



# Monthly Updates from End Hep C SF

## Building a San Francisco Free of Hepatitis C

Highlights from our work and community in November 2022

### Treatment Access Workgroup Highlights

No meeting scheduled this month.



**Next meeting: December 13, 11am-noon**

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*The Prevention, Testing, & Linkage Workgroup is looking for a new co-lead. Please contact us at [info@endhepcsf.org](mailto:info@endhepcsf.org) if interested.*

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### HCV Prevention, Testing & Linkage Workgroup Highlights (Nov 10)



1. Intros/Updates/announcements
2. Discussion of co-lead position that is now open on the PTL workgroup since Jordan is now Strategic Director and part of the backbone team on the Coordinating Committee.
3. Community based testing data update using the evaluation dashboard at [endhepcsf.org/evaluation-dashboard/](https://endhepcsf.org/evaluation-dashboard/)
  - b. Showed testing trends and how they were affected by covid
  - c. Looked at testing by priority populations
  - d. Looked at total positive antibody tests and antibody positivity rate
  - e. Looked at HCV RNA Positivity rateDiscussion what we need to do to get our testing numbers back up.
4. Strategic Planning  
Discussed what we need to prioritize over the next 3 years given the data update and discussions held so far.

**Next meeting: December 8, 3-4.30pm**

**Full meeting notes are available in our Groupsite shared files or by request.  
Join our working groups or our mailing list by sending a request to [info@endhepcsf.org](mailto:info@endhepcsf.org)**

## HCV Community Research & Data Stewardship Workgroup Highlights (Nov 21)



1. The entire meeting was dedicated to an update on the Jail Health Needs Assessment study conducted by Facente Consulting. The study was a needs assessment to understand knowledge and treatment readiness in SF County jails
  - Interviewed 31 people. 87% identified as male. 48% white, 36 with active HCV infection, 97% incarcerated before, 65% homeless at arrest with another 29% previously homeless.
  - Discussion on findings including gaps between testing and treatment. Shows a lack of available medication: staff and incarcerated folks both want treatment, but lack of funding means treatment isn't available.
  - Discussion of policy work that could be done around this and next steps.

**Next meeting: December 19, 3-4.30pm**

## Policy & Advocacy Workgroup Meeting Highlights (Nov 15)



1. Announcements and upcoming events
  - Jail Health study reporting at CoRDS meeting 11/21 at 3pm
2. 11/2 End the Epidemics meeting report back
3. Discuss potential budget requests for 2023-2024
  - See what develops from Jail Health Needs Assessment
  - Discussed setting up a meeting with the Board of Supervisors
4. Discussed goals for strategic planning and how we will be working to finish up the strategic plan overall, ensuring that advocacy efforts are community centered.

**Next meeting: December 20, 1-2pm**

## Coordinating Committee Meeting Highlights



November and December Coordinating Committee meetings were combined and will be held on December 1 from 2-3.30pm.

**Next meeting: December 1, 2-3.30pm**