



HIV Health Services Planning Council

HIV AND AGING JOINT WORK GROUP

Wednesday, May 19, 2010

Department of Public Health

25 Van Ness Avenue, 3rd Floor, Room 330B

3:00-5:00 pm

Committee Members Present: Marshall Feldman, Bill Haskell, Christian Irizarry, Steve Manley, David Strachan

Committee Members Absent: Jesus Guillen [E], Mary Lawrence Hicks, Lee Jewell [E],

Others Present: Celina Cantu [HHS], Aimee Crisostomo [Harder & Co], Michael Dane [Green Cross Collective], Erika Takada [Harder & Co], Tzeli Triantafilloy [ViiV Healthcare]

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

Draft Minutes

1. Introductions

The meeting was called to order at 3:08 pm by Co-Chair Manley. Everyone introduced themselves and quorum was established.

2. Review/Approve Agenda – VOTE

The Work Group reviewed and approved the agenda by consensus.

3. Review/Approve March 17th and April 21st, 2010 Minutes – VOTE

The Work Group reviewed and approved the March 19th and April 21st minutes by consensus.

4. Announcements

- CS Allgaier announced that there was a White House Conference call last Friday that mentioned the need for care for people over 50 living with HIV/AIDS and that he attended a daylong symposium at UCSF for HIV and Aging on May 18.
- CS Lee announced that he will be dropping 1000 paper cranes as he bikes to Los Angeles on the AIDS Life Cycle.
- Work Group member Irizarry announced that one of his clients recently died at the age of 70. A moment of silence was observed.

5. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

6. Needs Assessment Presentation

Erika Takada and Aimee Crisostomos from Harder and Company presented the Work Group with findings

from their needs assessment focus groups. A copy of the presentation is on file at the Council Support staff office.

Some notable findings:

- This is the first time a needs assessment has been conducted for providers.
- Two focus groups were conducted because the first group skewed too much to those aged 50. Another focus group was convened for individuals 60 and over.
- Respondents were interested in seeking care from medical specialists (e.g. vision/hearing, cardiology, etc.) and alternative forms of medicines (herbal, Eastern, etc).
- Harder & Co found that current medical specialists have difficulty in differentiating aging and HIV/AIDS-related problems and found the need to train doctors in geriatric HIV/AIDS.

7. Update on and presentation of online survey results

CS Allgaier presented the Work Group with results from the online survey. A copy of the presentation is available at the Council Support staff office.

Some notable findings:

- CS Allgaier reported that whites were oversampled in the population, while African Americans were under sampled. There was a wide range in incomes.
- Respondents detailed more of their fears and anxieties as opposed to health care. Some talked about a fear of growing older without a social support network and anxieties about the unknown long term effects of ARVs.
- The financial impact of HIV and Aging treatment also weighed heavily on some respondents' minds.

8. White Paper Outline and Status Report

CS Allgaier updated the Work Group on the status of the White Paper, the focus of which is not to make recommendations on primary care and prevention, because these topics will be discussed in the future.

The White Paper will take a comprehensive look at needs assessment findings and the online survey results. IT will discuss the long term issues of treatment, co-morbidities and the complexity of care. CM Hicks and CM Sharp are currently reviewing this part of the Paper. The Paper will also take a comparative look at other studies going on nationally. CS Allgaier will offer the Committee an opportunity to review the paper before presenting it to the Full Council.

9. Membership Application – VOTE

Chris Supanich was approved for admission into the HIV and Aging Work Group by consensus.

10. Next Steps for the Work Group

Work Group decided to continue reviewing the White Paper.

11. Next Meeting Date and Agenda Items

The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, June 16, 2010 from 3-5 pm at 25 Van Ness, Room 330B, San Francisco, CA.

Parking Lot:

12. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5 pm by Co-Chair Manley.