



## Community Health Equity & Promotion Branch Updates

### HIV Community Planning Council Meeting on October 24, 2022

#### Administrative and Program Updates

- Health Officer Dr. Susan Philip announced DPH plans on letting the local emergency declaration for MPX expire October 31
  - MPX cases continue to decline and demand for MPX vaccine has decreased
  - MPX vaccine efforts proved to be successful in getting vulnerable populations protected
  - DPH will continue MPX prevention efforts, with special focus on encouraging those eligible to receive their 2<sup>nd</sup> dose
- SF MPX Newsletter will transition to publishing biweekly
  - The newsletter contains information about planned MPX events, DPH updates and additional resources
  - If you would like to receive the e-newsletter, please email [mpx@sfdph.org](mailto:mpx@sfdph.org) with your request

#### Organized Events

- MPX vaccine pop-up events in different SF neighborhoods were held on a regular basis in October
- HIV/HEP-C/STI State Counselor Training is scheduled for the week of 10/31/22
  - Five-day training with focus on providing basic counselling skills, technical skills to collect blood sample and interpret specific Hep-C and HIV rapid tests
  - Learn more at [learnsfdph.org](https://learnsfdph.org)



*MPX response team preparing for an MPX vaccine event*

#### Staffing Updates

- Ending the HIV/HCV/STI Epidemics Community Program Manager position is currently in the hiring process
- Five additional HIV/HCV/STI prevention positions in CHEP are in the hiring process and projected to be filled in the next few months