

MEETING MINUTES

CARE PARTNERSHIP FOR WOMEN, CHILDREN, AND FAMILIES

Monday, November 17, 2025 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Southeastern Live Well Center
5101 Market St, San Diego, CA 92114; (Tubman Chavez Room A)

Agenda Item	Action	Follow-up
• Welcome and introductions	Johneisha Jones started the meeting at 11:06AM, and the participants introduced themselves online.	
• Comments from the Chair/	The chair commented that we will be disabling introductions, chat, and muting for security purposes.	
▪ Respectful Engagement	Respectful engagement guidelines read by Johneisha Jones.	
• Moment of silence	<p>A moment of silence was observed, remembering those who have passed and those living with or affected by HIV/AIDS and/or COVID-19.</p> <p>The Chair requested a special moment of silence in honor of Ken, noting his more than 20 years of service to the community and his positive impact on those who knew him. The Chair also shared that Ken was a personal friend. A moment of silence was observed.</p>	
• Review Mission Statement	Mission Statement read by a community member.	
• Public comment/ Sharing our Concerns	None.	
• Review & approval of the meeting agenda	The agenda for November 17, 2025, was approved by consensus as presented.	
• Review & approval of the meeting minutes	The minutes for September 15, 2025, was approved by CARE team and the process for accessing the documents were explained.	
• Discuss 2025 Training Opportunities/ Updates	<p><u>December 8th</u>: Self-care presentation and holiday party <u>January 12th</u>: Christies Place and HNRP <u>February</u>: UCSD MCAP</p> <p>The next Project Pearl training begins on Tuesday and is at full capacity with approximately 18 registrants. Information and a website link will be shared for those interested in future sessions. Christie's Place is also preparing its training calendar for next year, which will include an English Lotus Project training scheduled for the spring.</p>	
• Old Business		
a. None		

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• New Business		
a. Presentation: Jennifer Fernandez, Program Specialist II/ICT,- Coordinator, Self Sufficiency Services – Medi-Cal Program	Jennifer Fernandez presented on the Medi-Cal Program and discussed the following topics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application Process • Medi-Cal Programs • Income and Deductions • Annual Renewal • Property • Updates for those without Satisfactory Immigration Status • Resources 	
b. Presentation: Sophie Exdell HICAP Manager, Health Insurance Counseling & Advocacy Program Elder Law & Advocacy	Sophie Exdell presented on Health Insurance Counseling & Advocacy Program (HICAP) and Elder Law & Advocacy (ELA) and discussed the following topics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • About HICAP and ELA • Medicare Basics • Original Medicare vs. Medicare Advantage • Assistance Programs • Medicare + Medi-Cal • HR 1 Changes to Medicare • Preventing Fraud and Abuse <p>For a copy of the presentation please email info-hicap@elaca.org</p>	
c. Discussion: 2026 A Women's Voice Conference – Rhea Van Brocklin	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Save the Date: A women's Voice Conference Saturday, March 7th, 2026. Crown Plaza Center in Mission Valley. Registration will begin at the beginning of 2026. The theme will be Strong Women Strong Communities. • Registration will start in January 2026. • There will be a hybrid access option. 	
• Reports		
a. Women and Youth Out of Care Group Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A concern was raised about a newly diagnosed young person who has been unable to engage in care due to fears related to their parents' insurance, reflecting challenges currently faced by youth seeking HIV services. 	
a. HIV Planning Group (HPG)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Truax Awards: December 1st from 3-5PM • CEG Holiday Party: December 10 from 3-5PM 	

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Planning Group Support Staff	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HPG Newsletter: Subscribe to receive updates on community events, research studies, and HPG meeting announcements. Email HPG.HHSA@sdcounty.ca.gov. 	
b. Ryan White Part D	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shannon Ransom honored Dr. Riley and all his contributions to the community and consumers. • MCAP is trying to offset the federal shutdown that caused SNAP payments to be delayed or not paid by distributing gift cards. • November 30th fundraiser toy drive (\$25) drag show at The Rail. 	
c. Research		
i. AIDS Clinical Trials Group (ACTG)/ Antiviral Research Center (AVRC)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HIV prevention study: (16 years+, all genders) once yearly lenacapavir injection. • The waitlist open and if you are interested reach out to Marvin Hanashiro. 	
ii. HIV Neurobehavioral Research Program (HNRP)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Intersection Margins: A Study Exploring Multiple Discrimination, Methamphetamine Use, and Resilience Among People with HIV. (18+ living in Southern California) 	
iii. Mother, Child & Adolescent Program (MCAP)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UPLIFT Study: Focus on attitudes toward breastfeeding while living with HIV. For pregnant individuals, regardless of whether they plan to breastfeed. 	
iv. UC San Diego Moores Cancer Center	None.	
13. Announcements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Christies Place and MCAP Youth Program are creating a status neutral training in early 2026. Interest form at sdprojectPEARL.com. 	
14. Next Meeting Date	<p>Next CARE Partnership Meeting- Monday, December 08, 2025 In-Person Location: Southeastern Live Well Center 5101 Market St, San Diego, CA 92114; (Tubman Chavez Room A)</p>	
15. Adjournment	Meeting adjourned at 1:05PM.	