

Sacramento County  
Department of Health Services  
HIV Health Services Planning Council  
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**HIV HEALTH SERVICES PLANNING COUNCIL**

**Meeting Minutes**

August 23, 2023, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

**Facilitator:** Richard Benavidez, Council Chair

**Scribe:** Angelina Olweny, Council Staff

**Council Member Attendees:**

Chelle Gossett, David Contreras, Dennis Poupart, Jake Bradley-Rowe, Kane Ortega, Kaye Pulupa, Kelly Gluckman, Keshia Lynch, Lenore Gotelli, Richard Benavidez, Shy Brown, Steven Austin, Zach Basler, Ronnie Miranda, Melissa Willett, Kristina Kendricks-Clark, Troy Stermer, Josh Kooman

**Members Excused:** Melody Law, Yingjia Huang, Michael Ungeheuer, Minerva Reid, Judy Vang, Beth Valentine, Tracy Thomas

**Absent:**

**Guests:** Jessica Lara, Michelle Monroe, Bradford Bartholomai, Austin Green, Clarmundo Sullivan, Tracy Lee

**County Staff:** Danielle Caravella

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<b>Topic</b>	<b>Minutes</b>
Welcome, Introductions and, Announcements	<p>Meeting and introductions started at 10:11AM</p> <p>NorCal AIDS Cycle has a check a distribution next Wednesday, August 30 from 7-9PM at Mulvaney's. Registration for the HIV and Aging Conference at the Hyatt in Downtown Sacramento is now open. The Conference is on September 18 and 19.</p> <p>As a reminder these meetings follow Roberts rules order. Limit side conversation, each person has equal voice and participate using the code of conduct.</p> <p>State Office of AIDS is looking to hire an RN for the Medi-Cal Waiver program. The RN will be doing site visits and certified level of care for participants.</p>
Public Comments- Action Items	No public comments.
Agenda Review*  Minutes Review* June	<p>The agenda was presented for review and approval. Ronnie Miranda motioned to approve the agenda as presented and Kane Ortega seconded the motion. The motion passed with a majority. See vote sheet for details.</p> <p>The June minutes were presented for review and approval. Dennis Poupart motioned to accept the minutes as presented with a second by Zach Basler. Kane Ortega noted that Richard Benavidez was listed as the Committee chair instead of the Council Chair on the first page. On page 4 under the PAC Overview in the fourth paragraph, the preposition "to" was missing in the sentence "Kane Ortega motioned". On page 5, the first sentence should read "in a bullet point document for case managers" to encourage clients to complete the survey. Kane Ortega made an amended motion to accept the minutes with the changes made with a second from Jake Bradley-Rowe. The motion passed with a majority. See vote sheet for details.</p>

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<p>SOA AIDS May 2023 Update</p>	<p>The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) site visit was a success. The CDC visited Sacramento County of Public Health, Sunburst Projects and Alameda Public Health Department. The feedback received was very positive.</p> <p>2023 Ending the Syndemic Symposium was successful. The Symposium addressed the HIV/STIs/HCV. The recordings of each session and session materials can be found at <a href="https://facenteconsulting.com/ending-the-syndemic-symposium/">https://facenteconsulting.com/ending-the-syndemic-symposium/</a> There are links to resources on the Office of AIDS website to stay informed COVID 19.</p> <p>PrEP-AP has partnered with Color Health to provide a fully funded telehealth option for eligible Californians to enroll in and utilize PrEP-AP services. PrEP-AP service is available to Californians 18 and older who meet PrEP-AP eligibility criteria. Color Health will be adding services for minors ages 12-17.</p> <p>The State Office of AIDS is implementing the Building Health Online Communities (BHOC) self-testing program that allows individuals to self-test for HIV in all jurisdictions in California. Mail in lab tests accounted for over 56.2% of distributed in Ending the HIV Epidemic (EHE) counties.</p> <p>HIV Care Connect is to replace ARIES. The New launch for HIV Care Connect is April 2024. For more information contact the <a href="#">HIV Data Systems page</a>.</p> <p>The California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) will release its draft of the 2022-23 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) for public comment. The CAPER reports on specified federal housing and economic assistance allocated by the state, which includes the Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) program, for the period July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023. The public comment period is from September 1 through September 17 at 5PM PST.</p>
<p>Presentation: HIV and Aging</p>	<p>The presentation on HIV and Aging focused on the challenges experienced by people ages 50 and over who are living with HIV. Over the years there have been initiatives that address the</p>

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	<p>challenges faced by individuals who are over 50 years and living with HIV. Jax Kelly stated that data in 2021 showed that in California, 56% of the population living with HIV are aged 50 years and older. This statistic is similar to the nationwide average. Additionally, 10% of the population between the ages of 50-59 are newly diagnosed with HIV. The growing population of people 50 and older is attributed to the availability and continued improvement of anti-retroviral drugs in the nineties to the present.</p> <p>People living with HIV have an increased risk of developing COPD, diabetes, and acute chronic kidney disease. People living with HIV are also in need of housing, mental health services, and caretakers.</p>
<p>CPG/HIV/STI Prevention Updates</p>	<p>The California Planning Group (CPG) had a meeting yesterday and Richard Benavidez gave an overview to the Planning Council. The CPG started in 1993 and the most recent CPG mission started in 2019. The CPG is hosted by six branches in the Office of AIDS and the STD control branch. There are 34 members in the CPG. Nine members are nominated members. The nine members represent the Part A Ryan White recipients. Richard Benavidez, the Planning Council chair represents the Part A recipients for the Sacramento TGA.</p> <p>The CPG operates at the committee level. The committees include the Steering Committee, Executive Committee, HIV and Aging Committee, Women’s Committee, and Youth Committee. A Drug User Health Committee is in the process of being launched. The infographic on HIV and Aging is in the final review and approval process and will be released on HIV and Awareness Day in September.</p> <p>There will be a CPG meeting in the fall on November 13-15. The meeting is open to the public and public comment is allowed. More information will be provided at a later date. As a nominated member, Richard Benavidez is required to share information discussed at the CPG meeting that relates to serving people living with HIV with the Council in the TGA</p>

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<p>FY23 June Part A Monthly Fiscal Report*</p>	<p>Chelle Gossett presented the FY23 June Monthly Fiscal Report for review and approval. Part A expenditures for the Sacramento TGA should be at 33% through June 30<sup>th</sup>. The current TGA spending for El Dorado County is at 27% and 32% for Placer County. The current TGA spending for Sacramento County is at 23.2%. The overall expenditure for the Sacramento Transitional Grant Area (TGA) is 24.03%.        Lenore Gotelli motioned to accept the Part A June monthly report as presented and Melissa Willett seconded the motion. The motion passed with a majority. See vote sheet for details.</p>
<p>FY23 June Part B Monthly Fiscal Report</p>	<p>A copy of the FY23 Part B June Monthly Fiscal Report was presented for review. Expenditures should be at 25% through June 30<sup>th</sup>. Yolo County spent 28.0% of their allocations. Sacramento County spent 20.1%. The overall expenditure was 20.92% for the Transitional Grant Area (TGA).</p>
<p>SOA Ending the HIV Epidemic Update</p>	<p>There was a meeting on the final plan for Ending the Epidemic. The CPG has an in-person meeting and will be presenting the implementation process. There is a vacancy for a clinic manager and registered nurses at the Sexual Health Clinic. Sexual Health promotion managers are filling in and assisting patients. There have been no gaps in service for clients due to the vacancies. The Sexual Health Clinic is working with UC Davis healthcare providers to provide healthcare services. One of the providers is working on Wednesday afternoon from 1-5 p.m.</p>
<p>FY22 Annual Recipient Report</p>	<p>The Annual Recipient Report was included for informational purposes. It has statistical information on the aging population and agency initiatives that help specific populations for the Ryan White TGA.</p>
<p>Committee/Work Group Updates</p> <p>Administrative Assessment Committee</p>	<p>The next Administrative Committee Meeting is on Thursday November 16.</p>

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<p>Affected Communities Committee</p>	<p>The Affected Communities Committee met in August. The discussion in the HIV Communities Conversation was about Ending the Epidemic. Participants asked about cluster outbreaks and how to get more information about outbreaks. They asked whether the State Office of AIDS or the Public Health Department would provide more information about outbreaks. The next HIV Community Conversation meeting will be on September 20th.</p> <p>Reflectiveness is at 38.5%. We are still looking to recruit Native American and transgender individuals. Richard Benavidez stated that HRSA requires that one-third of council members should be Ryan White Part A Service recipients. The set goal is to have 33% reflectiveness. Richard Benavidez stated that he would like the Council to have diverse representation and asked members to recommend new members.</p>
<p>Priorities and Allocations Committee        FY23 Carryover *</p>	<p>PAC met on August 9 to decide what to do with carryover funding from the 2022 grant year. Carryover funding is determined by service category. The amount of funding this year is \$183,033. Carryover funding is split over the core and non-core services. Members stated their conflicts of interest and voted individually for each service category with funding changes that will result from the carryover. Richard Benavidez is required to sign the carryover document as a representative of the Planning Council. Dennis Poupart motioned to accept the carryover funding as presented with a second from Kane Ortega. See the attached vote sheet for details.</p>
<p>Quality Advisory Committee</p>	<p>The Quality Advisory Committee did not meet in August. Next meeting is September 5<sup>th</sup>.</p>
<p>Needs Assessment Committee</p>	<p>The next Needs Assessment Committee meeting is September 5 3:00-4:30pm and will discuss HIV and Aging for the future Needs Assessment.</p>
<p>Executive Committee</p>	<p>The next meeting is September 14.</p>

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Ad Hoc Work Group	AdHoc will be meeting later this month and more information will be provided at future meetings.
Governance	The Governance committee did not meet.
Binder Update	Binder updates are complete and will be e-mailed to Council members and will be published on the website.
Public Comments Non-Agenda Items	Next Tuesday August 29 9am-5pm is the LGBTQ+ Advocacy Day at the State Capitol. One of the goals is to inform and secure more funding for PrEP. Ronnie Miranda mentioned that he has concerns about consumer services in Sacramento.
Tech Assistance	For technical assistance, reach out to Richard Benavidez.
Adjournment	11:50 AM

Meeting Date: 8/23/23

Seated Members	Agenda			Minutes			June Part A			FY22 Carryover*								
	Approve	Oppose	Abstain	Approve	Oppose	Abstain	Approve	Oppose	Abstain	Approve	Oppose	Abstain	Approve	Oppose	Abstain	Approve	Oppose	Abstain
Beth Valentine																		
Chelle Gossett	✓			✓					✓									
Christopher Kendrick Stafford																		
David Contreras	✓			✓				✓										
Dennis Poupart	✓			✓				✓										
Jake Bradley-Rowe	✓			✓				✓										
Josh Kooman	✓					✓		✓										
Judy Vang																		
Kaye Pulupa			✓			✓				✓								
Kane Ortega	✓			✓				✓										
Kelly Gluckman	✓			✓				✓										
Keshia Lynch	✓			✓				✓										
Kristina Kendricks-Clark	✓			✓				✓										
Lenore Gotelli	✓			✓				✓										
Melissa Willet	✓			✓				✓										
Melody Law																		
Michael Ungeheuer																		
Minerva Reid																		
Richard Benavidez	✓			✓				✓										
Ronnie Miranda	✓			✓						✓								
Shy Brown	✓			✓				✓										
Steve Austin	✓			✓				✓										
Tracy Thomas																		
Troy Stermer	✓			✓				✓										
Yingjia Huang																		
Zach Basler	✓			✓				✓										

Motion	Ronnie	Dennis	Lenore	Dennis		
Second	Kane	Zach	Melissa	Kane		

Amended Motion		Kane				
Amended Second		Zach				





