Monthly Updates from End Hep C SF

Building a San Francisco Free of Hepatitis C

Highlights from our work and community in October 2021

**HCV Prevention, Testing & Linkage Workgroup Highlights** (Oct 14)

1) Check-ins/updates/announcements

2) Large group discussion of how to onboard and support new members to EHCSF

3) Small group breakouts to discuss post-cure support (reinfection counseling, liver health, etc.) specifically in respect to the PTL group.

4) Added note outside of the meeting: need for staging people before treatment, since if someone has Stage 4 cirrhosis it is recommended that they get an Abdominal Ultrasound twice a year as well as AFP test to check for liver cancer, which is treatable if found early. A FibroScan should be part of linkage-to-care treatment. How often is this done is a good question for our IAC partners as well as CBOs.

Next meeting: October 14, 3-4.30pm

**Treatment Access Workgroup Highlights** (Oct 12)

1. Updates and Announcements

2. Medi-Cal carve out - Diana Ung, the specialty pharmacist at UCSF Parnassus updated on the Medi-Cal Rx transition and what the changes mean for us.

3. Other Items, including Epic and AB 786

Next meeting: December 14, 10-11.30am

Rachel Grinstein is the new co-chair representing SF Dept. of Public Health on the Research & Surveillance Workgroup.

Full meeting notes are available in our Groupsite shared files or by request. Join our working groups or our mailing list by sending a request to info@endhepccsf.org
Coordinating Committee Meeting Highlights (Oct 28)

1. Brief updates
2. Workgroup Updates
3. Brief budget update
4. New member invitations and rescheduling of next meeting due to Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays.
5. Discussion of how to handle onboarding and support for new members.
6. Coordinating Committee retreat discussion and unanimous agreement that we need it.
7. Mural activity to discuss role and structure of the backbone team (Brittany, Joanne, Shelley).

Next meeting: December 2, 3-4.30pm

HCV Research & Surveillance Workgroup Highlights (Oct 21)

1. Introductions, Updates and Welcome to new colleagues
2. Rachel Grinstein will stand as SFPD co-chair on this workgroup with Meghan Morris, who is out on maternity leave.
3. Discussion of sole source memo to present to Coordinating Committee, for hiring Facente Consulting to continue work on Jail Health HCV Needs Assessment on behalf of this workgroup.
4. 2022 Planning for the R&S Workgroup including renaming and planning of priorities and how often to meet.

Next meeting: November 18, 3-4.30pm

Policy & Advocacy Workgroup Meeting Highlights

No meeting this month

Next meeting: November 16, 1-2pm