## Overview of PHD STI resources for LPSCC Sex Trafficking Panel

All services support survivors of trafficking and any sex worker in a safe, trauma-informed, stigma free manner. Staff are all mandatory reporters of child abuse, with reporting requirements for clients under 18 suspected of being trafficked.

Main categories of services:

- STI clinical services
- Disease Investigation/Outreach
- Epidemiology
- Ryan White Services
- Harm Reduction Services (outreach and clinical)

## **STI Program**

- Low barrier, judgment free, safe, culturally responsive, low or no cost clinical services
- HIV prevention medication (PrEP) for at-risk individuals and post-exposure prophy
- <u>Screening/testing</u> and treatment; contacting sexual and syringe sharing partners of people with confirmed STI/HIV/Hep C with linkages to testing and treatment
- Community partnerships for field-based testing, health promotion, condom distribution
- Outreach and epidemiology, case investigation to determine population level patterns and trends in STI/HIV to guide testing, outreach, prevention strategies and focused intervention
- Working to eliminate racial and other health disparities, including in the LGBTQ+, homeless communities, and intersections of multiple identities and vulnerabilities
- Outreach efforts at homeless camps, hook up sites, on social media, involvement of peer leaders and trusted communicators; some clinical services offered in community settings

## **HIV Services**

- HIV Grant Administration Program/Ryan White Part A
  - Coordinate Regional 6 County system and Planning Council
  - Collect and analyze disaggregated data on both health outcomes and access to services
  - Address viral suppression disparities for Black/African American community, injectable drug users, youth, and houseless/unstably housed individuals
  - Promote access to high quality HIV services through contracts with local health departments and CBOs
  - Services include:
    - peer support/navigation supporting early identification and linkages to medical care
    - coordinated primary care system through <u>ICS HIV Clinic</u> including medical, dental, mental health and substance use treatment
    - service coordination/case management connecting clients with health insurance and housing
    - rent assistance and housing locator services

 congregate meals, home delivered meals and access to food pantry services

## Harm Reduction Services

- Trauma-informed risk reduction counseling of people who use drugs
- Culturally appropriate referrals based on client readiness
- Strategies include: education, engagement and promotion of one-time use of injection supplies to reduce transmission of HIV, Hep C, and bacterial infection
- Field based and clinic services include:
  - HIV and HEP C testing and linkages to treatment
  - Low barrier wound care and sexual health services for people not typically linked to health care
  - Naloxone and fentanyl test strip distribution to prevent fatal overdose
  - Syringe services including distribution of safe syringes and safe disposal of used syringes
  - Van-based and street outreach conducted by a diverse team of highly skilled staff who are experienced at gaining trust and engaging with people who use drugs in a welcoming, non-judgmental and non-coercive manner with the goal of maintaining connection and reducing transmission of disease and overdose death