

C2P Care and Testing Subcommittee Meeting
Minutes
November 18, 2014

In attendance:

Thelma McClinton (LACDPH)	Samuel Gonzales (St. John's)	John Thompson (CHLA)
Donnie Frasier (APLA)	Cesar Jass (Foothill AIDS)	Paulina Zamudio (DHSP)
Suzie Sanchez (MCA)	Dahlia Ferlito (ACO)	Edith Ramirez (PPLA)

1. Updates:

- a. **HIV+ youth transitioning out of juvenile hall into transitional/group homes** - The group reviewed the notes from last meeting and engaged in follow up discussion about housing denial for HIV+ youth.
 - i. Dahlia inquired whether a grievance was filed and offered assistance from the City's Department on Disability, if the incident occurred in the City of Los Angeles. Paulina was unsure of where the incident occurred and will follow-up with the group. The complaint went up the chain of command at DHSP.
 - ii. John is trying to locate places to recommend for housing referrals for staff at juvenile hall, and will send information to Paulina and Sofia (DHSP). Paulina will give John the names of the DHSP-funded HIV testers inside juvenile hall.
- b. **Probation Department** – John spoke with Tim Vallez and received guidelines for accompanying “wards” to medical visits. These guidelines explicitly state that PO's must remain in the room at the time of a medical visit. PO's were acting in accordance with this policy. The group would like to meet with the Probation Director to dialogue about this policy. John will clarify if this was for all facilities. The group decided it may need to open a new SCO to address this issue. The previous SCO on this issue developed into an LGBT cultural competency training and no longer addressed linking youth to care. After a brief discussion, it was determined that the new SCO should expand from linkage to care to also include addressing conduct of a PO during accompaniment. Paulina suggested the group meets with the Probation Director to better understand the process and guidelines to help inform the development of an effective SCO to make certain the recommendations are in compliance with current law.
 - i. John has the Probation Director's contact and will provide background information to Cesar, and Cesar will contact director for a meeting.
- c. **Greater than AIDS** - Justin Wooley from the Kaiser Family Foundation presented the “Greater than AIDS” campaign at the October WGM. Although it was initially thought that this campaign offers communities different social media and other resources for free, the report back suggested the opposite. It appeared the “Greater than AIDS” campaign solicits agencies for funding to utilize the “Greater than AIDS” social media. This was confusing for the group and no one was interested in pursuing this partnership. According to Paulina, the campaign never requested funding from DHSP. Samuel inquired about the type of services

“Greater than AIDS” offers in exchange for sponsorship and how this differs from free material provided by the CDC.

- i. John will clarify with Justin about the request and see if the campaign offers any free support to agencies. If not, then John will inform Justin that C2P cannot participate in campaign and SCO will be discontinued.

2. 2014 End-of-year review:

- a. The annual retreat requests a report back of successes and challenges experienced by each subcommittee. The group brainstormed successes and challenges to report.
 - i. John will compile report and send to Milton by 11/25.

3. Announcements:

- a. ACO and CHLA are hosting a World AIDS Day event at City Hall on 12/1 to address economic empowerment in the transgender community.
- b. The TLC+ Workgroup is meeting on 11/21 @ 9a.m.
- c. LA Trade Tech will have a health fair on 11/22 at the Karen Bass health center.
- d. December 5th is the annual C2P retreat, key actor award nominations are still being accepted.
- e. January 20th is the next Care and Testing subcommittee meeting at PPLA. The group will decide in March if it will continue meeting at PPLA or find another location. New co-chairs will be elected at January’s meeting.
 - i. For the January meeting, everyone will commit to bring one person with them in order to increase membership.