



HIV Health Services Planning Council
GOVERNMENT AND PROVIDER AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
Tuesday, June 13, 2010
Department of Public Health
25 Van Ness Avenue, 3rd Floor, Room 330B
3:30-5:30 pm

Committee Members Present: Margot Antonetty, Cicily Emerson, Liz Gatewood, Matt Geltmaker, Jesus Guillen, Mary Lawrence Hicks, Steve Manley, Paul Margolis, Stacia Scherich, Don Soto

Committee Members Absent: George Simmons, Channing Wayne [E]

Others Present: Bill Blum [DPH-HHS], Celinda Cantu [DPH-HHS], Mike Smith [AIDS Emergency Fund]

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

Draft Minutes

1. Introductions

The meeting was called to order at 3:38 pm by Co-Chair Soto. Everyone introduced themselves and quorum was established.

2. Review/Approve Agenda – VOTE

The agenda was reviewed and approved by consensus.

3. Review/Approve June 8th 2010 DRAFT Minutes – VOTE

The minutes were reviewed, amended and approved by consensus.

Correction: CM Manley proposed amending the second bullet point under Announcements to mention Manley was on the Hep C Task Force Panel and that the Council was represented.

4. Announcements

There were no announcements.

5. Public Comments

There was no public comment.

6. HAPN Presentation – VOTE

Mike Smith, President of the AIDS Provider Network gave the GPA Committee a preview of the presentation scheduled for the second Full Council Meeting on July 26th 2010. The presentation gave an overview of HAPN's mission and listed three broad categories of recommendations with nine more specific recommendations.

HAPN gave three broad types of recommendations:

1. Improving the Process: collaboration and communication among the Council, HIV Health Services and HAPN
2. Outcomes: Your Prioritization of Service Categories and Allocation of CARE Dollars
3. Long-Term Systemic Changes: Advocating to protect and expand funding and services for people with HIV/AIDS in San Francisco

The presentation stressed the continued need for further collaboration between HAPN (and its network of providers) and the Planning Council. It highlighted opportunities for providers, consumers and the Planning Council in the San Francisco EMA to shape the outcomes of healthcare reform.

The Committee then discussed the difficulty of measuring client satisfaction and whether or not standardizing survey questions (or at least including a handful of same questions) for different providers would be a good idea.

A copy of the presentation is on file at the Council Support staff office.

7. ARIES Presentation – VOTE

Celinda Cantu from DPH-HHS gave the Committee a preview of the presentation scheduled for the second Full Council Meeting on July 26th 2010.

This year's presentation will differ from previous ones. The database is now entirely in ARIES, compared to REGGIE in the past. She gave an overview of the history of ARIES, areas of concern and improvements (potential for overwriting information, difficulty in cross-referencing the data with severe needs definition) and its future possibilities (possibly deployed EMA-wide).

The presentation will clarify HIV disease stage definitions and the limitations of data. Gender will be used as a base because it is being consistently inputted by providers across the system (approximately 0.02% of providers fail to input a gender).

The Committee offered Celinda some suggestions for the presentation, such as giving a brief history of REGGIE, the system ARIES is replacing. The Committee also suggested that she preface the presentation by stating that the ARIES data is not yet mature and that training is still ongoing.

A copy of the ARIES presentation outline is on file at the Council Support staff office.

8. Next Meeting Date & Agenda Items – VOTE

The next Government and Provider Affairs Meeting is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, August 10th 2010 at 25 Van Ness, Room 330B from 3:30-5:30 pm.

Parking Lot:

9. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:55 pm by Co-Chair Soto.