

**California STD/HIV Controllers Association
Executive Committee Call Agenda**

**Friday, August 25, 2017
8:30 AM – 10:00 AM**

Executive Committee Members Present

Adrienne Rogers, Bonnie Flippin, Jim McPherson, Patrick Loose. Sarah Lewis, Vivian Levy

Others Participating

Adriana Almaguer, Barbara Vassell, Bryan Wheeler, Connie Rios, Deborah Collins, Denise Smith, Emalie Huriaux, Heidi Bauer, Hemal Parikh, Jena Adams, Karen Mark, Kristy Michie, Lea Morgan, Marquette Engel, Matt Geltmaker, Nick Moss, Patti Sheldon, Romni Neiman, Sonali Kulkarni, Susan Philip, Susan Strong

Agenda Item

1. Welcome/Roll Call

Patrick Loose called the meeting to order at 8:34. A quorum of the Executive Committee was present.

2. Approval of the Agenda

Jim McPherson asked to add Item 6a to the agenda: Getting press coverage on DIS and update on Building Healthy Online Communities (Dan Wohlfeiler)

Motion: Approve agenda as amended.

Moved – S. Lewis

Seconded – B. Flippin

Passed by voice vote

3. Approval of the July 28, 2017 Meeting Minutes

Motion: Approve July 28, 2017 Executive Committee meeting minutes.

Moved – V. Levy

Seconded – A. Rogers

Passed by voice vote

4. STD Control Branch Update

Heidi Bauer highlighted several items from her written report (refer to “CSTDHIVCA STDCB Updates 08-25-17” report), including \$6 million in supplemental CDC funding for congenital syphilis prevention and response; enhanced gonococcal isolate surveillance program funding; CA PTC training resources; the continuing Bicillin shortage; and the 2016 surveillance data releases.

Romni Neiman also provided an update on the congenital syphilis quality review, advised that the review tools had been sent to all LHJs that had had cases, and that the report should be sent out around the end of September.

5. Office of AIDS Update

Karen referred to her written report (see the August2017_FinalOARreport) and highlighted several items, including the care conference taking place August 28-30; the formation of the funding formula work group; the upcoming HIV Prevention funding opportunity announcement; the release of the HIV surveillance data sets; and California Planning Group (CPG) activities. Karen noted the \$4 million augmentation in MediCal provider payments included in the FY17/18 state budget, and shared that OA is working with stakeholders to develop a distribution of the \$4 million one-time enhancement in ADAP enrollment funding.

6a. Getting Press Coverage on DIS & Update on Building Health Online Communities

Dan Wohlfeiler shared that the NY Times had produced an excellent piece on DIS on Oklahoma, and the Bakersfield Californian had also produced a great article on DIS. He asked for input on input/interest in seeking out other local opportunities to promote DIS in the media. Jim will send out the referenced articles with the meeting minutes. There was general interest and support of the idea of promoting DIS in the media, but concern was raised related to client/patient confidentiality. Sonali noted that LA is working with the LA Times on a syphilis/DIS article, and are navigating the confidentiality issues. Denise shared that a reporter had previously gone with their DIS, and that no names were used. Debbie also noted that Long Beach had had a reporter follow their DIS as well.

Dan also shared information on Building Health Communities Online (bhocpartners.org). BHOC offers sexual health information to online dating app owners/managers, PSAs and coordinated messaging. The materials are open license, and have had more than 2 million views.

6. Legislative Update

Jim noted that there has been a lull in state legislative activity following the conclusion of the annual budget process, but that activity will start to pick up again. Jim also shared that he had been contacted by AIDS Project Los Angeles (APLA), the sponsor of SB 238 (the bill to de-criminalize HIV), and ACLU. APLA and ACLU are working with CDPH leadership to address concerns expressed regarding potential impact on health officer statutory authorities and wants to ensure that their efforts also consider any Controllers Association concerns.

Adrienne asked how notifications were being sent related to AB2640 which requires a medical care provider or person administering a test for HIV to provide patients who test negative for HIV infection and are determined to be at high risk for HIV infection with information about methods that prevent or reduce the risk of contracting HIV, including

PrEP and PEP. Karen advised that OA is working on a general letter to providers, and will share a draft with LHJs. Concerns were expressed with the adequacy of provider contact lists. Karen noted that they would explore reaching out to providers through the CA Medical Board.

7. Determine if CSTD/HIVCA should develop and submit letter regarding ongoing Bicillin shortage.

Heidi advised that she would check in on any ongoing strategy and report back at the next meeting.

8. Prioritize Old Business from Elk Grove business meeting:

- Position Statements

Patrick will lead a position statement development effort with Bonnie, and present a draft on the next call.

- Website Content

Karen noted that OA is hosting the page for the Association. The items identified by the call participants as most valuable to have on the web page were: Association meeting agendas/minutes; position statements; bylaws; vision/purpose; and member lists (for general members, the information would be their name, LHJ and email address/for Executive Committee members, the information would also include their role in the Association and a contact phone number). The target for submitting the information to OA to add to the web page is October 1.

- Dues / Annual Meeting Fee

There was general discussion of how to approach the potential assessment of dues or meeting fees. Different LHJs have different challenges, some have less difficulty with dues, while others have less difficulty getting a meeting participation fee approved. It was the consensus of the group that a hybrid approach of dues and fees may be the best approach. Adrienne will follow up with CCLHO to clarify if there are any issues related to us, as an affiliate Association, collecting dues or fees and how that should be done.

- Adjusting quorum of the full body

There was a general discussion regarding the number of members needed to constitute a quorum for a regular meeting or other action requiring a vote. Patrick and Jim will send out a survey to all members in the latter part of September asking for feedback on potential options.

- Legality of email polls, call-in meetings

There was general discussion regarding the applicability of the Brown Act to the Association and the legality of email voting and calling in to meetings. Patrick will follow up with CCLHO for clarification.

9. Other Items/Announcements

Vivian wanted to give a shout out to Heidi for her Medical Board of California Summer 2017 newsletter piece.

10. Adjourn Meeting: Next meeting on September 22, 2017

Patrick adjourned the meeting at 9:49am to the next regular Executive Committee meeting on September 22, 2017 at 8:30am.