

III. REVIEW/APPROVAL NOVEMBER 6, 2008 MEETING SUMMARY

The DRAFT November 6, 2008 HIV Prevention Planning Committee (PPC) Meeting Summary was reviewed. A motion to approve the November 6, 2008 HIV Prevention Planning Committee Meeting Summary passed approved by consensus.

MOTION #2: Approve the November 6, 2008 HIV Prevention Planning Committee (PPC) Meeting Summary.	<i>Passed by consensus</i>	MOTION PASSED
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IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

- Elton Naswood, Program Coordinator for the Red Circle Project at AIDS Project Los Angeles, shared it was announced at the December, 2008 SPA 4 SPN Meeting that Service Provider Networks will no longer be active and funded under the Office of AIDS Programs and Policy (OAPP). Mr. Naswood shared this is a disservice to the clients and commended the SPN's for their work. Lastly, Mr. Naswood challenged OAPP to strategize on how to continue/support the SPNs.
- Susan Forrest, Los Angeles County HIV Drug and Alcohol Task Force, announced a training scheduled on February 4th regarding alcohol use in three unique communities (Native American populations, Skid Row residents and gay populations). Ms. Forrest expressed concern regarding the relationship between the Los Angeles County HIV Drug and Alcohol Task Force and the Prevention Planning Committee (PPC) as the Service Provider Networks (SPNs) has been a communication link between the bodies.
- Josh Riley, Director of Programs at Friends Research Institute, announced the newest issue of *TWACKED* has been released. Copies were placed on the back table. Mr. Riley expressed his hope that the Service Provider Network contracts can continue in some meaningful way.

V. COMMUNITY CO-CHAIRS REPORTS

- PPC Representatives to the Commission on HIV
Terry Smith shared the PPC needs to select a representative to serve on the Commission on HIV (COH) replacing Kathy Watt. Some of the duties and time commitment was explained. Terry Smith opened nominations for a PPC member to represent the PPC at the COH. This seat is a nonvoting seat.

MOTION #3: Open nominations for a PPC member to represent the PPC on the Commission on HIV (COH). This seat is a nonvoting seat.	<i>Passed by consensus</i>	MOTION PASSED
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No nominations/volunteers.

- Update on Think Tank
Terry Smith provided some background on the concept of conducting a Think Tank. Elizabeth Escobedo shared a couple of rooms and dates have tentatively been reserved for the Think Tank. Mr. Smith shared the PPC Executive Subcommittee is taking the lead on this event. Individuals interested in assisting the PPC Executive Subcommittee with the Think Tank, should contact PPC Community Co-Chairs.

Sophia Rumanes shared the original discussions surrounding the Think Tank were modeled from the UCHAPS Think Tank which occurred in Oakland, CA. A suggestion was made to include the Executive Directors of Organizations and upper level management in the Think Tank. Jeffrey King and Mario Gonzalez volunteered to participate in the Think Tank Planning work group. AJ King shared community input is vital for the success of the Think Tank.

VI. GOVERNMENTAL CO-CHAIRS REPORT

Sophia Rumanes announced Happy New Year to everyone.

- Update/Status of CDC Expanded Testing Initiative (Jails)
Ms. Rumanes shared this is a CDC one time funding opportunity to expand testing in disproportionately affected communities (primarily African American Communities). This CDC grant funding opportunity is part of the Heightened National Response to HIV and AIDS for African Americans. Los Angeles County was eligible to apply for this funding opportunity due to the number of AIDS cases among African Americans in Los Angeles County. Ms. Rumanes shared at the time Los Angeles County applied for the funding, it coincided with another conversation OAPP was having with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department regarding streamlining and expanding HIV testing in the jails. Ms. Rumanes shared there are conditions of the CDC grant which state funding can be used for HIV testing (and not any other STD testing), cannot supplant existing programs (must be completely new testing initiatives), and encouraged in health care/clinic settings. As this is a three year grant, Ms. Rumanes shared there is a lot of pressure from the CDC and Congress to ensure this program meets its goals. Los Angeles County committed to provide approximately 12,500 (actual number is 12,440) tests per year. Ms. Rumanes shared due to changes in personnel at the jails, there was a delay in the start up of the testing program; however, Los Angeles County is not exempt from the testing goal numbers. On October 16, 2008, HIV testing began at the jails and almost 500 individuals have been tested to date. Ms. Rumanes shared OAPP is looking to expand the testing initiative into other areas (like SPA 6). Ms. Rumanes indicated she does intend to provide a presentation in the near future.

Additionally, Ms. Rumanes shared the CDC hosted a Grantee's Meeting on December 16th and December 17th in Atlanta for jurisdictions receiving funding as part of the Heightened National Response to HIV and AIDS for African Americans. It was stressed at the CDC Grantee's meeting that jurisdictions are responsible and accountable for meeting their goals.

- Update/Status of Service Provider Networks (SPN)
Sophia Rumanes introduced Carlos Vega-Matos, Director of OAPP Provider Support Services Division, who provided an update of the status of the Service Provider Network contracts and services. For the past few months, Mr. Vega-Matos shared OAPP has been struggling to decide on how to continue to provide the same level of prevention and care

services, with the current financial and fiscal situation. OAPP reviewed several areas in reducing costs without sacrificing direct services, and two areas to consider were revealed: Service Provider Networks and Capacity Building Programs. At the end of February, 2009, the Service Provider Networks will cease to operate. A memo was sent in November, 2008 to the respective Executive Directors informing them of the decision to sunset the SPN contracts. Mr. Vega-Matos acknowledged, over the past few years, the Service Provider Networks have played a greater role in the planning process for the Commission on HIV and Prevention Planning Committee. The work and functions provided by the SPNS will continue through OAPP and is working with the Commission on HIV (COH) to develop a mechanism. Both the PPC and COH needs will be met through this new strategy.

It was requested for Mr. Vega-Matos to report back at the February 5, 2009 HIV Prevention Planning Committee (PPC) meeting with an updated plan of action for the SPN transition. Carlos Vega-Matos publicly thanked the Service Provider Network Coordinators for their dedication and hard work.

- Update/Status on Community Mobilization Efforts
Mr. Vega-Matos shared the Community Mobilization Initiative Planning process is moving along. OAPP had intended to release a request for proposal (RFP) in November, 2008; however, the report from the consultant was 2 ½ months behind schedule. The framework for the RFP has been developed and OAPP is working with its Contract Administration staff to release the RFP within the 1st quarter of calendar year 2009. In conjunction with the release of the RFP, OAPP will be releasing the report from the consultant who collected all of the information to form the development of the RFP.

Mr. Vega-Matos explained community mobilization efforts are to work and mobilize communities around specific HIV prevention goals among African Americans and Latinos.

Sophia Rumanes shared that she provided some funding updates at the PPC Annual Planning Meeting outlining the prevention reductions as of January 1st. Ms. Rumanes shared a few reasons for the reductions include: the five year cycle period is ending and the CDC is unable to roll over funds from past years savings. In addition, the funding from the CDC and State of California has been reduced. This has caused OAPP to implement a nine percent (9%) reduction to Health Education/Risk Reduction (HE/RR) contracts and a six percent (6%) reduction to HIV Counseling and Testing (HCT) Program contracts. Ms. Rumanes shared all of the prevention contracts ended at the end of December, 2008 and contracts were renewed on a month to month basis beginning January 1, 2009. As of the end of May 2009, services contracted through the month to month contract renewal process will terminate and effective June 1, 2009 new programs will be funded.

Carlos Vega-Matos shared the Provider Services Support Division of OAPP has draft reports for the “Latinos in Action” and “Beyond the Basics – Transgender” summits. For follow up on the Latinos in Action forum, OAPP will be planning a meeting with the National Latino AIDS Awareness Day (NLAAD) committee to coordinate the release of the report. Additionally, Mr. Vega-Matos reported OAPP will be meeting with the planning partners for the Beyond the Basics forum to organize the release of the report.

VII. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

- **Operations**
Traci Bivens-Davis reported the Operations Subcommittee met on Tuesday, December 9th. The meeting included a debriefing on the PPC Annual Planning meeting and reviewed the Operations Subcommittee Work Plan initiated at the PPC Annual Planning meeting. The next Operations Subcommittee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 13th at 10:30 AM.
- **Evaluation**
Miguel Martinez reported the Evaluation Subcommittee completed their 2009 Work Plan at the last meeting. The PPC membership survey initiated at the PPC Annual Planning Meeting was discussed at the last Evaluation Subcommittee meeting. The Data Summit Work Group met prior to the last Evaluation Subcommittee meeting to begin planning for the 2009 Data Summit. The next Evaluation Subcommittee meeting is scheduled for January 26th; however, this meeting will probably be rescheduled.
- **Standards & Best Practices**
Phil Hendricks reported the Standards & Best Practices Subcommittee met on December 18th and finalized the 2009 Standards & Best Practices Work Plan. The Recommendations to standardize the IDI Intervention will be forwarded to the PPC Executive Subcommittee.
 - **HIV Counseling and Testing (HCT) Work Group**
Precious Stallworth shared attendance and participation for the HCT Work Group is increasing. At the December 18th HCT Work Group Meeting, the 2009 HCT Work Group Work Plan was reviewed. Mike Janson, OAPP Planning & Research, presented a power point presentation 2007 HIV Counseling and Testing data. The HCT Work Group and Standards & Best Practices Subcommittee recommend the presentation be viewed by the PPC.
- **Joint Public Policy**
No report.
- **Transgender Task Force**
Miguel Martinez reported the Transgender Task Force has identified Mattee Jim and Rebecca Perez as co-chairs. A draft of the recommendations from the Beyond the Basics forum was received. The next meeting is Wednesday, January 21st at 10: 30 AM at Childrens Hospital Los Angeles.

VIII. BREAK

IX. CONTINUUM OF CARE PRESENTATION

Craig Vincent-Jones, Executive Director of the Los Angeles County Commission on HIV provided a power point presentation titled, "Los Angeles County HIV Continuum of Care".

There was a question and answer period following the presentation. A copy of the power point presentation is available upon request.

X. STANDING REPORTS

- **City of Los Angeles – Ricki Rosales** reported the City of Los Angeles AIDS Coordinators Office had decided to make cuts from the Administrative side of its budget as opposed to program cuts. The City of Los Angeles website has a link to the Mayor's budget survey. Community members and individuals are encouraged to visit the link and discuss their budget needs.

In conjunction with the California STD Prevention Training Center and the State of California Office of AIDS, a summit convening hospitals is being proposed for March 2009. The City of Los Angeles Disability Commission's Public Hearings will highlight disability and HIV/AIDS in May, 2009.

- City of West Hollywood – David Giugni shared the Lesbian and Gay Advisory Board is working with the City of West Hollywood Social Services staff to design and develop safer sex kits for women. The City of West Hollywood prevention providers (WeHo Life) are beginning to develop social marketing campaign (i.e. gay Heros) and the Tweakers Project released a documentary piece on Crystal Meth and has developed a social marketing campaign titled, “Sober Sizzles”.

The City of West Hollywood is planning its second annual Gay Men's Summit. Mr. Giugni thanked and congratulated everyone who participated in the 11th Annual Club Freedom.

- City of Long Beach – Mario Gonzalez shared the Long Beach Health Education Division provided a presentation on the different community level interventions being implemented in the City of Long Beach. For the next three months, the “Ask 4 It Long Beach Campaign” (commercials through digital cable technology) is available via BET, ABC Family and Lifetime channels. The Long Beach Substance Abuse Foundation is working with the City of Long Beach Health and Human Services to coordinate the Black AIDS Awareness Day scheduled for February 6th. The City of Long Beach (DHHS) is preparing for its audit from the Los Angeles County Office of AIDS Programs and Policy.
- City of Pasadena – Sandra Olivas shared the types of services provided by the City of Pasadena are: HIV Counseling and Testing, Health Education/Risk Reduction and CRCS, HIV Education Prevention and HIV Medical Services. The City of Pasadena is attempting to provide HIV and STD testing through the mobile unit. The City of Pasadena is scheduled to present on HIV and Women for Young African American Women in February, 2009. Ms. Olivas announced she will be on medical leave for two months and will return in April, 2009.
- State of California Office of AIDS – Kevin Farrell shared the Governor of California released his budget on Friday, January 9th. Everyone was encouraged to review the budget at the governor's website. Additionally, Mr. Farrell encouraged everyone to view the redesigned Office of AIDS webpage. The State of California Office of AIDS continues to work on its Prevention Plan. As of December 1, 2008, the State of California Office of AIDS hired Mr. Michael Foster as the African American AIDS Specialist Policy Coordinator. Staffing changes at the State of California Office of AIDS are: Chris Krawczyk (lead LEO system), Gail Sanabria and Kevin Farrell (last day January 16th).
- HIV Epidemiology Program (HEP) – Juli-Ann Carlos reported 13,286 names based cases have been reported through January 9, 2009. 5,197 coded cases through January 9, 2009 and 4,352 AIDS cases reported.

- Commission on HIV (COH) – David Giugni reported the COH met on December 11, 2008 and the COH Co-Chairs positions are open for nominations. The bulk of the meeting consisted of reports on the details of State budget cuts.
- California HIV Prevention Planning Group (CHPG) – Rick Rosales shared the CHPG voted to not open new membership for 2009 and continue existing membership. The CHPG Steering Committee has been meeting regularly regarding the direction of the CHPG. The next CHPG meeting is scheduled for March, 2009 in downtown Los Angeles. Freddie Williams, senior Co-Chair of the CHPG resigned.
- Urban Coalition of HIV/AIDS Prevention Services (UCHAPS) – Rick Rosales provided the update via Kathy Watt's notes. The last UCHAPS meeting was December 7th in Chicago, IL. The focus of the peer technical assistance presentation was the CDC Expanded Testing Initiative which supports the Los Angeles jails grant. Some of the other issues addressed were: by-laws and elections, updates from national work groups, presentation on epidemiology and surveillance, identified peer technical assistance topics for 2009, scheduling meetings for 2009 and Kathy Watt was nominated and elected UCHAPS Community Co-Chair (for a two year term). The city of Miami, Florida was voted in as a member of UCHAPS.
- Incarcerated Task Force - Ron Snyder shared the Incarcerated Task Force did not meet for the months of November, 2008 and December, 2008. A system is being proposed to coordinate with medical inside the jails to transmit patient medical information to pharmacies and clinics on the outside of jails. Upon release, inmates on HIV medications can walk into a pharmacy and pick up one week's worth of supplies/medications to hold them over until they can see a physician on the outside.

XI. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Terry Smith, on behalf of the PPC, thanked Ricki Rosales for his service as UCHAPS Representative for the many years.
- Kimberlee Woods announced The Center in Long Beach is launching its low cost mental health counseling program on February 4, 2009. Additionally, The Center in Long Beach is launching a Leadership Youth Academy to train young people to be leaders.
- Jill Rotenberg announced the SPA 4 Service Provider Network Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 15th at 12:00 noon at BART with a presentation from Abbott Pharamuticals.
- Jill Rotenberg announced a Consumer Leadership Training is scheduled on February 20th at the California Endowment from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM.
- Ricki Rosales announced the City of Los Angeles Mayor's Budget Survey is available at the City of Los Angeles website. www.lacity.org.
- Jeffrey King announced the community calendar for the National Black HIV AIDS Awareness Day (NBHAAD) events is at the printer and the website site for the NBHAAD events calendar is www.nbhaad.org.
- Sophia Rumanes announced Julie Gerberding, CDC Director, resigned.

XII. CLOSING ROLL CALL

XIII. ADJOURNMENT - Meeting adjourned.

Note: All agenda items are subject to action.

MOTION AND VOTING SUMMARY		
MOTION: #1: Approve the January 12, 2009 HIV Prevention Planning Committee (PPC) Meeting Agenda	<i>Passed by consensus</i>	Motion Passed
MOTION # 2: Approve November 6, 2008 HIV Prevention Planning Committee (PPC) Meeting Summary.	<i>Passed by Consensus</i>	Motion Passed

NOTE: All HIV Prevention Planning Committee (PPC) meeting summaries, tapes and documents are available for review and inspection at the Office of AIDS Programs and Policy (OAPP) located at 600 South Commonwealth Avenue, 9th Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90005. To make an appointment to review these documents, please call Cheryl Williams at (213) 351-8126.