

San Francisco Health Care for the Homeless Co-Applicant Board

Monday April 10th, 2023, 5:30-7:00pm at 25 Van Ness, room 610
with a Microsoft Teams call-in option for the public

Minutes

- Meeting called to order 5:40
- Ramaytush Ohlone Land Acknowledgement was read
- Member roll call was taken, quorum was not established. Member attendance details available in table on last page of minutes.
- City Staff introduced themselves, and no members of the public were present
 - DPH: Bill Blum & Nina Davis
- Agenda items 5-8 were skipped due to lack of quorum
- There was no public comment
- There were two announcements:
 - HCH CAB Member Recruitment still active and open to new applications
 - Next HCH CAB Meeting - May 8th, 5:30-7:00pm at 25 Van Ness – Rm 610
- HCH CAB members discussed whether they would like to create an HCH CAB Meeting mask policy, or revert to the general City policy which now allows masks to be optional at this type of meeting. The group present determined that some people are comfortable with meeting without a supplemental mask requirement, and at least one person on the committee was not comfortable attending mask optional meetings at this point. With further discussion, it was proposed that members who are not comfortable attending meetings that do not have universal masking may also prefer to apply for a reasonable accommodation for the HCH CAB to have the option to attend remotely for the fullest safety. That was agreed upon, and the group decided to keep “mask policy” on the agenda throughout 2023 in case conditions change and the group would like to vote on a mask policy later.

- The HCH CAB also discussed dinner preferences and everyone was comfortable with sandwich boxes which could either be eaten during the meeting or brought home to eat after the meeting according to each person's preference.
- HCH CAB members discussed the potential of creating one or more subcommittees that would meet monthly. This month's discussion focused on the difficulty meeting quorum regularly, and that adding additional meetings may not be helpful at this point, though the topic may be re-visited again soon.
- HCH CAB members discussed their experiences with the SFDPH Dental program, and brainstormed about where barriers are for clients. The bulk of the questions revolved around how people are referred to services, often by their medical providers, and that the check-in process and waiting to enter services can discourage many clients for reaching their dental appointments or receiving drop-in services. The group asked that SFPDH speak with the dental and eligibility programs in the background to learn a bit more about current processes and bring this information back to a future HCH CAB meeting.
- SFDPH shared a bit of information on Alternative to 9-1-1 Response Programs, noting particularly that the SFDPH program invited to present shared an update that the program had re-structured very recently and primary leadership has transitioned to the fire department EMS section. The group did not prioritize inviting the fire department program leadership at this time, and will discuss next steps on this topic at a meeting later in the year.
- Members prioritized topics for April HCH CAB Meeting
 - Invite another Health Center to Present
 - Patient Grievance Policy and Annual Report
 - Storage Options for Belongings when attending Medical Visits (highly prioritized by group)

- Presentation on CalAIM with Opportunity for Patient Input into how to address Social Determinants of Health with Major Data Projects
- Meeting adjourned at 7:00

Roll Call and Vote Record for April 10th, 2023:

	Present at 3/13/2023 Meeting
Anakh Sul Rama	N
Bernadette Okereke	N (attended remotely)
Dan Jordan	N (attended remotely)
Freddie Kendrick	N
Gregory McDowell	N
Joseph Orlando	N
Kenneth Pearce	Y
Manel Silva, MD	N
Michael Discepola	N
Richard Sullivan	Y
Vacant Community Role	
Beth Neary (non-voting)	Y

Note: Minutes are in DRAFT form until reviewed and approved by Co-Applicant Board attendees.

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