



## Eliminate Hepatitis C Task Force

### Treatment Committee

**July 28, 2022**  
**4:00 PM – 5:00 PM**  
**Via ZOOM**

### MINUTES

***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.

**ATTENDANCE:** Andrea Tomada, County of SD; Michelle Hughes La Maestra Community Health Centers, Ryan Clary, Clary Strategies; Winston Tilghman, MD, Medical Director, SD County; Michelle Hughes, Neighborhood Health Care; Claire Riley, County of SD; Cheryl Thompson, MD, Neighborhood Health Care

Topic/Lead	Report/Discussion	By Who:	Follow-Up
Welcome, Introductions	Meeting CTO by: Ryan, 4:05 pm		
Motion: Approve June 2022 Minutes			
Welcome to new Members	Andrea introduced Michelle Hughes to bring information forward from a general health care facility's perspective: Neighborhood Health Care provided training to staff on how to obtain their Hep C prescriptions by use of a support person who helps the client navigate the access barriers and getting secure	Michelle Hughes to share procedures with committee	By next Week

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	<p>locations. Per Michelle, many of those barriers have improved as it is now a contracted medication with Medicare.</p> <p>New Hep C Treaters are receiving education from various people like Dr. Ramers, hepatologist, and the Bridge training through Perdue University. Once baseline results are received, the support staff reviews the client’s insurance plan to see how best to order treatment. Follow-up is most important and so far, even though the numbers are currently small for number of treated patients, their cure rate is 100%</p>		
<p>Updates:</p> <p>1. 211 San Diego</p>	<p>Andrea discussions with CEO of 211 – ongoing – phone call happening today. They are investigating what the next steps are to make it happen.</p> <p>Dr. Dunford will provide more later.</p>	Dr. Dunsford	Next meeting
<p>2. “Be There” Model meeting held on July 18<sup>th</sup></p>	<p>Andrea Dr. Dunford reached out to Be There to find out what model they used and would they be interested in helping us to obtain a bigger platform for support. More later.</p>	Dr. Dunford	Next meeting
<p>3. Claire Riley to engage BH providers</p>	<p>Sent assessment out as we have drug-Medi-Cal and then just Medi-Cal and they are two different systems of care.</p> <p>Do we want both? Claire to Follow-up</p> <p>Get a list of providers (do we want both)? Check back with Dr. Dunford</p>	<p>Claire Riley</p> <p>Claire Riley</p>	<p>By next meeting</p> <p>By next meeting</p>
<p>Bridge training to expand workforce capacity needs more engagement</p>	<p>Andrea from Task Force Comm. Mara from Integritas Communications presented possible training including lunch</p>		

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	<p>how to get the word out to providers and staff. Having problems getting in contact with other providers. Andrea to connect Dr. Tilghman with Mara to discuss training see if this is an opportunity to provide training.</p> <p>True Care <a href="http://bridgehcv.com/">http://bridgehcv.com/</a> Andrea to send out info after meeting Michelle recommended Dr. Ramers to do some of the training after he returns end of August.</p>	Andrea to send out info	Next week.
<p>Recommendations from other committees:</p> <p>1. Reporting cases from Surveillance Committee</p>	<p>Andrea – Surveillance Comm having hard time getting information from providers. Asking committee for suggestions. Would it be beneficial to have provider training on how to report information to the county. Michelle Hep C reported possibly from labs. She will confirm whether they are reporting it or not. Neighborhood is not reporting it out. She will confirm and follow-up on how it is handled</p>	Andrea to follow-up  Michelle	Before next meeting  Sent message while in meeting
<p>2. Reflex testing for antibody positive cases</p>	<p>Michelle: in their electronic records medical director built a pop-up point of care to order hep C and HIV prompt automatically ordered. Clinical quality comm at their facility they review annually and added it. Andrea: what you are already doing is what we want to get implemented across the county. Andrea requested Michelle send more information.</p>	Michelle	Send info to Andrea before next meeting.

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	Michelle reported they do an annual quality of care review to update their procedures to follow current recommendations.  Andrea to send info to Michelle concerning what the County is looking for, the work plan and a copy of the initiative.	Andrea	By next week.
3. EHR prompting from Linkage & Testing Committee	See item 2 above.		
Adjourn Meeting adjourned at 4:45 pm	NEXT MEETING: August 25 <sup>th</sup> 2022 4:00 pm		

Planning documents, rosters, meeting agendas and minutes can be found at  
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