

# POPULATION HEALTH DIVISION SAN FRANCISCO DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

## COMMUNITY HEALTH EQUITY & PROMOTION

#### Community Health Equity & Promotion Branch Updates

HIV Community Planning Council Meeting on April 24, 2023

#### Administrative and Program Updates

• The COVID-19 Taskforce continues to offer vaccine at community events and high schools across the City. For updated info and upcoming events, visit <a href="https://sf.gov/community-vaccine-events">https://sf.gov/community-vaccine-events</a>

### Organized Events & Learning Opportunities

- Thomas Knoble co-presented on implementation of status neutral approaches/braid funding at the EHE Office Hours organized by NASTAD and NACCHO.
  - o EHE Office Hours are organized to offer support for learning opportunities for jurisdictional EHE plans.
- HIV/HCV/STI Test Counselor Training is scheduled for May 8<sup>th</sup>- May 12<sup>th</sup> and June 26<sup>th</sup> June 30<sup>th</sup>.
  - Trainees will gain knowledge in the following areas:
    - Health information to support clients in making informed choices regarding their HIV/Hep-C/STI concerns
    - Basic counselling skills to assist clients
    - Technical skills to prepare and collect blood through fingerstick
    - Interpret results for specific Hep-C and HIV rapid tests
  - o To learn more, visit <u>learnsfdph.org</u>
  - Priority for this training is given to SFDPH-funded CBO partners. The training is intended for people
    with prior experience in the field of sexual health and drug user health. Please reach out to
    TrainingAcademy@sfaf.org with questions and requests for additional information.
- CHEP staff are working with HAPs (Health Access Points) to support testing, protocol development and data collection and exploring an opportunity to host an in-person networking event soon.

#### Staffing Updates

- CHEP has hired a Health Program Coordinator II in the HIV/HCV/STI Prevention team.
- The Drug User Health Program Coordinator position in the HIV/HCV/STI Prevention team is currently in the HR hiring process.