

HIV Community Planning Council
FULL COUNCIL MEETING
Monday August 28th, 2017
25 Van Ness, 6th Floor Conference Room
San Francisco, CA
3:30-6:30 pm

HIV Community Planning Council Members Present: Chuck Adams, Margot Antonetty, Bill Blum, Ben Cabangun (Co-Chair), Cesar Cadabes, Ed Chitty, Billie Cooper, Zachary Davenport, Michael Discepolo, Elaine Flores, Wade Flores, David Gonzalez, Jose Luis Guzman (Co-Chair), Paul Harkin, Ron Hernandez, Bruce Ito, Lee Jewell, Jessie Murphy, Mick Robinson, Darpun Sachdev, Stacia Scherich, Michael Shriver, Charles Siron (Co-Chair), John Paul Soto, Laura Thomas, Linda Walubengo (Co-Chair)

HIV Community Planning Council Members Absent: Orin Allen [A], Jack Bowman [E], Cicily Emerson [E], Timothy Foster [A], Matt Geltmaker [E], Dean Goodwin (Co-Chair) [E], Liz Hall [E], Darryl Lampkin [A], Kevin Lee [E], T.J. Lee-Miyaki [LoA], Ken Pearce [LoA], Gwen Smith [E], Eric Sutter [E]

Others Present: Mercedes Ascerate, Montrell Doksey (PRC), Isela Ford (DPH), Bill Hirsch (HAPN/ALRP), Dominique Johnson, Dominique Johnson, Mark Ryle (HAPN/POH), Jacob Moody (HAPN/API), Serena Ngo, Lance Toma (HAPN/API), Jeremy Tsuchitani-Watson (HCAP), Mikael Wagner (Project Pride), Craig Wenzl (SFDPH), Scott Y.

HHS Staff Present: Kevin Hutchcroft, Beth Neary

CHEP Staff Present: Dara Geckeler, Tracey Packer, Nyisha Underwood

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

Minutes

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

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

2. Review and Approve August 28, 2017 DRAFT Agenda – VOTE

The August 28, 2017 DRAFT Agenda was reviewed and approved by consensus.

3. Review and Approve July 24, 2017 DRAFT Minutes – VOTE

The July 24, 2017 Minutes were reviewed amended and approved by consensus.

4. Announcements

- None.

5. Public Comment

- Jeremy Tsuchitani- Watson announced that he has filled Gina Gemello's role as the HCAP advocate and is available if anyone has any questions. He is planning on doing agency outreaches in the near future.

6. Council Staff Update

- CS Molnar announced that he is passing out the service category prioritization work sheet. Please fill it out and the ranking will be discussed and voted on at the October 3rd Summit. The HRSA core and support categories have greyed out service categories that are no longer funded by Ryan White.
- CS Cone announced that the Summit materials are available online, please let Council staff know if you need a hard copy of the materials.

- CS Stumm announced that the overall rating for the July Full Council meeting was a 9.2. People noted that they enjoyed how the agenda was planned with the updates being spread out throughout the meeting.
- CM Discepolo announced that on April 11th the Board of Supervisors enacted a resolution charging DPH to convene a safe injection task force. The task force has met three times and created recommendations on safe consumption services. He would like the Steering committee to put together a letter of support for the task force's recommendations. The plan is to have the recommendations be reviewed by the task force in the next couple of weeks, then there will be a public comment opportunity then they will go to the Board of Superiors to be voted on. There is also the AB-186 bill that supports jurisdictions to have supervised consumption sites and would protect the jurisdictions from crack house laws that he would like the Council to support.

7. CHEP and HHS Update

- CM Blum announced:
- RWPA FY17: HHS received formal written approval from HRSA for a waiver of the 75% Funding Requirement for Core Services.
- RYPA Comprehensive Site Visit: Our RWPA site visit has been confirmed for the week of October 23rd. Our HRSA Part A Part Officer, Lenwood Green is planning to attend our HCPC general meeting that week. He has asked for 30 minutes of time on the agenda to address HCPC members and answer questions.
- RWPF SPNS: HHS applied for and was awarded two, five year SPNS grants both of which are drawing close. These projects were both data-intensive, demonstration site models to connect clients lost to care. Each project focused on two different target populations: HIV+ Homeless and HIV+ Transgender Women of Color. Presentations from both of these SPNS programs were made to council members in the past. With the availability of add0back funding from the Board of Supervisors and Mayors Office, the services for both of these programs will be continuing.
- Co-Chair Guzman announced:
- CDC Site Visit: Our CDC project officer will be conducting a site visit on September 18th & 19th with DPH and 20th and 21st to the SFAF to visit its directly funded program. We are still working on a visit agenda.
- Safe Injection Task Force: SF Board of Supervisors enacted a resolution changing DPH with convening a Safe Injection Services Task Force whose goal is to develop recommendations on the operation of safe injection services in SF. The task force is in the process of incorporating the considerations from the Task Force, community & business focus group.
- Syringe Disposal Boxes: We are in the community engagement process to gain support to place additional outdoor disposal boxes in the Tenderloin. The Syringe Access & Disposal program manager will be leading a discussion on this proposal at August 29th Tenderloin Station Community meeting which is held from 6-7:30.
- 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. There will be monthly trainings provided in 2017.

8. Getting to Zero Update

- CM Murphy reported:
- The Steering Committee received a presentation of SFDPH's fund request for CDC Prevention and Surveillance. The feedback included interventions to address housing and housing stabilization, homeless outreach, youth, aging PLWH, mobilizing communities of color, specific needs of people who use drugs, depending on drug or consumption method, coordination across other agencies including SFPD and HIV care programs.

- GTZ Consortium: The next Consortium meeting is on Thursday, September 28, from 6-8Pm at 25 Van Ness, Room 610. Topics will include a presentation of the 2016 SFDPH HIV Epidemiology Annual Report, a health policy update, a panel discussion on intermittent PrEP use, and call to action.
- YES to SCS: GTZ Steering Committee voted unanimously to endorse the establishment of safer drug consumption services (SCS) in California.

9. CDC Letter of Support - VOTE

- The Council reviewed a presentation and a motion from Steering regarding a Letter of Support.
- CM Cooper inquired about the focus populations in this demo project, such as communities of color and Trans women.
 - Susan Philip responded that these are broad ideas for the demo project. Project Pride focused on women, people of color, trans-women, this needs to continue with Component A. There is room to further define this demo project. Component B focused on marginalized communities not reached as well in Component A.
- CM Bargetto asked about the amount of the demo project.
 - Tracey responded that there are 2 awards at 2 million each, for 65 jurisdictions. There will be 5 at 1 million and 20 at 500,000. We are advocating for us to get the ceiling, and we are applying for the 2 million dollars.
- CM Discepola noted that it is important to call out people who use drugs as part of people who inject drugs (PWID and PWUD).
- CM Harkin commented that to reach marginalized communities outside of the clinic walls, linkage to care in encampments needs to happen more than once a month. Programs that specifically target these marginalized populations need to build a rapport with the community.
- CM Murphy inquired about the data to care approach.
 - Susan Philips noted that CM Sachdev helps lead that team. The data to care approach is any data source that is helpful in reaching out and finding barriers to care and reducing those barriers. It could be the surveillance data base or data from clinical systems. It is a broad term that uses whatever data sources available to prioritize people in care.
 - Susan Scheer noted that the initial program was funded through Project Pride and now LINC'S is getting better with the data to care approach. We are using lessons learned from Component A to refine our efforts.
 - CM Murphy inquired if it has it been successful and if people have responded to the outreach.
 - CM Sachdev noted that we go off surveillance based lists, and follow up with care providers. The Health network provides us with the majority of our referrals and we get calls throughout the city when clients miss their appointments. They want to figure out if people have moved or what happened to them. Overall we've had over 800 referrals over a year and a half, and we enrolled 220 people in navigation at that time. All of those people got re-linked and then measured viral suppression. Over 1/3 of our clients are homeless and we would like to build more resources there. We want to try and get more information from other data sources, where we can identify people who are in the process of falling out of care.
- CM Thomas commented that when you talk about strengthening connections with jails etc., we are trying to divert people out of the criminal justice system so connections with pre-trial diversion, the collaborative courts and the new LEAD program would be a good place to connect with people who are using illicit substances and are not committing crimes that would otherwise land them in jail. As we divert people out of the system, we should also link them to public health efforts. A thing that I find discouraging, is putting effort into reaching people in encampments and then other city departments destabilize those same people. I don't want to waste services and funds, when personal items like

medications are taken away from this population. The health department can use this grant to better educate other department staff on how to lessen the destabilization of the homeless population. It would also be great to figure out how to include drug user organizing in this demo project.

- Tracey noted that in the last several months, we have developed better relationship. Component B needs to strengthen the systems first, so that they can fall back on something if they get destabilized.
- CM Jewell inquired where the prevention funding is now.
 - Tracey responded that for this FOA, we anticipate with the change in our formula that the cut would be anywhere from 1 to 1.5 million depending on if we receive our floor or ceiling. If there is backfill from the city then we will be okay. We don't anticipate additional cuts in the next five year period. Once the funding level is established, how the backfill fits I don't know. San Francisco is doing a great job, decreasing new infections etc., and there may be a time when our funding is cut. It is a prevention paradox, they may decrease funding because of our improvements.
- CM Antonetty noted that the Dept. of Homeless and Supportive Housing will be getting 14 additional stabilization housing/care navigators. People might not get into housing but will need this navigation. For people who are not familiar with Whole Person Care, we can come and talk to the Council with a focus on people living with HIV.
- Public Comment: Bill Hirsch noted he is unclear how this relates to the reduction of 1.5 million dollars. He questions whether the advocacy efforts to make sure that SF has the resources that we need, needs to happen this current fiscal year or whether this is something we look at for the next fiscal year. He is nervous about the focus on services making linkages, it assumes that there is a resource to connect people to. He fears that the next cut of reductions in terms of transmission and deaths is due to homelessness and the lack of housing. We will continue to see people who are unstable and it will be difficult to engage them in care. It's more than just a need to connect people to resources, we need the resources to connect the folks to.
 - Tracey responded that addressing the systems gap we have to look at the system we have control over. This is a collaboration between DPH and HSH. There is a lot of conversation about resources going on. She noted that the health department and the mayor's office is looking at this first fiscal year.
 - Dara Geckeler noted that although we can't build housing, we're thinking of the things that housing provides people and providing that in different ways. For example, if there are no places for people to carry their ID and insurance cards, we can explore virtual spaces where people can store personal information.
- CM Discepola commented that we need to look at innovative ways to help people; syringe access services at SFAF are using locker storage for meds, we need to look at areas of how do we stabilize homeless populations and the unstably housed. He suggests providing options including sanctioned camps that have services and offering leadership opportunities to homeless communities. He commented that in shelters and navigation centers people are not able to bring their drugs, which is a huge barrier to access.
- CM Chitty inquired if SF is building connections with other counties, people may be in care in Alameda County.
 - Susan Scheer noted that the SF linkage program works very closely with Alameda and we share our data back and forth. Individual organizations would go through LINCIS to contact the other jurisdiction to figure out if someone is in care.
- CM Thomas commented that she fully understands that this is a HIV prevention grant but we need to be clear that what our analysis is, is that what people really need is housing. This grant won't allow us to fund housing, but saying we are doing all these things is not fixing the actual problem. Things could be fixed if we had housing to offer people. She suggests acknowledging the problem with lack of available housing in the framework.

- CM Antonetty noted that there is not enough housing, but since The Dept. of Homeless and Supportive housing has been developed, 500 more units are in the pipeline. That doesn't make everything okay and it can be hard to coordinate with other departments with the frustration of the housing encampment resolution team. It is important to acknowledging the systematic issue and to stabilize the environment that people are currently in.
- **MOTION: To support a Letter of Support for the SFDPH Application to CDC FOA.**
- **VOTE: Motion passes. See column [1] for a vote breakdown.**

10. HAPN Presentation - VOTE

- The Council received a presentation from the HIV/AIDS Provider Network.
- CM Cooper commented that the Tenderloin Resource Center used to have a homeless drop-in center that was open until midnight. There should be something available similar to this, where the community can go after business hours.
 - Bill Hirsch responded that there are a number of organization that try to make their services more accessible to folks, a number of organizations have drop-in hours that are flexible. He acknowledges that agencies and services have gone away. There used to be 30 services that were funded through Care and now there are around 20. We have seen organizations fall by the wayside, and it has become more challenging to provide all the services that the community needs.
 - Lance Toma noted that agencies have gone away but we are trying to figure out what the gaps are. Homelessness, substance use and mental health were the top three priority areas. Through the expanded efforts around the budget we were able to get increased funding for the first time last year. We have been trying to figure out how to expand services: to provide health care at encampments. We are trying to figure that out but will take more time and resources.
- Co-Chair Walubengo thanked HAPN and encouraged Council member to attend the monthly HAPN meetings (first Fridays of the month, API Wellness at 9am).

11. Council Evaluation Discussion - VOTE

- The Council evaluated results of committee discussions regarding the recent post-merge evaluation and will review a motion originating from the Council Affairs Committee.
- CM Cooper inquired about why there are not more African American people becoming Council members. Is it a strenuous interview process?
 - The group discussed the interview process implemented by the Membership Committee.
 - CS Jordan noted that Orin Allen, who she recommended was voted on last month.
- CM Scherich commented that she feels that many unaffiliated consumers are no longer here. She felt like there used to be a point to coming to meetings and it doesn't feel like that anymore. There was an energy but that is gone. She wishes there was less talk on congratulating oneself on successes and more advocacy.
- CM Gonzalez noted that we have prioritized PLWH as consumers, we need to think about people who are prevention consumers. He suggest reaching out to new networks to connect with other communities.
- CM W. Flores commented that he doesn't feel like that the reason for non-participation from consumers is burnout but that the Council has no momentum. He feels that conversations are not as energetic. He noted that he sometimes questions his purpose for being on this Council.
- CM Harkin noted that the format of the Council can be difficult for marginalized populations. He commented that community listening sessions may be a good way to get feedback from community members who may not want to attend meetings.
 - CS Molnar noted that Council staff has discussed putting on town halls to connect with the community outside of the Council.

- CM Chitty suggested creating a workgroup with the LINCS program to connect with clients who have fallen out of care.
- CM Scherich commented that she would like for there to be a way to involve more PLWH voices and to re-energize the PLWH Advocacy Group.
- Co-Chair Siron suggested going back to basics. The Council used to introduce themselves to Board of Supervisors. He would like to go to the Mayor’s office directly. He feels that the Council is rubber stamping when there should be more discussion.
- CM Sachdev suggested having more Council members attend the Getting to Zero Consortium meetings.
 - CM Scherich commented that Getting to Zero feels like a very intimidating space, especially for an unaffiliated consumer.
- CM W. Flores noted that he likes the idea of having a consumer forum to discuss what happened with engagement.
- Co-Chair Siron noted that a lot of PLWH members have passed away recently, he has lost 10 friends. The passion sometimes goes away but he is confident it will return. He noted that sometimes you have to question why you are committed to the Council.
 - CM Scherich noted that with the new administration it should make people more passionate about HIV advocacy.
 - CM Antonetty noted that on the Prevention Council there have been members who have passed away as well. She suggested having a debrief session about loss.
- **MOTION: To convene a strategic planning retreat.**
- **VOTE: Motion Passes. See column [2] for a vote breakdown.**

12. Next Meeting Date- VOTE

The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, October 3rd 2017 at 25 Van Ness, 6th floor conference room, from 10:00 to 4:00.

13. Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned at 6:41 pm by Co-Chair Walubengo.

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

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

Date: August 28, 2017	[roll]	[1]	[2]	[3]	[4]	[5]	[6]	[7]	[8]	[9]	[10]
Chuck Adams	P	Y	Y								
Orin Allen	A	-	-								
Margot Antonetty	P	Y	Y								
Richard Bargetto	P	Y	Y								
Bill Blum	P	Y	Y								
Jackson Bowman	E	-	-								
Ben Cabangun (Co-Chair)	P	Y	Y								

Cesar Cadabes	P	Y	Y																
Ed Chitty	P	Y	Y																
Billie Cooper	P	Y	Y																
Zachary Davenport	P	Y	Y																
Michael Discepola	P	Y	Y																
Cicily Emerson	E	-	-																
Elaine Flores	P	Y	Y																
Wade Flores	P	A	Y																
Timothy Foster	A	-	-																
Matt Geltmaker	E	-	-																
David Gonzalez	P	Y	Y																
Dean Goodwin (Co-Chair) Jose Luis Guzman (Co-Chair)	E/P	Y	-																
Liz Hall	E	-	-																
Paul Harkin	P	Y	Y																
Ron Hernandez	P	Y	Y																
Bruce Ito	P	Y	Y																
Lee Jewell	P	Y	Y																
Darryl Lampkin	A	-	-																
Kevin Lee	E	-	-																
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Jessie Murphy	P	Y	Y																
Irma Parada	P	Y	Y																
Ken Pearce	LoA	-	-																
Mick Robinson	P	Y	Y																
Darpun Sachdev	P	Y	Y																
Stacia Scherich	P	Y	Y																
Mike Shriver	P	Y	Y																
Charles Siron (Co-Chair)	P	Y	Y																
Gwen Smith	E	-	-																

John Paul Soto	P	Y	Y								
Eric Sutter	A	-	-								
Laura Thomas	P	Y	Y								
Linda Walubengo (Co-Chair)	P	Y	Y								
Ayes		27	27								
Nayes											
Abstain		1									
Recusal											
Total		28	27								