



HIV Health Services Planning Council
CONSUMER AND MINORITY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Tuesday, June 1, 2010
Department of Public Health
25 Van Ness Avenue, 3rd Floor, Room 330A
3:00-5:00 pm

Committee Members Present: Aaron Chandler, Billie Cooper, Carol Hudson, Maritza Penagos, Gerardo Ramos

Committee Members Absent: Lee Jewell [E-Proxy: Maritza Penagos], Matthew Miller, Mark Molnar

Others Present: Amy Crisostomo [Harder & Co], Steve Manley, Ayako Miyashita [HCAP], George Simmons, Michelle Spence, Channing Wayne

Support Staff Present: Randy Allgaier, William Ching, T.J. Lee

Draft Minutes

1. Introductions

The meeting was called to order at 3:04 pm by Co-Chair Ramos. Everyone introduced themselves and quorum was established.

2. Review/Approve Agenda – VOTE

The agenda was reviewed and approved.

3. Review/Approve April 6th and May 4th, 2010 DRAFT Minutes – VOTE

The April 6th and May 4th notes were reviewed and approved.

CM Manley made the correction on the May 4th Minutes, “absence” instead of presence” in the Introductions.

4. Announcements

- CS Allgaier announced that the Community Forum on Hepatitis C/HIV co-infection will be held on June 7th between 6-8 pm at 100 Collingwood. The Council is now listed as a co-sponsor of the event.
- Council Care rep will not be able to going to DC. CS Allgaier also expressed appreciation for individuals who donated money.
- Co-Chair Ramos San Francisco AIDS Foundation will sponsor a forum on June 23 between 5-8 on Latino and HIV/AIDS. The event will be in Spanish with English translation available.
- CM Cooper went to Arizona this past weekend and participated in a five mile walk to protest the recent immigration bill.

5. Public Comments

There was no public comment.

6. HIV Consumer Advocate Report (HCAP)

Ayako Miyashita presented the Committee with her monthly report. She is currently working with a few clients who are homeless. ALRP decided as a policy matter, a client’s file will be closed that after 90 days if the client does not respond. This will not preclude consumers from reopening the cases in the future.

The majority of cases still concern dental services, but a few medical cases have arisen. She is talking to both the clients and the providers and as time goes on, and as he becomes more familiar with the system, she is feeling confident that ALRP will be more successful in the future. She also sees a trend where clients have a whole realm of issues, for example, dealing with backend grievances, seeking services and procuring housing. Seeking services is both long and time-consuming.

She talked about upcoming meetings where she will be presenting and outreaching and the importance of caring for one's self before helping others. She also passed out a monthly report and a new draft of the brochure, both of which are on file at the Council Support Staff office.

7. Presentation of Focus Groups

Amy from Harder & Co presented the Committee with preliminary findings from their focus groups on African American HIV+ Women, Hepatitis C/HIV Co-Infection and people age 50+. Harder conducted a total of five focus groups, each one dedicated to the above three mentioned target populations, they also convened a group for providers and two groups of people over 50 because the first group was too skewed towards people aged around 50.

Each group was asked three main questions: service needs, access to care and challenges, and the findings are detailed in the draft copies, which are available at the Council Support Staff office.

CS Allgaier then presented his findings from a recent HIV + Aging online survey. A copy of his presentation is also available at the Council Support Staff office.

8. Allocation Decision on Additional Carry-Forward Funds

CS Allgaier updated the Committee on the additional available funds recently freed up, \$200,000 and presented the Committee with two motions from the Steering Committee.

MOTION-CM Penagos/CM Chandler - To fully fund the service category "Referral for Supportive Services" for an eight month period if this service category is eliminated by General Funds, any remaining funds from carry-forward dollars will be allocated 50% to dental, the Therapeutic Monitoring Program, and food, to be distributed as DPH-HHS sees fit, and the other 50% to Emergency Financial Assistance with a focus on housing and eviction protection.

The motion passed with two recusals.

9. Update on Outreach and Listening

CS Allgaier updated the Committee on the changes in Clinic Consortium date. There will be two meetings, one in June and another in July.

10. Next Meeting Date & Agenda Items

The next Consumer and Minority Affairs Meeting is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, July 6th, 2010, 25 Van Ness Room 330A from 3-5 pm.

Parking Lot:

- Needs Assessment
- HIV and Aging
- Feedback from workshop in preparation for SFCCC.

11. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:50 pm by Co-Chair Ramos.

Voting Worksheet

Roll Call: **P**=Present; **A**=Absent; **E**=Excused; **L**=Leave of Absence
 Votes: **Y**=Yes; **N**=No; **B**=Abstain; **R**=Recused (deduct from quorum)

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1.	Mark Agtane		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2.	Aaron Chandler	P	Y								
3.	Billie Cooper	P	Y								
	Anna Heath	LOA									
4.	Carol Hudson	P	Y								
5.	Lee Jewell (Co-Chair) E-Proxy: Maritza Penagos	E	Y								
6.	Matthew Miller	A	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
7.	Mark Molnar	A	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
8.	Maritza Penagos	P	Y								
9.	Gerardo Ramos (Co-Chair)	P	R								
1.	John Andrews										

Ayes		5									
Nayes											
Abstain											
Recusal		1									

Total									