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## San Diego HIV Planning Group (HPG)

MPox Task Force

Thursday, October 27, 2022

3:00 PM

## Meeting occurred via video teleconference (Zoom)

## MINUTES

Quorum is 6

<u>Task Force Members Present</u>: Brenda Huerta, Dr. Ankita Kadakia; Bob Lewis, Mikie Lochner (Chair), Antonio Page-Khan, Dr. Ken Riley, Raul Robles, Dr. Stephen Spector

<u>Task Force Members Absent:</u> Allan Acevedo, Alberto Cortes, Max Disposti, Cinnamen Kubricky, Patrick Loose,

Agenda Item	Action/Discussion	Follow-up
<ol> <li>Call to Order/ Establishment of Quorum</li> </ol>	Mikie Lochner, HPG Chair, called the meeting to order at 3:01 p.m. and noted the presence of a quorum.	
2. Action: Continuation of Teleconferencing	<ul> <li>All votes at the meeting were taken by roll call; Task Force members' names were called out verbally, then individual voice votes were noted and recorded.</li> <li>Action: Continuation of Teleconferencing Meeting Option Pursuant to Government Code Section 54953(e).</li> <li>a. Find HPG has reconsidered the circumstances of the State of Emergency</li> <li>b. Find that State and local officials continue recommending measures to promote social distancing.</li> <li>Motion/Second/Count (M/S/C): Spector/Riley 6/0</li> <li>Abstentions: Lochner</li> <li>Motion carries</li> </ul>	
<ol> <li>Chair Comments; Ground Rules &amp; Abstentions</li> </ol>	Ground Rules were reviewed.	

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4. Public Comment (See page 2 of agenda for rules)	None.	
5. Sharing our concerns/Member Introductions	None.	
6. <b>Action</b> : Approval of the Task Force agenda for October 27, 2022	Action: Modify Agenda so that Item 9b occurs directly after approval of the minutes and approve the meeting Agenda for October 27, 2022 M/S/C: Riley/Page-Kahn 7/0 Abstentions: Lochner Motion carries	
Data Report: Vaccine Equity Data	<ul> <li>Data Report: Vaccine equity data</li> <li>440 total cases with a continued decline in new cases.</li> <li>Data report now includes non-binary where available.</li> <li>Data in immunization registry is voluntary. CDPH is working on review of data that can be gathered to include full gender representation. Timeline of revision is about 2 years.</li> <li>Follow up from prior meeting: County staff, including Kym Hodge, have reached out to the organizations mentioned during last meeting.</li> <li>Going forward, recommended actions from this Task Force should be formalized into a written document that can be forwarded to the County of San Diego Monkeypox Incident Commander.</li> <li>To reduce stigma, sub-cutaneous vaccinations are now available at County sites for those who request them. Permission to make this change was requested due to feedback from this committee and other sources. The County worked with the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) and ultimately CDC to obtain approval.</li> <li>The Monkeypox Health Emergency is likely to end November 10, 2022 because the number of new cases is falling below the threshold to continue declaration of a health emergency. It is important to note that vaccinations and other events (testing, treatment, vaccination) will continue to address disparities.</li> <li>The County and this Task Force will continue to work towards the goal of achieving vaccination equity.</li> </ul>	Staff to coordinate with Kym Hodge (who will work with Mary Grace) regarding reviewing messages about second doses

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	Some members of the community may need help to understand why a second dose of vaccine is important. Potential confusion that second dose is required because not enough was given during the first vaccine because of the shortage. Enhanced education to address this concern is recommended.	
7. <b>Action:</b> Approve Task Force meeting minutes	Action: Approve Task Force meeting minutes from September 15, 2022 and October 6, 2022 <b>M/S/C:</b> Spector/Huerta 6/0 <b>Abstentions:</b> Lochner <b>Motion Carries</b>	
8. Old Business		
a. Training: Health Equity	Tabled	
b. Data Report: Vaccine equity data	Moved to directly follow approval of the Agenda above.	
c. Review Report of Vaccinations; Outreach, Health Education and Risk Reduction Activities; and Social Media Activities	Tabled	
d. Discussion of vaccine efforts and suggestions for updates to strategy	<ul> <li>Mikie Lochner asked the committee to consider whether the messages used to reach the African American and Latino communities should be the same as what is being used to reach other communities. A member commented that images, as a message component, are important and should also be considered.</li> <li>A member stated that they have heard some providers have discouraged people from getting the vaccine because they "didn't fit the risk group." This may contribute to stigma and the County should emphasize to providers that no one should be discouraged from getting the vaccine.</li> <li>Messages and images used as part of the prevention contract can be obtained from Delio Ladron de Guevara. Other materials can be obtained from Kym Hodge. CDC and CDPH image are also available.</li> </ul>	Staff to coordinate with Delio Ladron de Guevara and Kym Hodge to obtain materials used in outreach to be included in the next meeting packet for review by the Task Force.
e. Discussion of outreach efforts and suggestions for updates to strategy	Committee members would like to see what messages and images are currently being used. A presentation from Lori Jones was requested for the next meeting.	Presentation by Lori Jones (15 min) to be added to next meeting agenda

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f. Discussion of social media efforts and suggestions for updates to strategy	Tabled			
g. Review of Work Plan	No changes			
h. Discussion: Ongoing Data and Reporting Requests to Support Work of Task Force	None.			
i. Discussion: Additional Training Required to Support Work of Task Force	None.			
9. New Business	9. New Business			
	a. None			
10. Suggestions to Steering Committee for consideration of future items	None.			
11. Announcements	None.			
11. Next meeting date	Next Meeting: November 10, 2022 Location: WebEx			
Adjournment	3:46 PM			