



Monthly Updates from End Hep C SF

Building a San Francisco Free of Hepatitis C

Highlights from our work and community in October 2023

HCV Prevention, Testing & Linkage Workgroup Highlights (Oct 12)



1. Updates and announcements
2. Discussion of training needs and/or practices at CBOs (who trains about HCV navigation, outreach, etc.). Are there additional training resources that would be beneficial? Is there capacity for onboarding and training at organizations? Topics on the wish list.
3. Info about the upcoming INHSU symposium in SF - Thursday, November 2nd from 9.30-3pm at the Holiday Inn on 1500 Van Ness Ave in SF. Registration is free.
4. Other - SFCHC is currently the only organization with a hep C support group in San Francisco. Discussion on the need for more hep C support groups.

Next meeting: Joint meeting with Treatment Access - Nov 14, 11am-noon

Treatment Access Workgroup Highlights (Oct 10)



1. Discussion about upcoming INHSU meeting in SF
2. Review of Soraya Azari's slides about HCV treatment at OTOP. They have been treating HCV for 7 years - average of about 40 patients a year. Every patient gets screened for HCV annually. If they are viremic they are referred and treated. Meds are delivered to ward 93. Discussion of challenges at MAT clinics and whether clinics could be doing more within the boundaries allowed to potentially work HCV treatment into their existing MAT treatment.
3. Review of list of HCV providers / identifying HCV champions at each of the SFHN clinics

Next meeting: Joint meeting with Prevention Testing & Linkage - Nov 14, 11am-noon

*Upcoming regional INHSU HCV symposium - Thursday
Nov 2 at the Holiday Inn on Van Ness. Register [here](#).*

**Full meeting notes are available in our shared Google Drive or by request.
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Coordinating Committee Meeting Highlights (Oct 26)



1. Updates and announcements
2. Plug for upcoming INHSU symposium in SF and any discussion needed about what that will entail. Thursday, November 2nd from 9.30-3pm at the Holiday Inn on 1500 Van Ness Ave in SF. Focuses on people working in hep C and drug user health.
3. Confirmation of our new meeting time - 4th Wednesdays from 11-12.30pm. November and December meetings will be combined however since they are close to holidays.
4. Budget update including wind down of Hellman funding
5. Review/discussion of a letter to send to Susan Philip (on behalf of EHCSF, signed by whole CC minus SFDPH employees). We will be asking for more useful surveillance reporting.
6. Debrief of the EHCSF happy hour, and discussion of potential future in-person connection plans. Discussed having some sort of theme in the future, like a celebration or rallying around an issue.
7. Other

Next meeting: December 6, 11-12.30pm

Community Research & Data Stewardship Workgroup Highlights



No meeting this month

Next meeting: November 20, 3-4pm

Policy & Advocacy Workgroup Meeting Highlights (Oct 10)



1. Updates - Discussion on our shift to a quarterly meeting with extra meetings as-needed during busier times. Next meeting is January 16th, 2024 from 1-2pm.
2. State updates inc. the End the Epidemics (EtE) coalition annual strategy meeting on November 6th. Discussed what priority issues might be for HCV in FY 24-25.
3. Local updates including CalAim and future opportunities to support expanded and enhanced HCV services.
4. National updates related to dried blood spot testing.
5. INHSU symposium

Next meeting: January 16, 1-2pm