
**LOS ANGELES COUNTY
HIV PREVENTION PLANNING COMMITTEE (PPC)
600 South Commonwealth Avenue, 6th Floor•Los Angeles CA 90005-4001**

APPROVED

MEETING SUMMARY

Monday, December 10, 2007

12:00 PM - 4:00 PM

St. Anne’s Maternity Home - Foundation Conference Room
155 N. Occidental Blvd.- Los Angeles, CA 90026

MEMBERS PRESENT

Cinderella Barrios-Cernik	Traci Bivens-Davis*
Scott Campbell	Cesar Cuadra
Trevor Daniels*	Daniel Deniz
David Giugni	Mario Gonzalez
Michael Green*	Philip Hendricks
Lee Kochems	Miguel Martinez
Jorge Montoya*	Daniel Rivas
Jill Rotenberg	Sophia Rumanes
Precious Stallworth	Terry Smith
Ron Snyder	Enrique Topete
Kathy Watt	Tim Young*

ABSENT

Katie (Catherine) Branson
Wendy Garland
Jeffrey King
Ricki Rosales

* Denotes present at one (1) of the roll calls

OAPP STAFF PRESENT

Kyle Baker	Elizabeth Escobedo	Jacqueline Jackson	Rita Jones-Ray
John Mesta	Min Kim	True Pawluk	David Pieribone
William Strain	Paulina Zamudio		

PPC MEETING

I. ROLL CALL

Roll call was taken at 12:10 P.M. and a quorum was present.

II. COLLOQUIA PRESENTATION

Dr. Rosemary Veniegas, Associate Director of CHIPTS along with Uyen Kao, UCLA Department of Family Medicine provided a presentation on the final results of a study of the implementation of evidence-based interventions in Los Angeles. This presentation described the final results from a key informant interview study of thirty-four staff from twenty-two community-based organizations which were adapting and implementing evidence-based HIV prevention interventions in Los Angeles, California. The preliminary findings from this study were presented at the HIV Prevention Planning Committee (PPC) Research Colloquia in October, 2006. Key informants reported engaging in essential activities to facilitate the implementation of evidence-based interventions (EBIs). However, significant challenges were

identified by these staff as they selected and planned for, implemented and sought to sustain their EBIs. The implication of these findings for future proposed prevention programs was discussed.

There was a question and answer period after the presentation.

Attached is a copy of the Power Point presentation titled, "Final Results From A Study Of The Implementation Of Evidence-Based Interventions in Los Angeles".

III. REVIEW/APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA

The DRAFT December 10, 2007 HIV Prevention Planning Committee Meeting Agenda was reviewed. David Giugni placed a motion on the floor to approve the December 10, 2007 HIV Prevention Planning Committee Meeting agenda. The motion was seconded by Trevor Daniels. The motion passed by consensus.

MOTION #1: Approve the December 10, 2007 HIV Prevention Planning Committee (PPC) Meeting Agenda.	<i>Motion passed by consensus</i>	Motion Passed
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IV. REVIEW/APPROVAL OF MEETING SUMMARY

The DRAFT November 16, 2007 HIV Prevention Planning Committee (PPC) Meeting Summary was reviewed. Lee Kochems placed a motion on the floor to approve the November 16, 2007 HIV Prevention Planning Committee Meeting Summary and the motion was seconded by Cesar Cuadra. The motion passed approved by consensus.

MOTION #2: Approve the November 16, 2007 HIV Prevention Planning Committee (PPC) Meeting Summary.	<i>Motion passed by consensus</i>	Motion Passed
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V. PUBLIC COMMENT

- Monica Nuno, APLA, announced the capacity building assistance services of APLA is planning two three-day long institutes to assist community-based organizations to better respond to grant announcements. The first day will cover evidence-based interventions, the review of behavioral and homegrown interventions, bridging theory into practice and how to choose the right EBI for your organization. Day two will consist of a discussion on formative research and community assessment and three break-out sessions (focus groups, survey development, key-informant interviews and community mapping). The third day will cover organizational infrastructure and an overview on organizational assessment and how to build a prevention budget, grant writing and how to use the Prevention Plan in writing your grant. Letters will be sent to all community based organizations and the dates are January 16th, January 17th, and January 18th and January 23rd, January 24th, and January 25th at the Los Angeles Convention Center.
- Roger Sediles, APLA, announced APLA is conducting groups for friends and family

concerned about their loved ones Crystal Meth use. Mr. Sediles left his contact information on the back table.

- Nicolas Patino, APLA, announced he is the new outreach specialist for the MPowerment Program at APLA. This program is targeted for young men who have sex with men between the ages of 14 to 24.
- Mattee Jim, APLA, Prevention Training Specialist for Red Circle Project at APLA announced the curriculum for the Red Circle Project is being redeveloped to expand to all of the BRGs for Native Americans in Los Angeles.
- Frannette Tolon, APLA, announced she provides community outreach to Native Americans in the Los Angeles County area.
- Tanya Patterson, AHF, announced AHF has scheduled Basic I and Basic II Counselor Trainings and flyers are on the back table.
- Joan Tucker, RAND Corporation, announced a new study on HIV risk on homeless adolescence and young adults in Los Angeles County. Interested individuals should contact Ms. Tucker. Flyers are on the back table.

VI. COMMUNITY CO-CHAIRS REPORT

Terry Smith shared Kathy Watt and he have returned from the National HIV Prevention Conference in Atlanta. Mr. Smith shared he was impressed by the level of workshops and institutes he attended. Mr. Smith shared in comparison to other jurisdictions the Los Angeles County Prevention Planning Committee (PPC) is far ahead of the curve and he is very impressed with the work of the PPC. Additionally, there was a lot of conservation about men of color specifically black and Latino, but little conservation about Asian Pacific Islanders (API's) or Native Americans. It was a great opportunity to spend time with collogues and network with people from across the country.

Kathy Watt shared a lot of people from Los Angeles County presented at the National HIV Prevention Conference (NHPC). Co-morbidity (relationship with substance abuse, Sexually Transmitted Diseases (STD), alcohol, and substance use) was discussed by almost all of the presenters. Black and brown men of color were discussed and there was no discussion on gay white men. Los Angeles County is definitely ahead of the curve but the challenge is to stay there.

The PPC co-chairs asked for other attendees to NPHC to share their experience at the conference.

Precious Stallworth, LAGLC, shared it was evident at the conference that Los Angeles is a role model. Ms. Stallworth applauded the PPC for the work being done. Additionally, Ms. Stallworth shared there was an emphasis on psycho-social behavioral theories at the conference.

Traci Bivens-Davis, Common Ground, shared she was exited by the number of youth represented at the conference. Ms. Bivens-Davis shared she looks forward to hearing about the response to the national pandemic.

Victor Martinez, Bienestar, echoed the emphasis of the conference was on African-American and Latino Men who have Sex with Men (MSM) but he was disappointed to learn that no new evidence-based interventions (EBIs) have been developed for African-American and Latino

MSM. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) will be releasing eight (8) new EBI's but nothing for MSM of color.

Terry Smith shared the PPC co-chairs have received a letter from Bienestar regarding the allocation process and expressing their concern. A letter will be developed to respond to Bienestar.

VII. GOVERNMENTAL CO-CHAIRS REPORT

Sophia Rumanes shared she attended National HIV Prevention Conference (NHPC) and remained in Atlanta for two additional days with the PPC co-chairs for the Urban Coalition of HIV/AIDS Prevention Services (UCHAPS) meeting. Ms. Rumanes shared she would like to bring some presentations to the PPC on testing. If we want to get ahead of the epidemic, we must provide increased testing services and the ability for people to feel comfortable testing. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) is talking more about Partner Counseling Referral Services (PCRS) and integrating services. Additionally, Ms. Rumanes shared there has been discussion on mental health and how that affects peoples behavior, has been absent in some of the national conferences. The National HIV Prevention Agenda was discussed at the meeting.

Ms. Rumanes shared the Office of AIDS Programs and Policy (OAPP) had their World AIDS Day event on Saturday, December 1st with a commemorative breakfast at the Dorothy Chandler Pavilion. Ms. Rumanes thanked Terry Smith for being the Master of Ceremonies at the event.

Ms. Rumanes shared the Public Health Hepatitis C Coordinator position funded by the CDC will be placed within OAPP.

Ms. Rumanes shared there has been discussion about the new HIV incidence number. A written statement was distributed to meeting attendees.

Elizabeth Escobedo shared the Prevention Plan is a work in progress and OAPP has received some sections as of late yesterday, which are being reviewed at OAPP. It is anticipated that the remainder of the Prevention Plan will be received by tomorrow (December 11th). The PPC Review of the Prevention Plan is scheduled for mid to late December (possibly December 21st).

Kathy Watt announced ENLACES has scheduled a training January 23rd -January 25th 2008 and the registration forms are included in the meeting packets. Requirement is current PPC member with a minimum of two years involvement in community planning. If you would like to attend, please register as space is limited. Elizabeth Escobedo shared she would encourage participation/attendance at the ENLACES training. Miguel Martinez shared he has attended this training and it is great and helpful. Mario Gonzalez stated the training is beneficial and he learned a lot about community planning.

Sophia Rumanes indicated Kevin Farrell from the State Office of AIDS is present at today's meeting and asked Mr. Farrell to provide an update/report during the Standing Reports Agenda item X.

VIII. BREAK

IX. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

- Operations Subcommittee – Tim Young shared the Operations Subcommittee and the PPC Executive Subcommittee have reviewed and approved Kevin Farrell’s PPC membership application as representative from the State Office of AIDS. Mr. Young placed a motion on the floor to approve Mr. Farrell’s application and Mario Gonzales seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken.

<p>MOTION #3: Approve Kevin Farrell’s application for PPC membership</p>	<p><i>Yes: Barrios-Cernik, Bivens-Davis, Campbell, Cuadra, Daniels, Deniz, Giugni, Gonzalez, Green, Hendricks, Kochems, Martinez, Rivas, Rotenberg, Rumanes, Smith, Snyder, Stallworth, Topete, Watt, Young</i> <i>No: None</i> <i>Abstention: Montoya</i></p>	<p>Motion Passed Yes: 21 No: 0 Abstain: 1</p>
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The motion passed.

Mr. Young shared the Operations Subcommittee continues to work on the new Policies and Procedures manual and anticipates rolling out the revised Policies and Procedures by the end of this month.

Mario Gonzales shared the Operations Subcommittee met earlier today to develop the agenda for the PPC Annual Planning Meeting. The PPC Annual Planning Meeting is scheduled for February 1st at the Queen Mary in Long Beach, CA. The mock agenda for the Annual Planning Meeting will be presented to the Operations Subcommittee at the December 11th Operations Subcommittee Meeting. Elizabeth Escobedo shared if individuals are interested in reserving rooms at the Queen Mary, please let her know.

- Evaluation Subcommittee – Miguel Martinez shared the Evaluation Subcommittee met two weeks ago and continues to work on the evaluation of the Prevention Plan Work Group process. The evaluation was completed last week and has been sent out to PPWG members via Survey Monkey. The Evaluation Subcommittee anticipates having the results of the Prevention Plan Work Group evaluation ready for the Annual Planning Meeting. The next Evaluation Subcommittee Meeting is scheduled for January 28, 2008.
- Standards & Best Practices Subcommittee – Phil Hendricks shared the documents used by the Standards and Best Practices (SBP) Interventions Work Group is included in the meeting packet. Mr. Hendricks reviewed the 3 sets of documents included in the meeting packet. The first packet in the document was a review of pages 96-111 of the current Prevention Plan with the recommended changes identified by the Standards & Best Practices Interventions Work Group. The Standards & Best Practices Subcommittee reviewed the document and made changes. The revised document was forwarded to the Prevention Plan Work Group who made additional changes to the document.

The basic comments were to reorganize this section (pages 96-111) to reflect introduction,

theories, types of interventions and evidence based descriptions.

Pages 96-99, add definitions of syringe exchange in the appendix, add social network theory, add community intuitive theory which is attached in the packet (Attachment A), add trauma based theory which has not been added, add contingency management and relapse prevention around Crystal Meth, changing all of the intervention names to reflect the language for what are being called interventions now, “homegrown interventions” are to be referred as “locally developed interventions”, and the language needs to be more user friendly throughout this section.

Pages 99-102, change the titles to better reflect the intentions (i.e. this section is to choose a program to fit). This section could be written in more layman’s conservation language and define the steps involved in evaluation.

Page 102; add Los Angeles County’s goals for each type of intervention, which is set at 85. It was recommended that the Prevention Plan should model the CDC recommendations, so Los Angeles County should model that. If the CDC says 85, it will be 85 or if the CDC says 60, it will be 60.

Pages 102-103, the type of interventions “outreach” should be “targeted prevention activities”. Broaden the description of outreach to include contacts and encounters.

Pages 103-104, interventions delivered to individuals, add a sub-section that describes the different ways IDI’s can be implemented (i.e. new technologies and different ways IDIs are adapted). Interventions delivered to groups, readjusting what is the indicator of a successful intervention to match what CDC has set as successful and effective interventions. Also to change support groups to follow underneath open groups because a support group is a form of an open group.

Page 106, no recommended changes.

Pages 107-109 for HIV counseling and testing, add the new two tier model for testing and revisit the section that has to do with the HCT Group Recommendations which were approved by the PPC and add more information about STD testing and Hepatitis A, B, and C screening.

Pages 109-110, PCRS needs to be updated (which needed to be done by an OAPP staff person in Atlanta).

Page 110; change the number of sessions for CRCS from 4 to 5.

Pages 110- 111, no changes. After each intervention type, add job competencies.

Miguel Martinez placed a motion on the floor to accept or approve the SBP Interventions Work Group recommendations as reported above with rights given to the plan writer to modify. Traci Bivens-Davis seconded the motion. The motion passed by consensus.

MOTION #4: Approve the SBP Interventions Work Group recommendations as reported above with rights given to the plan writer to modify	<i>Motion passed by consensus</i>	Motion Passed
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Philip Hendricks shared a copy of a Power Point Presentation highlighting the results of a Provider Focus Forum and Key Informant Interview Study focusing on what was working and what was not working for different target populations. The preliminary results of this study and power point presentation titled "Preliminary Results: Focus groups and Key Informant Interviews" has been presented to the Standards & Best Practices Subcommittee and the Prevention Plan Work Group. Miguel Martinez placed a motion on the floor to accept data contained in the preliminary results focus groups and key informant interviews presentation noting this is a preliminary study and the data can be re-run as more data is processed. Traci Bivens-Davis seconded the motion.

MOTION #5: Accept data presented in the Preliminary Results: Focus groups and Key Informant Interviews presentation noting this is a preliminary study and the data can be re-run as more data is processed.	<i>Motion passed by consensus</i>	Motion Passed
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The motion passed by consensus.

Phil Hendricks shared the last 3 pages of the packet included a write up of the findings from two presentations given to the Standards & Best Practices Subcommittee regarding the use of evidence-based interventions in California. Mr. Hendricks shared three changes to the document have been recommended: on the bottom of page 1 – add the list of target populations the providers worked with; page 2 – change typo from "44%.1%" to "44.1%"; and page 2 – second paragraph, line 12 under Adaptation Strategies and Challenges Using Multiple EBIs change "EBIS" to "EBIs". Miguel Martinez placed a motion on the floor to approve the last three pages of the document with the noted changes. Traci Bivens-Davis seconded the motion.

MOTION #6: Approve the Evidence-Based Interventions Summary Key Informant Interviews document with the noted changes	<i>Motion passed by consensus</i>	Motion Passed
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The motion passed by consensus.

Phil Hendricks thanked the Standards & Best Practices Subcommittee for their work. The next Standards & Best Practices Subcommittee is scheduled for December 20, 2007 from 1:30 PM to 3:30 PM at OAPP.

- HIV Counseling and Testing (HCT) Work Group – Precious Stallworth thanked

everyone for the participation throughout the year in the HIV Counseling and Testing (HCT) Work Group. There is no update as the HCT Work Group Recommendations have been approved by the PPC. Ms. Stallworth extended an invitation to the community to continue to work with the HCT Work Group and the next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, December 20, 2007 at 10:00 AM at OAPP. Daniel Rivas shared the HCT Work Group would like to look at the two tier prevention model at an upcoming meeting.

- Public Policy Committee – Lee Kochems shared the Joint Public Policy Committee did not meet in November, 2007 and will not meet in December, 2007. Mr. Kochems agreed to provide a legislative update at the January 2008 PPC meeting. Kathy Watt shared the SAMSHA reauthorization will be addressed early next year.
- Prevention Plan Work Group – Terry Smith shared the Prevention Plan Work Group last met on December 3rd and the four recommendations from the Standards & best Practices Subcommittee were reviewed and approved. There was a discussion on a set of universal co-factors that affected all populations and specific co-factors that affect specific populations. The next Prevention Plan Work Group meeting is scheduled for Monday, December 17th at 12:00 noon at OAPP. The Operations Subcommittee will be presenting on the limited gaps analysis findings and additional discussion is needed on high risk venues.

X. STANDING REPORTS

- City of West Hollywood – David Giugni thanked everyone who participated in the City of West Hollywood’s World AIDS Day events. The City of West Hollywood has a photo exhibit of ACT UP LA – 20 years of activism. LAGLC is taking the lead on “Club Freedom” the substance-free New Year Eve’s Event scheduled for Monday, December 31, 2007 from 8:00 PM to 1:00 AM at the Village.
- City of Long Beach – Lee Kochems shared John Mechling received the Prevention Service Award for Los Angeles County, the city of Long Beach World AIDS Day event was held at the Museum of Latin American Art on Saturday, December 1st, and the Long Beach City Council passed the sale of Syringes in the City of Long Beach.
- California HIV Planning Group (CHPG) – Kevin Farrell shared the California State HIV Planning Group meets three times a year. Mr. Farrell announced PPC member Rick Rosales was elected incoming chair of the CHPG.
- State of California Office of AIDS – Kevin Farrell shared a grant was received to perform Rapid HIV testing in Emergency Departments. Effective January 1, 2008, HIV counseling and testing sites will offer a test only and not offer face to face counseling but offer viewing of a DVD or being given a brochure or given group counseling. Also, effective January 1st, a new data collection system will be implemented with a modified counselor information form and how information will be entered into the system. Effective January 1st, the following legislation is effective; (a) AB-110 allow local health jurisdictions to spend money on the purchase of syringes and (b) AB-682 physicians will not be required to obtain an HIV specific written consent from patients to test for HIV.
- Commission on HIV (COH) – Kathy Watt shared the Commission on HIV meeting scheduled for December 13th will begin at 1:00 PM. Priorities and Allocations setting will start in January, 2008. The COH is looking at how to better utilize the SPNs. A request was made to schedule the NAAT testing presentation sent to the COH members for a PPC

meeting.

- Sexually Transmitted Disease Program (STDP) – No Report
- Alcohol and Drug Programs Administration (ADPA) – Cinderella Barrios-Cernik shared the Meth Group met last Thursday. Patrick Ogawa has accepted a new position with the Board of Supervisors and Wayne Segeda is the acting director. A national search is being conducted to replace Patrick Owaga.
- Urban Coalition of HIV/AIDS Prevention Services (UCHAPS) – Terry Smith shared the UCHAPS group met at the end of the National HIV Prevention Conference. There was discussion on the national HIV Prevention Plan, debrief about the National HIV Prevention Conference, and provide updates on the National Heightened Response among African American and hear about the National Response for Latinos. Additionally, UCHAPS will be developing some abstracts for the United States Conference on AIDS (USCA). Sophia Rumanes shared there was a presentation on how each jurisdiction is implementing the testing grant. At the meeting, UCHAPS voted on what they want to focus on the next year. The next peer TA will be looking at HIV among gay men. Kathy Watt shared Program Collaboration and Service Integration is client centered based on what are the client's need.
- AIDS Action – Kyle Baker provided the update that a conference call occurred this morning and a meeting will be scheduled for early next year.

XI. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Scott Campbell announced the final bath house has agreed to provide testing and the results of first 10 months of this year; 1497 tests have been provided program-wide and 51 positives have been identified.
- Elizabeth Escobedo announced ALIANZA is hosting an open house today at the ALIANZA office from 4:30 PM to 7:30 PM. Flyers are on the back table.
- Jill Rotenberg announced the SPA 4 Service Provider Network meeting is scheduled for Thursday, December 20th at 12:00 noon at JWCH corporate office (Sunset & Alvarado).
- Miguel Martinez announced the HIV and Young Women's Conference was held last Saturday at Compton College with 180 participants.
- Phil Hendricks announced "Club Freedom" scheduled for Monday, December 31st from 8:00 PM to 1:00 AM at the Village.
- Ron Snyder provided an update that the Condom Bill was vetoed. Condom distribution will begin in one of the State of California Department of Corrections facilities in May, 2008 or June, 2008.
- Traci Bivens-Davis announced monthly at Common Ground there is a one hour tour of the agency which allows individuals to come to the west side to see what programs and services are offered. The next monthly tour is scheduled is for Monday, December 17th.
- Terry Smith announced from January 24th through January 27th, the National African American MSM Leadership Conference in Oakland. For additional information, please contact Mr. Smith.
- Kathy Watt announced the Van Ness Recovery House goes to "Skid Row" on Christmas Eve to take clothes, blankets, food and go to a Twelve-Step meeting. Additionally, on Christmas Day, Van Ness Recovery House has an open house from 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM with full dinner.

XII. CLOSING ROLL CALL

XIII. ADJOURNMENT – Meeting adjourned at 3:20 P.M.**Note:** All agenda items are subject to action.

MOTION AND VOTING SUMMARY		
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NOTE: All HIV Prevention Planning Committee (PPC) meeting summaries, tapes and documents are available for review and inspection at the Office of AIDS Programs and Policy (OAPP) located at 600 South Commonwealth Avenue, 2nd Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90005. To make an appointment to review these documents, please call Cheryl Williams at (213) 351-8126.