“Monterey County Sexual Health Collaborative”
Meeting Minutes
March 1, 2018

Present: Andrea Estrada MOCO, Dina Calderon ASN, Daniela Mejia ASN, Lori Osorio PAETC, Patty Yuris CHOMP, Miranda Mossay EpiCenter, Dr. Martha Blum, Lindsay Wetzel Polin CSUMB, Dr. Keller, Laurice Rubalcava PPMM, David Kilburn ASN, David Perez ASN

Next meeting: May 17, 2018

I. Announcements/ Agency and Clinic Updates
   a. Evelyn Alvarez has accepted the position of HIV Programs Coordinator for Monterey County Health Dept.
   b. Isela Sandoval will be the new clinic supervisory of NIDO Clinic.
   c. Evelyn will be coming to visit sub-contractors during March to do monitoring site visits for Ryan White Part B funds. Alice from the OA will be hosting a Ryan White Part B orientation March 8th at 10:30AM at the Health Dept.
   d. Tobacco Coalition April 12th Office of Education.
   e. Hep C training March 17th at NMC provided by the Pacific AIDS Training Center.
   f. May 8th and 9th partner services training offered by CDPH Offices of AIDS, Training Center, and the Monterey County Health Department. Will be held at Marina Training Center.
   g. HIV Update Symposium May 24th 11:30-5 PrEP, Hep C and mental health in SLO.
   h. Awareness days and events
      i. LGBTQA LatinX film festival- March 1-4
         miranda@epicentermonterey.org for questions about the event.
      iii. National Native HIV/AIDS Awareness Day- March 20
iv. LGBTWA Health Awareness Week- March 27-31
v. STD Awareness Month- April
i. OPIS is moving to Ryan Ranch in August 2018. Welcome Dr. Keller! Goodbye Dr. Taplin 😞 General infections unit will be relocating to Ryan Ranch April 1st 2018.

II. Presentation from Laura Lazar- Please PrEP Me
   a. PleasePrEPMe.org started as an online directory for people to find PrEP providers. Will be growing to a worldwide directory of PrEP providers with country specific resource pages in development. Recently have launched an online chat function to help individuals navigate.
   b. Can add your location onto the directory, Please PrEP Me vets these sites at least once a year.
      i. Can use the filter to see if there are providers that will prescribe under 18 etc.
      ii. Will create a new filter with the PrEP AP.
   c. Worked with each state to create specific resource pages.
   d. Not currently running adds, but have ran ads on Grindr/Adam4Adam/Jack’d in the past- very successful. Plan on running more targeted ads in the future.
   e. Most of the chats are about the navigation of PrEP- health care and coverage systems.
   f. Chat function is currently open primarily for CA, users can access it from other states but can only access general information.
   g. Google ads have increased the site visits in Monterey County. Primarily in Salinas- 268 out of 545.
   h. Other resources
      i. Clinician Consultation Center PrEPline 855-HIV-PREP
      ii. PAETC- free training to health care professionals
      iii. Get SF CBA
      iv. Nurx and PlushCare are online PrEP prescribing services, patient just has to get to a lab.
i. Dr. Blum- sometimes it is difficult because she is not a comprehensive STD/STI clinic. Would be great for those clinics to also provide.

j. Dr. Keller- will be prescribing PrEP. Is also open to prescribing PrEP to patients under the age of 18.

k. PPMM- offering PrEP, is there literature geared towards youth for PrEP and PEP?
   i. HIV Alliance is going to be introducing legislation to reduce PrEP age to 12- align with minor consent laws.

l. PleasePrEPme.org/youth page for PrEP use >18

m. PleasePrEPme.org/frontline
   i. PAECT can help customize trainings to help bridge the gap for frontline staff.

III. ASN Staff Update on PrEP AP
   a. Will shadow ADAP, below FLP 500%.
   b. Phase 1, uninsured- will come out in the next few weeks. ASN is the only open enrollment site for Monterey County. Just applied for PrEP AP. Will cover all lab tests as well. No out of pocket costs for patients. Undocumented individuals can access these services.
   c. Asking CA legislature for more money to do outreach for this program.

IV. Operating Procedures Discussion
   a. Collaborative sounds more inviting.
   b. Include folks living with HIV or other chronic STD/STIs.
   c. Change residents to community members to be more inclusive.
   d. Include more measurable goals for our purpose/mission.
   e. David- down the road, can we talk about harm reduction and drug use in this collaborative?
      i. There might be another collaborative that already addresses this- Evelyn will look into this.
   f. Patti- we’re here not only to reduce STDs/STIs. We should include injection drug use/opioids. Lowering the risk of many things not just sexual.
   g. Daniela- most of the testing being done is between 30-60. Focus more on the youth.
h. Include specific/measurable goals so that we can invite other groups and they feel like they can really participate.
i. Bring in youth to speak about their experiences, maybe have a listening session/focus groups come in to speak about their lived experiences.
   i. Figure out a way to get folks to our meetings and participate.

j. Include in our mission potentially- identify mentees to help youth advocate and lobby etc.

k. **Next steps: please email Evelyn alvareze@co.monterey.ca.us with your ideas about the title, purpose, mission and goals.**

V. **Prevention Update**
   a. Syringe exchange 1 year anniversary. Trying to get onto the Peninsula. 303 unique clients. 2900 visits, 49,000 syringes. Offering injectable and nasal naloxone and fentanyl test strips.
   b. HOPWA- last 6 months- 26 clients. 1004 days of rental assistance $30,000. Ryan White- $43,000 8 clients Manson Grant- 6 clients $18,000.
   c. Let Evelyn know if there are any organizations who want to get into the Condom Distribution program.

VI. **Farewell to Dr. Taplin**