



Meeting Notes

**Prop 64 Advisory Group
 1414 K Street, Adelante Room,
 Sacramento CA
 October 31, 2019**

Members Present	
Kelly Pfeifer, MD, DHCS	Jevon Wilkes
Marlies Perez, DHCS	Lynn Silver
Denise Galvez, DHCS	Paula Wilhelm
Timmen Cermak	Jim Keddy
Amanda McAllister-Wallner	Veronica Lewis
Briana Zweifler	John de Miranda

Members on Conference Line	
Ruben Cantu	Seth Ammerman, MD
Bonnie Midura	Joseph Eberstein
Taylor Schooley	
Marjorie Swartz	

Opening Remarks and Introductions

Dr. Kelly Pfeifer, *Behavioral Health Deputy Director (DHCS)*

Marlies Perez, *Community Services Division Chief, (DHCS)*

Denise Galvez, *Youth Services Section Chief, (DHCS)*

Denise Galvez opened the Prop 64 Advisory Group (P64AG) meeting and covered logistics. Dr. Pfeifer offered welcoming remarks and Marlies Perez went over the agenda and began introductions around the room and over the phone.

Youth Survey Results

Sarah Michael-Gaston, *Youth Forward*

Sarah Michael-Gaston presented the results from a listening session (LS) among inner city youth in Los Angeles County. Youth were asked several questions pertaining to the causes of substance use such as; what causes youth to use and what supports do youth need in their schools and neighborhoods? The LS facilitators used the Iceberg Analogy to demonstrate substance use is the tip of the iceberg and the root causes of substance use are the underlying issues. The LS results found that youth are in need of safe space and community support services. It was noted that, The Center at Sierra Health Foundation, will be conducting a LS with youth on November 18, 2019, in Placer County with more sessions to be announced at a later date.

Youth Prevention Project Conceptual Framework

Marlies Perez, *Community Services Division Chief (DHCS)*

Denise Galvez, *Youth Services Section Chief (DHCS)*

The P64AG engaged in a roundtable discussion to determine root causes, place-based work, target settings and target populations for the round one youth substance use disorder prevention program. Based on these discussions, the members agreed to the following:

- 1) Root Causes: Communities disproportionately impacted by the War on Drugs.
- 2) Target Populations: Youth ages 12-26 years old.
- 3) Target Settings (service locations and place-based work): High poverty rural and urban communities. Funding may be allocated as follows; 15-20% for rural communities, and 80-85% in urban areas.

The group also discussed that funding will focus on community-based organizations (CBO) and Tribal organizations that will create open and affirming safe spaces for youth. Settings will differ from community to community, especially regarding youth on the margins that may not be connected to school. The group also agreed that proposers should have a partnership and outreach plan. The P64AG tabled the strategy recommendation discussion for the December meeting.

Public Comment

Heather Williams, representing the California After School Network, stated that after school programs are a great option for the Prop 64 funding. Ms. Williams distributed a sheet on the effectiveness of after school programs.

Jamie Yee, representing Alameda County Health Care Services Agency, asked that DHCS make Prop 64 funding accessible to local health agencies. Md. Yee offered information on programs run by the Alameda Health Care Services Agency and will follow up with an email to the group containing this information.

Kaying Hang, representing The Center at Sierra Health Foundation, introduced herself and stated that her colleagues are honored to work on the RFA and youth prevention.

Closing and Next Steps

Marlies Perez, *Community Services Division Chief (DHCS)*

Please see the Prop 64 website for details and meeting materials for the December 6th meeting. DHCS staff will incorporate the P64AG suggestions into the RFA guidelines. The next P64AG meeting will consist of creating strategy recommendations, funding levels, and data evaluation.