



Eliminate Hepatitis C Task Force

February 11, 2022
12:00 AM – 1:00 PM
Via Zoom

Minutes

Attendance: Robert Lewis, Family Health Centers of San Diego (Co-Chair), Patrick Loose, County of San Diego (Co-Chair), Mark Beatty, MD, County of San Diego, Carrie Farrell, County of San Diego, Michael Gonzales, California Department of Public Health, Jeffrey Johnson, MPH, County of San Diego, Meghan Johnson, County of San Diego, Christian Ramers, MD, County of San Diego, Claire Riley, County of San Diego, Tara Stamos-Buesig, San Diego Harm Reduction Coalition and Wilma Wooten, MD, County of San Diego.

Contract Support Staff: Scott Suckow, Liver Coalition of San Diego and Ryan Clary, Clary Strategies.

The meeting started at 12:05 PM. The purpose of the Task Force was reviewed.

Purpose: To coordinate the implementation of the plan to eliminate HCV in San Diego County by 2030. With the overarching targets: • 80% decrease of incidence of chronic HCV by 2030, and • 65% reduction of HCV mortality by 2030.

The need for a Committee structure was shared, with each of the nine recommendations being assigned to committee for implementation.

In addition to the Task Force and the Steering Committee, those would be:

- Awareness and Prevention Committee
- Linkage and Testing Committee
- Treatment Committee

ACTION: It was suggested and agreed to add a Data/Surveillance Committee to the structure.

The focus of each group was reviewed. The below recommendations will be managed by the listed Committee.

- Awareness and Prevention Committee – Recommendations 1 and 2
- Linkage and Testing Committee - Recommendations 3 and 4
- Treatment Committee - Recommendations 5 and 6

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- Surveillance Committee – Recommendation 7
- Task Force - Recommendations 8 and 9 will be a standing agenda item of the Task Force meetings.

The Plan of Work would consist of reorganizing the nine recommendations and each of the assigned tasks by Phase. These would then be assigned to committees by recommendations, providing them a plan of work by phase.

Closing Remarks: The National Viral Hepatitis Roundtable State Report Card was shared. California received an A score.

The meeting ended at 12:59 PM

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