

HIV Health Services Planning Council
PLANNING COMMITTEE MINUTES
Tuesday, April 11, 2006
25 Van Ness Avenue, Room 330 A
3:30 – 5:30 pm

Committee Members Present: Laura Thomas (co-chair); Donald Soto; Ellen Sweetin

Committee Members Absent: George Simmons (co-chair)

Other Council Members Present: Ken Pearce, Susan Philip

Others Present: Celinda Cantu and Ling Hsu, SFDPH HIV Health Services

Council Support Present: Jack Newby; Enrique Asis; Susan Latham

1. Introductions

Co-Chair Thomas called the meeting to order at 3:44 pm and those present introduced themselves.

2. Review/Approve Agenda

Committee reviewed the agenda and it was approved by consensus. Item 10 was moved before Item 6.

3. Review/Approve *March 14th, 2006 Minutes*

Committee reviewed the minutes from the March 14th, 2006 Planning Committee meeting and approved them by consensus.

4. Announcements

There were no announcements

5. Public Comment

There were no public comments.

6. Steering Committee and General Update

Co-Chair Thomas presented a monthly update of Steering Committee activities and discussions, which were primarily items from this Committee.

7. Review of Severe Need and Eligibility Definitions in the Planning Council's Policy and Procedures Draft Manual

Discussion:

- Look at transportation issues, especially for Marin and San Mateo Counties
 - Ex: Ryan White CARE Act formula would reflect a loss of dollars from Marin and how those funds are distributed across the EMA (Eligible Metropolitan Area)
 - San Francisco needs to be prepared for clients from other counties, especially for services not available in their "home" counties
- Forward discussion to Steering Committee, for discussion only

- Formulate proposal for full council and encourage SFDPH HIV Health Services to attend
- Update federal poverty level and eligibility form for presentation

8. Update on Board of Supervisors' Education Project

Ms. Thomas reported that council co-chairs have met with Supervisors Daly, Dufty and Maxwell, that the process of meeting with other members of the Board is continuing.³

9. Review EPI/Surveillance Presentation to the Planning Council in April

Ling Hsu, San Francisco Department of Public Health, HIV Health Services, presented, noting that Maree Kay Parisi would be presenting to the full Council.

Discussion:

- More late tester information
- Surveillance: waiting for the legislation to be signed
- Minimum information on OOJ cases, therefore not investigated or reported
- Paying for care in OOJ cases: many live in neighboring counties
- Rough estimate of OOJ is 5000
- Why are numbers so high? CDC does not report by risk behaviors, but orientation (Cantu)
- Include incidents of rate and prevalence, a population estimate or range, and choose midpoint as the final number
- Include some methodology and explain the consensus data estimate and compare with HIV reporting data

10. Review of Reggie

Celinda Cantu, San Francisco Department of Public Health, HIV Health Services, reviewed last year's presentation, noting there will be a new release of Reggie on July 1st, 2006, which is after the presentation to the full Council.

Discussion:

- Each data field will have a time check
- Severe need data will be included
- The merged records will be have more valid information
- Reggie would date from the beginning of CoE (Centers of Excellence) to current
- Roll out has already started; there will be a meeting for Reggie users' groups
- Bugs should become known by September; subsequently addressed
- March – August is the usual monitoring period
- compliance is high, except for two agencies
- interface will not change that much: most else is an add-on, i.e. there are no new screens
- better picture of public/private insurance
- if med regime has not changed in a year, Reggie would not invalidate: a button has been added that states "added as of today"
- demographics are based on last year's questions
- look at change from one to three year presentation:
 - household demographics

- household incomes
- what % is below poverty level
(In the past, DPH knew the answers to the above items.)
- Suggested additions:
 - Clients over 50
 - Late testers (HIV/AIDS diagnosis concurrent)
 - Formerly incarcerated, i.e. within last four months
 - Do a three-year comparison: 03-04, 04-05, 05-06
 - Zip code comparisons

Ms. Thomas thanked Ms. Cantu for the presentation, and requested an update in six to nine months.

11. Review Outline and Draft Calendar for Priority Setting and Allocation including Data Presentation Schedule for Fiscal year 2007

Committee reviewed and discussed

12. Next Meeting Date & Agenda Items

Committee identified the following agenda items for the next meeting scheduled for May 9th, 2006:

- Review presentations for the May 22nd Full Council meeting
- Update on Board of Supervisors' Education Project

Co-Chair Thomas adjourned the meeting at 5:44 pm.

All documents presented and reviewed at the meeting are on file at Council Support Office.