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SAN DIEGO HIV PLANNING GROUP MEDICAL STANDARDS & EVALUATION COMMITTEE (MSEC)

Tuesday, May 10, 2022 4:00 PM

Meeting via teleconference (Zoom) DRAFT MINUTES

Quorum = Eight (8)

Members Present: Dr. Jeannette Aldous (Co-chair) / Samantha Bowen / Dr. David Grelotti / Bob Lewis / Mikie Lochner / Katherine Penninga / Shannon Ransom / Dr. Stephen Spector/ Lisa Stangl / Dr. Winston Tilghman (Chair) / Karla Quezada-Torres

Members Absent: Dr. Laura Bamford / Dr. Susan Little / Dr. Adam Zweig

	Agenda Item	Action	Follow-up
1.	Welcome and moment of silence, comments from the Chair	Dr. Tilghman called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m. and noted the presence of a quorum. HPG Support Staff did roll call. A moment of silence was observed.	
2.	Action: Authorization of Teleconferencing Meeting Option Pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e)	Action: Find the HPG has reconsidered the circumstances of the state of emergency and State and local officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing authorizing teleconferenced meetings pursuant to Government Code section 54953(e). Motion/Second/Count (M/S/C): Lochner/Ransom, 10/0 Discussion: A member of the public shared their thought about voting on this action for the next meeting as opposed to today's meeting. Abstentions: Tilghman Motion carries	
3.	Public Comment	A member of the public noted that the Medical Standards and Evaluations Group was voted in to becoming a full committee under the HPG. Because of this, they expressed that this committee should be chaired by a medical profession that is an HPG member and not a staff member of the recipient's office. They also addressed the concern of how frequently the	Include leadership of MSEC as part of a future agenda.

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		committee meets and the number of absences that occur with so few meetings.	
4.	Sharing our Concerns	A member of the committee shared their concerns about the treatment of clients and how unacceptable it was to talk down to clients. A request was made to treat each person as human-beings, regardless of socio-economic status.	
5.	Review and approve the May 10, 2022 meeting agenda	Motion: Approve the May 10, 2022 meeting agenda with the amendment to table Dr. Samantha Tweeten's HIV Update to September. M/S/C: Ransom/Lochner, 10/0 Discussion: There is currently no updated HIV data. Dr. Samantha Tweeten will provide the report in September. Abstentions: Tilghman Motion carries	
6.	Review and approve the November 16, 2021 meeting minutes	Motion: Approve the November 16, 2021 meeting minutes as presented. M/S/C: Lochner/Grelotti, 8/0 Discussion: Dr Winston Tilghman spoke to the recipient's office regarding dental night guards and was open to including this discussion for future meetings if needed. Abstentions: Aldous, Spector, Tilghman Motion carries	
7.	Old Business:		
6	a. None	None	
8.	New Business:		
	a. Discussion: Getting to Zero 3-Year Action Plan – Dr. Delores Jacobs	 Dr. Delores Jacobs provided an overview of the Getting to Zero 3-Year Action Plan and focused on the items that were relevant to this committee, which included: 1. Update the Primary Care Standards to ensure clients (when appropriate and if interested) can have equitable access to virtual medical and psychiatric visits including the provision of the necessary hardware, equipment, and internet access 2. Update Primary Care Standards including requirements for serving transgender clients that include whole health and whole person care (e.g., hormone therapy, STD testing and treatment) 3. Update client rights & responsibilities to include and support inclusion of family members in supporting care 	Add Medical Service Standards to agenda next meeting. HPG Support Staff to work with Dr. Tilghman to create a small working group to discuss the Medical Standards and the 3- Year Action Plan.
		 The following items are requested for review and discussion by the Medical Standards and Evaluations Committee: 1. Review models and resource requirements that would support drop-in services for primary care, mental health, and substance use treatment. 2. Explore potential effectiveness and feasibility of mobile health clinics. 	

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b. Discussion: Chart Review – Jeanette Johnson	Jeanette Johnson of United Healthcare presented data from the Report on Compliance with Practice Guidelines from 2021. The report presented was sent to the committee before the meeting. A member of the community questioned the threshold for Viral Load being at 1,000. Jeanette Johnson took note of this for the discussion of the chart review. Within the next few weeks, the individual reports will be available to the providers and Jeanette Johnson will work with her team to include data of patients whose Viral Load is above 200.	Jeanette Johnson will meet with her nurse to extract data of patients with a viral load of less than 200 and send that data to HPG Support Staff. Dr. Tilghman to review the chart review tool and September's

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		agenda to discuss any ambiguity.
c. Discussion : Change in HRSA Guidance	Dr. Tilghman noted that the change in the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) Guidance allows services delivered in urgent/mobile care settings to be covered by Ryan White.	
d. Discussion: 2022 Committee Priorities and Workplan	In September, the committee will focus on work that will look at the medical standards and the Getting to Zero 3-yr action plan. Should the working group meet before the September meeting, the group will present any recommendations they have. The committee may look at the Chart Review Tool depending on the availability of Jeanette Johnson and her team with the goal to have it finalized by November.	
9. Other Updates:		
a. STD Update (Dr. Tilghman)	Dr. Tilghman gave an overview of the Monthly STD Reports. There were some delays in publishing the 2020 surveillance data, but the full data set slide is available online at Reports and Statistics (sandiegocounty.gov). If the committee would like Dr. Tilghman to provide an overview of the surveillance data, please let him know. Monthly STD reports were provided in the meeting packets. The 2021 STI surveillance data is on track to be published by summer 2022. Earlier in May, an HIV home-testing program called "Take Me Home" was developed by the "Building Healthy Online Communies" group. It is a website that allows users to order home tests for HIV and bacterial STIs. Please click here to learn more: https://takemehome.org/. If anyone tests as positive, they will have information that will direct them to Ryan White services. The committee strongly recommended all providers to bring back this information to their clinics with an HIV-Status neutral approach as we enter Pride season in San Diego County. Another committee member noted that the County has moved providers towards drawing blood for HIV testing which is not convenient. It was recommended that this committee comment on the importance having a wide variety of testing options to ensure a broad engagement in HIV testing.	
b. HIV Update (Dr. Tweeten)	Tabled.	
10. Agenda items for future meeting	The main STD clinic is permanently closed due to the closure of the Public Health Services building at Rosecrans. While looking for a new space, services have increased in the Central and South regions. A weekly clinic is available in the North Coastal region. For additional information, visit the website: STD Clinical Services (sandiegocounty.gov)	

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11. Upcoming meeting date:	Date: Tuesday, September 13, 2022 at 4:00 PM. Location: Zoom	
12. Adjournment	5:39 PM	