

California Department of Public Health  
Office of AIDS

Ryan White/LIHP Transition Advocate Conference Call Minutes  
Friday, April 20, 2012, 2:00 – 3:00 PM

Target participants:

- HIV Advocates
- CDPH leadership
- Office of AIDS leadership
- DHCS LIHP leadership
- California Conference of Local AIDS Directors (CCLAD) leadership
- California Association of Public Hospitals (CAPH) leadership
- County Health Executives Association of California (CHEAC) leadership
- Representatives of county LIHP Administrators

## Agenda and Minutes

1. Welcome
2. Roll Call
3. Update on Ryan White/LIHP transition activities since last call – Dr. Karen Mark, Interim Chief, Office of AIDS

**a. Development of LIHP Transition Stakeholder Advisory Committee**

- 27 applications received thus far, extended due date was today, April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2012.
- Description of breadth of applicants to date
- No consumers/clients have applied to date

Application deadline extended a second time to April 27<sup>th</sup> and an updated application is to be sent to Courtney and Aaron to distribute to their networks of consumers.

**b. FAQs on Sharing AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP) Client Data**

OA recently posted on their website FAQ guidance on sharing ADAP data to assist with the transition of clients from ADAP/Ryan White Services to the Low Income Health Program.

**c. Flowchart on LIHP Screening Timelines**

Jill Somers provided an update on the request at last meeting to give an extra 7 day supply of drugs to patients who reach the end of their 30 day LIHP application grace period, still have not submitted proof of LIHP application to ADAP, and show up at their ADAP pharmacy requesting a medication refill.

This request is still being assessed for feasibility and an update will be provided at next week's meeting.

**d. Expanded LIHP Training for RW Case Managers and Benefits Counselors**

Ayanna Kiburi provided an update on the status of planning this May 2<sup>nd</sup> and May 8<sup>th</sup> training with the API Wellness Center.

**e. ADAP Enrollment Worker (EW) and Coordinator Monthly Conference Calls**

Jill Somers provided an update on the development of this monthly ADAP EW call series, to be conducted on the first Wednesday of each month. These calls will be used to convey pertinent information to EWs and provide a forum for EWs to communicate questions, concerns and successes.

Advocates requested that OA provide the number of EWs that participated in the March 2012 EW trainings regarding the implementation of LIHP screening. This training was for all EWs in the 8 Legacy counties that are currently screening RW clients for LIHP during ADAP enrollment/recertification. OA agreed to ask Ramsell for this information and share it with the group.

Data sharing from local LIHPs to Ramsell was raised as an issue in potentially creating a system in which clients would stay on ADAP until they had seen a LIHP provider and filled their medications from a LIHP pharmacy. The legality and feasibility of sharing this data was discussed. Tangerine from SF stated that the SF LIHP could not share data with non-governmental agencies, including Ramsell, because SF doesn't have an agreement with Ramsell.

**f. Overview of Non-Legacy LIHP Guidance**

OA will send a screening and transition readiness questionnaire to Non-Legacy Counties as they implement LIHP, once this questionnaire is finalized and reviewed by stakeholders. Once each county has completed and returned the questionnaire, OA will hold a conference call with the county to discuss their readiness to begin RW screening. When the county confirms their readiness, a

revised version of the February 29, 2012 ADAP Management Memo previously sent to the Legacy LIHPs to kick off automated screening will be distributed to the county's ADAP enrollment workers and coordinators. In addition, training will be conducted for the county's ADAP enrollment workers.

**g. Client-Centered LIHP Education**

OA is working on developing a set of questions that once answered by each county will provide a description of county-specific processes that is customer focused, easily read and accessible on OA and possibly county webpages.

OA will distribute the draft questions to several volunteer counties, DHCS partners, and advocates for review and input prior to release to all counties.

4. Open discussion

5. Close