

Connect to Protect Los Angeles Care and Testing Subcommittee Meeting

Date: 08/19/2014

Time: 10:00AM 11:30AM

Location: Planned Parenthood

Mission: To mobilize the community and create structural change to reduce HIV/AIDS among young gay and bisexual men of color.
Meeting Attendees: Martha Chono-Helsley, John Thompson, Yvonne Morales, Paulina Zamudio, Dykee Gorrell, Susie Sanchez, Grissel Granados, Samuel Gonzalez, Donta Morrison, Edith Ramirez, Jenny McKinney, Donnie Frazier, Milton Smith
Facilitator: Martha Chono-Helsley, John Thompson
Minutes taken by: John Thompson
Meeting called to order: 10:10am

Agenda Item	Discussion	Resolution / Follow-Up
1. Announcements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ MCA recruiting out of care patients ▪ Oasis Clinic – Fridays will be Youth Adult Clinic. Providing activities, games and food. ▪ APLA – Developing Social Media Campaign for HIV testing. NOTE: APLA MPowerment is closed. ▪ Youth Task Force – Grissel reported that a Youth Task Force has been created at the HIV commission. The group is led by Grissel, Terrell and Jason. Formulation for engagement is being developed. ▪ REACH LA – Ovahness Ball #9 will be on Saturday, October 18th. ▪ C2P Homeless Subcommittee’s Dress for Success will be Oct. 18th. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪
2. LTC update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Many agencies have LTC Specialists and are receiving funding to do their own LTC. ▪ What’s been working? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Same day appointments/Walk-ins ○ Mobile LTC staff who can transport clients easily ▪ What are current barriers? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ HIV testing staff and linkage staff don’t know who to contact at clinics to link clients <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ High staff turnover at clinics ▪ “Gatekeepers” change frequently ○ Insurance/Medi-Cal <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ If a client has Medi-Cal and are not assigned to a PCP at the clinic, they have to wait to attend their first medical appointment until their PCP is 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Paulina will send updated MCC list to John. List has clinic contacts. John will send out to group. ▪ Subcommittee will ask TLC+ Working Group to co-sponsor LTC “round table” and propose a break-out session to discuss Youth LTC. John will contact TLC+.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> switched with Medi-Cal <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Sometimes a client has to wait 3 weeks for the first appointment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Risk of losing clients in this time period ○ Re-entry for youth coming out of jail <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Youth are released with no linkage plan, don't know where/how to find care 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Training need for testers and LTC staff on ACA and its impact on linkage and HIV care. ▪ John will contact Tom Donohoe at UCLA PAETC about possible training for C2P coalition members. ▪ Yvonne states that MCA Clinic now has MOU with LA County Probation Department to link recently released youth to MCA Clinic for HIV care.
3. Youth Testing Data	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Milton shared youth testing data from LA County's SPA 4 (Metro LA) and SPA 6 (South LA) in 2012. • Significantly more youth getting tested in SPA 4 than SPA 6. • There was some disagreement about why testing numbers are so different. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ "Some youth don't want to test in their own neighborhood and will travel to areas they know there is quick and easy testing" ○ "Some youth aren't aware of where to get tested in SPA 6" ○ "Many testing locations aren't youth-friendly" ○ "SPA 6 tend to have more big, flashy testing events rather than standing testing locations" • Data is missing LTC data • Data is a few years old 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ We may want to submit data request with more recent data and that includes LTC data.
4. SCO Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 144: CHLA trying to confirm someone to provide training for medical providers. • 145: Justin from Kaiser Family Foundation/Greater Than AIDS is on leave. We are not sure who is the contact person to discuss SCO. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • John will f/u with Miguel about status of training. • John and Milton will try to contact KFF.
<p>Meeting adjourned: 11:30am Next meeting: Tuesday, September 16, 2014 @ PPLA</p>		