



Community Health Equity & Promotion (CHEP) Branch Updates

HIV Community Planning Council Meeting on April 28, 2025

Division Updates and Community Engagement Efforts

- The Population Health Division welcomed Dr. Kyle Bernstein as its first **Deputy Director for Surveillance, Data, and Analytics**. Dr. Bernstein will lead the division's epidemiology, surveillance, research, and evaluation efforts, working closely with branches such as CHEP.
- In recognition of **STI Awareness Week (April 13–19)**, CHEP is collaborating with various SFDPH teams to share information about services, programs, and resources available to staff and community members. Learn more about STI Awareness Week here: cdc.gov/sti-awareness/about
- SFDPH participates in an interagency collaboration called the **SF Immigrant Forum**, which shares immigrant services and resources across San Francisco.
 - Information on available resources, including healthcare and legal assistance, can be found online at [SF.gov](https://sf.gov).
 - **CHEP's Newcomer Health Program** provides special health exams to eligible refugees. Visit sf.gov/get-healthcare-new-refugees for more information.

Program Highlights

In honor of National Minority Health Month, we are highlighting SFDPH's **Health Access Points (HAPs) and The Lotus Project**, which provides comprehensive health services for San Francisco's Asian and Pacific Islander community.

- Visit sf.gov/HAP to learn more.

SFDPH's **Harm Reduction Training Institute (HRTI)** continues to support staff working with people who use drugs by promoting harm reduction principles and reducing stigma. In April, the following trainings were provided:

- Foundations of Harm Reduction
- Introduction to Motivational Interviewing
- Boundaries and Disclosure

For more information, visit sf.gov/information-harm-reduction-training-institute-hrti.