

North Dakota HIV Advisory Board

Mission

The North Dakota HIV Advisory Board (NDHAB) makes sure the voices of people and communities affected by HIV are heard. We give feedback and share ideas with the North Dakota Department of Health and Human Services (NDHHS) about HIV programs, services, and events.

Our board includes people of all ages, races, genders, sexual orientations, HIV status, and life experiences.

Together, we:

- Advise the NDHHS on how to improve HIV services for all communities.
- Bring community voices into decisions about HIV programs and services.
- Give feedback on how well the NDHHS is meeting community needs.

Roles and Responsibilities

ND Department of Health & Human Services (NDHHS):

- Establish and maintain an NDHAB.
- Provide meeting agendas, notes, and documents.
- Share the latest HIV data in North Dakota.
- Give up-to-date information about HIV prevention, care, and resources.
- Help involve people across the state, especially those most impacted.
- Create statewide plans for HIV prevention and care.
- Manage funding and resources based on state plans and board input.
- Update the board on successes and challenges in HIV work.
- Share info about grant applications and national HIV goals.



Facilitator:

- Keep communication clear between the board and NDHHS.
- Ensure community voices and values are respected.
- Help plan and run board meetings (2–5 hours each quarter).
- Meet with NDHHS staff to prepare for meetings.
- Create activities so all members can share input.
- Communicate board needs (scheduling, accessibility, etc.) to NDHHS.
- Send reminders, notes, and updates to members.

Members:

- Read and respond to board emails on time.
- Treat other members and staff with respect.
- Attend meetings and review materials ahead of time.
- Share info with your community and bring feedback back to the board.
- Stay informed about HIV issues, data, and strategies.
- Review HIV data and ask questions if something is unclear.
- Help identify priority communities for HIV services.
- Suggest improvements to programs and services.
- Be part of creating and reviewing statewide HIV plans.
- Recommend policy changes that improve care, reduce stigma, and support health for people living with HIV.