



Meeting Notes

**Proposition 64 Advisory Group
 December 6, 2019 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
 1700 K Street, 1st Floor Conference Room, Sacramento CA**

Members Present	
Marlies Perez, DHCS	Bonnie Midura
Denise Galvez, DHCS	Amanda McAllister-Wallner
Timmen Cermak	Paula Wilhelm
Jim Keddy	Jevon Wilkes
Judy Babcock	Lynn Silver
Ruben Cantu	Marjorie Swartz

Members on Conference Line	
Laura Mata Lopez	Seth Ammerman, MD
Joseph Eberstein	Briana Zweifler
Veronica Lewis	

Opening Remarks and Introductions

Marlies Perez, *Community Services Division Chief, (DHCS)*

Denise Galvez, *Youth Services Section Chief, (DHCS)*

Marlies reviewed the decisions made during the previous meeting on October 31, 2019. The grantees will be a community-based organizations or Tribal organizations focusing on primary prevention and early intervention. Grantees are not required to partner with school districts; however, a partnership plan within the community will be required.

Marlies covered the Request for Applications (RFA) timeline. Proposition 64 Advisory Group (P64AG) members were concerned with the timeline due to the holiday season. The due date of the RFA will be extended and a second webinar will be conducted in January 2020.

The Center at Sierra Health Foundation (SHF) Presentation

Matt Cervantes, *Director of Health Programs, SHF*

Nora Dunlap, *Program Officer, SHF*

Matt Cervantes and Nora Dunlap presented data collected from two youth listening sessions, Nevada City and Sacramento. SHF gathered youth input and thoughts on prevention and causal effects of youth substance use. Youth identified the following as productive methods to campaign for prevention and causal effects for youth substance use:

- Targeted social media messaging and advertisements.
- Promote the positives of not using substances.
- Youth, community, and school supports needed.
- Familial trauma and pain.
- A lack of resources in their community, including financial insecurity.

P64AG members would like to be included in the location selection process for future listening sessions. P64AG members also encouraged SHF to focus on populations of youth with higher risks of use when collecting specific demographic data in future listening sessions (i.e. age, ethnicity, gender identity, etc.). SHF plans on completing a minimum of six listening sessions.

Establishing Project Priorities: Recommended Strategies

Marlies Perez, *Community Services Division Chief, (DHCS)*

Denise Galvez, *Youth Services Section Chief, (DHCS)*

The group voted on three guiding principles to lead and support the strategy recommendations within the RFA.

The guiding principles with the majority of votes were:

1. Youth Activism/Policy or System Change
2. Mentorship/Relationship Building
3. Peer-Led Support Program

Establishing Project Priorities: Funding

Marlies Perez, *Community Services Division Chief, (DHCS)*

The group discussed funding structures, weighed the benefits and disadvantages associated with various funding amounts, and decided on a one million dollar limit.

Public Comment

Service Employees International Union Representative encouraged the P64AG to deny funding to potential grantees with a history of violating workers' rights.

Alameda Health Care Services Agency (AHCSA) requests the P64AG consider them as a grant applicant because of their long standing history of partnerships. AHCSA would

like 10 percent of grant funds allocated for student assistance and counseling for youth who are experiencing substance use and abuse.

Jan Ryan, Prevention Consultant, urged the P64AG to allocate funds towards Student Assistance Programs and school and community-based programs in order to serve students and families not included within the RFA strategy list.

Closing and Next Steps

Marlies Perez, *Community Services Division Chief (DHCS)*

Evaluation of grantees and cohesive branding will be discussed at the next meeting.