

HIV Prevention and Care Board

Meeting Minutes February 16, 2023; 6:30 – 8:00 pm

Members in Attendance: Carson Beckwith, Jordan Laducer, Alicia Belay, Agnes, Russell Compio, Cassie Plante, Jason Gruenich, Channing Neilsen, Brynn Gaebe, Kaitlin Weisz, Gordana Cokrlic, Alexi Murphy, Christopher Wegner, Luisa Hoyos, Abiola Fashanu, Johanna Fajardo, Tanoa Williams

YEAR IN REVIEW

In 2022, the board accomplished

- 4 Full body sessions to discuss needs of those living with/impacted by HIV in ND
- Held focused feedback meetings on diagnose, treat, prevent and respond pillars
 of national Ending the HIV Epidemic (EHE) plan to tailor a statewide plan for ND
- In person meeting to review/finalize Integrated HIV Prevention & Care Plan
- Beginning new peer-to-peer program
- Addition of new members to the board
- Board led project ideas and action items

BOARD PROJECTS

One Stop Shop

- Develop a website
- Partner with college health service centers to find/disseminate resources
- Expand Ryan white to have dedicated staff

Multilingual Resources

- Host diverse cultural events
- Lead multilingual trainings on best practices for providing resources/services
- Share information in multiple languages

Engaging Rural Communities

- Increasing testing opportunities on reservations
- Connecting with colleges, schools, families, organizations in person and virtually
- Offer social media groups to rural communities

Legislation Stakeholder Education

- Train 25% of this board how to navigate legislation
- Educate city and local representatives
- Bring a human face to HIV related matters in government

GETTING STARTED

GOALS

• We will collectively build trust, knowledge and relationships both in this advisory board and within our community spaces

- We will ensure that priority communities will always guide our work, our feedback and our engagement
- We will open up the conversation and disseminate vital information on HIV to our communities
- We will provide person-centered, grounded input and feedback on HIV outreach methods, treatment, care and community engagement in regions across the state

Projects Discussion

See Table Below

Intermediary Funds

Monies available through NDHHS to be able to work as a board through a non-profit. Discussion on non-profits to contract with/ideas

- This board could become a non-profit
- Utilization of an established non-profit
- Using funds for a large media campaign without using it for the board itself without an intermediary
- This will be discussed and decided in emails before the next meeting

Action Items

Renaming of board

- Mentimeter was utilized for suggestions for renaming of board, including
 - North Dakota Planning Council (NDPC)
 - HIV Advisory Board (HAB)
 - Coolest Kids on the Block
 - North Dakota HIV Advisory Board
 - ND HIV Advocacy Group
 - HIV Community Advisory Board
 - HIV P&C (HIV Prevention & Care)
 - HIV Safe Board
- Names will be gathered and presented at next meeting for vote. Email any further suggestions to Jorden Laducer

Meeting Time Preferences – Quarterly Meetings

- Mentimeter was utilized for suggestions for times for meetings
 - After vote, it was decided to keep the evening times for meetings

Recruitment

 Think of someone in your community we can contact to continue the energy of this team

Reminder

- Meeting the Challenge Conference in Bismarck at Bismarck State College May 3-4, 2023. More details will be updated at <u>Agenda | Conferences at BSC</u>
- HIV/AIDS walk being planned in Fargo in July, more information will follow for possible in person event at that time

Upcoming Meeting

May 25th at 6:30



Projects Discussion

Project	People	Support Needs	What Next
One-Stop Shop develop a website with resources on medical providers, pharmacies, and social networks that are all HIV competent partner with health service centers of colleges to both find and disseminate resources expand Ryan White to have dedicated staff for this purpose (education and connection to care)	Jason Cassie Francisca Chelsey Channing Johanna (training)	 hold conversation with NDDoH on what's on the ground and determine what needs to be added to this hub secure funding to be able to support the upkeep of this resource for North Dakota residents Being able to connect with pharmacies so that they have resources to provide to people within their harm reduction program (Alexi) 	 Identifying and compiling all of the resources and programs that are available Connecting with peer educators (talk to Jason about both CPS and HIV peer educators)(figuring out ways to pay peers) to be a part of this site Working on centralized case management (Gordana) Following up on TAVIE-Red Partnering with LGBTQ2S+ organizations to disseminate Get documents on this site in multiple languages (partner with other subgroup)
Multilingual Resources host diverse cultural events as a means of spreading awareness and holding testing opportunities lead a multilingual training on best practices for providing resources and services in multiple languages share information in multiple languages at colleges/schools	Cassie Johanna Luisa Jordan Agnes (connect with Alicia)	 search for a professional translator connect with the health department in Williston / Upper Missouri 	 connect with the health department in Williston / Upper Missouri as they manage a lot of the services in the area Connecting with pharmacies in different languages (Alexi) on health literacy

Engaging Rural Communities providing more testing opportunities on reservations work with colleges, schools, families, and sex education organizations to connect both in- person and virtually offer social media groups that are already providing education and resources to rural communities	Luisa Jordan Jolene Sahra Johanna Chelsey Christopher (Kaitlin) (Jorden)	 check out guides and resources from other states to see what could be replicated develop a QR code for translated materials 	 establishing relationships to help lead into these conversations (and be able to provide these) Partnering with testing at the jails in ND to provide some education
Legislation Stakeholders Education train ¼ of NDHPCAB on how to navigate legislation educate city and local reps (ex. Mayors, state legislators) bring a human face to HIV-related matters in government	Jason Cassie Francisca Russell	 connect with advocates from other states who may have the relevant experience to make legislative change find friendly legislators to convene with connect with Healthcare Reform Committee 	