

**HIV Consortium Meeting  
September 6, 2012  
Summary Minutes**

Keith Callahan, Chair, called the meeting to order at the Northern Virginia Regional Commission (NVRC) offices.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

David Hoover of Inova Juniper announced their new Prevention Team: Jonjelyn Gamble (the new Healthy Relationships Program Facilitator; Tom Decker, Health Educator; Christian Sanchez, Patient Advocate; and Phillip Bailey, Community Health Worker (part-time with IPJ and also with IPHi). Healthy Relationships seeks to build HIV prevention and disclosing skills among MSM and lesbians through group education. Healthy Relationships will begin serving clients in mid-October and is now accepting referrals. JoAnn Nelson-Hooks is Inova's new registrar for trainings. The next FACTS (on HIV) training will be September 20. Mark your calendars for November 15 prevention conference at IJP featuring Ron Stall from the University of Pittsburg and the MAC study, the long-running men's longitudinal study.

Jane Beddoe invited everyone to the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary reception for the Northern Virginia AIDS Ministry (NOVAM) on September 27 from 6:00-8:00 p.m. at the Immanuel Church on the Hill, Alexandria.

Bob Atkins reminded everyone that new voter identification cards are being mailed from the Virginia State Board of Elections the end of September. Voters arriving at the polls November 6 without this or another acceptable form of identification will only be able to cast provisional ballots, then return within 3 days with acceptable ID. In-person absentee balloting for this election starts September 21. The voter registration deadline is October 15<sup>th</sup>.

Keli Nibblins introduced Daryl Williams as the new Patient Navigator for Mary Washington HealthCare. Keli has been promoted to Ryan White Quality Management Coordinator and MWHC will be recruiting for a new Case Manager/Medical Case Coordinator.

Debbie Bowers introduced Natalia Gonzalez, a new Case Manager with ANHSI at the Casey Clinic.

Abby Charles introduced Courtney Coffey, the new Program Assistant for EIS at IPHi.

**OPEN MIKE**

Members passed around a card for Anthony Seymour, a Consortium member who is ill.

Phillip Bailey asked for help for two clients from Egypt who addressed the AIDS2012 Conference and are now seeking asylum. Their apartment has no furnishings and he asked for donations.

**INTRODUCTION OF THE REGIONAL COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKERS**

Abby Charles, of the Institute for Public Health Innovation (IPHi), introduced the following nine persons who successfully completed 110 hours of classroom and on-the-job Community Health training: Martha Sichone-Cameron, Doug Fogel, Paulette Johnson, Willie Boswell, Daryl Williams, Denise Cruz, Phillip Bailey, Ricardo Wood, and Denise Joines. Four of them have been hired by IPHi. Rhonda Mial with Legal Services also completed the training.

**ELECTION OF VICE CHAIR**

The Nominations Committee presented three candidates: Karen Cebula, Housing Director, NVFS; Zachary Hatcher, Executive Director, FAHASS; and Martha Sichone-Cameron, Community Health Worker and Q-PAC member. There were no additional nominations. Zach withdrew his name. A question arose about the voting status of people who have been individual members of the Consortium and are now working for member agencies, since each member agency is allowed one vote. For this election, members in this status submitted provisional ballots. The Bylaws Committee, meeting after the Consortium, will consider the issue.

Rashmi Puranik was appointed to tabulate the ballots. Bob Atkins and Ron Scheraga were appointed as observers.

Karen Cebula was elected Vice-Chair. The provisional ballots would not have affected this outcome.

**CONTINUATION OF SERVICE DELIVERY PLAN DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES**

Members generated suggestions for service delivery plans for four priority client populations: those over 55, men having sex with men, intravenous drug users, and those precariously housed. Two of the groups reported back to the Consortium. The final two groups, MSM & the precariously housed, agreed to present their findings at the Executive Committee meeting September 17.

**PLANNING COUNCIL UPDATES**

Part A allocations were approved as presented at the last meeting. The Planning Council meets again on September 22. Keith Callahan is running for Community Co-Chair of the Planning Council.

**THANK YOU TO THE OUTGOING CHAIR**

David Hoover thanked Keith Callahan for his service over the past year and presented a personal PA system as a token of our appreciation.

**COMMITTEE UPDATES**

Ad Hoc Bylaws Committee: Ron Scheraga announced that the Bylaws Committee would meet immediately after the Consortium. The timely topic will be voting procedures.

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF FREE POST-EXPOSURE MEDICATIONS**

- Amelia Khalil announced that pharmaceutical companies have agreed to provide 30 days of free post-exposure medications to victims of rape and sexual assault or other exposure to sexually transmitted infections. The only requirement will be a valid prescription for such medications. Medications must be started within 72 hours of exposure.

**UPCOMING MEETING DATES**

- September 17, 2012 Executive Committee meeting (1:00 PM – 2:30 PM)
- October 4, 2012 Consortium meeting (10:00 AM to 12 noon)

Minutes     Approved as Written     With Corrections

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