

## PUBLIC REQUEST TO ADDRESS THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

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			The following individuals submitted comments on agenda item:		
Agenda #	Relate To	Position	Name	Comments	
45.		Oppose	Monisha Parker	Here are some suggestions for strengthening the Core HIV Care Services Sole Source Contract Amendments in Los Angeles County:	
				**Transparency and Communication:**	
				<ul> <li>* **Public disclosure:** Consider publicly disclosing the rationale behind the sole-source amendments, including details like financial impact, timeline for competitive bidding, and alternative solutions explored.</li> <li>* **Clear communication with providers:** Ensure clear and open communication with affected providers regarding the amendments, their impact, and opportunities for feedback.</li> <li>* **Community engagement:** Involve community members living with HIV and stakeholders in discussions about program needs, service delivery, and potential improvements.</li> </ul>	
				**Strengthening Services and Outcomes:**	
				<ul> <li>***Focus on evidence-based interventions:** Ensure services align with current best practices and proven interventions for HIV treatment, prevention, and care.</li> <li>***Data-driven monitoring and evaluation:** Regularly track program performance metrics like medication adherence, viral suppression rates, and access to preventive services.</li> <li>***Culturally competent care:** Deliver culturally competent services that cater to the diverse needs and preferences of the communities served.</li> <li>***Integration with other services:** Promote integration with other relevant services like mental health, substance use treatment, and social support programs.</li> </ul>	
				**Improving Contractual Terms:**	
				<ul> <li>***Clear performance standards:** Outline clear and measurable performance standards for service delivery, quality of care, and program outcomes.</li> <li>***Performance-based incentives:** Consider incorporating performance- based incentives in the contract to reward exceeding benchmarks and achieving positive outcomes.</li> <li>***Cost-effectiveness analysis:** Conduct regular cost-effectiveness analyses to ensure efficient resource allocation and identify opportunities for cost savings without compromising quality.</li> <li>***Dispute resolution mechanism:** Establish a fair and transparent mechanism for resolving disputes that may arise between the County and the contractor.</li> </ul>	

			<ul> <li>**Promoting Sustainability and Equity:**</li> <li>***Explore competitive bidding:** While justifying the current sole-source approach, consider establishing a clear timeline for transitioning to a competitive bidding process in the future.</li> <li>***Advocate for increased funding:** Advocate for increased and consistent funding from various sources to ensure program sustainability and avoid reliance on future amendments.</li> <li>***Reduce barriers to care:** Address barriers to care for underserved communities, such as transportation, language access, and stigma.</li> <li>***Prioritize diversity and inclusion:** Ensure diverse representation among service providers and cater to the unique needs of different populations living with HIV.</li> <li>**Additional Considerations:**</li> <li>***Staff training and development:** Invest in training and development opportunities for service providers to enhance their skills and knowledge.</li> <li>***Data sharing and collaboration:** Foster data sharing and collaboration among different stakeholders to gain a holistic understanding of HIV care needs and service gaps.</li> </ul>
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