

SAN DIEGO HIV PLANNING GROUP (HPG)



Wednesday, September 24, 2025, 3:00 PM – 5:00 PM
County Operations Center
5530 Overland Ave, San Diego, CA 92123
Training Room 124

A quorum for this meeting is thirteen (13)

HPG Members Joining in Person (22): Nicole Aguilar | Marco Aguirre Mendoza | Juan Conant | Michael Donovan | Tyra Fleming | Rosemary Garcia | Felipe Garcia-Bigley | David Grelotti | Ben Ignalino | Lori Jones | Michael King | Cinnamon Kubricky (*Vice-Chair*) | Michael Lochner (*Chair*) | Jen Lothridge | Eva Matthews | Veronica Nava | Shannon Paugh | Ivy Rooney | Stephen Spector | Rhea Van Brocklin | Jeffery Weber | Michael Wimpie

HPG Members Absent (2): Beth Davenport | Skyler Miles | Adrienne Yancey

ORDER OF BUSINESS

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1. Call to order and roll call	Mikie Lochner called the meeting to order at 3:03 PM and noted the presence of an in-person quorum.	
2. Welcome, moment of silence, matters from the Chair	A moment of silence was observed. The Chair made the following announcements: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- A reminder that the Planning Body is here for consumers and to support those living with HIV in San Diego County.	
3. Public comment	The following comments were made: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- A concern about access to HIV specialty services.- A request to make available what HPG seats are currently vacant.- A concern about rising expenses.- A concern about the safety of undocumented people.	
4. HPG Member Open Forum	The following comments were made: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- A reminder that people living with HIV are dealing with a lot more than just HIV like having to navigate government assistance, family emergencies, and childcare. We are all in this together and need to support each other with hope.- A concern about continuous access to mental health counseling services beyond an intake call.- A reminder to stay consistent with the message and the narrative, given the	

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	<p>current political climate and the amount of misinformation in the media.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A request from the Pacific AIDS Education & Training Center (AETC) representative to present at a future HPG meeting. 	
5. Member Recognition and Acknowledgements	The Chair mentioned attending the CASA meeting where they requested a training on how to use their voices to advocate for their community. They also requested having more meeting in the south region.	
6. ACTION: Approve the HPG agenda for September 24, 2025	<p>Motion: Approve the HPG agenda for September 24, 2025 with an acknowledgement that 10a has been tabled.</p> <p>Motion/Second/Count (M/S/C): Donovan/Matthews/21-0</p> <p>Discussion: none</p> <p>Abstentions: Lochner</p> <p>Motion carries</p>	
7. HIV, STD, and Hepatitis Branch (HSHB) Report	<p>Patrick Loose went over the HSHB report. The following comments were made:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - What is the reason PARS is considered emergency assistance if there is a waiting list to get in. - What is the process for deploying allocations approved at HPG. 	
8. Routine Business		
<p>a. ACTION: Approve the consent agenda for September 24, 2025 which includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. HPG minutes (7/23/25, 8/6/25, 8/13/25) ii. Steering Committee minutes (7/11/25); Membership Committee minutes (5/14/25; 7/9/25); Medical Standards and Evaluation Committee minutes (5/13/25); Community Engagement Group minutes (7/16/25); Strategies and Standards Committee minutes (6/3/25); CARE Partnership minutes for information only (7/21/25) iii. Membership Committee: HPG appointments / reappointments 	<p>Motion: Approve the consent agenda for September 24, 2025</p> <p>M/S/C: Lothridge/Grelotti/20-0</p> <p>Discussion: none</p> <p>Abstentions: Kubricky, Lochner</p> <p>Motion carries</p>	

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9. Old Business		
a. None		
10. New Business		
a. Presentation: Conflicts of Interest – County Counsel	Tabled	
b. Report: Assessment of the Administrative Mechanism – Dasha Dahdouh	<p>Dasha Dahdouh presented on the FY24 Assessment of the Administrative Mechanism. The following comments were made:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Appreciation for clear content. - Inquiry into the reason a procurement took over a year. Per the Recipient, there was an active investigation into the protest which was ultimately found to be found merit. All existing contracts that experienced delays were extended to ensure that the provision of services continues and there are no interruptions. - Are data being collected on the timeline between the service delivery and the invoice. Per the Recipient, according to the contract terms, the invoices are due on the 10th of the month for the previous month. Invoices always lag behind the delivery of services. 	
c. ACTION: Approve MAI funding allocations for FY 25 (March 1, 2025 – February 28, 2026)	<p>Motion: Approve MAI funding allocations for FY25. M/S/C: Lothridge/Donovan/17-0 Public Comment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A concern that the transgender community is not getting the help they need. <p>Discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A concern that MAI is being increased when the funds are being underutilized. <p>Abstentions: Garcia-Bigley, King, Lochner, Van Brocklin Motion carries</p>	
d. ACTION: Approve FY25 reallocations (March 1, 2025 – February 28, 2026)	<p>Motion: Approve a decrease in Oral Health by \$77,912 from \$336,699 to \$258,787. M/S/C: Ignalino/Jones/14-0 Abstentions: Conant, Garcia-Bigley, King, Kubricky, Lochner, Paugh, Van Brocklin Motion carries</p>	

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	<p>Motion: Approve a decrease in Housing: Emergency Housing by \$50,000 from \$1,009,274 to \$959,274 (a former Recipient action).</p> <p>M/S/C: Donovan/Weber/20-0</p> <p>Abstentions: Lochner, Van Brocklin</p> <p>Motion carries</p> <p>Motion: Approve a decrease in Medical Case Management by \$50,000 from \$1,079,853 to \$1,029,853; a decrease in Non-Medical Case Management by \$45,000 from \$392,021 to \$347,021; and a decrease in Early Intervention Services by \$25,000 from \$773,000 to \$748,000.</p> <p>M/S/C: Kubricky/Nava/13-0</p> <p>Abstentions: Aguirre Mendoza, Garcia-Bigley, Grelotti, Ignalino, King, Lochner, Paugh, Spector, Van Brocklin</p> <p>Motion carries</p> <p>Motion: Approve a decrease in Referral to Health and Supportive Services (Peer Navigation) by \$70,000 from \$268,852 to \$198,852.</p> <p>M/S/C: Rooney/Lothridge/14-1</p> <p>Discussion: A concern that peer navigation is an important service. Per the Recipient, the amount was added as part of the award that will likely not be spent.</p> <p>Abstentions: Garcia-Bigley, Grelotti, King, Kubricky, Lochner, Paugh, Van Brocklin</p> <p>Motion carries</p> <p>Motion: Approve a decrease in Home-Based Health Care Coordination by \$15,000 from \$228,500 to \$213,500.</p> <p>M/S/C: Lochner/Weber/17-0</p> <p>Discussion: A concern was shared about the aging population.</p> <p>Abstentions: Conant, Garcia-Bigley, King, Van Brocklin</p> <p>Motion carries</p>	

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	<p>Motion: Approve a decrease in Transportation: Assisted and Unassisted by \$10,000 from \$101,830 to \$91,830. M/S/C: Lochner/Lothridge/14-0 Discussion: Abstentions: Conant, Garcia-Bigley, Grelotti, Ignalino, King, Paugh, Spector, Van Brocklin Motion carries</p> <p>Motion: Approve an increase in Coordinated HIV Services for Women, Infants, Children, Youth and Families (WICYF) by \$70,000 from \$993,157 to \$1,063,157. M/S/C: Lochner/Donovan/19-0 Discussion: A concern that women may be getting left out of case management. Abstentions: Nava, Spector, Van Brocklin Motion carries</p> <p>Motion: Approve an increase in Partial Assistance Rental Subsidy (PARS) by \$104,000 from \$160,940 to \$264,940; an increase in Food Bank/Home-Delivered Meals by \$70,090 from \$563,073 to \$633,163; and an increase in Substance Use Services: Outpatient by \$41,010 from \$313,127 to \$354,137. M/S/C: Lochner/Nava/17-1 Public Comment: A concern was shared about the length of the waiting list. Abstentions: Fleming, Kubricky, Matthews, Van Brocklin Motion carries</p>	
e. ACTION (<i>Steering Committee</i>): Approve Ryan White Part A carryover funds from FY25 to FY26 in the amount of \$427,958 towards Housing: Emergency Housing	<p>Motion: Approve Ryan White Part A carryover funds from FY25 to FY26 in the amount of \$427,958 towards Housing: Emergency Housing M/S/C: Steering Committee/22-0 Discussion: none Abstentions: none Motion carries</p>	
f. ACTION (<i>Strategies and Standards Committee</i>): Approve Universal Standards	Tabled	
g. ACTION (<i>Strategies and Standards Committee</i>): Approve changing the PARS	Tabled	

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enrollment period from 48 months to 24 months, with extension periods allowed in 6-month increments for up to 48 months while clients are actively working on a housing plan		
11. HPG Support Staff Updates	None	
12. Announcements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A call for 2025 Dr. A. Brad Truax Award nominations. - North Region Planning Meeting (Town Hall) on Friday, October 10, 2025 at the North Inland Live Well Center at 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM. 	
13. Adjournment	The meeting was adjourned at 5:03 PM.	
Next meeting date	Date: Wednesday, October 22, 2025 Time: 3:00 PM – 5:00 PM Location: Southeastern Live Well Center, 5101 Market Street, San Diego, CA 92114 (Tubman Chavez Room A) and via Zoom	