

## STEERING COMMITTEE



Friday, November 14, 2025, 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM  
County Operations Center  
5530 Overland Ave, San Diego, CA 92123  
(Meeting Room 124)

### A quorum for this meeting is four (4)

**Members Present:** Michael Donovan | Dr. David Grelotti | Cinnamen Kubricky (Vice-Chair) | Mikie Lochner (Chair) | Rhea Van Brocklin | Michael Wimpie

**Members Absent:** Felipe Garcia-Bigley

### ORDER OF BUSINESS

Agenda Item	Discussion/Action	Follow-Up
1. Call to order, introductions, comments from the chair, and a moment of silence	Mikie Lochner called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM. Introductions were had. A moment of silence was observed.	
2. Public comment (for members of the public)	None	
3. Sharing our concerns (for committee members)	The following comments were made: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- A concern about Medi-Cal changes.</li> <li>- A clarification on the new requirement to take public comment before each item; a change from previous process at past meetings.</li> </ul>	
4. <b>ACTION:</b> Approve the Steering Committee agenda for November 14, 2025	<p><b>Motion:</b> Approve the Steering Committee agenda for November 14, 2025</p> <p><b>Motion/Second/Count (M/S/C):</b> Van Brocklin/Donovan/5-0</p> <p><b>Discussion:</b> A request to combine 10b and 11d. It was clarified that these items cover different topics.</p> <p><b>Abstentions:</b> Lochner</p> <p><b>Motion carries</b></p>	
5. <b>ACTION:</b> Approve meeting minutes from September 12, 2025	<p><b>Motion:</b> Approve meeting minutes for September 12, 2025</p> <p><b>M/S/C:</b> Donovan/Grelotti/5-0</p> <p><b>Discussion:</b> Clarification on the policy to appoint community members. It was supposed to be brought to Membership,</p>	

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	<p>but there was a request to bring it back to Steering for additional discussion.</p> <p><b>Abstentions:</b> Lochner</p> <p><b>Motion carries</b></p>	
6. <b>ACTION:</b> Approve the HIV Planning Group agenda for November 19, 2025	<p><b>Motion:</b> Approve the HIV Planning Group agenda for November 19, 2025</p> <p><b>M/S/C:</b> Van Brocklin/Donovan/5-0</p> <p><b>Discussion:</b> none</p> <p><b>Abstentions:</b> Lochner</p> <p><b>Motion carries</b></p>	
7. HIV, STD, and Hepatitis Branch (HSHB) Report	<p>Patrick Loose provided the following updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Reallocations were presented to the Priority Setting and Resource Allocation Committee (PSRAC) at their November meeting to allocate funds for food to cover a gap in SNAP.</li> <li>- Food insecurity is an issue that shouldn't exist in our County.</li> <li>- A Board Letter will be brought to the November HPG meeting.</li> <li>- There are currently 61 clients on the waiting list for the Partial Assistance Rent Subsidy (PARS) Program.</li> </ul>	
8. Committee reports and recommendations	<p><u>Medical Standards and Evaluation Committee (MSEC):</u> The committee began the review of the Psychiatric Standards.</p> <p><u>Community Engagement Group (CEG):</u> The committee met earlier this month and had a presentation on CalAIM. Attendance was low, but the slides will be shared on the HPG website.</p> <p><u>PSRAC:</u> The committee met earlier this month to review delivery of services and any changes that need to be made. A need was identified to help new members better understand the budgeting process. The recent reallocations were also approved and are going to the November HPG as a seconded motion.</p> <p><u>Membership Committee:</u> Three prospective members were</p>	

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	<p>recommended by the committee and will be going to the HPG as a seconded motion.</p> <p><u>Strategies and Standards Committee:</u> The committee met in October and approved the Case Management Standards, committee meeting attendance policy (to mirror MSEC's), Service Standards Introduction, and Emergency Financial Assistance and Housing Standards. At their December meeting, the committee plans to review the PARS placement list and begin review of the newly funded service categories.</p>	
9. HPG Support Staff Report	<p>Dasha Dahdouh provided the following updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Staffing changes and ongoing recruitment.</li> <li>- The upcoming annual Truax ceremony on December 1.</li> <li>- The recent passing of Dr. Ken Riley, an HPG expert and a dear friend to many. A reminder that a journal is available for people to share their kind words about Dr. Ken Riley. It will be sent to his family in early 2026.</li> </ul>	
10. Old Business		
a. <b>Update:</b> Committee Chair Retreat (January 2026)	The Knowledge Center (TKC) no longer offers resources and staff for community/planning groups. Dasha is looking into other options.	
b. <b>ACTION:</b> Develop and approve a policy on appointment of community members to committees	<p>Motion tabled</p> <p>The following discussion took place:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- If someone wants to be part of the committee, they are asked to attend several meetings and are added to the Membership Committee agenda for discussion. The HPG Chair ultimately sends the email, but prior to the appointment works collaboratively with the</li> </ul>	HPG Support Staff to check with County Council regarding appointment of community members and whether it goes against the bylaws.

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	<p>Membership and respective committee chairs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- A suggestion for support staff to track attendance. A committee chair for which there is interest will be responsible for recommending membership for that committee.</li> </ul>	
<b>11. New Business</b>		
<p>a. <b>Discussion:</b> Member recruitment strategy</p>	<p>The following discussion took place:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- A request to invite the HRSA Project Officer to a future HPG meeting. She will need the questions ahead of time.</li> </ul>	<p>Inquire with the project officer what other incentives are allowable under Part A.</p>
<p>b. <b>Discussion:</b> Brainstorming ideas on an activity to educate the community on Universal Standards at a future Community Engagement Group (CEG) meeting</p>	<p>The following discussion took place:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The Happyville exercise is meant to help people understand the budgeting process and to become more fiscally literate. It addresses the needs.</li> <li>- The goal for the proposed exercise is to help the community understand the basic rules on reviewing and revising the Standards.</li> <li>- It should be the process discussion, while the work is done at the committee level.</li> <li>- We can use the currently approved standards, have a mock meeting, pretend to be a provider, allow consumers to use their voice.</li> </ul>	<p>Dasha to follow up with Michael Wimpie and Michael Donovan on the script as well as the date and title for the training.</p>
<p>c. <b>Update:</b> HPG Retreat (March-April 2026)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Chairs are being requested to think of the ways to recruit consumers.</li> <li>- Retreat ideas at the January Steering meeting.</li> </ul>	
<p>d. <b>Discussion:</b> HPG Bylaws changes</p>	<p>The committees have already begun reviewing the bylaws. Their feedback will be incorporated into discussion when the ad hoc committee meets in early 2026. The last revision took about a year.</p>	

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12. Routine Business		
a. <b>Review:</b> Committee attendance	Tabled	
b. Public comments/HPG member comments/Suggestions to the Steering Committee from previous HPG meeting(s)	Tabled	
13. Announcements	The 36 <sup>th</sup> annual Dr. A. Brad Truax Award Ceremony and Reception will take place on Monday, December 1 at 3:00 PM at the LGBT Center. It will be followed by a Tree of Life Ceremony at Village Hillcrest at 6:00 PM, hosted by Mama's Kitchen.	
14. Next meeting date	<b>Date:</b> Friday, January 9, 2026 <b>Time:</b> 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM <b>Location:</b> County Operations Center, 5530 Overland Ave, San Diego, CA 92123 (Meeting Room 124) and via Zoom	
15. Adjournment	Meeting adjourned at 12:04 PM.	