

HIV HEALTH SERVICES PLANNING COUNCIL

Meeting Minutes

March 24, 2021

10:04 a.m. to 11:24 a.m.

Meeting Location: Via Teleconference. No in-person meeting.

Zoom Teleconference Info: 1-669-900-6833

Zoom Conference ID: 933 6283 4407

Zoom Passcode: 336937

Facilitator: Kristina Clark, Council Chair

Scribe: Paula Gammell, County Staff

Council Member Attendees via Teleconference: Chelle Gossett, David Contreras, Dennis Poupart, Janet Parker, Judy Vang, Kristina Kendricks-Clark, Melody Law, Michael Wofford, Minerva Reid, Ronnie Miranda, Steve Austin, Susan Farrington, and Tracy Thomas

Members Excused: Beth Valentine, Kaye Pulupa, Linda Ryan, Michael Ungeheuer, Richard Benavidez, Rick Myers, Robyn Learned, Tom Hannon, Tracy Jenkins and Zachary B.

Members Absent: Charles McDonald, Kane Ortega, and Metzli Castro

Guests: Becky Gonzales, Rashida Green, Wanda Vasquez, Jake Bradley-Rowe, Tara Raoufi, William Rhodes and Clarmundo Sullivan

Topic	Minutes
<p>Welcome, Introductions and Announcements</p>	<p>Ronnie Miranda advised that today is the last day of AIDS Watch 2021.</p> <p>Steve Austin advised that Healing Waters is having a virtual open house on Thursday, April 1st at 7 p.m. There will be an in-person open house on April 11th from 1 – 2 p.m.</p> <p>Kristina Kendricks-Clark advised that Harm Reduction Services’ “We Care” group has resumed meeting while practicing social distancing.</p> <p>Jake Bradley-Rowe advised that Sunburst Projects is no longer providing re-certifications for Shelter Plus Care. Their Bio-Psycho-Social Support Group meets on Thursdays.</p>
<p>Agenda and Minutes Review*</p>	<p>Motion to approve Agenda as presented was made by Ronnie Miranda with a second by Steve Austin. Discussion noted that there is an updated January 2021 Fiscal Agent report. Ronnie Miranda amended the motion to approve the Agenda with the updated Fiscal Agent Report. Steve Austin seconded the amended motion which was approved by consensus.</p> <p>Motion to approve the Minutes was made by Steve Austin with a second by Ronnie Miranda and approved by consensus.</p>
<p>Presentation: Mechanics of the Planning Council</p>	<p>Staff presented a training on the Mechanics of the Planning Council which highlighted the duties and responsibilities of the Planning Council and Fiscal Agent.</p> <p>Staff requested Council Members’ sign and return the Code of Conduct, Conflict of Interest and Policy Acknowledgment forms.</p>
<p>Office of AIDS (OA) Update March 2021</p>	<p>Council Staff referred participants to the State Office of AIDS’ March 2021 OA Voice for various updates. The issue highlights the efforts to End the Epidemic by Sacramento County.</p>

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<p>HIV/STI Prevention Updates</p>	<p>U=U The Sacramento County Sexual Health Promotion Unit has created a U=U campaign. Below is a link to one of the videos.</p> <p>https://vimeo.com/515539707/b7f22cad9b</p> <p>It is currently advertised on Instagram and via Google search word. It is targeting Instagram accounts in Zip codes with the highest rates of Syphilis and Gonorrhea, before broadening the audience. We are working on the print ads now that will be placed on buses, and we will design educational materials (like palm-cards) that will be printed and distributed.</p> <p>If interested, we can provide them (free of course) for your agencies.</p> <p>Linkage to Care The Sacramento County Sexual Health Promotion Unit now has a Linkage to Care Coordinator: Dyani Jacobo (she/her) - she can be reached via phone/text at (916) 224-0174. Dyani has also updated our POZ packs for HIV and HCV, if anyone would like those resources they can reach out to her as well.</p> <p>Sacramento Sexual Health Clinic Update Clinic is now open for HIV Care (Fridays), other appointments from Tues - Friday. No walk-in appointments available.</p> <p>Home Testing The County has launched a new appointment-based Home Testing Program for youth experiencing homelessness or in foster care. Appointments can be made by calling 916-644-0766.</p>
<p><u>Fiscal Agent Reports</u></p>	<p>A copy of the January 2021 Monthly Fiscal Report was presented for review and approval. El Dorado, Placer and Sacramento Counties are presently under-spending.</p>

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<p>January 2021 Monthly Fiscal Report*</p> <p>SOA Ending the HIV Epidemic Update</p> <p>HRSA Part A Ending the Epidemic Update</p>	<p>Susan Farrington advised that approximately \$3,000 will be returned from El Dorado County and less than \$1,000 will be returned from Placer County. Motion to approve the updated FY20 January 2021 Monthly Fiscal Report as presented was made by Kristina Kendricks-Clark with a second by Judy Vang and approved by consensus.</p> <p>Please refer to the State Office of AIDS' OA Voice for a thorough update on the County's Ending the HIV Epidemic progress.</p> <p>The County is proceeding with the "build out" of space at the Sacramento Sexual Health Center to accommodate four exam rooms for HIV medical services. Additionally, the County received an increased in funding for Year-2 of HRSA's Ending the Epidemic award.</p>
<p>Committee Updates</p> <p>FY21 ACC Work Plan</p> <p>FY21 General Directives* FY21 Service Directives*</p>	<p>Administrative Assessment Committee (AdAC): Susan Farrington advised that the Administrative Assessment Committee will meet next on June 11, 2021.</p> <p>Affected Communities Committee (ACC): Council Staff advised that ACC met and reviewed the Positive Advocate, Work Plan, Training Calendar and Outreach Calendar. The Planning Council is now 38% reflective.</p> <p>A copy of ACC's FY21 Work Plan was presented for informational purposes.</p> <p>Priorities and Allocations Committee (PAC): Susan Farrington advised that the Committee met and discussed the FY21 General Directives, FY21 Services Directives, discussed potential changes to the Substance Abuse Residential Services category and updated its FY21 Work Plan.</p> <p>The FY21 General Directives and FY21 Service Directives were presented for review and approval. The only changes from the prior year were references to the current fiscal year. Motion to approve the two directives was made by Ronnie Miranda with a second by Dennis Poupart and was approved by consensus.</p>

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Substance Abuse Residential Services Discussion*	<p>Susan Farrington advised that One Community Health (OCH) submitted a request to allow greater flexibility in providing residential substance abuse services to not only meet clients' needs but also due to issues with the subcontractor. The existing allocations only permit detox services only. Discussion noted that some clients do not want to or cannot utilize Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) and require traditional detox services. Clients need to be "clean" to enter residential services.</p> <p>Any subcontracted provider, per mandate, is held to the same Ryan White standards as the contracted provider, OCH. Discussion regarding the availability of County-funded substance abuse treatment services noted that clients must qualify for Medi-Cal to obtain the services. Not all Ryan White clients have Medi-Cal insurance. County-funded services take extended periods of time to qualify for/obtain.</p> <p>Motion to approve the expanded service option with 20% of the allocation for detox services and 80% of the funding allocated to residential services was made by Dennis Poupart with a second by Tracy Thomas and approved with one abstention.</p>
FY21 PAC Work Plan	<p>A copy of PAC's FY21 Work Plan was presented for informational purposes.</p> <p>Quality Advisory Committee (QAC): Council Staff advised that QAC did not meet in March 2021.</p>
FY20 Post Card Survey Update	<p>Council Staff has been inputting the various post card responses. The report will be finalized in May 2021.</p> <p>Needs Assessment Committee (NAC): Council Staff advised that there are approximately 9 completed Needs Assessment Surveys. Four surveys were distributed to CommuniCare earlier in the month. Council Staff will reach out to One Community Health to conduct additional surveys.</p>
FY21 NAC Work Plan	<p>A copy of NAC's FY21 Work Plan was presented for informational purposes.</p>

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	<p>Governance (Gov): Council Staff advised that Michael Ungeheuer has been reviewing the various documents monthly and will report back if there are an areas of concern.</p>
Binder Updates	<p>The following updates for the HIV Health Services Planning Council’s Policy and Procedure Manual were includes in seated Council Members’ meeting documents/packets.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Binder Table of Contents • Section 2 Table of Contents • Council Roster 3/8/21 • 2021-2022 Council and Committee Chair List • 2021 Meeting Schedule • Provider Directory – March 2021 • Section 11 Table of Contents • SSC11 Medical Transportation • SSC15 Housing • SSC16 Emergency Financial Assistance • SSC20 Health Education and Risk Reduction • SSC21 Non-Medical Case Management
Technical Assistance Needs	<p>Please contact Chelle Gossett, Paula Gammell or Kristina Kendricks-Clark for any technical assistance.</p>
Public Comments	<p>Chelle Gossett required providers to share any service standards or directive updates with staff at their respective agencies.</p> <p>Ronnie Miranda expressed gratitude to Kristina Kendricks-Clark, William Rhodes and Clarmundo Sullivan for their assistance in helping him obtain a COVID vaccination.</p> <p>Janet Parker advised that as of 3/15/21, any individual living with HIV can obtain a COVID vaccination. To obtain a vaccination at OCH, individuals must be a client.</p>
Adjournment	<p>Meeting adjourned 11:27 a.m. Next meeting: April 28, 2021</p>