

Agenda
Office of AIDS March 2009 Rural Think Tank, Follow-Up Call #1
November 18, 2009
10AM – 11AM

Call-in information

877-607-9078; 2459016

1. Introductions

2. Rural Think Tank Meeting Report - All

- a. What have we accomplished
- b. What are the most important outstanding items (that are feasible in current fiscal environment)t?
- c. How else might this report be helpful?

<http://www.cdph.ca.gov/programs/aids/Documents/RPTRuralThinkTankMarToSep2009.pdf>

3. HIV testing programmatic and training requirements and resources

- a. Update on HIV testing programs (see Prevention Guidance) – Brian Lew
<http://www.cdph.ca.gov/programs/aids/Documents/LTRPreventionGuidance2009-11-04.pdf>
- b. Update on training programs and requirements – Brian Lew
- c. Update on AB221 (finger stick legislation) – Brian Lew
- d. Guidance on surveillance staff and HIV testing – Michelle Roland
- e. Training/guidance for doctors, nurses on conducting HIV testing – What resources are there currently/in development? – Brian Lew, group

4. CDCR Transitional case management Program (TCMP) - collaborations with OA and CCLAD - Clarissa Poole-Sims

5. SAMHSA SAPT HIV set-aside funds – collaborations with ADP, CCLAD, local AOD– Barbara Weiss and Michelle Roland

6. Syringe exchange – What is OA’s plan for supporting SEPs in rural counties post budget cuts – Barbara Weiss

- a. 2 syringe exchanges have shut down in the wake of budget cuts, in Monterey and Santa Cruz counties, although in Santa Cruz a new volunteer organization has stepped up and been authorized by the county to take up the work. In Humboldt County the Open Door has also ceased providing needle exchange. Since the termination of our contract with the Harm Reduction Coalition to provide TA to California needle exchanges, Alessandra Ross provides TA to all exchanges, including rural ones.

7. Administrative Burden: What is the impact on rural communities of the shift to the Single Allocation Model (SAM) for Care and Prevention Services? - Richard Iniguez

- a. Review of the SAM model
- b. Update of the progress of SAM implementation
- c. Discussion

8. Next Steps