



# HIV Health Services Planning Council

## PLANNING COMMITTEE

### MINUTES

Tuesday, July 10th, 2007

San Francisco Department of Public Health

25 Van Ness Avenue, Room 330B

3:30 – 5:30pm

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**Committee members present:** Thomas (Co-Chair), Soto, Sweetin, Siron

**Committee members absent:** Simmons (Co-Chair), Kleffner (LOA)

**Other Council members present:** Hicks

**Others present:** Mike Smith (HAPN), Bill Blum (SF DPH HHS), Celinda Cantu (SF DPH HHS), Michelle Long (Director, SF DPH HHS)

**Council Support Staff:** Jack Newby, Ray West, Lili Belo

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#### 1. Introductions

Planning Committee meeting was called to order by CM Thomas at 3:40 pm. Quorum was established and everyone introduced themselves.

#### 2. Review/Approve Agenda

Request to address item 9 before item 7.

Change the June 12<sup>th</sup> minutes to the June 26<sup>th</sup> minutes for review.

The Agenda was reviewed and *approved by consensus*.

#### 3. Review/Approve *June 12th, 2007 Minutes*

June 26<sup>th</sup> Minutes were reviewed and *approved by consensus*.

#### 4. Announcements

There were no announcements

#### 5. Public Comment

There was no public comment

#### 6. Steering Committee Update

An update was given at last night's Full Council meeting.

#### 7. Review of Funding Streams Presentation/DPH

The presentation format will break down Title I and II and General Funds. The break down will be determined by category with estimates regarding the continuation of funding streams.

The Steering Committee will decide the total time to be allotted to the presentation.

#### 8. Review of Quality Management (QM) Presentation

This update was provided by Celinda Cantu, SF DPH HHS.

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The format will be similar to last year's presentation with the addition of more Centers of Excellence (CoE) data. Figures are underway and should be finalized by the end of the week.

Final presentation will be available for review by Monday July 16<sup>th</sup>, 2007.

30 minutes is the allotted time for the presentation, including time for questions and answers.

Patricia Sullivan will be the presenter.

## **9. Review and Discussion of HIV/AIDS Provider Network (HAPN) Presentation**

Mike Smith, HAPN, distributed and discussed the context of a draft copy of the HIV/AIDS Provider Network Presentation.

The presentation addressed the reality that much of the HIV/AIDS funding is now coming from General funds. Likewise, recent cuts in funding have made this year particularly difficult for HIV/AIDS services.

Several recommendations were noted:

- Lobbying the Mayor's office for more funding
- Identifying alternative funding, and lobbying the AIDS Office to assist in this effort
- Continuing transparency and development of CoEs to have idea of what the cost per client is
- Commend the Council in areas of great progress from last year's recommendations
- Urge funding to ALL service categories, even those not funded by CARE dollars
- Collaborating in a Changing environment
  - Encourage the Council to stay on top of bureaucratic activities
  - There may be a need to look into whether current funding sources are sustainable in the long run
  - Recognizing that the role of the CARE Council will diminish as funding dollars are cut, finding new roles for the CARE Council

HAPN requested 30 minutes for the presentation including time for questions and answers, presentation to be divided among 4 presenters.

Logistics regarding the HAPN presentation were discussed

## **10. Review and Discussion of New Needs Assessment Data Presentation**

Needs Assessment research project focused on women of Color and Transgender Women

Methods of data collection included in-depth interviews and focus groups

- Interview methods were done by telephone

- Focus group methods were divided by ethnic groups: African American focus group, Latina focus group done in Spanish, and a transgender focus groups

Topics explored were specific to health care, substance use, domestic violence/abuse and stigma

Demographics regarding the focus population were presented and discussed including gender, housing, ethnic identity, age and care giver status

Several barriers regarding cultural competency, stigma, discrimination and safety were expressed and discussed

Data compiled was also used to assess severe need eligibility, broken down by race and gender categories

Recommendations following the research:

- Increase access to both cultural and linguistic competency
- Conduct outreach and training on HIV/AIDS standards of practice and cultural competency to emergency service providers
- Setting aside housing and developing other services for women only
- Developing and maintaining clean and sober affordable housing for HIV + women
- Increase awareness of abuse and domestic violence services
- Plan and conduct outreach efforts targeting HIV + women
- Encourage service providers to organize support groups for HIV + women of color

There is approximately 40 minutes allotted for the presentation including time for question and answer

## **11. Continue Discussions of Priority Setting and Resource Allocation Summit**

- Development of Recommendations for Planning Council
  - Previous recommendations were reviewed:
    - Two tiers of services
    - Fund tier I at 75% in a flat funding scenario
    - Not adding back residential substance abuse services
    - Other support services to stay in priority order voted on at the May meeting with dollars amounts provided
      - Incorporating the MAI
    - Committee members also discussed developing recommendations to include Women of Color and transgender Women – an additional note was made regarding allocating any additional funds to the development of programs to meet the needs of women/transgender, particularly in terms of substance abuse treatment

➤ **Action Item:**

Develop reasoning for Residential Substance Abuse treatment to be removed from funding

- Also noted: create additional programs regarding housing and mental health support groups based on data presented in the Needs Assessment presentation
- Development of Agenda for Summit
  - The Agenda will follow similarly to last year's Agenda, with a number of items to be voted on
- Review of *Draft Summit Binder*
  - Draft summit binder was reviewed, noting the various sections that will be included as future insertions.

**12. Next Meeting Date & Agenda Items**

- Discuss developing recommendations to include Women of Color/transgender women
- The next Planning Committee Meeting date is scheduled for Tuesday, August 7<sup>th</sup>, 3:30 until 5:30 p.m., 25 Van Ness Avenue, Room 330B, San Francisco.

**13. Adjourn**

Meeting was adjourned at 5:31 pm

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