



SAN DIEGO HIV PLANNING GROUP (HPG)
MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE
MEETING PACKET

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2024, 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM

SOUTHEAST LIVE WELL CENTER

5101 Market St., SAN DIEGO, CA 92114 (Tubman Chavez Room A)

The Charge of the Membership Committee: Committee: To recruit, interview, select, and coordinate training for Planning Group Members.

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Meeting Location & Directions:

Membership Committee

Wednesday, February 14, 2024

11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Southeast Live Well Center 5101

Market St.

San Diego, CA 92114

Tubman Chavez Room A



Visitor/Employee parking available in parking structure. Main entrance can be accessed by exiting the parking structure on the 2nd floor and walking down the sidewalk to the left.

FROM I-805 SOUTH:

1. Head northwest on I-805 North.
2. Take exit 12B for Market St.
3. Turn right onto Market St.
4. The destination will be on your right.

FROM I-805 NORTH:

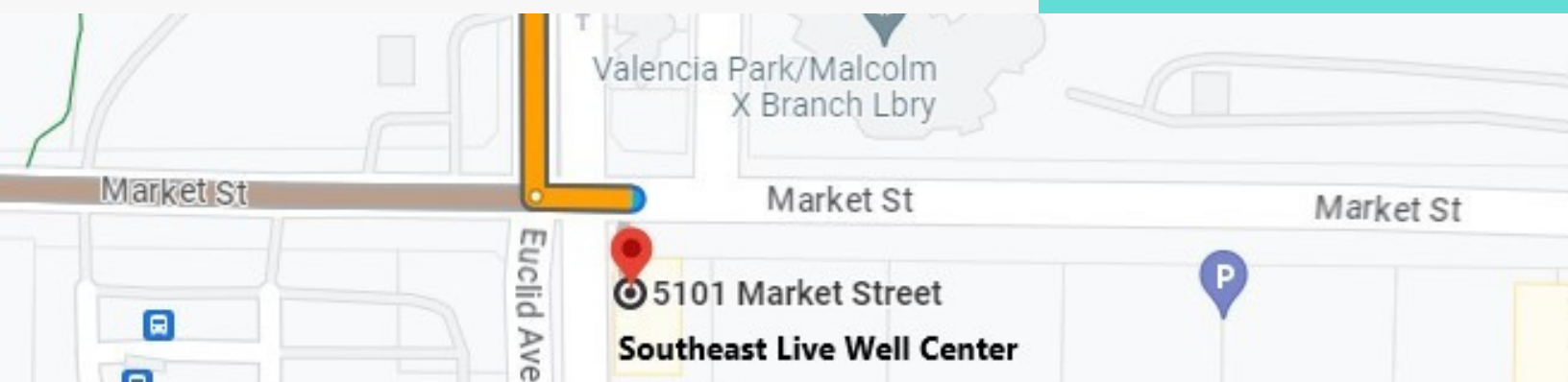
1. Head southeast on I-805 South.
2. Take exit 13A for CA-94-E/M L King Jr. Fwy.
3. Merge onto CA-94 E.
4. Take exit 4A for Euclid Ave.
5. Turn left onto Euclid Ave.
6. Use the left 2 lanes to turn left onto Market St.
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PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

MTS Trolley:
Orange Line

MTS Bus Routes:
3, 4, 5, 13, 60, 916,
917 and 955





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A quorum for this meeting is Three (3)

Committee Members: Bob Lewis (Chair), Mikie Lochner, Regina Underwood, Rhea Van Brocklin

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Call to order, roll call, comments from the chair
2. Public comment on non-agenda items (for members of the public)
3. Sharing our concerns (for committee members)
4. **ACTION ITEM:** Approve the Membership Committee agenda for February 14, 2024
5. **ACTION ITEM:** Interview and approve Lori Jones for New HPG Member
6. **ACTION ITEM:** Interview and approve David Grelotti for Reappointment Member
7. **ACTION ITEM:** Approve the Membership Committee minutes for December 13, 2023
8. Review follow-up items from the last meeting
9. Old Business:
 - a. **ACTION ITEM:** Finalize and approve Membership Committee Operating Guidelines
 - b. **ACTION ITEM:** Finalize and approve 2nd Term HPG Membership Application
 - c. Discussion and review of Mentor and Mentee Guidelines
 - d. Focused Recruitment
 - i. Open Seats
 - ii. Term Expired Dates
 - iii. New Committee Members
 - iv. Underrepresented Groups – Demographics
10. New Business:

- a. Discussion: 2024 Member Succession Planning
11. Routine Business
- a. Attendance
 - i. HPG Attendance
 - ii. Committees Attendance
12. Suggested items for the future committee agenda
13. Announcements
14. Next meeting: **When: March 13, 2024, from 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM.**
Location: Southeastern Live Well Center; 5101 Market St., San Diego, CA 92114
(Tubman Chavez Room A)
15. Adjournment



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Present: Bob Lewis, Mikie Lochner, Regina Underwood, Rhea Van Brocklin

Agenda Item	Action	Follow-up
1. Call to order	Bob Lewis called the meeting to order at 11:00 AM and noted that a quorum was established.	
2. Public Comment on non-agenda items (for Members of the public)	None	
3. Sharing our concerns (for committee members)	None	
4. Action: Review and approve the December 13, 2023 agenda	Motion: Approve the December 13, 2023 meeting agenda as presented. Motion/Second/County (M/S/C): Lochner/Van Brocklin 3/0 Abstentions: Lewis Motion carries	
5. Action: Interview and approve Dr. Spector for 2 nd Term HPG Membership	The membership committee interviewed Dr. Stephen Spector for the second term and recommended his reappointment to seat #31, Recipient of RW PART D on the HIV Planning Group (HPG). Motion: Interview and approve Dr. Stephen Spector for 2 nd Term in HPG Membership M/S/C: Lochner/Van Brocklin 3/0 Abstentions: Lewis	Forward recommendation to the HPG for Action.

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	<p>Motion carries The committee reminded Dr. Spector that if he is not reappointed by the time his first term ends, he will have to come off the HPG temporarily. He can participate in HPG as a member of the public until he has been re-appointed.</p>	
<p>6. Action: Interview and approve Tyra Fleming for 2nd Term HPG Membership</p>	<p>The Membership Committee interviewed Tyra Fleming and recommended for 2nd term to General Member Seat #3. Motion: Interview Tyra Fleming and approve her appointment to seat #3. M/S/C: Lochner/Van Brocklin 3/0 Abstentions: Lewis Motion carries The committee reminded Tyra Fleming that if she is not reappointed by the time her first term ends, she will have to come off the HPG temporarily but can participate in HPG meetings as a member of the public until she has been reappointed.</p>	<p>Forward recommendation to the HPG for Action.</p>
<p>7. Action: Interview and approve Ivy Rooney's New HPG Membership</p>	<p>Motion: Interview and approve Ivy Rooney for seat #43, Prevention Intervention Representative. Formerly: Risk Reduction Activities Representative on HPG M/S/C: Van Brocklin/Underwood 3/0 Abstentions: Lewis Motion carries</p>	<p>Forward recommendation to the HPG for Action. Mikie Lochner will contact Shannon Ransom and Dr. Tilghman regarding Ivy Rooney's interest in joining the Strategies & Standards Committee and the Medical Standards and Evaluation Committee, respectively.</p>
<p>8. Action: Review and approve the November 15, 2023 meeting minutes</p>	<p>Action: Approve the November 15, 2023 meeting minutes as presented. M/S/C: Underwood/Lochner 3/0 Abstentions: Lewis Motion carries</p>	
<p>9. Action: Review follow-up items</p>	<p>None</p>	
<p>10. Old Business</p>		
<p>a. ACTION: Final review: Membership Committee Operating Guidelines</p>	<p>The committee discussed options for the membership interview process and decided to move forward with the HPG Support Staff and</p>	<p>Forward the recommendation regarding the</p>

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	<p>chair/co-chair conducting the interview, with the results being forwarded to the Membership Committee for a final vote. The Committee reviewed the HPG membership application for the initial appointment and recommended the following changes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Questions B and C. The race/ethnicity categories should be alone with the Clerk of Board application • Question I. Add frequency of committee meetings to the application • Remove question 2. Active member participation 	<p>Needs Assessment race/ethnicity categories to the Needs Assessment Working Group.</p> <p>HPG Support Staff will update the Membership Committee Operating Guidelines and forward them to the committee for final review.</p>
<p>b. Review 2nd Term HPG Membership Application</p>	<p>The committee reviewed the draft HPG Reappointment application and recommended changes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Questions B and C. The race/ethnicity categories should be alone with the Clerk of Board application • Section 3. Short answer: • Why are you interested in re-applying for an HPG member? • Remove question J • No interview process is needed; HPG Support Staff will update the 2nd Term application process in the Membership Committee Operating Guidelines 	<p>HPG Support Staff will update the 2nd term application and forward it to the committee for final review.</p>
<p>c. Discussion and review of Mentor and Mentee Guidelines</p>	<p>The committee recommended that the mentoring guidelines be changed to a 6-month mentorship with an opportunity to re-assess at that time.</p>	<p>Discuss the mentoring program again in January 2024.</p>
<p>d. Focused Recruitment</p>		
<p>i. Open Seats</p>	<p>Mikie Lochner provided an update on the district seats, and no action was taken on pending membership applications. The committee reviewed the open seats.</p>	<p>Mikie Lochner will continue to follow up with Districts 1 and 2 for updates.</p>
<p>ii. Term Expired dates</p>	<p>Tabled</p>	
<p>iii. New Committee members</p>	<p>Tabled</p>	
<p>iv. Underrepresented Groups (demographics)</p>	<p>Tabled</p>	

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11. New Business		
a. Discussion to change the January 10, 2024, meeting to Wednesday, January 17, 2024	The committee agreed to move the January meeting to Thursday, January 17, 2024.	
12. Routine Business		
a. Attendance	HPG Support Staff have sent notices to members who have missed more than 6 meetings or more than 4 consecutive meetings.	
i. HPG Attendance	Reviewed	
ii. Committees Attendance	Reviewed	
13. Suggested item for the future committee agenda	None	
14. Announcement	None	
15. Next Meeting Date	When: Wednesday, January 17, 2023, from 11:00 AM -1:00 PM. Location: Southeast Live Well Center 5101 Market St. San Deigo CA 92117 (Tubman Chavez Room A)	
16. Adjourn	The meeting adjourned at 1:01 PM.	



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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION – Optional information

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Optional Personal Information (will not be filed or forwarded with the remainder of the application.)

Name:

I am a person living with HIV/AIDS: Yes No Decline to Answer

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If "yes," as a member of the HIV Planning Group, I am willing to self-identify as a person living with HIV/AIDS.

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Name:

Home Address:

City:

State:

ZIP Code:

Home Phone Number:

Current Employer (if applicable):

Work Address:

City:

State:

ZIP Code:

Work Phone Number:

Cell Phone Number:

Accept Text Messages?

Yes No

E-mail Address:

(Personal)

(Work)

Fax Number (if available):

Please be aware that the HIV Planning Group is a public body. You will receive mail and phone calls from the HSHB and members of the HIV Planning Group. How do you prefer to receive phone calls, messages, and/or e-mails?

I prefer to receive phone calls and messages at: Personal Cell Work Cell

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A. I am:

- Male Female Non-Binary

B. Please describe your ethnic origin. (please check ONLY ONE, the most prominent):

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C. What is your age:

- 18-24 years old 25-34 years old 35-44 years old 45-54 years old
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D. I understand the process and procedures of the HPG: Yes No

E. Number of HPG meetings attended in the last 6 months: _____

F. Number of committee meetings attended in the last 6 months: _____ (It is suggested that you attend at least two (2) meetings prior to becoming a member: one (1) committee meeting and one (1) HIV Planning Group Meeting)

G. I am currently a member of the following community liaison and/or affiliated groups and/or have the following relevant experience: _____

H. I understand that it's a requirement to participate in at least one of the committees listed below.

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I. I qualify to serve as an HPG member in one of the following seats (Please check <u>ALL</u> that apply):	
<input type="checkbox"/> General Member	<input type="checkbox"/> Rep of individuals who formerly were federal, state, or local prisoners who were released from the custody of the penal system during the preceding 3 years. and had HIV/AIDS as of the date of release.
<input type="checkbox"/> Healthcare Providers, including Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC)	<input type="checkbox"/> Board of Supervisors Designee: Districts 1 - 5
<input type="checkbox"/> Community-based organization serving affected populations and AIDS service organization	<input type="checkbox"/> Recipient of other Federal HIV Programs – Prevention Provider
<input type="checkbox"/> Social Service Provider	<input type="checkbox"/> Recipient of other Federal HIV Programs – Part F, AIDS Education and Training Center and/or Ryan White Dental Provider
<input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Provider	<input type="checkbox"/> Recipient of other Federal HIV Programs – HOPWA / HUD
<input type="checkbox"/> Substance Abuse Treatment Provider	<input type="checkbox"/> Recipient of other Federal HIV Programs – Veterans Administration
<input type="checkbox"/> Local Public Health Agency: HHS Director or Designee	<input type="checkbox"/> HIV Testing Representative
<input type="checkbox"/> Local Public Health Agency: Public Health Officer or Designee	<input type="checkbox"/> Prevention Intervention Representative
<input type="checkbox"/> Hospital Planning Agency or Health Care Planning Agency	<input type="checkbox"/> Affected communities include people with HIV/AIDS, members of a federally recognized Indian tribe as represented in the population, individuals co-infected with Hep B or C, and historically underserved groups and/or subpopulations
<input type="checkbox"/> Non-elected Community Leader	<input type="checkbox"/> Prevention Services Consumer/Advocate
<input type="checkbox"/> Prevention Services Consumer	<input type="checkbox"/> State Government – State Medicaid
<input type="checkbox"/> State Government – CDPH Office of AIDS (OA) Part B	<input type="checkbox"/> Recipient of RW Part C
<input type="checkbox"/> Recipient of RW Part D	
<input type="checkbox"/> Please list any agency affiliations (work and or board member).	

Section 4: Signature and Date

I agree that the information provided in this application (including attachments) is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature _____ Date _____

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Section 3: Short Answer

Please respond briefly to the questions below. If you need more space than provided, please attach a separate sheet of paper.

1. Why are you interested in re-applying for HPG membership?

Section 4: Signature and Date

I agree that the information provided in this application (including attachments) is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature _____ Date _____

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Mentor Program Guidelines

Overview:

This guide explains the mentor program developed by the HIV Planning Group (HPG). All members of the Planning Group can learn from the guide because:

- Everyone has been a new member at some point and can appreciate how a mentor would help navigate the complex, wide-ranging issues engaged by the HPG.
- Members who are considering leadership roles have the option of requesting a mentor.
- All HPG members learn complex information throughout the year, often by listening to other HPG members. This accumulated learning can serve new members during meetings and through the mentor program.
- New members of the HPG will want to know how to select a mentor and best use their mentor's expertise.
- Members who have served on the HPG for at least a year may become mentors and need to understand that role.

Vision of the Mentoring Program:

This program has been designed to cultivate leadership and community spirit in all HPG members and provide supportive guidance for navigating the HPG system and structure. Additionally, mentoring intends to deepen HPG members' cross-cultural communication and trust, and broaden their understanding of the system of care and prevention. The desired outcomes of the mentoring program include:

- Nurture the leadership capacity of all HPG members through giving and receiving support in one-on-one mentoring.
- Develop reflective, critical thinking, and decision-making skills around important HPG issues.
- Develop skills for understanding HPG processes.
- Increase the retention of new HPG members, in particular the consumer base.

What are the Goals of the Mentor Program?

The goal of the mentor program is to nurture leadership by providing one-on-one support for each new HPG member. Mentoring furthers the larger goal of the HIV Planning Group, which is to create a culture of understanding and decision-making where each HPG member appreciates their unique contribution to the group. The mentor program is designed to integrate more than forty HPG members from wide-ranging backgrounds.

Successful mentoring ensures continuity of membership and enhanced participation. Mentoring teaches how to contribute by answering questions common to all new members about processes, funding, and other critical issues.

How does the Mentor Program Function?

The mentor program formalizes knowledge transfer between established HPG members and new members. An essential part of delivering knowledge includes giving all members the freedom to vote with their conscience.

Once the new HPG member selects a mentor and the mentor agrees to the match, it's up to the two members to coordinate their connection. The key agreement is that the mentor be available to explain HPG-related issues. They can visit over coffee, by email, phone, etc. Frequency of visits are up to each mentor pair.

How Does a New HPG Member Select a Mentor?

New HPG members select their mentor, ideally an established member with experience in the HPG. New HPG members may ask for guidance from HPG **Staff** about which HPG members are available to serve as mentors. The Membership Committee then approves the mentor relationship.

The HPG Membership administers the mentor relationship. The HPG Membership Committee administers the mentor relationship. Prospective HPG members are told about the mentoring program during their pre-orientation. Once voted onto the HPG, new members, HPG Support staff, and the pool of available mentors complete the following steps:

- 1) **HPG Support** explains the mentor program and asks the new members to read these guidelines.
- 2) The new HPG member drafts a short list of people on the HPG whom they would like to be their mentor.
- 3) **HPG Support** provides the Membership Committee with a list of prospective mentors. The Membership Committee determines if the top choice is already mentoring numerous people. If a new member requests unavailable unavailable mentor, the **Membership Chair** asks the latest member to work with their second choice. If the **second** choice is fully booked, the third-choice mentor will be selected.
- 4) The **HPG Chair or Membership Chair** calls the requested mentor and asks if they will work with the new member.
- 5) Mentors stepping into this role for the first time attend a meeting with the **HPG and Membership Chairs**, set up by **HPG Support**, to review these guidelines and clarify the expectations and duties for mentors and new HPG members.
- 6) The mentor and the new HPG member build their relationship. It's suggested that they meet at least once or twice in person, plus phone conversations and email check-ins during the new HPG member's first three months on the HPG. They may set up a regular meeting time or meet as-needed basis.
- 7) If a new HPG member wishes to have a different mentor, that request should be made to **HPG Support**.
- 8) the mentoring program intends to support new members until they are sufficiently grounded in HPG activities.
- 9) The mentoring cycle is complete when an HPG member feels sufficiently adept at HPG activities to become a mentor for new members.

How will the Mentor Program be Implemented?

The Mentor training will be supported by a combination of HIV Planning Group bodies, including:

- **Membership Committee:** In conjunction with the HPG support, identifies mentors, negotiates the matches between mentors and new HPG members, and monitors the mentor program.
 - The Membership Chair works with the committee to develop a list of eligible members who meet the requirement criteria.
 - HPG Support staff will confirm with the identified mentor candidates that they are willing to serve as a mentor for a minimum term of XX year(s).
 - The final mentor list will be shared with the full HPG and made available in the meeting packet for the monthly HPG meetings.
 - In conjunction with HPG Support, the Membership Committee prepares, sends out and gathers results from the mentoring survey. This annual evaluation of the mentoring program solicits information about how the program is effective and what can be done to improve program.
- **HPG Support:** HPG Support assists the new HPG members in selecting a mentor during orientation training.

What is the Mentor Skill Set?

The Membership Committee determines which HPG members are ready to be mentors based on criteria that include:

- Mentors have been on the HPG long enough to have participated in a complete yearly HRSA and CDC funding cycle and the local HPG budget cycle. These cycles drive the allocation and prioritization efforts that are the HPG's primary responsibility, and mentors must understand these annual rhythms that move the HPG forward.
- A demonstrated ability to teach and explain HPG concepts. Since mentors are asked to provide guidance, they must be able to clarify concepts.
- Mentors must be able to commit to a minimum of one monthly session for at least six months to provide foundational support to new members.
- It is highly recommended that mentors attend a cohort of Project Pearl, the San Diego Ending the HIV Epidemic (EHE) HIV leadership training, where key concepts about the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program, meaningful involvement of people with AIDS (MIPA), and HPG processes are discussed and practiced. Mentors can submit interest forms on www.sdprojectpearl.com to receive information about an upcoming cohort and training availability.

The Mentoring Lifecycle

On a semi-annual basis, The Membership Committee will review the currently active mentor relationships. On behalf of the Membership Committee, HPG **Support** checks in with the mentor and the new HPG member after the mentoring relationship has been active for full entire year. In an email

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or phone call, HPG Support asks if the mentoring relationship is still ongoing or if the mentoring relationship should be dissolved.

The mentoring relationship may continue at the request of the participants. If the mentoring relationship is dissolved, the mentor may request another new HPG member, or the mentor may request a break from mentoring.

Frequently Asked Questions



Is it required to have a mentor? Having a mentor is voluntary. No new HPG member is required to be assigned to a mentor.

How often should I meet with my mentor? A minimum of one monthly check in with your mentor is highly recommended for the first six months.
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Can I request a different mentor? Yes, contact HPG Staff if you feel you need a new mentor.

Seat #	Name	SEAT NAME	Term Expires:	Term 1&2
1	Michael Wimpie	General Member 1	5/21/2027	2
2	VACANT	General Member 2		Unexpired term: 1/26/2025
3	Tyra Fleming	General Member 3	3/10/2023	1
4	Cinnamen Kubricky	General Member 4	11/2/2025	1
5	VACANT	General Member 5		Unexpired term: 1/26/2025
6	VACANT	General Member 6		Unexpired term: 4/6/2025
7	Raul Robles	General Member 7	9/13/2024	2
8	Allan Acevedo, JD	General Member 8	4/6/2025	1
9	VACANT	General Member 9		Unexpired term: 9/14/2025
10	Marco Aguirre M	General Member 10	12/11/2027	1
11	VACANT	General Member 11		
12	VACANT	General Member 12		
13	VACANT	General Member 13		
14	VACANT	General Member 14		
15	VACANT	General Member 15		
16	Mikie Lochner	Chairperson	6/23/2024	1
17	Robert Lewis	Healthcare Provider, including Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC)	9/13/2024	2
18	Rhea Van Brocklin	Community-based organization serving affected populations and AIDS service organization	10/15/2023	1
19	Regina Underwood	Social Service Provider, including providers of housing and homeless services	9/13/2024	2
20	Dr. Delores Jacobs, PhD	Mental Health Provider Formerly a combined seat; now just Mental Health	9/13/2024	2
21	Pamela Highfill	Substance Abuse Treatment Provider Formerly a combined seat; now just Substance Abuse	2/8/2026	1
22	Adrienne Yancey	Local Public Health Agency: HHS Director or Designee	5/2/2027	1
23	Dr. Winston Tilghman	Local Public Health Agency: Public Health Officer or Designee	10/18/2024	2
24	VACANT	Hospital Planning Agency or Health Care Planning Agency		
25	Karla Quedaza-Torres	Non-Elected Community Leader	9/13/2024	2
26	VACANT	Prevention Services Consumer/Advocate		Unexpired term: 5/2/2027
27	VACANT	Prevention Services Consumer		
28	VACANT	State Government-State Medicaid		
29	Abigail West	State Government-CDPH Office of AIDS (OA) Part B	3/12/2027	2
30	Dr. David Grelotti	Recipient of RW Part C	3/10/2024	1
31	Pending approval	Recipient of RW PART D	1/14/2024	1

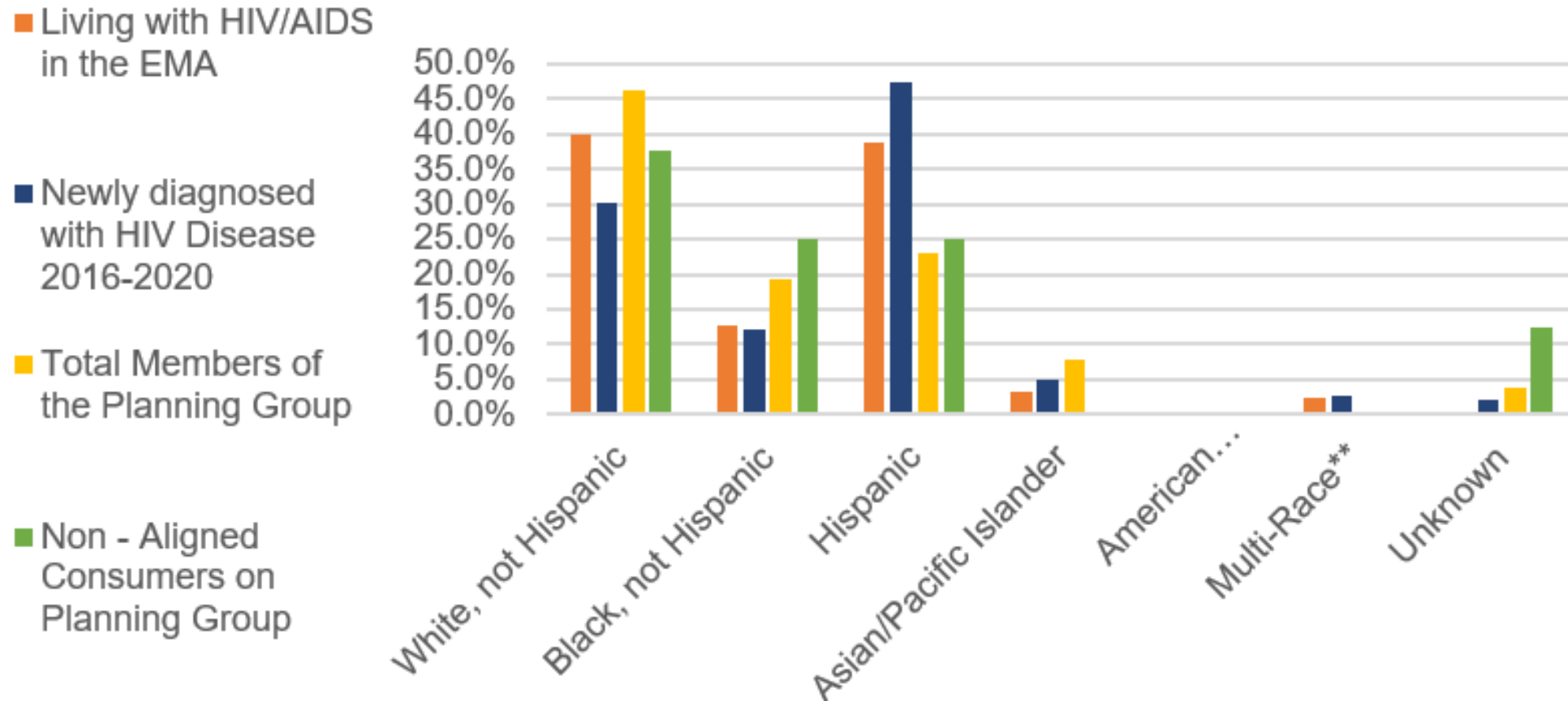
32	Amy Applebaum	Rep of individuals who formerly were federal, state, or local prisoners who were released from custody of the penal system during the preceding 3 yrs. and had HIV/AIDS as of date of release	9/13/2024	2
33	VACANT	Board of Supervisors Designee: District 1		Unexpired term: 8/30/2026
34	Alberto Cortes	Board of Supervisors Designee: District 2	7/19/2024	2
35	Dr. Beth Davenport, PhD	Board of Supervisors Designee: District 3	2/9/2025	1
36	Shannon Ransom (Hansen)	Board of Supervisors Designee: District 4	9/13/2024	2
37	VACANT	Board of Supervisors Designee: District 5		
38	Felipe Garcia-Bigley	Recipient of other Federal HIV Programs- Prevention Provider	10/11/2026	1
39	Moira Mar-Tang	Recipient of other Federal HIV Programs- Part F, AIDS Education and Training center and/or Ryan White Dental Provider	9/13/2024	2
40	Freddy Villafan	Recipient of other Federal HIV Programs- HOPWA / HUD	1/11/2026	1
41	Jeffery Weber	Recipient of other Federal HIV Programs- Veterans Administration	12/13/2026	1
42	VACANT	HIV Testing Representative		Unexpired term: 6/23/2024
43	Pending approval	Prevention Intervention Representative Formerly: Risk Reduction Activities Representative		Unexpired term: 1/26/2025
44	Venice Price	Affected community including people with HIV/AIDS, member of a federally recognized Indian tribe as represented in the population, individual co-infected with Hep B or C, and historically underserved group and/or subpopulation	8/17/2025	1

Name	Seat #	SEAT NAME	Term Expired:	Term 1 or 2	Assigned Committee	Comments	2nd term application process
2024							
Dr. Stephen Spector	31	Recipient of RW PART D	1/14/2024	1	MSEG	Pending COB approval	10/3/2023
Tyra Fleming	3	General Member 2	3/10/2024	1	CEG	Pending COB approval	10/10/2023
Dr. David Grelotti	30	Recipient of RW Part C	3/10/2024	1	MSEG	Pending 2nd term interview 2/14	10/10/2023
Mikie Lochner	16	General Member 16	6/23/2024	1	Membership, Consumer, MSEG, Steering, CEG	Emailed 2nd term app 1/11/2024	12/23/2023
Alberto Cortes	34	Board of Supervisors Designee: District 2	7/19/2024	2	PSRAC		1/19/2024
Raul Robles	7	General Member 7	9/13/2024	2	PSRAC		3/13/2024
Robert Lewis	17	Healthcare Provider, including Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC)	9/13/2024	2	Membership (Chair), MSEG		3/13/2024
Regina Underwood	19	Social Service Provider, Including Providers of Housing and Homeless Services	9/13/2024	2	PSRAC, Membership		3/13/2024
Dr. Delores Jacobs, PhD	20	Mental Health Provider Formerly a combined seat; now just Mental Health	9/13/2024	2	PSRAC (Chair), Steering		3/13/2024
Karla Torres-Quezada	25	Non-Elected Community Leader	9/13/2024	2	PSRAC		3/13/2024
Amy Applebaum	32	Rep of individuals who formerly were federal, state, or local prisoners who were released from custody of the penal system during the preceding 3 yrs. and had HIV/AIDS as of date of release	9/13/2024	2	Strategies		3/13/2024
Shannon Ransom (Hansen)	36	Board of Supervisors Designee: District 4	9/13/2024	2	PSRAC, Strategies, Steering		3/13/2024
Moirra Mar-Tang	39	Recipient of other Federal HIV Programs- Part F, AIDS Education and Training center and/or Ryan White Dental Provider	9/13/2024	2	Strategies		3/13/2024
Dr. Winston Tilghman	23	Local Public Health Agency: Public Health Officer or Designee	10/18/2024	2	MSEG (Chair), Strategies, Steering		4/18/2024
2025							
Cinnamen Kubricky	4	General Member 4	11/2/2025	1	PSRAC		
Allan Acevedo, JD	8	General Member 8	4/6/2025	1	CEG (Chair), Strategies Steering		
Beth Davenport, PhD	35	Board of Supervisors Designee: District 3	2/9/2025	1	PSRAC, Strategies		
Venice Price	44	Affected community including people with HIV/AIDS, member of a federally recognized Indian tribe as represented in the population, individual co-infected with Hep B or C, and historically underserved group and/or subpopulation	8/17/2025	1	Strategies, CARE, HPG		
2026							
Pamela Highfill	21	Substance Abuse Treatment provider Formaley a combine seat now just seat substance abuse	2/8/2026	1	PSRAC		
Felipe Gacia-Bigley	38	Recipient of other Federal Programs- Prevention Provider	10/11/2026	1	PSRAC		
Freddy Villafan	40	Recipient of other Deferal HIV Program- HOPWA/HUD	1/11/2026	1	PSRAC		
Jeffery Weber	41	Recipient of other Dfederal HIV Programs- Veterans Administration	12/13/2026	1	PSRAC, Strategies		
2027							
Adrienne Yancey	22	Local Public Health Agency: HHSA Director or Designee	5/2/2027	1	HPG		
Abigail West	29	State Government-CDPH Office of AIDS (OA) Part B	3/12/2027	2	HPG		
Michael Wimpie	1	General Member 1	5/27/2027	2	Strategies, PSRAC		
Rhea Van Brocklin	18	Community-based organization serving affected populations and AIDS service organization	11/7/2027	2	PSRAC, Steering (Co-Chair), Strategies		
Marco Aguirre	10	General Member 10	12/11/2027	1	PSRAC		

FEBRUARY 2024 RACE/ETHNICITY



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Race/Ethnicity

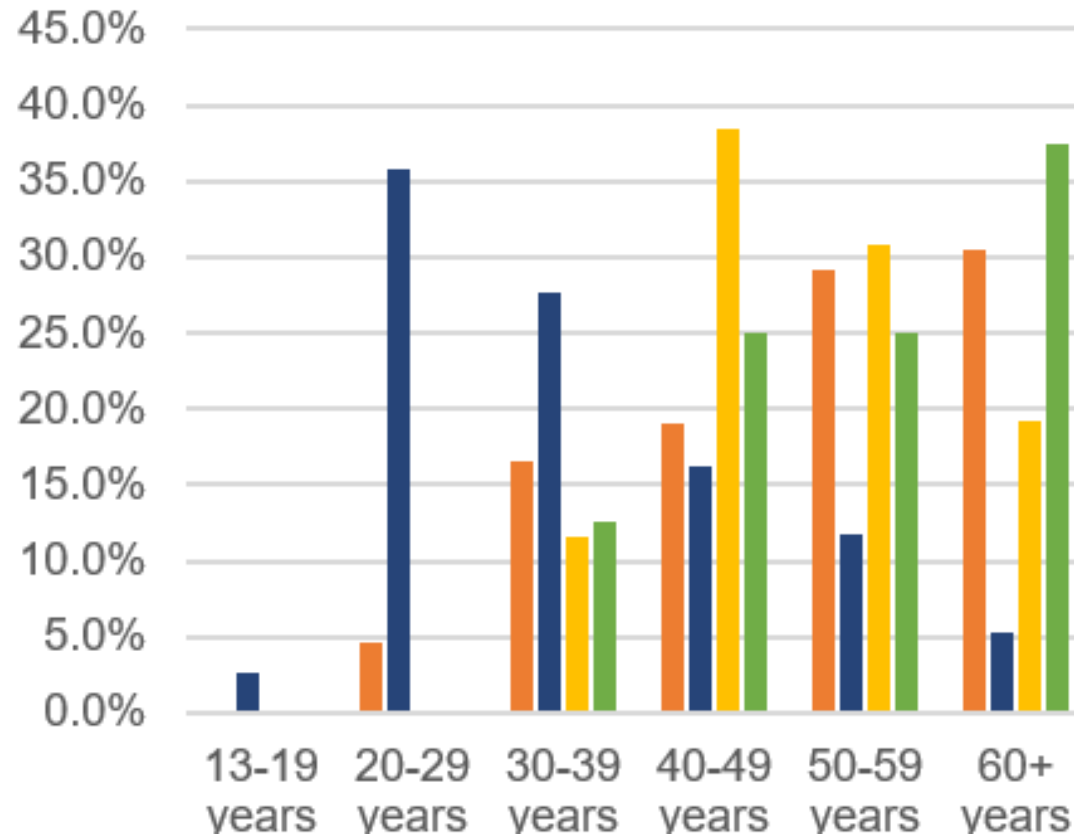


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- Total Members of the Planning Group
- Non - Aligned Consumers on Planning Group

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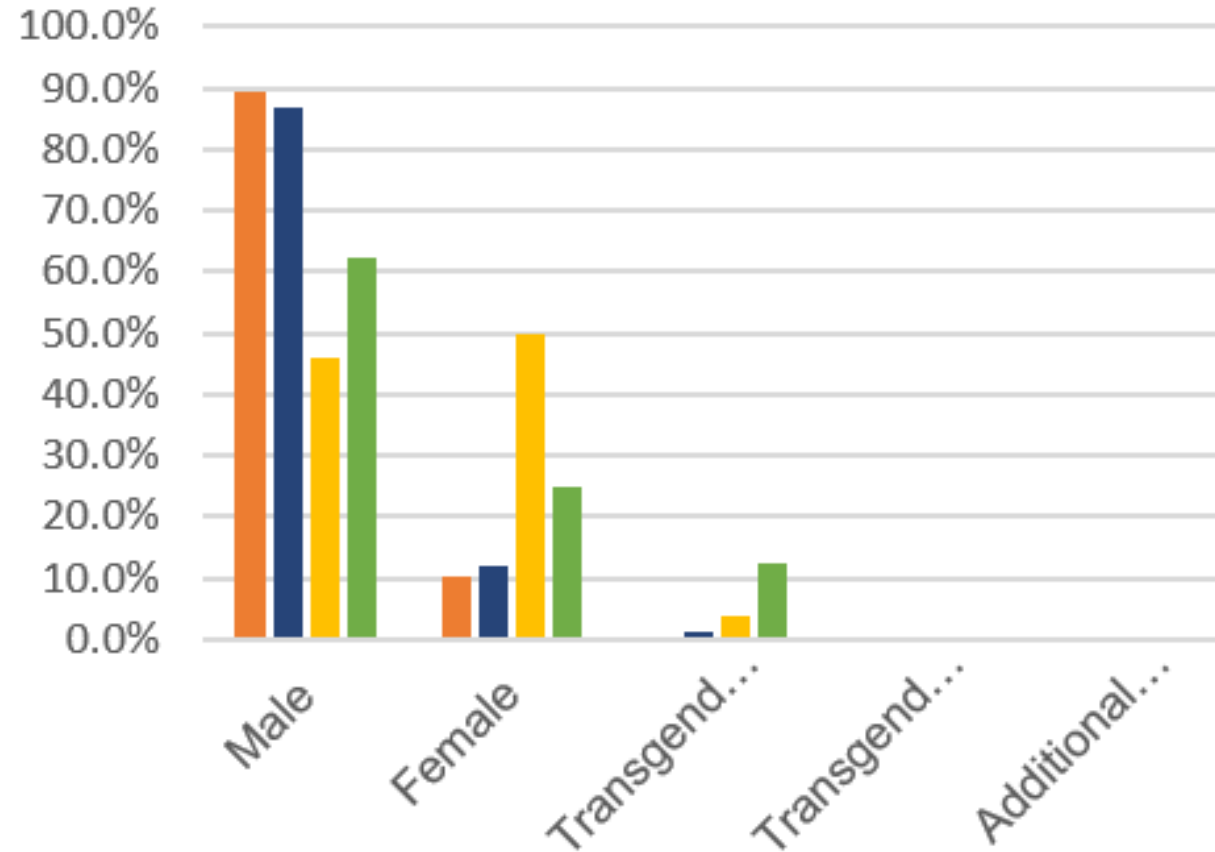


FEBRUARY 2024 GENDER



Feb 2024 Gender

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- Total Members of the Planning Group
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HPG Member	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	10
Total Meetings	22-Feb	22-Mar	26-Apr	24-May	26-Jun	26-Jul	2-Aug	27-Sep	25-Oct	29-Nov	20-Dec	24-Jan	TOTAL
Acevedo, Allan, 8	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	1	NM	1	NM	1	3
Aguirre, Marco, 10												*	0
Applebaum, Amy, 32	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	NM	1	NM	*	1
Cortes, Alberto, 34	1	*	*	*	*	1	*	*	NM	*	NM	*	2
Davenport, Elizabeth, 35	*	JC	*	*	*	*	1	1	NM	*	NM	*	2
Fleming, Tyra					*	*	*	*	NM	*	NM	*	0
Garcia-Bigley, Felipe	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	NM	*	NM	*	0
Grelotti, David, 30	*	1	*	*	*	*	1	*	NM	*	NM	1	3
Highfill, Pamela, 21	1	*	*	EC	1	*	*	1	NM	1	NM	1	5
Jacobs, Delores, 20	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	1	NM	*	NM	1	2
Kubricky, Cinnamen, 4	1	*	*	1	*	*	*	*	NM	1	NM	JC	3
Lewis, Bob, 17	1	1	1	*	*	*	*	*	NM	*	NM	*	3
Lochner, Mikie, 16	*	*	*	1	*	*	*	*	NM	*	NM	*	1
Mar-Tang, Moira, 39	*	1	*	*	*	*	EC	*	NM	*	NM	*	1
Price, Venice, 44	1	*	*	*	1	1	1	*	NM	*	NM	*	4
Quezada-Torres, Karla, 25	*	*	1	*	*	*	*	1	NM	*	NM	1	3

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Total Meetings	22-Feb	22-Mar	26-Apr	24-May	26-Jun	26-Jul	2-Aug	27-Sep	25-Oct	29-Nov	20-Dec	24-Jan	TOTAL
Ransom, Shannon, 36	*	*	*	*	1	*	*	*	NM	*	NM	*	1
Robles, Raul 7	*	1	1	1	*	*	*	1	NM	*	NM	*	4
Spector, Stephen 31	*	1	*	EC	*	*	*	JC	NM	1	NM		
Tilghman, Winston, 23	1	*	*	*	*	*	*	JC	NM	*	NM	*	1
Underwood, Regina, 19	*	1	*	*	*	*	*	*	NM	1	NM	*	2
Van Brocklin, Rhea, 18	*	*	*	1	JC	*	*	*	NM	*	NM	*	1
Villafan, Freddy 40	*	1	*	*	*	*	1	*	NM	1	NM	*	3
Weber, Jeffery, 41	*		*	1	*	*	*	*	NM	*	NM	*	1
West, Abigail, 29	*			*	*	*	1	*	NM	*	NM	*	1
Wimpie, Michael, 1	1	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	NM	*	NM	*	1
Yancey, Adrienne				EC	*	*	*	*	NM	*	NM	*	0

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STRATEGIES	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	#
Total meetings	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	4
Member													
Acevedo, Allan	1	NM	1	NM	NM	NM	*	NM	1	NM	NM	NM	3
Applebaum, Amy	*	NM	1	NM	NM	NM	*	NM	*	NM	NM	NM	1
Davenport, Dr. Beth	*	NM	1	NM	NM	NM	*	NM	*	NM	NM	NM	1
Franco, Lucia	*	NM	*	NM	NM	NM	*	NM	1	NM	NM	NM	1
Mora, Joseph	*	NM	*	NM	NM	NM	*	NM	1	NM	NM	NM	1
Mar-Tang, Moira	*	NM	*	NM	NM	NM	*	NM	*	NM	NM	NM	0
Price, Venice	1	NM	*	NM	NM	NM	1	NM	*	NM	NM	NM	2
Ransom, Shannon	*	NM	*	NM	NM	NM	*	NM	*	NM	NM	NM	0
Tilghman, Dr. Winston	*	NM	*	NM	NM	NM	*	NM	*	NM	NM	NM	0
Weber, Jeffery	*	NM	*	NM	NM	NM	*	NM	1	NM	NM	NM	1
Wimpie, Michael	*	NM	*	NM	NM	NM	*	NM	*	NM	NM	NM	0

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MEMBERSHIP	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	#
Total meetings	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	7
Member													
Lewis, Bob	*			*	NM	*	NM	*	NM	*	*	NM	0
Lochner, Mikie	*	*	NM	*	NM	*	NM	*	NM	1	*	NM	1
Underwood, Regina	*	*	NM	*	NM	*	NM	*	NM	*	*	NM	0
Rhea Van Brocklin	*	*	NM	1	NM	*	NM	JC	NM	*	*	NM	1

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PRIORITY SETTING & RESOURCE ALLOCATION COMMITTEE															
PSRAC	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	8-Jun	20-Jun	20-Jul	27-Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	#
Total meetings	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	8
Member															
Jacobs, Dr. Delores ^C	*	*	NM	*	*	*	*	*	NM	*	NM	*	NM	*	0
Carroll, Reginald		*	NM	*	*	*	*	*	NM	1	NM	*	NM	1	2
Cortes, Alberto	1	JC	NM	*	*	1	1	1	NM	*	NM	*	NM	*	2
Davenport, Beth	*	*	NM	*	*	*	*	*	NM	1	NM	1	NM	*	2
Garcia-Bigley, Felipe	*	*	NM	1	*	*	*	*	NM	*	NM	1	NM	*	2
Highfill, Pam	*	JC	NM	*	*	*	*	*	NM	*	NM	*	NM	*	0
Kubricky, Cinnamen ^U	*	*	NM	1	*	*	*	*	NM	*	NM	1	NM	*	2
Mueller, Chris	*	1	NM	*	*	*	*	*	NM	1	NM	*	NM	*	2
Robles, Raul	1	JC	NM	*	*	*	*	*	NM	1	NM	*	NM	*	2
Quezada-Torres, Karla	*	JC	NM	*	*	1	*	*	NM	*	NM	*	NM	*	1
Underwood, Regina	*	*	NM	*	1	*	*	*	NM	*	NM	1	NM	*	2
Van Brocklin, Rhea	*	*	NM	1	*	*	*	*	NM	1	NM	1	NM	*	3
Villafan, Freddy	1	*	NM	*	*	*	*	*	NM	1	NM	1	NM	*	3

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STEERING

	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	#
Total Meetings	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	8
Community Engagement Group Allan Acevedo	1	NM	1	*	1	*	NM	*	NM	1	NM	1	5
Medical Standards Dr. Tilghman	*	NM	*	*	*	*	NM	*	NM	*	NM	*	0
Membership Bob Lewis	1			*	*	*	NM	*	NM	*	NM	*	1
Priority Setting and Resource Allocation Dr. Jacobs	*	NM	*	*	*	*	NM	*	NM	*	NM	1	1
Strategies & Standards Shannon Ransom	*	NM	*	*	*	*	NM	1	NM	*	NM	*	1
Chair- Mikie Lochner	*	NM	*	1	*	*	NM	*	NM	*	NM	*	1
Vice Chair - Rhea Van Brocklin	*	NM	*	*	*	*	NM	*	NM	*	NM	*	0

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Community Engagement Group	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	#
Total Meetings	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	12
Member													
Acevedo, Allan	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	1	1	1	1	4
De Jesus, Alfredo	*	*	1	*	1	*	1	1	1	1	1		
Donovan, Michael	*	JC	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	0
Fleming, Tyra		*	*	JC	*	*	*	JC	*	*	*	*	0
Lochner, Mikie	1	*	*	1	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	2
Lothridge, Jen		*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	0

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Medical Standards & Evaluation Committee

MSEC	Feb	May	Sep	Nov	#
Total Meetings	1	1	1	1	4
Member					
Tilghman, Dr. Winston ^C	*	*	*	*	0
Aldous, Dr. Jeannette ^{NCC}	*	*	*	*	0
Bamford, Dr. Laura	*	*	*	*	0
Grelotti, Dr. David	*	*	*	*	0
Hernandez, Yessica	*	*	*	*	0
Lewis, Robert	1	1	JC	*	2
Lochner, Mikie	*	*	*	1	1
Ransom, Shannon	*	*	1		
Spector, Dr. Stephen	1	1	*	*	2
Stangl, Lisa ^N	*	1	*	*	1
Quezada-Torres, Karla	*	*	1	*	1

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SAN DIEGO HIV PLANNING GROUP (HPG)
MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE
MEETING PACKET

APPENDIX

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ASSEMBLY BILL (AB) 2449: JUST CAUSE AND EMERGENCY CIRCUMSTANCES (2023)

If the physical attendance quorum requirement is met, AB 2449 permits a member who is not physically present to request virtual attendance at the local legislative body’s meeting under two circumstances: (1) for “just cause” and (2) due to “emergency circumstances”.

Qualifying Reason	Provisions to attend remotely	Requirements/Limitations
<p>Just Cause</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is a childcare or caregiving need (for a child, parent, grandparent, grandchild, sibling, spouse, or domestic partner) that requires the member to participate remotely • A contagious illness prevents the member from attending the meeting in • There is a need related to a defined physical or mental disability that is not otherwise accommodated for • Traveling while on official business of the legislative body or another state or local agency 	<p>A member is limited to two (2) virtual attendances based on “just cause” per calendar year</p>
<p>Emergency Circumstances</p>	<p>“A physical or family medical emergency that prevents a member from attending the meeting in person.”</p> <p>A member is not required to disclose any medical diagnosis or disability, or any personal medical information that is already exempt from existing law.</p>	<p>A member of the legislative body must make a request to the body to allow the member to meet remotely due to an emergency circumstance, and further must provide a general description of the circumstance justifying such attendance.</p> <p>A request from a member to attend remotely due to an emergency circumstance requires that the legislative body take action and approve the remote attendance at the start of the meeting for the member to be allowed to participate remotely for that meeting*.</p>

**If the request does not allow sufficient time to be placed on the agenda as a proposed action item, then the legislative body may take action at the beginning of the meeting.*

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR A MEMBER PARTICIPATING REMOTELY:

In addition to making a request either for “just cause” or due to an “emergency circumstance” for remote appearance, AB 2449 imposes the following three (3) additional requirements on legislative body members seeking to appear remotely at public meetings:

1. Before any action is taken during the meeting, the member **must** publicly disclose whether any other individuals 18 years of age or older are present in the room at the remote location with the member, and the general nature of the member’s relationship with any such individuals.
2. A member of the legislative body participating from a remote location must participate through both audio **and** visual technology.
3. A member’s remote participation cannot be for more than three (3) consecutive months or 20 percent of the regular meetings for the local agency within a calendar year. And if the legislative body regularly meets fewer than ten (10) times per calendar year, a member’s participation from a remote location cannot be for more than two meetings.

AB 2449 Checklist

(Applicable January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2025)

Procedures for Public Participation

- Public must be able to remotely hear, visually observe, and address the legislative body either remotely or in person in real time
- Public must have the opportunity to participate via: 1) two-way audio or 2) a telephonic service with a webcasting service
- Public cannot be required to submit comments prior to the meeting

Procedures for Member to Teleconference from a Remote Location

- Member must participate through both audio and visual technology
- Member must disclose adults who are present in the room at the remote location with the member and the general nature of the relationship with those individuals
- Member must submit a general description of the need to teleconference to the legislative body at the earliest opportunity (do not disclose any medical diagnosis or disability)
- Member may teleconference for just cause. Just cause is limited to 2 meetings per calendar year (see "Limits per Member" below). Just cause is defined as:
 - Child care or caregiving need of a child, parent, grandparent, grandchild, sibling, spouse or domestic partner
 - Contagious illness that prevents member from attending in person
 - A need related to a physical or mental disability
 - Travel on official business of the legislative body or another state or local agency
- Member may teleconference due to emergency circumstances, which requires approval of the legislative body and which is defined as a physical or family medical emergency that prevents a member from participating in person
- Limits per Member: Just cause and emergency circumstances cannot be invoked collectively for more than: 1) two meetings if the legislative body has fewer than 10 meetings per calendar year, or 2) three consecutive months or 20 percent of regular meetings per calendar year if the legislative body has 10 or more meetings per year. Just cause cannot be invoked more than twice per calendar year.

Procedures for the Board/Commission/Committee/Group

- Include instructions on the agenda how the public can participate remotely
- A quorum of the members of the legislative body must participate in person at the noticed location that is open to the public
- A majority of the membership must approve a request by a member to teleconference due to emergency circumstances; include the request on the agenda if received in time
- All votes must be taken by roll call
- Meeting must be stopped and no action taken if the broadcast of the meeting or ability of the public to comment is disrupted

TELECONFERENCING RULES UNDER THE BROWN ACT

	Default Rule	Declared Emergency (AB 361)	Just Cause (AB 2449)	Emergency Circumstances (AB 2449)
In person participation of quorum	Required	Not Required	Required	Required
Member participation via teleconferencing	Audio or Audio-visual	Audio or Audio-visual	Audio-Visual	Audio-Visual
Required (minimum) opportunities for public participation	In-person	Call-in or internet-based	Call-in or internet-based <u>and</u> in person	Call-in or internet-based <u>and</u> in person
Disruption of broadcast or public's ability to comment	Meeting can proceed	No further action taken	No further action taken	No further action taken
Reason must be approved by legislative body	No	Yes (initial findings and renewed findings every 30 days)	No, but general description to be provided to legislative body	Yes and general description to be provided to legislative body
Votes must be taken by roll call	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Member's remote location included on agenda	Yes	No	No	No
Declared emergency and health official's recommendation for social distancing	No	Yes	No	No
Annual limits	None	None	Twice per calendar year (limits for emergency circumstances also apply for collective number of times AB 2449 can be used per year)	3 consecutive months/ 20% of regular meetings per calendar year; or 2 meetings per calendar year if body meets less than 10 times per year (collectively with just cause)
Effective Dates	Ongoing	Expires 12/31/2023	Expires 12/31/2025	Expires 12/31/2025

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ARTICLE 1: PURPOSE AND AUTHORITY

Section A: Establishment. On December 15, 2015, the San Diego County Board of Supervisors established the County of San Diego HIV Planning Group (HPG).

Section B: Purposes. The HIV Planning Group is established in order to participate in the Federal Ryan White HIV/AIDS Treatment Extension Act of 2009, and any subsequent amendments. The HIV Planning Group is also established in accordance with guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) for purposes of developing an engagement process to plan for services to prevent new HIV infections, identify, inform, link and retain people with HIV in care to achieve viral suppression.

Section C: Getting to Zero Initiative. Finally, the HIV Planning Group provides planning and coordination of the County of San Diego's Getting to Zero initiative. This initiative was adopted in recognition that, due to advances in HIV treatment as well as development of highly effective HIV prevention interventions, HIV has become a winnable battle. Getting to Zero focuses on:

1. Ensuring the wide availability of testing in community-based and health care settings;
2. Providing access to treatment and supportive services that promote retention in care for all persons living with HIV;
3. Preventing new infections through a combination of evidence-based interventions; and
4. Engaging communities in developing strategies to improve health outcomes related to HIV.

Section D: Type of Organization. The HIV Planning Group is a non-partisan, non-sectarian, non-profit making organization. It does not take part officially in, nor does it lend its influence to any political issues.

ARTICLE 2: MEMBERSHIP AND TERM OF OFFICE**Section A: Open Nomination Process****1. Nomination of New Members**

- a. The HIV Planning Group shall solicit nominations for consideration for appointment to the HIV Planning Group through an open nominations process, and as required by the Ryan White legislation.
- b. Nominees shall be recommended for membership based on legislative requirements and criteria publicized by the HIV Planning Group. The criteria shall include representation, reflectiveness and Conflict of Interest standards.
- c. Each county supervisor selects an individual to represent that district. The HPG assists with identification of such individuals as appropriate. If no representative is named, the Membership Committee shall recruit and nominate an individual from that district using the open nominations process.

2. Renominations

- a. HIV Planning Group members who have served only one term and are in good standing are eligible for renomination by the HPG for a second 4-year term. These members may express interest in renomination and will be considered for reappointment in accordance with HPG-established standards, policies, and procedures. Renomination is not automatic.
- b. After completion of two consecutive terms, an individual must be off the HPG for at least one year before they may be renominated.
- c. Supervisors will be informed when the term of their representative is nearing an end, and asked whether they are renaming an eligible representative for a second term or naming a new representative.
- d. If the supervisor does not respond, or indicates that the current representative will not be renamed but does not name a successor, after several contacts and offers of assistance from the HPG, the HPG will identify an individual from that supervisorial district to nominate to the Board of Supervisors using the open nominations process.
- e. In such a situation, the member will be considered a representative of the district, but not a representative of the supervisor.
- f. A performance assessment will be conducted with all HPG members at the end of their first term, regardless of how they are nominated.

3. Authority of Board of Supervisors

- a. Requirements for open nomination process do not eliminate or change the authority of the County Board of Supervisors to appoint members of the HIV Planning Group.
- b. The County Board of Supervisors will approve and/or appoint as HIV Planning Group members only individuals who have gone through the open nomination process.

Section B Membership Composition. The membership of the HIV Planning Group consists of up to forty-four (44) members. The HIV Planning Group will limit the number of individuals from HIV, STD and Hepatitis Branch of Public Health Services (HSHB) or a single agency/entity to two (2); however, the Membership Committee will consider the needs of the HIV Planning Group, including subject matter expertise, and recommend a waiver to consider more than two (2) individuals from HSHB or a single agency/entity. The waiver must provide justification for why having an additional member from HSHB or single agency/entity outweighs the membership requirement. The waiver will be reviewed and voted on by the HIV Planning Group.

Members who presently are on the HIV Planning Group in which there are more than two (2) members from HSHB or a single agency may fulfill their current term. The Membership Committee will consider appointments when seats are being renewed and/or filled.

HIV Planning Group members shall be appointed by the Board of Supervisors, as follows:

1. General Member (#1)*
2. General Member (#2)*
3. General Member (#3)*
4. General Member (#4)*
5. General Member (#5)*
6. General Member (#6)*
7. General Member (#7)*
8. General Member (#8)*
9. General Member (#9)*
10. General Member (#10)*
11. General Member (#11)*
12. General Member (#12)*

13. General Member (#13)*
14. General Member (#14)*
15. General Member (#15)*
16. Chairperson
17. Health care provider, including Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC)
18. Community-based organizations serving affected populations and/or AIDS service organizations (one seat)
19. Social service provider, including providers of housing and homeless services
20. Mental health provider
21. Substance abuse treatment provider
22. Local public health agency – Health and Human Services Director or designee
23. Local public health agency – Public Health Officer or designee
24. Hospital planning agency or health care planning agency
25. Non-elected community leader
26. Prevention services consumer/advocate
27. Prevention services consumer
28. State government—State Medicaid
29. State government— California Department of Public Health (CDPH) Office of AIDS (OA) Part B
30. Recipient of Ryan White Part C
31. Recipient of Ryan White Part D
32. Representative of individuals who formerly were federal, state or local prisoners, were released from custody of the penal system during the preceding 3 years, and had HIV/AIDS as of the date of release
33. Board of Supervisors – District 1 representative
34. Board of Supervisors – District 2 representative
35. Board of Supervisors – District 3 representative
36. Board of Supervisors – District 4 representative
37. Board of Supervisors – District 5 representative
38. Recipient of other federal HIV programs – prevention provider

39. Recipient of other federal HIV programs – Part F, AIDS Education and Training Center and/or Ryan White dental provider
40. Recipient of other federal HIV programs – Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA)/Housing and Urban Development (HUD)
41. Recipient of other federal HIV programs – Veterans Administration
42. HIV testing representative
43. Prevention intervention representative
44. General Member (#16)

Up to 16 “General Member” seats are available for individuals who provide needed expertise and representation to the HPG and ensure that all federal requirements are met.

At least thirty-three percent (33%) of HPG members must be unaligned consumers of Ryan White Part A services.*

At least two of these unaligned consumers must publicly disclose their status.

The membership shall include the following: member of a federally recognized Indian tribe as represented in the population, individual co-infected with hepatitis B or C, and representatives of historically underserved groups and/or subpopulations.

As required by the legislation, the HIV Planning Group shall reflect in its composition the demographics of the population of individuals with HIV in San Diego County, with particular consideration given to disproportionately affected and historically underserved groups and subpopulations.

* Section 2602 (b)(5)(C) of the Public Health Services Act defines unaffiliated consumers as consumers who:

- “are receiving HIV-related services” from Ryan White Part A-funded providers;
- “are not officers, employees, or consultants” to any providers receiving Ryan White Part A funds, and “do not represent any such entity;” and
- “reflect the demographics of the population of individuals with HIV/AIDS” in the eligible metropolitan area.

Section C: Term of Office

1. Members shall serve a term of four years.

2. A member shall be appointed to no more than two consecutive four-year terms. The terms shall begin on the day of appointment by the Board of Supervisors and end in four years. For the purpose of this term limitation, a term shall include any appointment for one-half or more of a four-year term.
3. Members whose terms have expired and who have not been reappointed are no longer on the HPG and may not vote.

Section D: General Members-Elect. The Board of Supervisors may appoint three General Members-elect, recommended by the HIV Planning Group. Each General Member-elect shall be able to participate in the HIV Planning Group discussions. Term limit shall be four-years from the date of appointment. Persons appointed under this subsection shall not be officers, employees, or consultants to, and may not represent, any entity that receives Ryan White Part A funding.

Section E: Requirements

1. Each newly appointed member shall file a Statement of Economic Interest (Form 700). Annual Statements of Economic Interest shall be filed within 30 days of appointment and no later than March 31 of each year.
2. Each member shall also complete the following forms no later than March 31 of each year: an annual HIV Planning Group Disclosure Form, a Statement of Confidentiality, a form confirming their continued eligibility for the membership seat they currently occupy, and other required documents included in the Membership Policies and Procedures.
3. Members are required to complete periodic Ethics Training as required by the Fair Political Practices Commission and California Law AB 1234.
4. New members are required to attend an orientation session at the beginning of their appointment and to participate in annual mandatory training.
5. Voting members are expected to meet HPG attendance requirements and to serve actively on a standing committee. Exceptions to the requirement for committee membership can be made by the Steering Committee in unusual circumstances, primarily for members who live and work outside San Diego County and for the public health officer's representative.

6. HPG members are expected to meet stated attendance requirements for HPG meetings and for committee meetings for all committees of which they are members.
7. HPG members are expected to follow the Code of Conduct at all times.
8. Members who meet these requirements are considered to be in good standing.
9. Members who have not met requirements 1 -3 within 30 days of appointment or by March 31 of each year shall not be considered in good standing. Member who are out of compliance with requirements 4 - 6 for more than 90 days shall likewise not be considered in good standing.
10. Members who are not in good standing shall not be permitted to vote on matters before the HIV Planning. Membership Committee shall review all members who are not in good standing and develop a plan to assist the member in meeting the requirements and/or consider referring the member to the HPG for a vote to recommend termination from the HIV Planning Group to the Board of Supervisors.

ARTICLE 3: CONFLICT OF INTEREST**Section A: Conflict of Interest Definition and Scope**

1. As defined in the Ryan White Part A Manual, Conflict of Interest (COI) is “an actual or perceived interest in an action that will result or has the appearance of resulting in a personal, organizational, or professional gain” for the HPG member or their immediate family members. Conflict of Interest does not refer to persons living with HIV disease whose sole relationship to a Part A funding provider is as a client receiving services or an uncompensated volunteer.
2. Ryan White legislation does not permit the HPG to “be directly involved in the administration of a grant,” or to “designate (or otherwise be involved in the selection of) particular entities as recipients of any of the amounts provided in the grant.” In addition, the legislation states that: “A Planning Body member who has a financial interest in an entity, is an employee of or consultant to a public or private entity, or is a Board member of a public or private organization that receives or is seeking funding from Ryan White [Part A] grant funds, will not participate, directly or in an advisory capacity, in the process of selecting entities to receive such funding for such purposes.” [Ryan White HIV/AIDS Treatment Extension Act, Section 2602(b)(5)(A) and (B)]

Section B: Management of Conflict of Interest. Members may be appointed to the HIV Planning Group who will, from time to time, have conflicts of interest in matters before the HIV Planning Group. Conflicts of interest shall be managed as follows:

1. Per Article 2, Section G (1), each newly appointed member of the HIV Planning Group shall file a statement of economic interest, pursuant to the Conflict of Interest Code adopted by the HIV Planning Group. Failure to file a statement of economic interest in the specific time period is subject to vacancy provisions in Article 2, Section G.
2. Member responsibility during meetings: HPG members are expected to follow applicable local, state and federal rules governing COI. It is the responsibility of each HPG member to disclose all conflicts of interest.
3. Members shall refrain at all times from referring to specific agencies that are funded or seeking funds.
4. The HIV Planning Group is prohibited from participating in the making of contracts.
5. Members who have a conflict of interest, or who appear to have a conflict of interest shall abstain from all voting on the action item. HPG who have a COI may speak to points of information to provide subject matter

expertise in response to a question and as requested from the Chair. A subject matter expert may ask permission to speak on a subject for which he/she has expertise. The member must raise their hand for discussion, and once called upon by the Chair, shall state their conflict prior to speaking on the matter.

6. If the HIV Planning Group discovers a member was in conflict subsequent to the vote, the vote is invalid and shall be retaken.

ARTICLE 4: DUTIES

Section A: Determination of Duties. Duties and responsibilities of the HIV Planning Group shall be as set forth in the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Treatment Extension Act legislation and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention planning guidance as listed below:

Section B: Needs Assessment. Assess needs, with particular attention to:

1. Individuals who are at high-risk for acquiring HIV;
2. Individuals who are unaware of their HIV status;
3. Individuals living with HIV disease who know their HIV status and are not receiving HIV-related services;
4. Individuals at risk of falling out of care;
5. Communities that experience disparities in access and services; and
6. Establishing methods for obtaining input on community needs and priorities, which may include surveys, public meetings, focus groups, and ad hoc panels.

Section C: Priority Setting and Resource Allocation. Establish priorities for the allocation of Ryan White HIV/AIDS Treatment Extension Act funds. The HIV Planning Group should consider the following:

1. Size and demographics of the population of individuals with HIV disease and needs of such population;
2. Demonstrated (or probable) cost effectiveness and outcome effectiveness of proposed strategies and interventions, to the extent that data are reasonably available;
3. Priorities of the communities with HIV disease for whom the services are intended;
4. Coordination of services with HIV prevention and substance abuse treatment, mental health services and housing;
5. Availability of other governmental and non-governmental resources to cover health care costs; and
6. Capacity development needs resulting from disparities in the availability of HIV-related services in historically underserved communities.

Section D: Comprehensive/Integrated Planning. Develop a comprehensive plan for individuals living with or at risk of acquiring HIV for the delivery of health services in accordance with applicable Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)/HIV/AIDS Bureau (HAB) Ryan White HIV/AIDS

Program legislation and guidance, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention requirements and compatible with the Statewide Coordinated Statement of Need.

- Section E:** **Assessment of the Administrative Mechanism.** Assess the efficiency of the administrative mechanism in rapid allocation of Ryan White HIV/AIDS Treatment Extension Act funds to the areas of greatest need within San Diego County and assess the effectiveness of the services offered in meeting the identified needs.
- Section F:** **Statewide Coordinated Statement of Need.** Participate in the development of the Statewide Coordinated Statement of Need initiated by the California Department of Public Health, Office of AIDS.
- Section G:** **Coordination of Services.** Coordinate with other federally funded programs that provide HIV-related services in San Diego County.
- Section H:** **Compliance with Legislation.** Assist the Board of Supervisors in ensuring San Diego County's full and complete compliance with the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Treatment Extension Act and its subsequent amendments.
- Section I:** **System of Care.** Advise and make recommendations to the San Diego County Board of Supervisors pertaining to the HIV continuum of care.
- Section J:** **HIV Prevention.** Gather information to support/inform health department decisions regarding HIV prevention priorities and interventions.

ARTICLE 5: OFFICERS

Section A: Chairperson. The chairperson of the HIV Planning Group shall be appointed by the chairperson of the Board of Supervisors, and cannot be an employee of HSHB or the County of San Diego, for a length of term decided upon by the Board of Supervisors. The chairperson acts as the sole spokesperson for the HIV Planning Group.

Section B: Vice-Chairpersons. HIV Planning Group members will elect two vice-chairpersons, one of whom shall be a Ryan White consumer. An employee of HSHB cannot be a vice-chair. The vice-chairpersons shall serve a term of two years.

Section C: Duties of the Chairperson:

1. Presides over the HIV Planning Group and Steering Committee
2. Recommends committees, ad hoc committees and task force meetings
3. Appoints the chair and members to the committees
4. Directs Planning Group Support Staff

Section D: Duties of the Vice-Chairperson(s):

1. If the chair is unable to perform the duties of the position for sixty days or more, the chair and/or Steering Committee shall provide a letter of designation to delegate the duties to the vice-chairperson(s).
2. The vice-chairperson(s) can assume responsibility for all meetings in the absence of the chair including conducting and convening meetings.

ARTICLE 6: ORGANIZATION PROCEDURES

- Section A:** **Robert's Rules of Order.** Robert's Rules of Order shall govern the operation of the HIV Planning Group in all cases not covered by the Ralph M. Brown Act, or these bylaws. The HIV Planning Group may formulate specific procedural rules of order to govern the conduct of its meetings.
- Section B:** **Voting.** Any group voting is on the basis of one vote per person and no proxy, telephone or absentee voting is permitted.
- Section C:** **Open Meetings.** All meetings of the HIV Planning Group and its committees are open to the public to the extent required by the Ralph M. Brown Act and the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Treatment Extension Act. Meetings are held in accessible, public places. Notice of all meetings shall be posted in a publicly accessible place for a period of 72 hours prior to the meeting. Special meetings require 24 hour notice. In addition, such notice will be emailed and posted on www.sdplanning.org. Notices will be mailed upon request.
- Section D:** **Regular Meetings.** The HIV Planning Group shall establish a regular meeting schedule, shall meet a minimum of six (6) times each year, and shall give public notice of the time and place of meetings in compliance with the requirements of the Ralph M. Brown Act and the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Treatment Extension Act.
- Section E:** **Quorum.** Greater than 50% of members currently appointed shall constitute a quorum and a simple majority must be participating in a meeting to take action. Unless otherwise indicated in the bylaws, an action by HIV Planning Group is considered to be consensus or majority vote of a quorum of voting members in a publicly noticed HIV Planning Group meeting. If a quorum cannot be established, no official business can be conducted. However, presentations may be made and public comments received.
- Section F:** **Minutes.** The HIV Planning Group shall keep detailed minutes of its meetings, electronic or hard copies of which shall be available for inspection and copying at the HIV, STD and Hepatitis Branch of Public Health Services. The minutes are also posted on the HIV Planning Group website, www.sdplanning.org. The accuracy of all minutes shall be certified by the chairperson of the HIV Planning Group, following approval of the meeting minutes by action of the HIV Planning Group.

ARTICLE 7: COMMITTEES

- Section A: Use of Committees.** The HIV Planning Group has the authority to establish and to disband, as appropriate, standing and ad hoc committees/task forces as necessary to conduct its business. The actions and recommendations of committees shall not be deemed the action of the HIV Planning Group or its members. A Standing and ad hoc committee may bring an action item to the HIV Planning Group for approval.
- Section B: Composition and Chairs.** All standing and ad hoc committee meetings shall be chaired by a member of the HIV Planning Group, shall consist of no fewer than three HIV Planning Group members. Where possible, at least one member will be a publicly disclosed unaligned consumer or another person with HIV. Standing committees and ad hoc committees may elect to establish a co-chair who does not have to be a member of the HIV Planning Group. The committee co-chairperson shall assume the role of the committee chairperson should the chairperson become unable to fulfill the role of committee chairperson for three (3) consecutive meetings. If the co-chairperson is not a member of the HIV Planning Group the co-chairperson may assume the role of committee chairperson and may attend the Steering Committee, but may not vote. If the committee chairperson is unable to attend three (3) consecutive meetings, a new committee chairperson may be appointed per Article 5, Section C of these bylaws.
- Section C: Appointments.** Members of the HIV Planning Group are appointed to a committee by the HIV Planning Group chairperson, after review and recommendation from the Membership Committee, which will include a discussion of member's preference, availability, and needs of the HIV Planning Group.
- Section D: Operations.** All committees shall operate under the bylaws of the HIV Planning Group. Each committee may adopt/establish ground rules and operating procedures, subject to review and approval by the Steering Committee.
- Section E: Steering Committee.** The HIV Planning Group shall establish a Steering Committee, led by the chairperson, to set the agenda for HIV Planning Group meetings and to address issues of HIV Planning Group governance. The Steering Committee shall be comprised of the HIV Planning Group chairperson, elected vice chairperson(s) and chairs of all standing committees. In the absence of a committee chairperson, a committee co-chairperson can attend to establish quorum. When the co-chairperson is not a member of the HIV Planning Group, they must abstain from voting. A quorum will be 33% of the number of current members of the Steering Committee and a simple majority must be participating in a meeting to take

action. Non-HIV Planning Group member committee co-chairpersons who attend the Steering Committee in place of the committee chairperson count towards establishing a quorum, but do not vote at the Steering Committee.

Section F: Membership Committee. The HIV Planning Group shall establish a Membership Committee to monitor membership, composition and attendance, recruit candidates for existing and anticipated vacancies, and recommend applicants for appointment through an open nominations process, which includes recruiting widely, clarifying the membership criteria, publicizing the membership criteria, addressing conflict of interest requirements, using an application form, maintaining an active Membership Committee and providing nominees to the Board of Supervisors as appropriate. All members of the Membership Committee shall be members of the HIV Planning Group. The Membership Committee shall forward recommendations to the HIV Planning Group for approval.

ARTICLE 8: GRIEVANCE PROCEDURES

Section A: **Grievances Related to Services.** HIV Planning Group Grievance Procedures as it relates to Ryan White services can be found in Attachment 1.

Section B: **Other Types of Grievances.** Other grievances based on outlined process for making decisions shall be addressed by the Steering Committee.

1. Members have the right to grieve any decision made by the HIV Planning Group they feel did not follow established process.
2. To file a grievance, member will contact HIV Planning Group Chairperson and HIV Planning Group support staff, who will forward to the Steering Committee.
3. Member will be invited to the Steering Committee to present grievance.
4. Steering Committee will decide on grievance or ask for more information.
5. Steering Committee will resolve grievance within two regularly scheduled meetings.

ARTICLE 9: STAFF ASSISTANCE

Section A: **Staff Assistance to the HIV Planning Group.** The HIV, STD and Hepatitis Branch of Public Health Services, Health and Human Services Agency shall provide staff assistance pursuant to the legislative requirements and guidelines. The HIV Planning Group oversees the work of the HIV Planning Group support staff who will report to non-Recipient County staff for supervision.

Section B: **Recordkeeping and Reporting.** HIV Planning Group support staff shall be responsible for the keeping of records of all actions and reports of the committee and shall submit these actions and reports to the HIV Planning Group on a regular basis.

ARTICLE 10: COMPENSATION AND EXPENSE

Section A: **Voluntary Service.** Members of the HIV Planning Group shall serve without compensation.

Section B: **Reimbursement for Expenses.** HIV Planning Group members and members-elect appointed pursuant to Article 2, Section B and D who are consumers of Ryan White services may be reimbursed for expenses incurred in performing their duties under this article, including mileage reimbursement in accordance with Administrative Code Section 472, provided that the HIV Planning Group allocates Ryan White HIV/AIDS Treatment Extension Act funds for this purpose. Transportation and childcare reimbursements shall be limited to those eligible members.

HIV Planning Group (HPG) Committee Operating Guidelines Ad Hoc Committee(s)

Reviewed and approved by Steering Committee on _____

GUIDELINES:

1. Committee meetings provide opportunities for the public and planning group members who are not officially appointed to the committee to participate in committee via public comment. All are welcome to attend and have the right as well as are encouraged to participate in public comment throughout the duration of the meeting.
2. Meetings agendas are available at least 72 hours prior to the committee meeting (24 hours prior to special meetings) at www.sdplanning.org and posted physically at the location where the meeting will be held. Meeting agendas can be mailed upon request to HPG support staff. Committee agendas, minutes, and reports are available at the meeting. A sign-in sheet is used to track committee members in attendance.
3. Meetings presently occur in-person with a remote/virtual option for members of the public and for committee members who provide in advance notice of a “Just cause” or “Emergency circumstance” consistent with the guidelines of Assembly Bill 2449 (AB 2449). Please see the appendix for details of AB 2449. When members of a committee participate remotely/by teleconference, all decisions are made by a simple majority vote, which occur by roll call.

MEETING STRUCTURE:

1. The HIV Planning Group and all its committees operate in accordance with the State of California’s Robert M. Brown Act, which establishes guidelines that guarantee the public’s right to attend and participate in meetings of local legislative bodies. A sample meeting agenda appears at the end of this document.
2. Before the meeting begins, a quorum is established to confirm that a simple majority of the committee members are present. If a quorum is not present, the meeting is called to order, attendance is taken, and the meeting is adjourned or recessed until a quorum is present.
3. The meeting begins with a call to order and may include introductions, comments from the chair(s), and a moment of silence. Each committee member introduces themselves with their affiliations/conflicts. Comments from the chairs may include a welcome and reminders about the areas that are not the committee’s purview.
4. Prior to the review of the meeting’s agenda, there is an opportunity for public comment that concern items not listed on the day’s agenda. There is also an opportunity for public comment at the beginning of each agenda item (regardless of how many topics, discussions or actions the agenda item has) and for announcements at the end of the meeting. Discussion during the meeting will remain focused on the current agenda item being addressed.
5. Participation guidelines during the meeting are reviewed. To ensure ample opportunity for all present to speak and be heard, committee members are limited to two (2) minutes per comment and limited to two (2) comments per item. Public comments are welcomed prior to each agenda item. Public comments are limited to two (2) minutes per person (after they introduce themselves and state their affiliation (if any) so that all have an opportunity to participate.
6. During business portions of the meetings, to make certain all can participate, committees may utilize amended **Roberts Rules of Order**. These include six (6) basic steps that are followed in a vote of the committee:
 - o Once an action item is introduced, a member of the committee **makes a motion** for an action related to the item.

- The motion must be **seconded** by another member of the committee. If no one seconds the motion, it is dropped, and another motion can be made.
 - Once a motion is made and seconded, the committee chairperson will provide an opportunity for public comment and followed by **committee discussion**.
 - If there is any opposition to the motion and members have not discussed their reasons/rationale for their opposition, members in opposition will be offered a final opportunity before the vote to express their reason/rationale for opposition.
 - Following all discussion, the committee chair will ask for a **vote on the motion**, including any opposing votes and/or any abstentions.
 - The motion then either carries or fails by counting the majority of votes in support or in opposition.
7. Action items to approve the day's agenda and to review and approve the last meeting's minutes may be accepted by consensus, if no members of the committee are participating remotely/by teleconference, by verifying if any changes need to be made and confirming that committee members agree the minutes accurately represent the meeting.
 8. During the old business section of the agenda, the committee addresses topics already introduced at the previous meeting(s).
 9. After old business is concluded, new business agenda items are presented for the first time.
 10. During old and new business portions of the meetings to support participation and decision-making, the committee may attempt to reach a consensus, if no members of the committee are participating remotely/by teleconference.. If consensus cannot be reached, a formal vote of the voting members will be held. A simple majority will prevail.

ADDITIONAL GUIDELINES:

1. When speaking during the meeting, all are encouraged to participate and introduce themselves.
2. Minimize the use of acronyms and jargon. However, if utilized, please define them, and explain what they mean so that everyone understands.
3. To support the decision-making process, there may be requests for information from different sources outside of what is available at the meeting. This may require that the topic be deferred as old business until a future meeting when additional information is available. The agenda item would be tabled.

BECOMING A MEMBER OF THE COMMITTEE:

1. HIV Planning Group members are appointed to committees by the HPG Chair based on the member's preference, expertise, and availability.
2. Community members not on the HPG may also be appointed to the committee by informing the committee chair of their desire to participate on the committee. The committee chair confers with the HPG chair, who makes the appointment, and support staff will document their membership on the meeting agenda. Committee appointments must be made 72 hours prior to the committee meeting to establish a quorum. If the request to be on the committee is made at the committee meeting, the appointment will become official at the subsequent committee meeting.
3. To remain in good standing with the right to vote, members must not have more than three (3) HPG absences in a row or six (6) absences in a 12-month period. Attendance is tracked by support staff and reviewed at the committee meetings. Members not able to participate in the required number of committee meetings may participate as non-voting members.

SELECTION AND ROLE OF THE COMMITTEE CO-CHAIR:

1. Any committee member may be elected as the committee's co-chair by consensus or a simple majority vote of the committee members regardless of their membership status on

the HPG except for the Steering Committee and Membership Committee (the co-chair for both the Steering and Membership Committees must be an HPG member).

2. Nominees for the co-chair position can be made by committee members or through self-nomination.
3. Elections are held as vacancies occur.
4. The co-chair serves in the absence of the chair or when the chair has a conflict of interest. Duties include conducting committee meetings, attending Steering Committee, and acting as a liaison with HPG support staff.

SUBCOMMITTEE CHARGES AND DEFINITIONS:

Documentation with the charge of each committee and definitions are available at

https://www.sandiegocounty.gov/content/sdc/hhsa/programs/phs/hiv_std_hepatitis_branch/HIV_Planning_Group/Meetings.html.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the HIV Planning Group Support staff.

SAMPLE AGENDA:

HIV PLANNING GROUP
(Committee name)
Date, Time, Location
Remote access information and link

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1. Call to order; introductions; comments from the chair
2. Public comment
3. Review and approve agenda for _____
4. Review and approve minutes from _____
5. Old business
 - a) _____
6. New business
 - a) _____
7. Suggested items for the committee agenda
8. Announcements
9. Confirm next meeting: date, time, location:
10. Adjournment

CONDUCT GUIDELINES:

1. The HPG wishes to ensure that business is conducted in an orderly fashion and that all have an equal opportunity to observe and participate in the proceedings. Each person who addresses the HPG Group or a committee shall not use loud, threatening, profane, or abusive language that disrupts, disturbs, or otherwise impedes the orderly conduct of an HPG meeting. Any such language or any other disorderly conduct that disrupts, disturbs, or otherwise impedes the orderly conduct of the meeting is prohibited.
2. The Chairperson may rule that a speaker is impeding the orderly conduct of the meeting if the comment is "off topic," or otherwise unrelated to the agenda item under consideration, or if the speaker's conduct violates any other provision in these Rules of Procedure, and the speaker may forfeit their remaining time on that item.
3. No person in the audience at an HPG or committee meeting shall engage in conduct that disrupts the orderly conduct of any meeting, including, but not limited to, the utterance of loud or threatening language, whistling, clapping, stamping of feet, speaking over, or interrupting the recognized speaker, repeated waving of arms or other disruptive acts.
4. The Chairperson has the authority to issue a warning to a person violating the Rules of Procedure. If the person continues to violate the Rules of Procedure and disrupt the meeting, the Chairperson may request that person to leave the meeting and may seek assistance from the building Security and/or local police officers, if necessary.
5. Any person removed from a meeting shall be excluded from further attendance at the remainder of the meeting. The exclusion from the meeting shall be noted by the HPG Support staff upon being so directed by the Chairperson.
6. If any meeting of the HPG or a committee is willfully interrupted or disrupted by a person or by a group or groups of persons to render the orderly conduct of the meeting unfeasible, the Chairperson may recess the meeting or request the person, group or groups of persons who are willfully interrupting the meeting to leave the meeting or request assistance for the person(s) to be removed from the meeting.