

Palliative Care Committee Minutes

Friday, July 7th, 2:00 – 3:30pm

1650 Mission Street, 5th floor, Golden Gate room

Present: Christine Ritchie, Jeff Newman, Megory Anderson, Ramona Davies, George Kellar, Shoshana Ungerleider, Bill Verducci, Redwing Keyssar, Mahja Cale, Heather Harris, Michael Kersten, Sarah Garrigues

DAAS Staff: Valerie Coleman

Introductions.

UPDATE: LTCCC & Workgroups

EVENT: Hippocratic Film Screening

BJ Miller discussed a traveling film (include trailer link) that is showing the 90min feature length documentary film and hosting a talk – team wonders if SF and Palliative Care workgroup is interested in sponsoring or supporting. Looking for a place to screen, somewhere to host a talk with Dr. Raj and would be sometime in Jan/Feb. Dr. Raj has been called the father of Palliative Care in India, has worked a lot on just being able to provide the basics of care, such as pain management, into his care with clients.

Questions for film team: flexibility around the timing, length of film (which would impact what the actual event would be), what they're hoping to see in size of attendance and what's the target audience, any technical requirements and projection, general hope for the screening, can this group get an abridged version, any funding for a reception.

Next Steps: BJ will follow up with film team re: questions the workgroup has.

UPDATE: Stupski Task Force

Christine gave an update on the Stupski projects, including:

Gaps analysis project – very comprehensive view of data (including Medicare data, nursing home data from CMS, etc.) will be available soon. Will also receive track end of life experience data from caregivers, with a steering committee (members from SF and Alameda County), and will try to identify additional questions that would not be in a typical survey format. Hope to see that survey instrument very soon and would be conducted in Chinese, in addition to Spanish and English.

Requests to understand disenfranchised populations, such as homeless, younger clients, and communities not traditionally served but waiting to see how feasible that is.

Heather (SFGH) mentioned they're starting to get the broader death/palliative care data very soon and will probably be able to present to this group in October.

Resource directory: Stupski foundation really likes this idea and have hired a staff person to do some information gathering and to develop a sustainable, business plan. If you get an email from Stacy, please respond! She may be following up with Palliative Care workgroup members.

UPDATE: (Re)Imagine Event

Program Manager position: will start advertising for when co-chairs are back from vacation, in about a month. Grant will allow for 25-50% of a person's time to work on a more long-term (hopefully for a year) effort to help

reengage the workgroup in a strategic planning effort. If you would like to apply or have someone that you'd like to recommend, please let us know.

Event Manager position: have had some applications come through and the steering committee will reach out and set up an interview with candidates.

Event Planning: IDEO has pulled back their participation in this event and the steering committee is primarily working with the End of Life Collaborative (ELC). There's been a lot of discussion about the potential date and most recently will be tentatively scheduled in April (near/including National Healthcare Decision's Day). The workgroup needs to strategically think through events or neighborhood contacts so that we can start helping with the planning around the (Re)Imagine activities that we feel would be engage and serve our target audience (underserved & diverse communities).

Two things: communities we want to outreach to:

- Racial/ethnic and cultural communities:
 - African American community
 - Samoan community
 - Chinese community: OnLok
 - Latino/a community: Mission Neighborhood Health Center, Cinco de Mayo festival organizers, Centro Latino and 30th St. Senior Center
 - LGBT community: OpenHouse
 - Russian Community
- Provider organizations: IOA, Senior centers
- Faith communities (Interfaith Council, churches that are specific to various cultures/neighborhoods etc.)
- Caregivers & low income communities: IHSS
- Long term care residents
- Getting the symphony involved (membership is older)
- Other populations:
 - Homeless: Curry Senior center, navigation centers, medical respite, shelters
 - Veterans:
 - Adults with disabilities: ILRC, SDA, Arc, Creativity Explored, the Regional Centers
- Youth, students (Jessica Ziter (sp?), primarily youth that isn't being reached by ELO/IDEO, SFSU Gerontology and other local programs)

And ideas around events:

- Intergenerational program/event: having youth reflect back on elders experience; student narrative facilitation; perhaps including long term care facilities
- Storytelling events: the Nocturnist,
- Panel: everything you wanted to know about "palliative care" (altho the use of the term "palliative care" is questionable)
- An event about National Healthcare Decisions day
- Advanced Care Planning
- Aid and dying
- Films
- Art show: Art for Elder (end of life theme), actually doing art in real time, California College for the Arts
- Music

- Ask the faith communities to coordinate their sermons on end of life – also to discuss ACP and have someone on hand to help so that at the end, members all walk out with a filled out ACP

UPDATE: Grace Cathedral's October event

To honor the anniversary of the AID's quilt, Grace is still planning a multi-day event including music, performance, etc. Megory will work with Grace to find ways for the Pal Care workgroup to support their efforts.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Redwing mentioned that Stupski gave her program a grant for specific patient care, for short-term home care subsidies, will cover palliative care subsidies and palliative care volunteer training. Start in September call in-take line of Jewish Family Services (415) 449-3700.

TO-DO:

- **All members** should think about who they can reach out (contacts from above orgs, etc.) and any other ideas re: events they may have;
- **Steering Committee** to draft some script around the event: have some standardized questions, would need knowledge of the organization, an elevator speech about the event, where they could host the event (up to the org to find space) and then some language about how we might ask them to engage;
- **Megory** will reach out to Boston re: the faith community & Advanced Care Planning strategy; and
- **Jeff** mentioned 2 recent papers re: Aid and Dying and will send me to share with group (shared and included in the minutes email).

Next meeting date: **Friday, September 1st**
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