds are withheld?
  - Bill responded that there is a concern about all pots of money. If we have a cut on discretionary funding the biggest hits will be to HUD, the Department of Transportation, public broadcasting and funding for the arts.
- CM Sutter asked if there is a deadline for companies to announce their intention to be a part of the exchange in 2018.
  - Bill states that there is, but he doesn't know the exact time. He assumes it will be sometime this summer.

- CM Hall noted that the new CMS rule about the exchange has interesting information. The rule had provisions that the enrollment period is shortened by a couple weeks to a month, which is pretty important for us to know. For special enrolment periods, they changed what can be considered. Another change is that for health insurance premium payments assistance, if someone has pending default payments, they have to have those paid before they can get assistance, which is significant for OA HIPP program. Benchmark plans are reducing what's available under the comprehensiveness of services and premiums will go up.
- CM Murphy inquired if anyone is tracking ICE visits, anecdotally or otherwise.
  - Bill responded that he is sure they are being tracked. When an agency has been visited by ICE there is a public call-in number. He stated that he is not sure that they're publicly sharing that.
- CM Jewell asked if he can tell the Council about the 300 plus HIV+ Healthy SF members.
  - Bill noted that a majority are categorically ineligible, which means that they are not legal citizens. For the health care exchange, payments can be coded if they are under 500%.
- CM Sachdev noted that students on visas are not eligible and often fall into Healthy SF categories, is there any progress on this?
  - Bill responded that there were two students who were foreign nationals that became HIV positive on visas. Because their visas were temporary there were issues getting them on Healthy SF, but they eventually got insurance coverage.
  - CM Lee-Miyaki asked if that has changed recently, he knew of a student on a visa who tested positive who was covered under Healthy SF.
    - Bill noted that it had to do with the length of time of the visas, but it shows there is still gaps in care.

## 12. HCAP Annual Report

- Jeremy Tsuchitani-Watson presented on the HIV Consumer Advocacy Projects annual report.
- CM Davenport inquired about the where the statement that the lack of mental health providers is a significant challenge comes from. He also inquired why under the mental health service category it was 0%.
  - Jeremy responded that the statement came from what clients reported to us. He noted that the mental health service category is where clients have heavy issues, there were not even 12 cases that were presented.
  - CS Molnar noted that the challenge might not be with the mental health provider, but an advocate might have noticed that as a trend among many clients.
  - Jeremy noted that the trend could have been built off of that.
- CM Harkin inquired about why out of 77 consumers, only 17 were given satisfaction surveys, with only 3 responses. Why wasn't there more emphasis on getting feedback from your clients?
  - Jeremy responded that the other 60 surveys have been sent out. Volunteers follow up by phone with closed cases of HCAP and ALRP. With the changes in staff there has been a slip in getting the evaluation surveys out, but we are hoping to get more responses with the new batch of surveys sent out.
- CM Pearce asked what kind of issues come under social support. He noted that some cases overlap with mental health and case management etc.
  - Jeremy responded that he classifies cases himself. With most social support cases, its clients having trouble with accessing advocates or technical assistance.
- CM Sachdev inquired why there is a drop off in younger people accessing services, surveillance data shows that people of color and young people are more likely to become HIV+ and have results along the HIV continuum.

- Bill Hirsch responded that we do outreach to a range of service providers. Youth are aware of our services and we are seeing that the epidemic is changing.
- CM Lee-Miyaki noted that there are no numbers for the Trans community. Have you done specific outreach at Trans: Thrive or TransLife programs?
  - Bill responded that we have done outreach at Transgender organizations. We have a number of Transgender clients with ALRP but not many for HCAP.
- CM Cadabes noted that there were 77 consumers served with 89 issues that were addressed, in terms of consumer surveys are they sent out at a specific time of year?
  - Bill responded that surveys are sent out for cases that have been closed.
  - CM Lee-Miyaki suggested incentivizing the surveys with a \$5 gift cards.
  - CM Bowman noted that mailing surveys to clients who have unstable housing is a tactic that would not get good results.
  - Jeremy responded that when we work with clients who come into our office, we try to give them surveys at the end of the interaction.

### 13. COLA Report

- CS Stumm reported back on two Community Outreach Listening Activities.
- CM Bowman inquired about the comment that there were no residential programs for Spanish speaker, did participants want more Spanish speaking staff or more Latino residential programs.
  - CS Stumm responded that participants stated that they would like more residential programs tailored specifically for the Latino community.
- CM Lee inquired about why the group rated benefits counselling as their top priority.
  - CS Stumm noted that due to time it took to translate the discussion, there was not sufficient amount of time to discuss the service category exercise. The benefits counseling category was placed first in the room, which may have accounted for biases.
- CM Lee inquired if participants were single, living on their own or if they had families who were living in the U.S.
  - CS Jordan noted that discussing homelessness and living in SROs wasn't across the board for everyone. With COLAs we don't capture demographic information with surveys, so it is difficult to capture context information. Family was not explicitly discussed.
- CM Jewell inquired if there has been any other COLAs with such dissimilar provider and client service category exercise results. He asked if this was possibly due to the language barrier.
  - CS Molnar commented that there has not been a COLA with such dissimilar prioritization exercises, this COLA was an outlier.
  - CS Stumm noted that the difference in results may have been due to the language barrier. The methodology of data collection may have been a factor. During the next COLA session, we changed the data collection methodology and saw more similar provider and client results.
- Co-Chair Guzman noted that when translating service categories, it may have a different meaning to Spanish speakers.
  - CS Stumm noted that Jorge Zepeda, who is a service provider, was helpful in translating service categories to the participants.
- CM Jewell noted that the Council should think about ways to assist the undocumented community during prioritization and allocation.
- CM Jewell inquired about how changing the service category methodology was helpful.
  - CS Stumm noted that making the exercise individual removed some of the group biases.
  - CS Jordan noted that he utilizes this method during the needs assessment and he feels that it is effective and keeps responses individualized.
- CM Jewell noted that Council Members are welcome to attend COLA sessions.

- CM Emerson suggested re-examining if the Council should conduct a comprehensive needs assessment.
  - The group discussed the financial impact of funding a comprehensive needs assessment.
  - CS Jordan noted that in the past hiring a consultant to conduct needs assessments has not always produced the best results.

**14. Long-Term Care Coordinating Council - VOTE**

- The Council will elect a representative to the LTCCC.
- **MOTION: Co-Chair Siron nominates CM Pearce as the representative to the LTCCC.**
- **CM Jewell seconds the motion.**
- CM Pearce accepts the nomination
- **VOTE: Motion Passes. See column [1] for a vote breakdown.**

**15. Next Meeting Date- VOTE**

*The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for Monday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> 2017 at 25 Van Ness, 6<sup>th</sup> floor conference room, from 3:30 to 6:30.*

**16. Adjournment**

- Meeting adjourned at 6:28 pm by Co-Chair Walubengo .

**Full Council Meeting**

**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)

<b>Date: April 24, 2017</b>	[roll]	[1]	[2]	[3]	[4]	[5]	[6]	[7]	[8]	[9]	[10]
<b>Chuck Adams</b>	P	Y									
Margot Antonetty	E	-									
<b>Richard Bargetto</b>	P	Y									
<b>Bill Blum</b>	P	Y									
Jackson Bowman	P	Y									
Ben Cabangun (Co-Chair)	E	-									
<b>Cesar Cadabes</b>	P	Y									
<b>Ed Chitty</b>	P	Y									
<b>Billie Cooper</b>	P	-									
Zachary Davenport	P	Y									
<b>Michael Discepola</b>	P	Y									
Cicily Emerson	P	Y									
Elaine Flores	P	-									

<b>Wade Flores</b>	P	-																		
Timothy Foster	P	-																		
<b>Matt Geltmaker</b>	E	-																		
David Gonzalez	A	-																		
Dean Goodwin (Co-Chair) Jose Luis Guzman	P/P	Y																		
Liz Hall	P	Y																		
Paul Harkin	P	Y																		
<b>Ron Hernandez</b>	E	-																		
Bruce Ito	P	Y																		
<b>Lee Jewell</b>	P	Y																		
<b>Darryl Lampkin</b>	P	Y																		
Kevin Lee	P	Y																		
<b>T.J. Lee-Miyaki</b>	P	Y																		
<b>Andrew Lopez</b>	P	Y																		
<b>Matthew Miller</b>	A	-																		
Jessie Murphy	P	Y																		
<b>Ken Pearce</b>	P	Y																		
<b>Mick Robinson</b>	P	Y																		
Darpun Sachdev	P	Y																		
<b>Stacia Scherich</b>	A	-																		
<b>Mike Shriver</b>	P	-																		
<b>Charles Siron (Co-Chair)</b>	P	Y																		
Gwen Smith	P	Y																		
Donald Soto	P	Y																		
Eric Sutter	P	Y																		
Laura Thomas	E	-																		
Linda Walubengo (Co-Chair)	P	Y																		
Ayes				26																

Nayes											
Abstain											
Recusal											
Total		26									

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