HIV HEALTH SERVICES PLANNING COUNCIL – Needs Assessment Committee (NAC)

Meeting Minutes

June 6, 2023, 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Meeting Location:

4600 Broadway, Sacramento, CA 95820 Community/Conference Room 2020

Facilitator: Ronnie Miranda – NAC Chair

Scribe: Angelina Olweny, Council Staff

Committee Member Attendees: Jake Bradley-Rowe, Richard Benavidez and Ronnie Miranda

Members Excused: Kristina Kendricks-Clark

Members Absent: Josh Kooman County Staff: Danielle Caravella Guests: Lili Joy, Melissa Willet

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Welcome, Introductions and, Announcements	Welcome, and introductions began at 3:17 PM
Public Comments- Action Items	No announcements
Agenda Review* Minutes Review* March	The June agenda was presented for review and approval. Richard Benavidez motioned to approve the agenda with a second from Jake Bradley-Rowe. Motion passed with a majority. Approve: Jake Bradley-Rowe, Richard Benavidez, Ronnie Miranda Oppose: N/A Abstain: N/A The minutes were presented for review and approval. Richard Benavidez motioned to approve the minutes as presented and Jake Bradley-Rowe seconded the motion. Motion passed with a majority. Approve: Jake Bradley-Rowe, Richard Benavidez
	Oppose: N/A Abstain: Ronnie Miranda
FY 22 Needs Assessment report	191 Ryan White clients completed the survey. The 2022 Survey respondents were representative of the TGA's HIV/AIDS epidemiology and 2022 Ryan White client caseload in terms of race, gender, mode of HIV transmission, county residence, housing status, and poverty level.

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	The question on the client's poverty level could be reconsidered as an included question because there may be people above the federal poverty level who still need services. Someone questioned the relevance of the question on the current job status. They suggested reframing this question. There was a discussion around the mode of transmission question as a client may not know how they got infected. Also, there is stigma and shame surrounding transmission. The report helps shape the conversation on how funding can influence priorities and allocations and whether services meet clients' needs. The report identifies implications for services and improvement such as addressing knowledge barriers and educating clients. Peer advocates can be a resource.
FY23 Needs Assessment Mini- Survey Discussion	There was a discussion around HIV and Aging and that there is an area of need for HIV services for consumers ages 55 and older. Data shows that this age demographic is increasing. The services they need include home-based and respite services. The challenge some consumers face is that their income bracket prevents them from qualifying for certain services. Approaches to conducting a mini-survey involves conducting focus groups to do a deeper dive into the available service categories and needs, and identifying which Ryan White service categories are not funded. Comparing what other metropolitan cities are doing in terms of providing services and what end users are saying could provide useful insights. The mini-survey could focus on the growing aging population.
Public Comments- Non-agenda items	The Administrative Assessment Committee will meet on June 15 th at 10:00 AM. One needs to be a seated member to attend and sign a confidentiality agreement before attending. The CQI meeting is on June 20 th .
Technical Assistance	For technical assistance reach out to Richard Benavidez and Kristina Kendricks-Clark

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Adjournment	4:22 PM