Minutes October 16, 2017
SF Hepatitis C Task Force

Welcome, Introductions, Announcements
HIV, HBV, HCV Seminar for Practitioners – free, 12/9/17 all day
10/17 Andrew Reynolds 1:30 Safe Consumption Sites
Luseli working now at SFGH pharmacy

Approved minutes of 08/14/2017
Laura Klivans’ article on VA has been published by KQED; her article based on her attendance at our meeting will be published in the future
If someone at other VA is not getting meds, contact Jay

Reports
End Hep C SF – Katie
  Hepatitis A outbreak in California
  • outbreak in San Diego (16 deaths, 60 hospitalizations), lesser outbreaks in LA and Santa Cruz
  • Gov. declared emergency
  • in SF, no cases yet, but DPH mobilizing, vaccinating, esp. in homeless encampments, incl. CBOs doing vaccinations

New website – public face
  blog – treating at Magnet, 6th St. SES
  - write something for the blog – we’re all encouraged to share stories

Research & Surveillance workgroup applied for grant to develop a HCV treatment cascade, and model for elimination

Conference on Syringe Exchange Programs – 2 days
  well attended
  5 or 6 main syringe exchange sites and many satellites
discussion on topics covered

Awards – CalHEP Sherri Ziegler awards will be given at
  Project Inform fundraising gala – Evening of Hope – Saturday, November 11 –
  7:00-10:00pm – The Lodge at the Regency Center

  SF Health Plan gave award to Mission Wellness Pharmacy

Letters of support – Robin
  • Safe consumption services
  • No to syringe tracking in Eureka

Financial report – Shirley
  we’re broke but expecting some donations
  ask for end-of-year donations
  send out our form letter
  Walgreens will cover our holiday meal and Fair snacks
  Janice will head up a donation request effort

Update & Discussion
Strategy for next year budget revise
Meetings with Barbara Garcia
  9/11 to discuss our ask
  Barbara G suggested we ask for money for CBOs directly, rather than asking the Mayor for more money for DPH.
Current CBOs still have go through DPH though
Need to get clearer on the process
Ask what is being done to continue the current CBO test & linkage grants when they expire?
SAMSHA set-aside funded drug user health integration services
but we no longer get the set-aside, though it continues for a couple years

Upcoming Events

World Hepatitis Summit, Sao Paulo, Brazil – October 30 to November 3
Dan, Orlando, & Robin attending

We are featured among the WHA World Hep Day page

Trans Health Fair 11/28/17 11-2
Glide will test for HCV as well as HIV

Need to develop Strategic Priorities for 2018

7:30 Adjourn

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