

Palliative Care Committee Minutes

Friday, September 1st, 2:00 – 3:30pm

1650 Mission Street, 5th floor, Golden Gate Conference Room

Present: Shireen McSpadden, Christine Ritchie, Ramona Davies, Jeff Newman, Rebecca Sudore, Redwing Keyssar, Heather Harris, Bill Verducci, Chris Strayhorn, Kelly Dearman, Sarah Garrigues, Anne Hughes, Eric Weiss
(Phone) George Kellar, David Zwicky

DAAS Staff: Joseph Formentos

Introductions.

UPDATE: Stupski Task Force

Christine briefly summarized Stupski projects:

Gaps analysis requires strategic planning where needs assessment of members from San Francisco and Alameda County and qualitative data elements will be tracked.

Dr. Joan Tino will also add more data at the end of the year.

Assessments of safety-net populations and underserved populations data from Medicare data to other characteristics where needs are based on utilization. Data from intensive care deaths, or even reports of advanced dementia applied to other populations may show what can be gathered from the systems in place.

Another example being a survey sample conducted to San Francisco caregivers and what their experiences were like regarding health care and social services. Strong advocacy for Chinese survey formats pushed alongside Spanish and English.

Christine mentioned group stay tuned in on progress this coming October and November.

TO-DO: UCSF group of Heather, Sarah and Chris to present in October.

UPDATE: (Re)Imagine Event

Shireen mentioned group still deciding on exact date, but event is slated for April 2018. Along with Kelly and Jeff, Shireen has been in contact over phone with (Re)Imagine group to bind partnership agreement. Contract has been sent for Shireen to sign making DAAS and Palliative Care group legal entity, where parties are responsible for handling conflicts.

Event Planning: grant from Stupski project, with End of Life Collaborative (EOL), raising money from other sources for the hiring of an event manager that will express needs of the Palliative Care group. Event Manager advised to plan on addressing and engaging safety-net populations at the event.

Event Manager: Shireen and Jeff interviewed candidates and selected best fit to represent group and take pressure off the committee.

Candidate is Rachel Lovett, who works with Kelly Dearman and has event planning experience. Her contract will be finalized for her to start as soon as next week. Rachel is on board and ready to begin; also agreed that she meet with Brad as well as other Palliative Care group member's over-the-phone to understand assets and strengths.

SUGGESTIONS: Community Outreach-

- Jeff suggested the Medical Society, as well as colleges (UCSF, SFSU, CCSF). He discussed certain students who are involved in academic projects on subject matter.
- George recommended Local Unions. Ramona expanded on Unions tied to Dignity Fund.
- Redwing mentioned End-of-Life Care network.
- Shireen brought up possible neighborhood associations and district supervisors in San Francisco.

ASSIGNMENT: Community Outreach-

-Various ethnic/racial and cultural communities

Ramona provided contacts for ethnic/racial/cultural communities:

- African-American: Cathy Davis, and other churches in the Western Addition
- Samoan: possible contact in Visitacion Valley Senior Center
- Chinese: Grace Li, Anni Chung, Chinatown Community Development Center (CCDC), Norman Fong
- Latino/a: Valerie Villela, Gloria Bonilla
- LGBT: Michelle Alcedo and Karyn Skultety (Openhouse), Marcy Adelman(sp?)
- Russian: Traci at JFCS

-Provider organizations

- Jeff: for Asian American communities-- Southeast Health Center (SEHC) and the Chinese Community Health Resource Center (CCHRC), Angela Sun at (Chinatown?).
- Anne: for Latino/a communities-- Latino Mission Neighborhood Health Center (MNHC), Mission Neighborhood Centers (MNCSF) along with another contact of Norma Del Rio for the End-of-Life Care Multicultural initiative.
- Rebecca: for Latino/a Carmen Ortiz at Circulo De Vida.

ACTION ITEM: new Event Manager Rachel Lovett may need to work on the scripting. Next month group should create initial materials in which Rachel could revise for members to use when presenting the event. A very detailed flyer with the event name, date and time would be a step in the right direction.

Heather thought of sharing the video to participants and providing a link in the email expressing the need to reach diverse, underserved populations. And she also suggested a compilation of a list of organizations with the contact person's name and number.

-Cultural Communities/Provider organizations continued

- Redwing: Mentioned possible Russian Community Centers, possibly in the Outer Sunset. L'Chaim House. Stella Rockman and Cheryl(?)
- Kelly: Bayview Opera House.
- Shireen: Russian American Community Services (RACS), Nick Buick.
 - Samoan Community Development Center
- Christine: Institute on Aging.
- David: OnLok
- Bill: Bayanihan and Filipino Community Center.
- Kelly: Senior and Disability Action (SDA).
- Ramona: 30th Street Senior Center.
- Eric: Northern California Presbyterian Homes & Services (NCPHS).

ACTION ITEM: Shireen will bring list of over 60 senior centers.

-Faith Communities

- Heather: San Francisco Interfaith Council (SFIC), Anne Kinderman(sp?)
- Redwing: Grace Cathedral. Also, mentioned a Faith Forum coming up on Monday, October 16 at St Marys(?).
- Eric mentioned that he will be moderating this forum event and he could plug the Palliative Care group there. Also, added Board of Rabbis, the Archdiocese of San Francisco, and the Spiritual Care and Chaplaincy Services at CPMC.

He also advised to reach out to synagogues representing Jewish communities, mosques for Islamic communities and temples for the Buddhist populations.

- Shireen: GLIDE.

-Caregivers & low-income communities

- Kelly: Family Caregiver Alliance (FCA), Kathleen Kelly. San Francisco Human Service Network (SFHSN).
- Ramona: Mercy Housing.
- Redwing: low-income senior housing at Bernal Heights. (BRIDGE?)
- Eric: San Francisco Village- SF Village Chapter, Kate Hopki.
- Redwing: San Francisco Village- Next Village Chapter.
- Shireen: San Francisco Village- Golden Gate Village Chapter.

-Long Term Care Residents

- Christine: Jewish Home of San Francisco.
- Anne: Laguna Honda.

-Nontraditional Partners

- Kelly: Creativity Explored. Arts With Elders.
- Eric: San Francisco Ballet. Stern Grove Festival.
- Christine: SF Collective.
- Ramona: San Francisco Arts Commission.

-Specific Populations

-Veteran:

- Ramona: Curry Senior Center, Margo Ant(sp?). Creativity Explored.
- Bill: One Vet, One Voice, Eddie Ramirez.
- Shireen: County Veterans Service Office (CVSO).
- Rebecca: Swords to Plowshares, Michael Blecher(sp?)
- Redwing: San Francisco VA, Patrice Vilas.

-Homeless:

- Heather: Medical Respite Center.
- Shireen: partnerships with IDEO.

-Adults with Disabilities:

- Ramona: Immigrant Legal Resource Center (ILRC).
- Kelly: The Arc of San Francisco.

-Youth:

- Heather: UCSF, Wiley Luu.
- Jeff: Brian Defree, SFSU. USF—Nate(?)
- Redwing: Fromm Institute. (USF)

- Heather: Jessica Zinner. (sp?) John Gross. (sp?) (UCSF)
- Rebecca: Project Read
- Redwing: Employment Law Resource Center (ELR)

-Unions:

- George: mentioned 138 organizations connected to the hotel unions in San Francisco.

TO-DO:

For Rachel- list questions to ask organizations and compose script for outreach and create calendars of items for event. Having a small write-up and save the date for April along with email list of resources to contact.

Shireen stressed importance of reaching out to District Supervisors. Rebecca added marketing tools would be good—a website with link or even advertising on the back of MUNI buses.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Redwing reminded group about \$50,000 grant for subsidized palliative care program, which also offers scholarships for volunteer trainings.

TO-DO: add Chris Strayhorn Christopher.strayhorn@ucsf.edu to the list of group members and send him group members email addresses.