

HHS Updates for 1//24/2022 HIV Community Planning Council Meeting

COVID – 19

As of January 15, 2022, the 7-day rolling average of new COVID-19 cases per day in San Francisco is 1524.

As of January 19, 2022, the number of COVID-19 hospitalizations in San Francisco was 261.

As of January 22, 2022, the percentage of San Francisco residents that have completed the vaccination series is 82%.

Vaccine boosters help to reduce the spread of COVID-19 and protect against severe illness and hospitalization.
<https://sf.gov/data/covid-19-vaccine-boosters>

COVID-19 in single room occupancies (SROs): <https://sf.gov/data/covid-19-single-room-occupancies-sros>

San Francisco COVID-19 Data and Reports: <https://sf.gov/resource/2021/covid-19-data-and-reports>

For information on COVID-19 vaccines and severely or moderately immunocompromised people, see:
[COVID-19 Vaccines for Moderately or Severely Immunocompromised People | CDC](#)

HHS Quality Management Trainings

QM Training: Real-World Challenges of Harm Reduction; Realities, Tensions and Collisions is scheduled for Feb 4th and Feb 18th. This training will include an examination of real-world tensions created as service providers must embrace the principles of Harm Reduction and, in some cases, operating a Sober Living Environment.

General HHS Administrative and Community Updates

- *Ryan White funding*: HHS has received a partial RWPA Award for FY22-23. The total annual award cannot be determined by the partial award. The total will not likely be known until after Congress passes the Labor-HHS Appropriations Bill.
- An HHS staff person has been activated half-time to work on COVID surge related activities for the next few weeks. Another HHS staff person was trained and activated to help as required with the Tenderloin Emergency Response center.
- HHS is awaiting an approved list of candidates from Human Resources to replace the Health Program Coordinator Position (2593) currently vacant due to staff retirement.
- *End the HIV Epidemic funding*: EHE originally awarded \$1.0 Million per year to San Francisco for five years (3/1/2020 thru 2/28/2025), for a total of \$5.0M. In the second year, the award amount was increased from \$1.0M to \$1,667,000. HHS anticipates that the third-year award (for FY-2022-23) will have an increase up from the base of \$1.0 Million as well. The delayed budget/appropriations process will likely mean that any increase for year 2 will not be known by the start of fiscal year on March 1, 2022.
- HRSA policy clarification notice and subsequent clarifying letter enabling RWPA eligibility enables local health jurisdictions to conduct yearly rather than six-month recertification. HHS is beginning the process to get community input as to how to best implement this guidance.

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