

HIV Health Services Planning Council
PLANNING COMMITTEE MINUTES
Thursday, August 17th, 2006
25 Van Ness Avenue, Room 330B
3:00 – 5:00 pm

Committee Members Present: Laura Thomas (Co-Chair), Donald Soto, Billie-Jean Kanios, Susan Philip, Ellen Sweetin

Committee Members Absent: George Simmons (Co-Chair)

Other Council Members Present: None

Others Present: Susan Strong, Michelle Long (SF DPH), Dean Goodwin (SFDPH)

Council Support Staff: Jack Newby, Susan Latham, Enrique Asis, Joe Lynn

1. Introductions

The meeting was called to order at 3:08 pm, and everyone introduced themselves.

2. Review/Approve Agenda

The agenda was approved by consensus.

3. Review/Approve August 8th, 2006

The minutes were approved by consensus.

4. Announcements

Director Jack Newby announced the resignation of Valerie Flood.

5. Public Comment

There were no public comments.

6. Review of Three Year Comprehensive Presentation

This item was skipped.

7. Discussion and Development of Recommendations for Priority

The recommendation from this committee would be to acknowledge that home health care service is health care and recognize the impending 75/25 rule. The prior recommendations would be confirmed except that home health would be moved to tier 1.

There were questions raised as to whether tiering was helpful. They have some function for handling possible cuts. There may be advantages to using HRSA categories for priority setting.

8. Discussion and Development of Recommendations for Resource Allocation

There was some discussion of how points are awarded in considering the grant application.

The funding recommendations for allocation levels should be the same as last year.

9. Development of Group Discussions and Large Group Discussions

There was a discussion of how to handle group discussions at the summit. It was agreed that experienced council members would be assigned to each group,

10. Roles of SF DPH HIV Health Services Staff

There was comment on how beneficial it would be for there to be a discussion with DPH about its expectations. There was a consensus that it would be best if Michelle Long were to attend such a discussion.

11. Process of Development of Funding Scenarios

The Council will need an increased funding scenario which will be used primarily for developing the grant application,

Soto/Kanios (Passed 4/0, Thomas abstaining) moved that any increase in funding should go to the COE's in all service categories with expectation that AIDS office will use data to determine how to direct the funding.

Regarding decreased funding scenarios, the history of this year on cutting housing funding was discussed. To the extent general funds are available to backfill CARE cuts, then any shortcoming would be taken out of housing.

There was a consensus that on cuts of up to 5%, the Council would cut the first million dollars from the general fund for housing, with the remaining reductions, taken across board in all service categories.

A 10% cut, would similarly take the first million dollars from the general fund for housing, then the rest would come from tier 2.

Housing would share in cuts after original \$1million

There was a discussion of the effect of a 10% cut on tier 2 agencies.

Two options were developed for a 10 to 15% decrease scenario; first step is the housing cut for both options; then either (1) 15% off tier 2 and remainder across the board, OR (2) cut tier 2, and make up the remainder from tier one across the board.

There was a discussion of the effect of these reductions on the Marin and San Mateo allocations.

The Council could include the ability of the counties to come back with change in reduction protocols for their specific circumstances.

12. Next Meeting Date & Agenda Items

*The next meeting will be on **Tuesday, September 12th, 2006, 3:30 – 5:30pm** at **25 Van Ness Avenue, 330B**. Committee will identify agenda items for the next meeting.*

It was agreed that the Committee would not meet in September and would meet next in October. Co-Chair Laura Thomas said she would be late to the October meeting. There would be no meeting on August 25.

The meeting adjourned at 5:14 pm.