

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT GROUP



Wednesday, November 12, 2025, from 3:00 PM – 5:00 PM
Southeastern Live Well Center
5101 Market St, San Diego, CA 92114; Tubman Chavez Room C

A quorum for this meeting is three (3).

Committee Members Present: Michael Donovan (Chair) | Jen Lothridge (Co-Chair) | Sergio Luna | Veronica Nava

MEETING MINUTES

Agenda Item	Discussion/Action	Follow-Up
1. Call to order, roll call, comments from the chair, and a moment of silence	<p>The chair called the meeting to order at 3:04PM and noted the presence of an in-person quorum.</p> <p>The Chair noted that despite recent disruptions from the government shutdown, operations are returning to normal and no critical funding changes affecting the group have been reported.</p> <p>The Chair also acknowledged the passing of Dr. Kenneth Riley, longtime staff member and former organizer of many meetings, remembering his significant contributions and presence, including his role as “Santa Claus” at past December gatherings.</p>	
2. Review Background, Mission Statement, Goals, and Agreement of Meeting Decorum	Committee members read the Mission Statement and the Community Engagement Group (CEG) Charge and reviewed the meeting decorum.	
3. Introductions (Name, Role with HPG/Consumer, Pronouns), Icebreaker	Members and participants introduced themselves.	
4. Public comment (for members of the public)	None.	
5. Sharing our concerns (for committee members)	None.	
6. ACTION: Approve the consent CEG agenda (which includes the November 12,	Motion: Approve the consent CEG agenda (which includes the November 12, 2025 agenda and the	

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2025 agenda and the October 15, 2025 minutes)	October 15, 2025 minutes) Motion/Second/Count (M/S/C): Nava/Lothridge/3-0 Abstention(s): Donovan Motion carries	
Follow-Up Items from minutes:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HPG SS will add a presentation idea for Disaster Preparedness month in September 2026 (Complete) • HPG SS will forward Jen's appointment to the HPG Meeting (Complete) • HPG SS will bring appointing HPG consumers to provide CEG updates to Membership Committee (In Progress) 	
7a. Committee Updates		
I. HIV Planning Group (HPG)	The committee will be reviewing a board letter and reallocations. The branch is trying to transfer funds to emergency food services to help support those in need due to SNAP benefits being cut for the month.	
II. Strategies and Standards Committee	The committee will be reviewing the PARS waiting list.	
III. Steering Committee	The committee will be discussing the revision plan for the bylaws. They will be discussing a steering retreat along with a general retreat for HPG members.	
IV. Membership Committee	The committee recommended three new appointments. Three other members are currently in review. Hopefully by February we will have 6 new members. They are also reviewing committee guidelines.	
V. Priority Settings and Resource Allocation Committee (PSRAC)	The committee will be reviewing reallocations and reviewing the 2026 workplan and ways to improve the budget season for next year.	
VI. Medical Standards and Evaluation Committee (MSEC)	The committee recently met recently to establish a plan to review the mental health landscape and identify	

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	data and subject matter experts to inform service standard revisions. They are requesting that consumers come to the February meeting to provide feedback.	
7b. Community Updates		
I. CARE Partnership	CARE Partnership will meet next week to have presentations on Program Elder Law & Advocacy and Medi-Cal Program.	
II. HIV Housing Committee/Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA)	Jen will be the CEG representative for the housing group and should be appointed at the end of January.	
8. New Business		
a. Presentation: Medi-Cal Transformation: California Advancing and Innovating Medi-Cal (CALAIM)	<p>Heather Summers presented on Medi-Cal Transformation: California Advancing and Innovating Medi-Cal (CALAIM) and the following was discussed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview • Who can receive Enhanced Care Management (ECM) and Community Supports (CS)? • ECM seven (7) core services and examples • ECM eligibility <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Nine (9) populations of focus • CS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Example of services • CS referral form • CALAIM Provider list • CALAIM community engagement events <p>Contact information: sdaim.hhsa@sdcounty.ca.gov</p>	
9. Old Business		
a. Committee Attendance	None.	
b. Discussion: Review 2025 CEG workplan	Holiday party location confirmed at the Mission Valley Library location	

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	and the committee will try to come up with ideas for festive activities.	
c. Discussion: Ways to engage the community for 2026	<p>January – review HPG presentation February/March – for non-profit June – long term survivors’ day</p> <p><u>Other suggestions:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Community feedback sessions - Tagging along to existing events 	
10. Announcements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - PATC is hiring a full-time remote person to help coordinate training in Honolulu as a UCSF employee. - Jingle Bells Christmas party 12/7 at Red Wing Bar. - Red Ribbon Gala 11/30 fundraiser for POZabilities. 	
11. Next meeting date	<p>Next Meeting: Wednesday, December 10, 2025, from 3:00 PM – 5:00 PM Location: County Operations Center; 5530 Overland Ave, San Diego, CA 92123 (Training Room 124)</p>	
12. Adjournment	Meeting was adjourned at 4:41PM.	