

MEETING MINUTES

CARE PARTNERSHIP FOR WOMEN, CHILDREN, AND FAMILIES Monday, December 09, 2024 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Southeastern Live Well Center
5101 Market St, San Diego, CA 92114; (Tubman Chavez Room A and B)

Attendees In-Person: Johneisha Jones (Chair), Ana Ramos, Rosalia Vargas, Venice Price (Co-Chair), Maria Cardia, Reg Carroll, Marilyn Armenta (SYHC), Maria Vergara (Christies Place), Lesly Rodriguez (Christies Place), Tyra Flemming (HPG), Shannon Ransom (UCSD-MCAP), Cinnamen Kubricky (HPG), Maria Gardia, Patty Lopez (UCSD-MCAP), Roberto Gallardo (HNRP-CMCR)

Attendees Online: Tammelita Cotlon-Pineda (UCSD-MCAP), Marvin Hanashiro (UCSD ARVC), and Jen Lothridge (Christie's Place), Philip Preston,

HPG Support Staff: Katie Emmel, America Gonzalez, Ling Yang

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1. Welcome and introductions	Johnisha Jones started the meeting at 11:10 AM, and the participants introduced themselves online.	
2. Comments from the Chair/ <ul style="list-style-type: none">Respectful Engagement	None Respectful engagement guidelines read by Johnisha Jones	
3. Moment of silence	A moment of silence was observed, remembering those who have passed and those living with or affected by HIV/AIDS and/or COVID-19.	
4. Review Mission Statement	The mission statement was read online by Tammelita Cotlon-Pineda	
5. Public comment/ Sharing our Concerns	A member recommended or made a comment that... <ul style="list-style-type: none">Utilities are rising.All clients need to renew their medical or Medicaid application.Section 8 is moving up inspection from March to January, so encourage all clients to get everything in order.Section 8 is increasing rent without notifying clients, so please pay attention.	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PARS programs need to increase their budget because people need housing. We need to monitor this PARS program is unfortunately underfunded and underspent with a very large waiting list. • CARE is working on gas reimbursement for consumers who attend the meeting next year. Please be patient. • The consumer attending the CARE meeting may have the option to choose an Amazon/Walmart gift card or gas reimbursement card. This is still under discussion. • We may need to seek funding for lawyers for the community, especially immigration, which will be highly impacted by what happens next year, 2025. 	
6. Review & approval of the meeting agenda for December 9, 2024	The agenda for December 09, 2024, was approved by consensus as presented.	
7. Review & approval of the meeting minutes for November 18, 2024	The minutes for November 18, 2024, were approved by consensus as presented.	
8. Discuss 2025 Training Opportunities/Updates		
a. Discussion on possible training for next year	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Immigration training is high on the list, and Patty Lopez will send a list of ideas for the following year. • The chair mentioned that this meeting is for the community, so please let them know if there is a topic you would like to present. 	
9. Old Business		
a. None		
10. New Business		
a. Presentation: <i>Karla F. Torres, MD, MSN-FNP, AAHIVS Community Medical Liaison</i>	<p>Karla F. Torres, MD, MSN-FNP, AAHIVS Community Medical Liaison, presented the following topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The significance of World Aids Day and the reflection of the 	

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	<p>past, present, and present HIV Epidemic.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The evolution of medication (oral and injectables) and nutrition to assist clients in living longer. • HIV affects everyone, and it does not discriminate. However, there are still disparities between certain groups. • Continuation of prevention treatment for newly diagnosed and the aging group. • The outlook of HIV envisions in 5, 10, and 20 years. • The hope for a cure with different outlook (Function cure: gene therapy, immune modulation, Eradication: therapy to eliminate HIV from the body including reservoirs; Vaccine: Prevention and Therapeutic) • Educating the world and Stigma reduction. • Agents for change by getting involved through advocacy, strengthening the community, call to action on awareness days. <p>Public Committee are concerned with the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Women and aging are falling behind, and need proper care. • The community needs to include the trans community instead of lumping them together. • We need more volunteers and advertisements for the research program—especially the youth demographic. 	
<p>b. Discussion: 2025 A Women’s Voice Conference</p>	<p>The New Women’s Conference will be on March 15, 2025, from 10 am – 4 pm at UCSD Park and Market. The theme is</p>	

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	<p>Evolution of Women with HIV Reflecting on the Past Navigating the Present and Shaping the Future.” This conference is hybrid, and registration will open on January 6, 2025.</p>	
11. Reports		
<p>a. Women and Youth Out of Care Group Discussion</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We need to continue to support our youth and not forget about this group. POZabilities is currently looking for youth support. • We need to provide more supportive public space for the male gay youth to grow and be supported. • Women have different statuses and impacts on life. They cannot always meet on regular office hours and require off hours to be supportive. We need space for support in case they feel isolated. Be an ally to any group even though you are not part of that group. Also, meet the young people where they are, especially on social media. • Research studies are so important, and women are underrepresented for a multitude of reasons. • Research needs more advertisement and compensation so more volunteers can participate. • We encourage participants to participate in the study. We want to learn better how diseases work in our bodies. We are open outside of office hours to participate. • Christie’s Place will open on Tuesday from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. to access services. From 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., people are encouraged to bring someone to take an HIV test and receive support. • If more research volunteers are needed, they should be able to 	

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	<p>schedule a time that is either online or out of the office.</p>	
<p>b. HIV Planning Group (HPG) Planning Group Support Staff</p>	<p>HPG SS and HPG Vice-Chair presented the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update on the Truax Awards and Ceremony event the previous week. • CEG is hosting a holiday celebration on December 11, 2025, in the same location. • HPG continues to need people to voice their opinions and participate, especially women and people of color. • HOPWA has an opening, and a member is more likely to get housing this way. 	
<p>c. Ryan White Part D</p>	<p>A committee member</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Requested a support group for aging women where everyone comes together regardless of identity. • Suggested for family days to that people can bring their spouses and children. • Mentioned it is important to have a space for youth. <p>The representative heard all the consumers' concerns and will bring them back to the organization to support future discussions.</p> <p>They have one-time funding for case management through the HPG budgeting allocation and are looking forward to supporting the community.</p> <p>Due to a huge influx of immigration, their staff is receiving cultural training to support this population. They are partnering with Global Village to provide training and interpretation services. They want to build trust within this community.</p>	
<p>d. Research</p>		

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i. AIDS Clinical Trials Group (ACTG)/ Antiviral Research Center (AVRC)	<p>There are no new research studies. The organization acknowledges the consumers' concerns about their participation availability and will try to accommodate them. However, further discussion is needed due to the availability of the blood operating department.</p> <p>Contact to put on AVRC Newsletter signup: http://eepurl.com/ddjKwz</p>	
ii. HIV Neurobehavioral Research Program (HNRP)	<p>There is a cannabis study, and we would like to have more representation of women and people of color. Compensation and overall visibility have increased. One Saturday a month is dedicated to seeing participants who are unable to come during traditional work hours.</p> <p>Flyers are posted in the community but contact directly.</p>	
iii. Mother, Child & Adolescent Program (MCAP)	<p>Provided updates on the innovative study, and medication effectiveness in health.</p> <p>There is a research study on the Black women living with HIV. It's hosted by UCSD/SDSU LinkPositively.</p>	
iv. UC San Diego Moores Cancer Center		
13. Announcements		
14. Next Meeting Date:	<p>Monday, January 13, 2025, In-Person Location: Southeastern Live Well Center 5101 Market Street, San Diego, CA 92114 (Tubman Chavez Room A), And via Zoom</p>	
15. Adjournment	Meeting adjourned at 1:07 pm.	