

MEETING MINUTES

CARE PARTNERSHIP FOR WOMEN, CHILDREN, AND FAMILIES

Monday, December 08, 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 11:03AM, and the participants introduced themselves online.	
• Comments from the Chair/	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Chair reminded attendees to check in on individuals who may not have family to spend the holidays with, noting that this time of year can be especially difficult and that outreach is important. 	
▪ Respectful Engagement	Respectful engagement guidelines read by Johneisha Jones.	
• Moment of silence	A moment of silence was observed, remembering those who have passed and those living with or affected by HIV/AIDS and/or COVID-19.	
• Review Mission Statement	Mission Statement read by Patty Lopez.	
• Public comment/ Sharing our Concerns	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Chair of the HIV Planning Group congratulated Maria Vergara for winning the Truax Service Award for HIV Education, Prevention, and/or Counseling and Testing. Maria was acknowledged and recognized for her community leadership. 	
• Review & approval of the meeting agenda	The agenda for December 8, 2025, was approved by consensus as presented.	
• Review & approval of the meeting minutes	The minutes for November 17, 2025, was approved by consensus as presented.	
• Discuss 2026 Training Opportunities/ Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> January – Christie's Place March – Mother, Child & Adolescent Program (MCAP) 	
• Old Business		
a. Discussion: 2026 A Women's Voice Conference	None.	
• New Business		
a. Presentation: Cassandra Vieten, PhD, clinical Professor at UCSD, Self-Care	Cassandra Vieten introduced herself and led a brief mindfulness exercise after discussing the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> What is Mindfulness Benefits of mindfulness practice Default vs. desired state What is a mindful individual 	

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• Reports		
a. Women and Youth Out of Care Group Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Chair also encouraged everyone to remember children during the holiday season and highlighted the availability of several toy drives. 	
a. HIV Planning Group (HPG) Planning Group Support Staff	<p>HPG Support staff and members provided the following updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> CARE Partnership 2026 flyer schedule is updated and posted on the website. The Chair noted that there are eight (8) open seats for individuals with lived experience and encouraged consumers to get involved. The Chair emphasized that the HPG's work is centered on addressing the needs and priorities of the HIV community in San Diego County. CEG Holiday Party: December 10 from 3-5PM at the Mission Valley Library. 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"> Primero Yo: Support group on Fridays with Zoom and In-Person option. Seeking Safety: Support group available in both English and Spanish. A request was made to hear from individuals in the community about the gaps and support needed. 	
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. Monday, December 8th at 5:30PM Community Advisory Board (CAB) meeting at the AVRC with a virtual attendance option. 	
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"> Upcoming study focused on developing AI-based tools to support people living with HIV and is seeking both providers and people living with HIV, particularly individuals ages 18–30. UPLIFT Study: Focus on attitudes toward chestfeeding while living with HIV. For 	

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	pregnant individuals, regardless of whether they plan to chestfeed.	
iv. UC San Diego Moores Cancer Center	None.	
13. Announcements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Christie's Place will be closed from December 19, 2025, until January 4, 2026. 	
14. Next Meeting Date	Next CARE Partnership Meeting- Monday, January 12, 2026 In-Person Location: Southeastern Live Well Center; 5101 Market St, San Diego, CA 92114; (Tubman Chavez Room A)	
15. Adjournment	Meeting adjourned at 12:21pm.	