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The California HIV/AIDS Policy Research Centers Announce Inaugural Policy Research Fellows Program

The Fellows Program seeks to enhance the capacity of individuals and organizations to develop, monitor, and shape policies that impact statewide and local HIV prevention and treatment.

(Los Angeles; November 1, 2016) – The California HIV/AIDS Policy Research Centers, based in Los Angeles and San Francisco, are pleased to announce our inaugural call for the HIV/AIDS Policy Research Fellows Program. The Fellows Program provides policy research training and education to individuals who are affiliated with HIV/AIDS community-based organizations in California that serve people living with or populations disproportionately affected by HIV/AIDS. The two-year fellowship program will increase the capacity of community-based organizations to address the HIV epidemic in California by shaping public policy.

The Centers will support six fellows. Participation in the program will require a commitment of 20-25 hours per month for two years. A fellow's organization will receive \$1,000/per month (\$24,000 in total for each fellow) to cover administrative costs for the fellow to take part in program activities. Fellows are expected to utilize the skills and knowledge they learn to benefit their organizations and the communities they serve.

"We hope that the Policy Research Fellows Program will add to the diversity of voices involved in policy discussions about HIV/AIDS in California," said Tyler Martz, Program Officer at the California HIV/AIDS Research Program who oversees the Policy Research Centers. To be eligible for the Fellows Program, an individual must:

- be based at a community organization in California that serves people living with or the populations disproportionately affected by HIV/AIDS;
- have at least two years of experience working in HIV/AIDS;

- be able to demonstrate interest and involvement in shaping or researching policies related to HIV prevention and care;
- have familiarity and experience working with one or more populations disproportionately impacted by HIV/AIDS;
- be able and willing to travel to San Francisco or Los Angeles for meetings and work with the HIV/AIDS Policy Research Center teams.

For more information about the Policy Research Fellows Program and to apply, please visit our website: chprc.org.

ABOUT the California HIV/AIDS Policy Research Centers

The California HIV/AIDS Research Program supports two Collaborative HIV/AIDS Policy Research Centers to conduct policy analyses and studies that address critical issues related to HIV/AIDS care and prevention in California. The center based in Southern California is a partnership among the University of California, Los Angeles; APLA Health; and the Los Angeles LGBT Center. The center based in Northern California is a partnership among the University of California, San Francisco; the San Francisco AIDS Foundation; and Project Inform. Both centers conduct statewide research.