



PUBLIC POLICY COMMITTEE

Virtual Meeting

Monday, February 6, 2023

1:00PM-3:00PM (PST)

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**AGENDA FOR THE VIRTUAL MEETING OF THE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY COMMISSION ON HIV
PUBLIC POLICY COMMITTEE**

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2023 | 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM

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Public Policy Committee Members:			
Katja Nelson, MPP Co-Chair	Lee Kochems, MA Co-Chair	Alasdair Burton, (Alternate)	Mary Cummings
Pearl Doan	Felipe Findley, PA-C, MPAS, AAHIVS	Jerry D. Gates, PhD	Eduardo Martinez (Alternate)
Paul Nash, PhD, CPsychol, AFBPsS, FHEA	Ricky Rosales		
QUORUM: 6			

AGENDA POSTED January 30, 2023.

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Call to Order, Introductions and Check-in, Conflict of Interest Statements 1:00 PM – 1:05 PM

I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS 1:05 PM – 1:08 PM

- 1. Approval of Agenda **MOTION #1**
- 2. Approval of Meeting Minutes **MOTION #2**

II. PUBLIC COMMENT 1:08 PM – 1:10 PM

- 3. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on items of interest that are within the jurisdiction of the Commission.

III. COMMITTEE NEW BUSINESS ITEMS 1:10 PM – 1:15 PM

- 4. Opportunity for Commission members to recommend new business items for the full body or a committee level discussion on non-agendized Matters not posted on the agenda, to be discussed and (if requested) placed on the agenda for action at a future meeting, or matters requiring immediate action because of an emergency situation, or where the need to take action arose subsequent to the posting of the agenda.

IV. REPORTS

- 5. Executive Director/Staff Report 1:15 PM – 1:20 PM
- 6. Co-Chair Report 1:20 PM – 1:35 PM
 - a. 2023 Workplan Development
 - b. Meeting Frequency

V. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- 7. PACHA Resolution on MSM Blood Donation Deferral Policy 1:35 PM—1:50 PM
- 8. 2023 Legislative Docket Development 1:50 PM – 2:00 PM
- 8. 2023 Policies Priority – Action Plan Development 2:00 PM – 2:20 PM
- 9. State Policy & Budget Update 2:20 PM – 2:30 PM
- 10. Federal Policy Update 2:30 PM – 2:40 PM
- 11. County Policy Update 2:40 PM – 2:50 PM
 - a. COH Coordinated Response to the STD Crisis

VI. NEXT STEPS

2:50 PM – 2:55 PM

- 12. Task/Assignments Recap
- 13. Agenda development for the next meeting

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

2:55 PM – 3:00 PM

- 14. Opportunity for members of the public and the committee to make announcements

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

3:00 PM

- 15. Adjournment for the meeting of February 6, 2023

PROPOSED MOTIONS	
MOTION #1	Approve the Agenda Order as presented or revised.
MOTION #2	Approve the Public Policy Committee minutes, as presented or revised.



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Approved meeting minutes are available on the Commission's website; meeting recordings are available upon request.

**PUBLIC POLICY COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES**

December 5, 2022

Draft

COMMITTEE MEMBERS			
P = Present A = Absent EA = Excused Absence			
Katja Nelson, MPP, Co-Chair	EA	Felipe Findley, PA-C, MPAS, AAHIVS	P
Lee Kochems, MA, Co-Chair	P	Jerry D. Gates, PhD	P
Alasdair Burton (Alternate)	P	Eduardo Martinez (Alternate)	A
Mary Cummings	P	Paul Nash, PhD, CPsychol, AFBPsS, FHEA	A
Pearl Doan	P	Ricky Rosales	EA
COMMISSION STAFF AND CONSULTANTS			
Cheryl Barrit, Catherine Lapointe, Lizette Martinez, and Jose Rangel-Garibay			

*Some participants may not have been captured electronically. Attendance can be corrected by emailing the Commission.

*Members of the public may confirm their attendance by contacting Commission staff at hivcomm@lachiv.org.

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CALL TO ORDER-INTRODUCTIONS-CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Lee Kochems, Co-Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:08 PM, welcomed attendees, and led introductions. L. Kochems also welcomed new Committee members, Mary Cummings and Pearl Doan, and thanked them for attending their first meeting.

I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION #1: Approve the Agenda Order as presented or revised. ✓ Passed by Consensus

2. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

MOTION #2: Approve the Public Policy Committee minutes, as presented or revised

✓ Passed by Consensus

II. PUBLIC COMMENT

3. OPPORTUNITY FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE COMMISSION ON ITEMS OF INTEREST THAT ARE WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE COMMISSION. *No public comments.*

III. COMMITTEE NEW BUSINESS ITEMS

4. OPPORTUNITY FOR COMMISSION MEMBERS TO RECOMMEND NEW BUSINESS ITEMS FOR THE FULL BODY OR A COMMITTEE LEVEL DISCUSSION ON NON-AGENDIZED MATTERS NOT POSTED ON THE AGENDA, TO BE DISCUSSED AND (IF REQUESTED) PLACED ON THE AGENDA FOR ACTION AT A FUTURE MEETING, OR MATTERS REQUIRING IMMEDIATE ACTION BECAUSE OF AN EMERGENCY SITUATION, OR WHERE THE NEED TO TAKE ACTION AROSE SUBSEQUENT TO THE POSTING OF THE AGENDA. *No committee new business items.*

IV. REPORTS

5. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR/STAFF REPORT

Jose Rangel-Garibay, Commission on HIV (COH) Staff, welcomed new commissioners Mary Cummings and Pearl Doan to their first Public Policy Committee (PPC) meeting and reminded commissioners of the upcoming full-body COH meeting that will take place on Thursday, January 12, 2023.

Cheryl Barrit, COH Staff, Executive Director, informed the PPC that the Committee will begin meeting in-person in March 2023 following the Governor's lifting of the declared COVID-19 emergency. M. Cummings inquired if hybrid options will be available. C. Barrit responded that commissioners will be able to join remotely; and County lawyers will be present at the January COH meeting to provide more detail on the rules regarding hybrid meetings.

6. CO-CHAIR REPORT

a. 2023 Workplan Development

L. Kochems provided a thorough review of the draft 2023 Workplan; see meeting packet for additional details.

Kevin Donnelley, Planning Priorities and Allocations (PP&A) Committee Co-Chair encouraged attendees to review the Comprehensive HIV Plan which is available on the Commission on HIV website.

The Committee discussed devoting the March PPC meeting to gather further public and consumer comment, and community organization feedback on the policy priorities

action plan document. The March PPC meeting will be held in-person at the Vermont Corridor building.

V. DISCUSSION ITEMS

7. FDA BLOOD DONATION POLICY PRESENTATION

CATHERINE LAPOINTE, MPH

Catherine Lapointe, COH Staff, provided a presentation on the Food and Drug Administration (FDA)'s policy for blood donations by men who have sex with men (MSM) relevant to HIV prevention; see meeting packet for presentation slides. The PPC discussed taking a stance on the current FDA donor policy and adding it to the Policy Priorities Action Sheet.

8. LEGISLATIVE DOCKET

L. Kochems briefly went over the 2022 Legislative Docket; see meeting packet. The PPC will begin working on the 2023 Legislative Docket as bills are introduced. C. Barrit reminded the PPC to closely follow if a new bill will be developed following the Governor's veto of pilot safe injection sites in major cities in California.

9. POLICIES PRIORITY – ACTION PLAN DEVELOPMENT

L. Kochems provided an overview of the Policies Priority document; see meeting packet for additional details. L. Kochems discussed a conversation held at the January Aging Caucus meeting regarding the lack of action being taken on behalf of the COH and possible strategies to mitigate the issue.

The PPC identified Housing, Aging, and Mental Health as policy priorities for 2023. The consensus from the group was to focus primarily on Housing as an item requiring immediate action. Felipe Findley recommended adding language to address laws that criminalize homelessness.

10. STATE POLICY & BUDGET UPDATE – *No update provided.*

11. FEDERAL POLICY UPDATE – *No update provided.*

12. COUNTY POLICY UPDATE

a. COH Coordinated Response to the STD Crisis

The PPC is awaiting a response from the Board of Supervisors (BOS) on action that will be taken to address the STD crisis in Los Angeles County (LAC).

VI. NEXT STEPS

13. TASK/ASSIGNMENTS RECAP

- Update the 2023 Workplan and Action Plan based on the feedback received at the January PPC meeting.
- COH staff will follow any updates on the meth and STD reports from the BOS.
- COH staff will research HIV related bills and being populating the 2023 Legislative Docket for the PPC to review at their February meeting.

14. AGENDA DEVELOPMENT FOR THE NEXT MEETING

- Discuss the Presidential Advisory Council on HIV/AIDS (PACHA)'s statement on the FDA's blood donor policy for MSM.
- Finalizing the plan for the March PPC meeting regarding organizing a public hearing to discuss policy priorities from communities affected by HIV.

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

15. OPPORTUNITY FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC AND THE COMMITTEE TO MAKE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Alasdair Burton reminded the PPC that the Consumer Caucus will be meeting on January 12th from 3-4:30 PM.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

16. ADJOURNMENT FOR THE MEETING OF JANUARY 9, 2023

The meeting was adjourned by L. Kochems at 3:19 PM.